

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – SANDY LAKE
APRIL 24, 2019

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at the Sandy Lake Board Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marshall D. Auger (Reeve) Everett Gottfried (D/Reeve)
— Robin Guild Darlene Jackson
Louis A. Cardinal Kevin Bigstone
Brendan Powell Barry Schmidt
Roy Yellowknee Leo Alook

MEMBERS ABSENT: Victor Gladue

IN ATTENDANCE: William Kostiw Chief Administrative Officer
Cynthia Taron Director of Transportation & Public Works
Halena Szmata Director of Housing & Social Programs
William Auger Director of Regulatory Services
Lynda Gray Recording Secretary
Terah Yellowknee Recording Secretary

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: Hal Taron Resident of Sandy Lake
Mildred Bigstone Resident of Sandy Lake
Jason Noskiye Resident of Sandy Lake
Ellen Bigstone Resident of Sandy Lake
— Ida Alook Resident of Sandy Lake
Judy Stewart Resident of Sandy Lake
Joseph (Alberta) Bigstone Resident of Sandy Lake
Andrea Stewart Resident of Sandy Lake
Jordan Weingarten Resident of Sandy Lake
Greta Weingarten Resident of Sandy Lake
Wes McAllister Resident of Sandy Lake
Johnny Auger Resident of Sandy Lake
Joyce Beaver Resident of Sandy Lake
Gladys Johnson Resident of Sandy Lake

Call to Order: Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda: 0262-2019-17MDC
Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Agenda is adopted as with the following additions:

- 12.b Utilities & Public Works Committee
- 13.c Temporary Increase on Mastercard for Director
- 17.a Legal – Employee Settlement & Brownlee Audit Information
- 17.b Land – Surrender of Assets & Disposition Discussion

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Adoption of Minutes (April 10, 2019): 0263-2019-17MDC
Moved by Robin Guild that the Minutes of the April 10, 2019 Regular Council Meeting are adopted with the following corrections:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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0264-2019-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Wolf Reduction Incentive Program is reviewed at the next Policy Committee meeting.

CARRIED

0265-2019-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that a meeting is scheduled with the Minister of Environment and Parks and to extend the invitation to Bigstone Cree Nation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action Item List:

0266-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Action Item list is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Admin Report:

Chief Administrative Officer, William Kostiw presented the CAO monthly report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0267-2019-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the CAO Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Coalition of Canadian Municipalities:

0268-2019-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the Reeve and Deputy Reeve are authorized to attend the Coalition Lobby Days in Ottawa, Ontario on May 1 & 2, 2019 as a member of the Coalition of Canadian Municipalities to address Bill C-69.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chipewyan Lake Water Treatment Plant:

0269-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to complete renovations to the Chipewyan Lake Water Treatment Plant up to a maximum of \$25,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Yellowknife Conference and Trade Show
May 11-12, 2019:**

0270-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that 2 administration and 2 Council are authorized to attend the Yellowknife Networking event on May 11—12, 2019 in Yellowknife, Northwest Territory.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Council Code of Conduct –
Bylaw No. 2019-02:**

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 to establish a code of conduct for members of Council.

0271-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried to give FIRST READING to Bylaw 2019-02.

CARRIED

**Amend the Personnel Policy (P.8)
Workplace Violence Harassment
and Bullying Policy and Replace
with (P.8) Workplace Violence and
Harassment Policy:**

0272-2019-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that the Workplace Violence and Harassment Prevention Policy is accepted as presented with amendments and is effective immediately.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Peerless Trout First Nation –
Water Supply, Negotiations
& Proposal:**

0273-2019-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that administration is authorize to propose a working relationship with the government to install a mid-line booster for the PTFN School and also for Trout Lake School; subject that the government prior to construction provides funding.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bigstone Cree Nation –
Water Payment:**

0274-2019-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Reeve will schedule a joint meeting with Bigstone Cree Nation to discuss the Water Agreement and the new Long Term Care operations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bigstone Cree Nation –
Long Term Care
Agreement:**

0275-2019-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that Long Term Care Agreement is drafted to have Bigstone Cree Nation assist MD of Opportunity with Capital Grants funding rather than operational and is tabled to the May 8, 2019 Regular Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Golf Tournaments:

0276-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that a team of 4 is registered for the 11th Annual Mackenzie Regional Charity Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 20, 2019 in High Level, Alberta and the 40th Annual Golf day on June 14, 2019 in Barrhead, Alberta is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Peace River Aboriginal
Interagency Committee-
Invitation:**

0277-2019-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that Council is authorized to attend the signing of the Second Adhesion of Treaty 8 in Peace River, Alberta on June 21, 2019 is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Letter to Premier:

0278-2019-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that a congratulatory letter is drafted and signed by the Reeve to the newly elected Premier.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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0279-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried to amend the agenda and include delegates from the Sandy Lake Fire Department to address concerns to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Sandy Lake Residents
Delegation:**

Fire Department Members / Pelican Mountain School

Local residents addressed to Council the concerns regarding the operation of the Sandy Lake Fire Department. Delegates addressed the concerns of the operation and structure of the Fire Department. Residents would like to see more youth involved in the Fire Department and there is concern of "favouritism" within the department.

Residents also addressed the Council about the possibility of Northland School Division closing the Pelican Mountain School and would like the support of MD Council of not closing this school. Pelican Mountain School is one of the better schools but Northland stated, "It is an unnecessary cost to bring education to Sandy Lake".

Council thanked the delegates

**Screened Top Soil for
Alleged Sandy Lake
Resident Problem:**

0280-2019-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the request received from the Sandy Lake resident is referred back to administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Scrap Metal – Wabasca &
Calling Lake:**

0281-2019-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that hauling scrap metal from Wabasca Landfill and Calling Lake transfer site to Boyle plant is referred back to administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Wabasca Downtown East
Storm Pond – FCM GMF
Grant/Loan Application:**

0282-2019-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that Council supports the application for grant/loan from FCM GMF for the Wabasca Downtown East Stormwater Pond is referred to administration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0283-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to establish a Utilities & Public Works Committee to include one councilor from each community (5 members).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 12:35 p.m.

**Land Policies Review
L.3 Development Incentive
Grant Program:**

0284-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the L.3 Development Incentive Grant Program is rescinded in its entirety subject that the municipality will honor current approved applicants to complete the program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Temporary Increase on
MasterCard for Director of
Regulatory Services:**

0285-2019-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Director of Regulatory Services MasterCard is increased an additional \$3500 to a total of \$8500 on a temporary basis and will return to the \$5000 after the billing period.

CARRIED

**The Prairie States 2nd Annual
Kidney Foundation
Fundraiser:**

0286-2019-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the request received from The Prairie States to waive the rental fee at the Lakeview Sports Centre to host the 2nd Annual Kidney Foundation Fundraiser on September 29, 2019 is approved and that a merchandise package of \$500 is also donated to their Silent Auction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Creek Softball
League:**

0287-2019-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the proposal received from the Red Earth Creek Softball League to utilize the baseball diamonds free of charge for the summer months of 2019 and that the league is permitted to maintain the grounds and that the public will still have equal use of the facility for scheduling.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Wabasca Minor Hockey
Association – Aboriginal Youth
Hockey Championship:**

0288-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the grant request received from the Wabasca Minor Hockey Association is approved for an amount of \$ 2500 and is funded from GL 2-00-00-31-770-16 Grants to Individuals and Organizations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/
Correspondence:**

0289-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars:

0290-2019-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**Delegation
1:15 p.m.**

Careers Next Generation

Ernie Grach, Careers Next Generation, Leo West, Vice-Principal Mistassiniy School

Round Table Introductions

Delegates were in attendance to update Council with the request to build homes by students within the municipality as part of working with the local high school and Careers Next Generation. There was a program similar in Brocket, Alberta as the vice principal of Mistassiniy informed Council. Unfortunately, the vice principal was unable to inform Council if program is still ongoing in Brocket.

Delegates are requesting of the Council to seek options as for locations to build these homes. The program will require property to start the program and would like Council's support to start the program.

Council thanked the delegates for their information.

Delegates left the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

**Delegation:
1:31 p.m.**

R.C.M.P. Desmarais Detachment

Mark Polzer, S/Sgt.

Round Table Introductions

The delegate was in attendance to address to Council the top 5 calls that the R.C.M.P. respond to and include mischief, dropped 911 calls, disturbing the peace, assaults and impaired drivers. The Desmarais detachment would like to improve on having more community engagement, reduce impaired driving, crime reduction and visit the Hamlet of Sandy Lake more often.

The delegate also requested from Council to forward any other concerns where the Municipality would like the R.C.M.P. to follow up, address or action.

Council thanked the delegate for their information.

Delegate left the meeting at 1:51 p.m.

0291-2019-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that the information that provided by S/Sgt. Mark Polzer is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation:
1:52 p.m.**

Resident of Sandy Lake

Troy Stuart

The delegate was in attendance to address to Council the concerns of the Community of Sandy Lake and proposed the Sandy Lake Strategy – A Community Economic and Education Proposed Strategy and ways to increase the viability, increase the population and want Council to value the Community of Sandy Lake.

Council thanked the delegate for their information.

Delegate left the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

0292-2019-17MDC

Moved by Kevin Bigstone that the information that was provided by Troy Stuart is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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Closed Session:

0293-2019-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal to go in closed session at 2:06 p.m. with the CAO, Director of Regulatory Services, Director of Transportation and Public Works and recording secretaries.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director of Regulatory Services left the meeting at 2:34 p.m. and did not return for the remainder of the meeting.

0294-2019-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt to go out of the closed session at 3:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Finance Committee
Merger:**

0295-2019-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Finance Committee is hereby renamed to the Finance and Personnel Committee and that Brendan Powell, Robin Guild, Barry Schmidt, Louis A. Cardinal, Leo Alook and Darlene Jackson as an alternate are appointed to the committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Employee Settlement:

0296-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to advise Brownlee LLP that Council will proceed with examination regarding the employee's settlement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Settlement Agreements: 0297-2019-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that administration is authorized to make final settlement with Remote Oil & Gas – Division of 707753 AB Ltd. for an amount of \$162,500 and also as negotiated with NorthPoint Plumbing & Heating Ltd. as per Councils direction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**L.7 Land Development
Grant:**

0298-2019-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the L.7 Land Development Grant Program is rescinded in its entirety subject that the municipality will honor current approved applicants to complete the program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates:

Regular Meeting
May 8, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Delegation Council Meeting
May 22, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Red Earth Creek Back Lakes Arena



Adjournment:

0299-2019-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer