



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133
Meeting Minutes for Regular Council Meeting RM 08 -24
9:00 a.m., July 3rd, 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, July 3rd, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve: Tony Van Rootselaar

Councillors: Elaine Garrow
Stan Bzowy
Nick vanRootselaar

Administration: Dan Dibbelt
Montana Kuhar
Shirley Hayden

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Van Rootselaar called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. with Public Works supervisor Dave Johnson in attendance.

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS

A. 10.D. Council Report - Grande Spirit Foundation - Requisition Increase.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A. Adoption of the July 3rd, 2024, Regular Meeting Agenda RM 08-24.

169.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that the agenda for the regular council meeting RM 08-24 be adopted with the following agenda addition: 10.D. Council Report - Grande Spirit Foundation - requisition increase.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Adoption of Minutes from the June 5th, 2024, Council Meeting RM 07-24

170.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the Minutes for the regular council meeting RM 07-24 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 5. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**
- 6. **COUNCILLOR ABSENCES**
- 7. **PUBLIC HEARING**
- 8. **DELEGATIONS**
- 9. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

10. REPORTS

A. Public Works Report

Public Works Director, Dave Johnson reviewed with Council the Public Works Report RM-08-24.

- 171.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Council authorize the Public Works Director to accept the asphalt millings from the Burnt River Slide project, to be stored on MD property located at: NW 9-78-5-W6.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 172.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow to direct administration to draft a Public Works policy outlining the procedure in which the MD will distribute millings to the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 ratepayers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 173.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that the Public Works Report RM-08-24 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Dave Johnson left the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

B. CAO Report

CAO Dan Dibbelt reviewed with Council the CAO Report RM-08-24.

- 174.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that CAO Report RM-08-24 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Council Reports

- 175.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Council Report: Community Rail Advocacy Alliance be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 176.07.03.24** Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Council Reports: Central Peace Water Supply, Central Peace Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. TABLED ITEMS AND OLD BUSINESS

A. Elimination of the Ward System in the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133

177.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow that Council direct administration to develop a bylaw regarding the elimination of the electoral boundaries (the ward system) within the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 along with a bylaw in which the MD is to adopt an at large voting system; 5 at-large electorates with the Reeve to be nominated and appointed by the members of council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mighty Peace Tourism - Membership opportunity + RE: 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) information.

178.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow that the Mighty Peace Tourism Membership opportunity and RE: 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) item be accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. 2024 Schedule of Service Fees

179.07.03.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 Planning and Development Policy PD.03 2024 Schedule of Fees be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Signing Authority

180.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that council grant signing authority to Executive Assistant Shirley Hayden on behalf of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 which will include the accounts located at the financial institutions of Alberta Treasury Branches and Royal Bank of Canada.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Development of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 Educational Scholarship.

181.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Council direct administration to compose an informational package regarding the development of an Educational Scholarship Fund, to be presented to the G5 municipalities at a future G5 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

182.07.03.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that Council direct administration to write a letter of reply to the MD resident to thank them for their interest in an Educational Scholarship Fund further that the MD will conduct research regarding the development of an Educational Scholarship for the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. Appointment of Agricultural Department Weed and Pest Inspectors 2024.

183.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that council appoint Morgan Saitz, Ashley Kaduk, Carl Luft and Stephen Newman as weed and pest inspectors under the Weed Control Act and the Agricultural Pests Act effective June 28th, 2024, until termination of employment with the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. Northern and Regional Economic Development (NRED) Grant

184.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick van Rootselaar that the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 contribute funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Northern and Regional Economic Development (NRED) Grant, in a joint application with the Town of Spirit River towards a preliminary inspection of the old Pleasantview lodge building, further that the MD's share of the funds come from the MD's economic development budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G. Office closure: The Municipal District to Spirit River No.133 administration building sewage repair project: Friday June 14th, 2024.

185.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that council approve the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 administration office closure due to the sewage pipe repair project and further that, the motion be backdated to the date of the closure on Friday, June 14th, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. BYLAWS

A. Bylaw 02-2024:

Request to Close and Lease Statutory Road Allowance W/NW & Pt./SW 4-78-7-W6.

186.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Bylaw 02-2024, for the purpose of closing a statutory road allowance adjacent to the West boundary of NW 4-78-4-W6 and adjacent to the West boundary of SW 4-78-4-W6 lying north of the CN rail line, be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

187.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Bylaw 02-2024, for the purpose of closing statutory road allowance adjacent to the west boundary of NW 4-78-4-W6 and adjacent to the west boundary of SW 4-78-4-W6 lying north of the CN rail line be read a third and final time and be passed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

188.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Elaine Garrow that the Correspondence and Information items be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. COUNCIL ISSUES AND CONCERNS

17. CLOSED MEETING (FORMERLY IN-CAMERA)

189.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that council move to a closed session of council to discuss matters related to section 16- Land, under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting went into closed meeting at 10:41 a.m.

190.07.03.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that the meeting move out of closed session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting came out of closed meeting at 11:27 a.m.

191.07.03.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that council authorize administration to contact Saddle Hills County and The Town of Spirit River with regards to a third party equal partnership with The Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 for the purpose of acquiring the land located at SE 22-78-6-W6 for the amount as agreed upon in the closed session, further that, if a commitment to an equal partnership cannot be reached, no deal will be made.

Recorded Vote:

Councillor Elaine Garrow - Opposed

Councillor Stan Bzowy - In Favor

Councillor Nick vanRootselaar - In Favor

Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar - In Favor

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Reeve Van Rootselaar at 11:31 a.m.

These minutes approved this 7th day of August, 2024.



Reeve
Tony Van Rootselaar



CAO
Dan Dibbelt