



# MINUTES

County Council  
Regular Meeting

## County of Grande Prairie No. 1

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### September 22, 2014 Council Meeting

Meeting Type : Regular Council Meeting

Date : Monday, September 22, 2014

Start time : 10:00 AM

Location : County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Administration Building

## MINUTES

### ATTENDANCE

Present were:

#### 1. Reeve

- Leanne Beaupre

#### 2. Deputy Reeve

- Ross Sutherland

#### 3. Council

- Daryl Beeston
- Corey Beck
- Harold Bulford
- Richard Harpe
- Peter Harris
- Bob Marshall
- Brock Smith

#### 5. Directors

- Arlen Miller
- Dale Van Volkingburgh
- Nick Lapp
- Noreen Vavrek
- Dawn Sauve

#### 6. Manager of Legislative Services

- Sheryle Runhart

#### 7. Recording Secretary

- Megan McCormick
- Amanda Oravec

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O'Canada.

**CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE 100TH ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION**

(PRESENTATIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20140822002)

Reeve Beaupre recognized the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the City of Grande Prairie. Mayor Bill Given was in attendance to accept a congratulation letter and gift from Council.

**INTRODUCTION OF JOY DUNN - SHOP INVENTORY CONTROL CLERK**

(PRESENTATIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20140911010)

Ken Osborne, Shop Manager, introduced the newly hired Inventory Control Clerk, Joy Dunn, to Council.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1001**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the agenda for the September 22, 2014 Council Meeting (2014/09/22) be approved as presented with the following additions:

- Bill Rogan: The Bezanson School Group was unable to attend their 10:25 a.m. appointment and it will be rescheduled.
- Reeve Beaupre - In Camera Item (14.2)
- Councillor Smith - MGA Review Committee (10.3)

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1002**

**MOVED by B.MARSHALL** that the minutes for September 8, 2014 Council Meeting (2014/09/08) be approved with the correction of one spelling error.

**CARRIED**

**LOT 1, PLAN 2536TR; PT. SE-03-71-06-W6M - CR-5 TO RM-2 - HELIX ENGINEERING / SEELY-LARSON (FILE NO. PLLUB20141159) BYLAW 2680-14-056**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)

**Resolution #CM20140922.1003**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT. SE-03-71-06-W6M from a Country Residential (CR-5) District to a Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:08 a.m..

**CARRIED**

(Issue #20140912021)

Baily Nagy, Planner, noted the purpose of this application is to amend 20 acres from CR-5 to RM-2 zoning. There is no farmland assessment rating for this application. Re-zoning the proposed area to industrial would be inconsistent with the MDP. There are industrial uses present on the site today. There is a treed buffer on the north portion of the proposed lot. Industrial lots are trending in this area. Re-zoning would fit current industrial uses on the site. There are no concerns from relevant agencies. The City of Grande Prairie noted the application is inconsistent with the IDP. There was one letter of concern received from an adjacent landowner.

Randy Glenn from Helix Engineering and Kevin Chrenek who will be purchasing the land from Mrs. Seely and were present. Mr. Glenn noted the intention of the development of the land is a mini indoor storage site. There is a need to re-zone to RM-2 to allow for indoor storage. The storage site will provide an additional buffer between the residential and industrial zones.

Marilyn Telegus, an adjacent landowner, was present to speak to the proposed amendment.

Ronda Side, an adjacent landowner, was present to speak to the proposed amendment.

Hugh Sinclair, adjacent land owner, noted that the current buildings are very close to his property line. He believes the current fence line is in the wrong location.

Laurie Sinclair, an adjacent landowner, noted her concerns with access and the size of the driveway to the property.

There was discussion around:

- Proposed industrial use of the lot.
- Noise and smell of surrounding industrial lots.
- Use and zoning of surrounding lots.
- businesses currently on the lot.
- Access to the property.
- Increased traffic in the area.

Mr. Glenn noted they would consider changing the re-zoning to something other than RM-4 that would allow the building of an indoor storage unit.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1004**

**MOVED BY B.SMITH** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:38 a.m..

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1005**

**MOVED BY R.HARPE** that Bylaw 2680-14-056 to re-designate PT. SE-03-71-06-W6M (with the area indicated in the hashed marks) from a CR-5 District to an RM-2 district to be read a first time.

**DEFEATED**

**10:10 A.M. - ART  
GALLERY OF  
GRANDE PRAIRIE**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20140821002)

Kendra Davis, Board Chair of the Art Gallery of Grande Prairie, Griffith Baker, the new Executive Director, and Fred Estlin, longtime supporter of the Art Gallery were in attendance to present to Council. Ms. Davis provided background of the Art Gallery and the programs it provides. Council has previously granted the Gallery \$50,000 in funding. Ms. Davis noted that many of the visitors, staff and artists are residents of the County of Grande Prairie. Admission is free for all of those who visit the Gallery.

Provincial and Federal funding is directly tied to the level of community support. Their total operation budget is approximately \$748,000 not including the use of land by the City of Grande Prairie valued at \$600,000. The Gallery has requested \$80,000 in funding for the Art Gallery from the County of Grande Prairie.

Councillor R.Harpe requested that a complete operating budget for the Gallery for 2015 be provided to Council. Mr. Baker noted that he can provide this to Council.

Councillor Bulford asked how the Gallery determines which visitors are from the County and which are from the City. Ms. Davis noted that they track this through their memberships. Mr. Baker noted that there are guest books throughout the gallery which also provide these numbers.

Reeve Beaupre asked how they determine where they are taking the Trek programs. Mr. Baker noted that this was decided through expressed interest by locations. They have become so popular that there are often wait lists for these shows. Reeve Beaupre also noted that their ask would be considered once the operating budget for 2015 had been provided to Council for review.

**10:25 A.M. -  
BEZANSON SCHOOL  
GRADE 5/6  
STUDENTS - 100TH  
ANNIVERSARY FLAG  
PROJECT  
PRESENTATION**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20140918007)

Will be rescheduled to a future meeting.

**10:40 A.M.**  
**ENFORCEMENT/RCMP**  
**1ST AND 2ND**  
**QUARTER UPDATE**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20140911004)

Stuart Rempel introduced the new RCMP Inspector Don McKenna, operations officer of the Beaverlodge and Grande Prairie detachments.

Councillor Harpe inquired about the scope of the GIS. It was noted that it is the unit for more serious matters to be investigated. There are 11 members of the GIS at the detachment.

Councillor Beeston inquired about home invasions taking place during the day. He asked if this was a change from recent years. Mr. McKenna noted that these appear to be crimes motivated by drugs and are crimes of opportunity.

Reeve Beaupre noted the Provincial and Federal census demonstrate the substantial growth in the County and inquired about staffing problems for detachments. Funding is a challenge, however there is need for more resources. Mr. McKenna noted the responsibility of the detachment to properly report crimes and files to the the government. He is hopeful that will provide a more accurate picture of what is taking place in the County.

Councillor Bulford inquired about home security video systems. Mr. McKenna noted that photographic evidence is excellent in helping apprehend culprits. Councillor Bulford asked if social media also helps in apprehending suspects. It was noted that it is helpful in apprehending suspects and also in getting information to the public.

Councillor Harpe inquired about video surveillance on private property. Mr. Rempel noted if these cameras are on private property there is no expectation of privacy for individuals entering the property.

Stuart Fry and Dave Campbell presented the first and second quarter Regional Enforcement Services reports.

Reeve Beaupre inquired about the administrative work for Enforcement Services. Mr. Rempel noted that they are struggling administratively. Ms. Green, the newly hired Executive Assistant, may be able to pick up some of these duties but as there is growth there will be a need for further administration positions.

Councillor Harpe inquired what the fines for excessive speeds are. Mr. Rempel noted there are a number of factors which contribute to the fine.

Councillor Bulford noted that Enforcement Services have been more visible and are doing a great job.

Councillor Beeston echoed Councillor Bulford's comments. He inquired if the detachments have been able to keep up with the increased size of special events. Mr. Rempel noted they have been able to keep up, however, they have had to bring in a lot of overtime resources. Mr. Rempel is looking to add more resources to manage the growth in the County.

Councillor Harpe asked about the "snow removal" in the list of occurrences. It was noted this includes investigations and talking to those individuals involved. It includes removal of snow onto County roads or property and into ditches. Individuals are asked to clean it up themselves and they can also be fined.

Councillor Bulford inquired if it was possible to have an auxiliary or ride along program. Mr. Rempel noted there was a thriving auxiliary program that was removed in 2006 with the Peace Officer Act. There is a ride along program for civilians, however they can not actively participate in operational activities.

Reeve Beaupre inquired about conversations between venues and promoters of special events. There is an annual meeting and discussions surrounding the cost of additional enforcement.

Councillor Beck thanked the detachment for their work in Teepee Creek this year.

Councillor Bulford thanked the detachment for their work on the DARE program and presence at the Farm Safety Day.

**SUBDIVISION TIME  
EXTENSION REQUEST**

**- SW-24-74-5-W6M -  
PLSUB20130291**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20140911005)

Approval is requested for the following subdivision time extension request:

File No: PLSUB20130291, BLK file: BLK 07146

Legal: SW-24-74-5-W6M

Name: Beirsto, Lehnert & Ketchum for Joe and Angie Knobloch  
Division: 9

Date Approval Extended to: September 27, 2015

Recommend: **First Time Extension Approval**

The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application.

**SUBDIVISION TIME  
EXTENSION REQUEST**

**- NW-28-71-7-W6M -  
PLSUB20120432**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

Approval is requested for the following subdivision time extension request:

File No: PLSUB20120432, BLK file: BLK 12190

Legal: NW-28-71-7-W6M

(Issue #20140911007)

Name: Beairsto, Lehnern & Ketchum for Double K Investments Ltd.

Division: 4

Date Approval Extended to: September 14, 2015

Recommend: **Second Time Extension Approval**

The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application.

**SUBDIVISION TIME  
EXTENSION REQUEST**

**- SW-28-73-6-W6M -  
PLSUB20130481**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

(Issue #20140911008)

Approval is requested for the following subdivision time extension request:

File No: PLSUB20130481, BLK file: BLK 13211

Legal: SW-28-73-6-W6M

Name: Beairsto, Lehnern & Ketchum for Gordon and Judith Glenn,  
Box 128 Sexsmith AB T0H3C0

Division: 9

Date Approval Extended to: September 27, 2015

Recommend: **First Time Extension Approval**

The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application.

**SUBDIVISION TIME  
EXTENSION REQUEST**

**- SW-32-70-6-W6M -  
11GP26**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

(Issue #20140911009)

Approval is requested for the following subdivision time extension request:

File No: 11GP26, BLK file: BLK 10081

Legal: SW-32-70-6-W6M

Name: Beairsto, Lehnern & Ketchum for Sunnyside Lane  
Development Ltd. RR#2, Site 19, Box 20 Grande Prairie AB T8V 2Z9

Division: 4

Date Approval Extended to: October 13, 2015

Recommend: **Third and final Time Extension Approval**

The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application.

**SUBDIVISION TIME  
EXTENSION REQUEST**

**- LOT 2, BLK 1, PLAN  
0620518 WITHIN  
SE-26-71-7-W6M -  
PLSUB20120468**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

(Issue #20140911006)

Approval is requested for the following subdivision time extension request:

File No: PLSUB20120468, BLK file: BLK 12360

Legal: Lot 2, Blk 1, Plan 0620518 within SE-26-71-7-W6M

Name: Beairsto, Lehnern & Ketchum for Ed and Elaine Stirle

Division: 4

Date Approval Extended to: September 14, 2015

Recommend: **Second Time Extension Approval**

The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1006**

**MOVED By B. SMITH** that the subdivision endorsement time extension requests in Items 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**ADMINISTRATION  
BUILDING  
RENOVATIONS AND  
HEAVY DUTY SHOP  
EXPANSION**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20140911001)

The Building Expansion Committee met on September 9, 2013 and passed a motion to request additional funding in the amount of \$100,000. \$90,000 is required to complete the renovations of the Administration Building/Shop Expansion and \$10,000 is required to fund the Grand Opening. The funding for this request would come from the Facility Capital Reserve upon Council's approval.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1007**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that an additional \$100,000 of funding from the Facility Capital Reserve be provided to complete the Administration Building Renovations and Shop Expansion and the Grand Opening to be held on September 19th, 2014.

**CARRIED**

**REQUEST FOR  
SPONSORSHIP -  
SEXSMITH HERITAGE  
CLASH**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20140910001)

The Sexsmith Sustainability Committee is seeking \$1000 from County to cover the cost of food for the Sexsmith Heritage Clash. The event will be held on October 4, 2014 to showcase Sexsmith area heritage, fun run, quilting demo, fishing derby, pumpkin weigh in contest, games, pie and preserve contest, and a BBQ. The County of Grande Prairie has provided the Sexsmith Wellness Coalition an Operating Grant for \$1,500 to go towards the fun run portion of this event.

Reeve Beaupre inquired about funding for the fair from the Agricultural Department.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1008**

**MOVED by C. BECK** that \$1000 be provided to the Sexsmith Sustainability Committee to come from the Community Assistance Grant.

**DEFEATED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1009**

**MOVED By P. HARRIS** that the meeting be recessed at 12:03 p.m for lunch until 12:45 p.m.

**CARRIED**

The meeting was reconvened at 12:54 p.m.

Councillor R. Harpe was absent after the reconvening of the meeting.

CAO, Bill Rogan, noted that the Sexsmith Heritage Clash did not



qualify for agriculture funding. Councillor Beck noted that this is a different group than the Sexsmith Agricultural Group. They are looking to build on the Fun Run event that has received funding. Reeve Beaupre noted that in the future they could come to Council with a presentation for their ask.

**MGA REVIEW  
COMMITTEE**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20140922004)

There was discussion around the lack of rural representation with regards to the MGA Review. CAO Bill Rogan noted that AAMDC President Bob Barss had made a request for additional rural representation at the MGA Review Committee and was granted one additional representative.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1010**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that Administration write a letter to the new Premier, Minister McQueen, our two MLA's and cc the President of AAMDC indicating that we are unhappy that Alberta rural Municipal Districts and Counties are under represented and request more rural representation.

**CARRIED**

**MONTHLY  
STATEMENT FOR  
JUNE 30, 2014**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20140910008)

Report includes year to date financial operations and capital, monthly cash flows, investments and accounts paid for June 2014. This report is submitted monthly for Council's information.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1011**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that the information be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**LETTER FROM  
HONOURABLE  
MANMEET S.  
BHULLAR - ALBERTA  
MINISTER OF HUMAN  
SERVICES**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20140912001)

This letter was a response to the County's letter requesting that the funding be reconsidered for the FCSS. FCSS is currently being reviewed under the Government of Alberta's Results-based Budgeting as part of the Support to Albertans in Need bundle of programs. The results will be reviewed and its recommendations will be available later this summer and will help inform the ministry's future planning and budget discussions.

Reeve Beaupre noted that it would be beneficial to re-introduce Council to the new cabinet members as well as the MLA's. She suggested prior to the AAMDC or at the AAMDC. A reception with only the cabinet members and County Council as a meet and greet is preferred. CAO, Bill Rogan noted he could communicate with our MLA's to see what the most successful approach may be and bring the information back to Council. Councillor Bulford inquired if it would be possible to host a reception at the AAMDC to meet the new cabinet members. CAO, Bill Rogan noted that some municipalities do rent a hospitality suite and host a reception.

**COMPACTOR  
TRAINING -  
GREENVIEW  
REGIONAL WASTE  
MANAGEMENT  
COMMISSION**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20140911003)

A thank you letter was received from the Greenview Regional Waste Management Commission in appreciation for the Compactor Training provided by the Clairmont Center for Recycling and Waste Management staff. This shared training is an example of working with other municipalities and sharing our expertise.

**COUNCILLOR,  
COMMITTEE AND  
DEPARTMENT  
REPORTS**

Councillor Brock Smith attended and commented on:

- Movement of the Old Hythe Hospital;
- Peace Library System Board Meeting.

Councillor Corey Beck attended:

- Alberta Energy Regulators Meeting;
- Reception for PNNE;
- Joint Council Meetings;
- Clairmont Fair;
- Inter-Municipal Fall Meeting.

Councillor Ross Sutherland attended and commented on:

- Annual General Meeting of the Dinosaur Museum Society. It was noted Ross Sutherland and Peter Harris sit on this committee;
- Ronald McDonald House at Wembley "Hoe Down for the House" Event;
- Inter-Municipal Fall Meeting;
- He noted his concern at lack of City of Grande Prairie representation at meetings where the City and County Council's attend.

Councillor Daryl Beeston attended and commented on:

- Mackenzie Regional Golf Tournament;
- GP Sports Council Meeting; a decision was made not to apply to host the winter games but wait for the application to host the summer games;
- Clairmont School BBQ;
- Clairmont Fall Fair.

Councillor Harold Bulford attended and commented on:

- United Way Campaign Kick Off;
- GPREP Meeting ;
- World's Largest Truck Convoy; it was successful in beating the previous world record for number of trucks and money raised.

Councillor Peter Harris attended and commented on:

- The Red Willow Bridge will not be completed and will be one

- lane for the winter;
- PJCD Museum Building Committee Meeting.

Councillor Bob Marshall attended:

- ASB Meeting;
- United Way Kick Off Lunch;
- PJCD Museum Building Committee Meeting;
- County Administration Building Grand Opening;
- World's Largest Truck Convoy.

Reeve Leanne Beaupre attended and commented on:

- Clairmont Fall Fair;
- United Way Kick Off;
- Lee's Sheet Metal 50th Anniversary;
- Thanked staff, in particular Lesley Nielsen-Bjerke and Clint Diederich in preparing the buildings for the County's Grand Opening;
- Received an invitation to join the Side Family receiving an award from Ernst and Young.

CAO Bill Rogan:

- Advised Beaverlodge about the purchase of the land;
- Received the Nitehawk Business Plan, however is still waiting on the financials.

Dale Van Volkinburgh:

- RR 88 spot construction is wrapping up;
- RR 62 South has been completed and the base will be completed this week;
- TWP 704A vigorously working on completing this;
- RR 54 and RR 41 gravel is in place and awaiting asphalt.

Nick Lapp:

- There are several subdivision requests to come;
- Reeve Beaupre inquired if Tyler Holdener will be presenting a report on Planning & Development Enforcement. Mr. Lapp noted the report is completed and will be shared with Council at the MPC meeting.

Dawn Sauve:

- Finance is moving their offices today;
- Assessment is completing their quality inspections;
- Information Systems is attending a conference this week.

Arlen Miller:

- Campgrounds are winding down, however there will be winter

- activities planned;
- Valhalla received a 5 bloom rating at Communities in Bloom;
  - Reported on infractions in the Dunes area;
  - The sewer in Pipestone Creek has not yet been fixed. They are in the final phases of the new design. Power and Sewer will be completed by the end of October;
  - There is indication that the Enforcement Contract with Beaverlodge will not be renewed;
  - Kathleen Turner will be attending the Friends of Education Award luncheon;
  - Wembley had a total of 10 fire calls over the weekend. Two of these were grass fires;
  - There have been several inquiries about participation in Fire training with the County;
  - There are still plans to clean up the Valhalla property in the fall if the court permits;
  - Mr. Miller will provide more information regarding a recent vehicle hit and run in the Dunes area.

**Resolution #CM20140922.1012**

**MOVED by D. BEESTON** That a letter of congratulations be sent to Shirley Norton and volunteers for organization of the World's Longest Truck Convoy and Richie Brothers for the use of their property for the event.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1013**

**MOVED By D. BEESTON** That a letter of thanks and congratulations be sent to Hazel Pilsworth for her volunteerism on the successful Clairmont Fair.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1014**

**MOVED By R. SUTHERLAND** that Reeve Beaupre be able to attend the award presentation in Calgary for County resident AI Side for being an outstanding entrepreneur in Alberta.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1015**

**MOVED By H. BULFORD** that the meeting move In Camera at 1:50 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**IN CAMERA -  
PERSONNEL**

(IN CAMERA)  
(Issue #20140913003)

**Resolution #CM20140922.1016**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that the meeting go in to In-Camera, at 1:50 p.m., pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto, to discuss Privileged Information with regards to the In Camera - Personnel.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1017**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that the meeting move out of camera at 3:07 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #CM20140922.1018**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the meeting adjourn at 3:08 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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REEVE

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR