

The delegation meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at the Calling Lake Boardroom.

<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Chad Tullis	Chief Administrative Officer
	Gerhard Stickling	Director of Corporate Services
	Angela Lightning	Director of Recreation & Culture
	Cynthia Taron	Director of Transportation & Public Works
	Lynda Gray	Recording Secretary

**Call to Order:** Reeve Marshall Auger called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Introductions:** Roundtable Introductions

- 9 a) Calling Lake Community Association Donation Request
- 17 a) Closed Session - Senior Home Repair
- 17 b) Closed Session – Council Boards & Committees
- 17 c) Closed Session – Letter of Concern

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Adoption of Minutes  
(August 11, 2021):** 0467-2021-17MDC  
Moved by Robin Guild that the Minutes of the August 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting are adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake Community Association Donation Request:** **0468-2021-17MDC**  
Moved by Victor Gladue that the donation request received from Calling Lake Community Association for two loads of gravel for their fundraising event on September 5, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Scrap Metal Contract: 0469-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to award the contract to the most qualified bid and is awarded to Athabasca Scrap Metal at a rate of \$71.50 per tonne for Scrap Metal Removal from Wabasca and Red Earth Creek landfills, and from Peerless Lake, Trout Lake and Calling Lake transfer sites be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Peerless Lake Grader Operations Contract: 0470-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that administration is authorized to award the three-year Grader Operations Contract to the lowest most qualified bid and is awarded to Misty Matthais at a rate of \$110 per hour for the community of Peerless Lake be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Arrival:** Deputy Reeve Everett Gottfried arrived at 9:24 a.m.

**Trout Lake Grader Operations Contract: 0471-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that Keka Holdings at a rate of \$175 per hour is awarded the three-year Grader Operations Contract for the community of Trout Lake be approved.

DEFEATED

**Trout Lake Grader Operations Contract: 0472-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that administration is authorized to award the three-year Grader Operations Contract to the lowest most qualified bid and is awarded to Misty Matthais at a rate of \$110 per hour for the community of Trout Lake be approved.

CARRIED

**Wabasca/Sandy Lake Grader Operations Contract: 0473-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that North Ray Equipment Services at a rate of \$172 per hour is awarded the three-year Grader Operations Contract for the communities of Wabasca and Sandy Lake.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation:  
(9:30 a.m.)**

**Calling Lake Residents** – Len Strynadka, Peter Mucha, Ray Ouellette

Round Table introductions

The residents were in to express their drainage concerns on the east ditch of Macfarlane Place to existing drainage ditch between lots 4 and 5 to creek.

Their proposal to council included what materials would be needed and what work needs to be done in the south beach area.

Direction to Public Works to investigate the drainage issue in the south beach area.

Council thanked the delegates for their attendance.  
Delegates left at 9:55 a.m.

**Delegation:  
(10:07 a.m.)**

**Arrow Technology – Bruce Burman**

**Roundtable Introductions**

The delegate was in attendance to update council on the fiber optic backbone cable that Arrow Technology Group is currently installing from Grassland to Wabasca which is to be completed prior to March 31, 2022.

The fiber backbone will have a few purposes: To serve as a backup path for the internet to get to Wabasca in the event of a fiber cut along existing route. To provide connectivity to the communities of Sandy Lake and Calling Lake and to provide connectivity to any future fiber to the home efforts in the area. The fiber line will allow Arrow Technology to bring capacity into the area.

When the fiber cable is installed, they would like to offer Arrow Wireless Internet services in the Sandy Lake and Calling Lake areas. They would like to propose that they install a 150-foot tall internet distribution tower with a small equipment shack at the Sandy Lake Fire Hall and the Calling Lake Recreation & Culture building. The first step would be to lease the land for tower sites, subject to appeal and that he presents proposed locations to council.

They would like to broadband infrastructure dollars to improve the service. Put the application in for funding to tie in fiber to homes.

The long-term plan is to install fiber to the homes in Red Earth Creek, Sandy Lake, Calling Lake, and Wabasca. In Chipewyan Lake, they would upgrade the capacity length to 2gb connection and do fiber to the homes as well. They are also hoping to do fiber to the homes in Peerless Lake and Trout Lake and the Bigstone Cree Nation reserve.

Council thanked the delegate for his attendance.  
Delegate left at 10:29 a.m.

**Development authority  
Appointment Resolution  
2020-01:**

**0474-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell to approve the Development Authority Appointment Resolution 2021-01, which is to incorporate Lisa Belanger into the Development Authority.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Council Round Table:**

**0475-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/  
Correspondence:**

**0476-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calendars:**

**0477-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the calendars are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation:  
(11:04 a.m.)****STARS – Glenda Farnden – STARS Municipal Liaison****Roundtable Introductions**

The delegate presented her virtual presentation to council to give an update on how air ambulances have responded to emergencies.

The number one priority is to maintain unimpacted operations. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected funding, administration costs decreased, staffing downsized. The pandemic forced them to think outside the box.

Missions and critical medical transfers increased across the province including MD17. The demand for STARS is rising in addition to daily demands.

The interior of the air ambulance has an airborne intensive care unit with incubation assessment, has a handheld ultrasound.

Glenda thanked the MD of Opportunity for their previous support and asked Council to renew their previous commitment of \$20,000 per year for a five-year term. The continued support is a leading municipal partnership.

Council thanked the delegate for her presentation.  
Delegate left at 11:23 a.m.

**STARS:****0478-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 contribute an amount of \$20,000 to STARS with a five-year commitment starting in 2022 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Closed Session:****0479-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook to go into a closed session at 11:28 a.m. for agenda item 17a) Council Boards & Committees, 17b) Senior Home Repair, 17c) i. Daycare Concern and 17c) ii. Letter of Concern, with the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Corporate Services and Recording Secretary to discuss matters protected from disclosure per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**0480-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell to go out of the closed session at 11:55 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Canadian Animal  
Task Force:****0481-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to grant \$10,000 to the Canadian Animal Task Force to go towards accommodations for the volunteers during the Spay & Neuter Clinic scheduled for October 7-11, 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting Dates:** Regular Council Meeting  
September 8, 2021  
10:00 am  
Wabasca Council Chambers

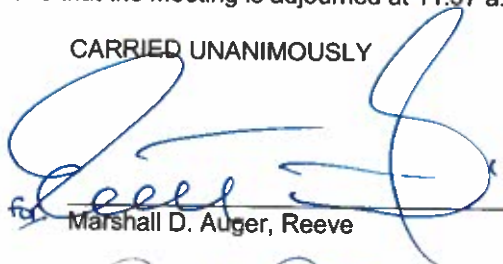
Delegation Council Meeting  
September 22, 2021  
10:00 a.m.  
Red Earth Creek Back Lakes Arena Boardroom

**Adjournment:**

**0482-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Kevin Bigstone that the meeting is adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Marshall D. Auger, Reeve



Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer