



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133
Meeting Minutes for Regular Council Meeting RM 01-24
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 17th, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office situated at 4202 50th Street in the Town of Spirit River in the Province of Alberta on Wednesday, January 17th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Reeve: Tony Van Rootselaar

Councillors: Elaine Garrow
Stan Bzowy
Nick vanRootselaar

Administration: Dan Dibbelt
Dianne Nellis

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Van Rootselaar called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A. Adoption of the January 17th, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda RM 01-24.

001.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting RM 01-24 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Adoption of Minutes from the December 20th, 2024 Council Meeting RM 19-23

002.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting RM 19-23 be adopted with the correction to motion 347.12.20.23 stating that "Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that the meeting come out of closed meeting at 8:14 p.m." and that the wording "with Dan Dibbelt absent" be removed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

6. COUNCILLOR ABSENCES

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. DELEGATIONS

003.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the Council meeting recess to hold a Municipal Planning Commission (MPC 01-24) meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 7:07 p.m.

004.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy to reconvene the Council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

10. REPORTS

A. Public Works Report

CAO Dan Dibbelt presented the Public Works Report to Council

005.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that the Public Works Report RM-01-24 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. CAO Report

CAO Dan Dibbelt reviewed the CAO Report with Council.

006.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy to approve Councillor Nick vanRootselaar and CAO Dan Dibbelt's attendance at the Northwestern Polytechnic event held in Fairview, January 15, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

007.01-17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that those who wish to attend the Peace Health Advisory Council meeting on January 30th, 2024 via Zoom may do so.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

008.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that a letter be sent to the doctors of the Central Peace Medical Clinic inviting them to the Peace Health Advisory Council meeting being held January 30th, 2024 via Zoom.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

009.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the CAO Report RM-01-24 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Council Reports

CAO Dan Dibbelt reviewed Central Peace Regional Water Supply System Phase 1 & 2 Project

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Overview with Council.

Councillor Stan Bzowy reported on the FCSS meeting he attended. There are three people who presented their names to be appointed as the Municipal District of Spirit River representative.

Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar advised of the grand opening of the new Pioneer Lodge by Grande Spirit Foundation and the special event that is being planned.

010.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Council Reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Financial Report

CAO Dan Dibbelt advised that the Financial Report will be brought to the next Council meeting and will be presented by Louise Gostick.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. TABLED ITEMS AND OLD BUSINESS

12. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Policy Updating: LEG.18 Council, Committee & Board Renumeration.

011.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow that Council approve to amend Legislative Policy. LEG.18 Council, Committee & Board Renumeration to remove the maximum \$750.00 allowable mileage for travel.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Registered Drainage Systems - Birch Hills County - Potential Meeting.

012.01.17.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that authorization be given to send two members of Council and members of administration to the Registered Drainage Systems meeting hosted by Birch Hills County on January 31st, 2024, at the Birch Hills Senior Centre in Wanham.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Peace Region Hockey Tour - Sponsorship Request.

013.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow that the request for sponsorship for the Peace Region Hockey tour be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Growing the North Conference

014.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Council authorize CAO Dan Dibbelt and Councillor Nick vanRootselaar to attend the Growing the North Conference being held February 20th - 22nd, 2024, at the TARA centre, Evergreen Park, County of Grande Prairie No.1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. JDP Wasserman: 2022 Audit Engagement Letter

015.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Council approve the 2023 Audit Engagement Letter from JDP Wasserman & Associates pertaining to the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133's 2023 Audit and preparation of financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. Administration Building: Sewage Pipe Repair Project

016.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Council approve the sewage pipe repair project for the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 Administration Building in the amount of \$35,000 and further that Capital Funding from The Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI Operating Program) be utilized for the repair project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. BYLAWS

A. Bylaw 05-AM-2023 - Amending Traffic Bylaw - 50 KPH RR 52 et.al

017.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Bylaw 05-AM-2023, for the purpose of amending Bylaw 2008-06 by inserting new Schedules B & C, be read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

018.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Bylaw 05-AM-2023 be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

019.01.17.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that consent be given to give Bylaw 05-AM-2023 third and final reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

020.01.17.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that Bylaw 05-AM-2023, for the purpose of amending Bylaw 2008-06 by inserting new Schedules B & C, be read a third and final time and be passed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Bylaw 05-2023 - Publication Bylaw - Rescind First Reading

021.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that first reading of Bylaw 05-2023 be rescinded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. **CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

- A. Information - Letter - from Municipal Affairs Minister Rik McIver - Oil and Gas Property Tax Incentives.
- B. Information - Letter from Minister Rebecca Schulz to Elected Municipal Leaders RE: Alberta Drought Command Team.
- C. Letter from Community Futures - Song Rise Music Conference RE: Sponsorship Request.
- D. Christmas Greetings - From FCSS RE: Happy Holidays and Thank you to Christmas Sponsors.
- E. Information - Beyond Municipal Borders CPAA 2024 Conference and sponsorship opportunity.
- F. Information - Letter 2024 Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency RE: Robert E Walter Education Scholarship2024. Deadline for Submissions March 31st, 2024.
- G. Information - Email from the Municipal Engagement Team RE: Potential Meeting with The Honourable Minister Rik McIver.

022.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the Correspondence and Information items be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. **COUNCIL ISSUES AND CONCERNS**

17. **CLOSED MEETING (FORMERLY IN-CAMERA)**

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Reeve Van Rootselaar at 8:00 p.m.

These minutes approved this 17th day of February, 2024.



Reeve
Tony Van Rootselaar



CAO
Dan Dibbelt