

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Council

Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124

January 14, 2026

Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT	Murray Kerik Sandra Melzer Brad Pearson Norm Seatter Lester Vanhill Richard Colborne Thomas Snowden	- Reeve - Division 1 - Division 2 - Division 2 - Division 1 - Division 1 - Division 2
IN ATTENDANCE	Doug Baird Nicky van Deventer Kristen Schalin Ann Holden Jeremy Dumaresque Shari Spencer Lana McCann Ronald Potts Pearl Lorentzen Marilyn Gladue	- Interim CAO, MDLSR - Director of Human Resources, MDLSR - Director of Finance, MDLSR - Planning & Development Officer, MDLSR - Assistance Director/Utilities Manager, MDLSR - Director of Field Services, MDLSR - Municipal Clerk, MDLSR - MD Resident - Lakeside Leader - Recording Secretary, MD LSR
CALL TO ORDER	Reeve Kerik called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.	
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	January 14, 2026, Regular Meeting Agenda <u>MOTION 001-26</u> Moved by Councillor Pearson to accept January 14, 2026, Regular Meeting Agenda as amended: Add: - Canyon Creek Recreation Association – CLOSED SESSION - Library 2026 Budget – CLOSED SESSION - Muskeg Creek Bridge CARRIED	
ADOPTION OF MINUTES	December 18, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council Minutes <u>MOTION 002-26</u> Moved by Councillor Melzer to adopt December 18, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council Minutes as presented. CARRIED	
DELEGATION	MD Resident – Ronald Potts <u>MOTION 003-26</u> Moved by Councillor Pearson to accept the delegate Ronald Potts – discussion on Utility (Water/Sewer) line extension as information. CARRIED Potts/Lorentzen exited at 10:19 a.m.	

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION 004-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to go into Closed Session at 10:20 a.m. as per the following sections of the Access To Information Act (ATIA) with Interim CAO Baird, Assistant Director of Field Services Dumaresque, Planning & Development Officer Holden, Director of Field Services Spencer, Municipal Clerk McCann and Recording Secretary, Gladue in attendance.

- Section 20 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy
 - Section 21 Disclosure harmful to individual or public safety
 - Section 22 Confidential Evaluations
 - Section 29 Advice from Officials
- Utility Line Extension

MOTION 005-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to return to Open Session at 11:14 a.m.

CARRIED

van Deventer/Schalin entered at 11:14 a.m.

MOTION 006-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to direct Administration to bring back at budget deliberation a proposal on the cost to install water and sewer line extension with curb stop(s) within the 2026 Looping Project.

CARRIED

Holden/Dumaresque/Spencer exited at 11:16 a.m.

REQUEST FOR
DECISION

Interim Chief Administrative Officer Appointment

MOTION 007-26

Moved by Councillor Vanhill that Council appoint Doug Baird as Interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to assume the duties, powers, and functions of the position in accordance with Bylaw 2020-12 for the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 effective January 5, 2026, to March 6, 2026.

CARRIED

van Deventer exited at 11:22 a.m.

Designated Signing Authorities

MOTION 008-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson that Council remove Barry Kolenosky as an authorized signing authority for the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 upon his retirement, effective January 5, 2026.

CARRIED

2026 Tax Sale Date

MOTION 009-26

Moved by Council Melzer that Council schedule the Tax Recovery Sale for March 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 Council Chambers.

CARRIED

2026 Tax Sale Reserve Bids and Conditions

MOTION 010-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council approve the reserve bid amounts and terms and conditions of the Property Tax sale of March 27, 2026, as stated in Schedules ‘A’ and ‘B’ and attached here to.

CARRIED

Council and Board Member Remuneration

MOTION 011-26

Moved by Councillor Vanhill that Council reviewed CL-11-06 Council Remuneration and approved as amended with:

- Correct amount on Schedule B to \$353.00

CARRIED

MOTION 012-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter that Council reviewed CL-11-07 Council Appointed Board Member at Large Remuneration and approved as presented.

CARRIED

Membership for Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA)

MOTION 013-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer to approve the purchase a group membership for the Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA) for \$350.00.

CARRIED

MOTION 014-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter that Council approves Councillor Pearson and Councillor Snowden to attend the Community Planning Association (CPAA) Conference for April 27 – 29, 2026, in Red Deer, Alberta.

CARRIED

Dubitz entered at 11:41 a.m.

BYLAWS

Bylaw 2026-01 Land Use Bylaw Amendment #2 to Bylaw 2025 -07

MOTION 015-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter that Council gives First Reading to Bylaw 2026-01 to amend Land Use Bylaw 2025-07 Amendment #2.

CARRIED

Spencer entered at 11:50 a.m.

Muskeg Creek Bridge (BF06603) Engineering Proposal

MOTION 016-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to approve True North Engineering Ltd.’s proposal for engineering oversight of the procurement and installation of a temporary bridge at the Muskeg Creek (BF06603) site for \$19,845.00 to be funded from the 2026 Capital Budget.

CARRIED

Spencer exited at 11:58 a.m.

RECESS
RECONVENE

12:00 p.m.
12:30 p.m.

REPORTS

Smith Subdivision

MOTION 017-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer to accept the Smith Subdivision report as information.

CARRIED

Holden/Dubitz exited at 12:52 p.m.

Council Board Reports

MOTION 018-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer to accept the verbal Council Board reports as information.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Request with Minister Williams Spring RMA March 2026

MOTION 019-26

Moved by Councillor Colborne to accept the Honorable Minister Williams meeting request for the 2026 Spring Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference as information and to provide the Minister’s Office the following topics for discussion:

- Surface Material Levy
- Temporary funding for bridges
- Marten Beach Flooding

CARRIED

Lorentzen exited at 1:50 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION 020-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to go into Closed Session at 1:50 p.m. as per the following sections of the Access To Information Act (ATIA) with Interim CAO Baird, Municipal Clerk McCann and Recording Secretary, Gladue in attendance.

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- Slave Lake Regional Library
- Canyon Creek Recreation Association

MOTION 021-26

Moved by Councillor Snowden to return to Open Session at 2:20 p.m.

CARRIED

Slave Lake Regional Library

MOTION 022-26

Moved by Councillor Snowden to direct Administration to add under Closed Session to the January 28, 2026, Council meeting regarding Library budget requests.

CARRIED

Canyon Creek Recreation Association

MOTION 023-26

Moved by Councillor Colborne that Council has reviewed the Memo of Understanding for Canyon Creek Recreation Association and that the Municipal District to continue with the Memo of Understanding with no amendments.

CARRIED

New Chief Administrative Officer for the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124

MOTION 024-26
Moved by Councillor Vanhill to accept for information the revised commencement date of the Chief Administrative Officer to mid-February 2026.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 025-26
Moved by Councillor Vanhill to adjourn at 2:22 p.m.

CARRIED

“Original Signed”
Chief Administrative Officer

“Original Signed”
Reeve