

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17
DELEGATION COUNCIL MEETING – SANDY LAKE
APRIL 26, 2023

The delegation meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at the Sandy Lake community hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Marshall D. Auger (Reeve) Leo Alook Larry Cardinal Louis A. Cardinal Cheri Courtorielle Robin Guild	Brendan Powell (D/Reeve) Darlene Jackson Gerald Johnson Tahirih Wiebe Roy Yellowknee
IN ATTENDANCE:	Chad Tullis Trina Mineault Angela Lightning Gerhard Stickling Lynda Gray	Chief Administrative Officer Chief Financial Officer Director of Recreation & Culture Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services Recording Secretary
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:	Johnny Auger Bernice Auger Emma Boskoyous	Resident of Sandy Lake Resident of Sandy Lake Resident of Sandy Lake

Call to Order: Reeve Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda: **0192-2023-17MDC**
Moved by Leo Alook that the agenda be adopted as presented/with the following additions:

- 8b. Calling Lake Community Meeting on May 21, 2023
- 8c. Gravel Pit in Red Earth Creek
- 9e. Red Earth Creek Unsightly Premises – move to 16b. Closed Session
- 10c. TJBSC Community Learning Centre Lease Extension Request
- 10d. Mistassiniy School Donation Request
- 10e. Wabasca Lions Club Donation Request

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Round Table Introductions: Round table introductions were held.

Approval of Minutes
(April 12, 2023): **0193-2023-17MDC**
Moved by Robin Guild that the April 12, 2023 minutes of the regular meeting of council be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Change MD/BCN Fundraising
Golf Tournament and Regular
Council Meeting Dates: **0194-2023-17MDC**
Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that administration is authorized to change the date for the MD/BCN fundraising golf tournament to August 9, 2023 and reschedule the regular council meeting to August 10, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**Community Meeting in
Calling Lake:**

The Calling Lake Society will be holding a community meeting in Calling Lake at 10:00 a.m. on May 21, 2023. They are requesting that council and community groups to give updates on what they are doing in the community.

Gravel Pit in Red Earth:

The MD of Opportunity is negotiating price per tonne with Ruel Concrete for gravel at the kidney pit in Red Earth Creek. There is discussion between Peerless Trout First Nation and Ruel Concrete for gravel crushing.

**Road Naming – 10 Calling
Lake Senior's Homes:**

0195-2023-17MDC

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle to name the new road "ᑭᑭᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ Kito Sākāhikan Lane" in Calling Lake where the new 10 senior homes will be located.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake Kennels
Upgrade:**

0196-2023-17MDC

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that council approves reopening of the Calling Lake kennels with minor repairs approximate capital cost of \$15,000 and annual extra casual staffing cost of \$30,000 (if we use the Calling Lake transfer station operator for the days he/she is on duty), and Calling Lake security if required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Addition to Agenda –
Delegate:**

0197-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell to add Georges Jadot to the agenda as a delegate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation:
11:00 a.m.**

Mildred Bigstone, Sandy Lake Resident
Round table introductions

Mildred Bigstone was in attendance to express her concerns about the outreach centre in Sandy Lake. The residents of Sandy Lake would like the outreach operational for the youth. The MD does offer part-time programming at the hall and some joint programming with the school.

Council thanked the delegate for her attendance. Delegate left at 11:09 a.m.

**Delegation:
11:10 a.m.**

Georges Jadot, Red Earth Creek Resident
Round table introductions

Georges was in to express his concerns about appraised market value of the property in tax forfeiture. When a property is sold through tax forfeiture, the MD of Opportunity pays outstanding taxes and the balance goes to the resident.

Council thanked the delegate for his attendance. Delegate left at 11:29 a.m.

**New Generators at the
Wabasca Water Plant &
Main Building:**

0198-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that council approves new generators for the Wabasca water treatment plant and main building I.T. room with essential computers for a total project cost of \$150,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Daycare Closure on
May 19, 2023:****0199-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that council approve the daycare closure for Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day on May 19, 2023 or an alternate day when schools are closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council Workshop Update: 0200-2023-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the council workshop approved on March 29, 2023 will be held in Osoyoos, BC with Calgary as an alternate location on July 17-21, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Australian Tour Update:**0201-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the Australian tour on July 3-10, 2023 in Australia and approved a budget of \$100,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 12:35 p.m.

**Addition to Agenda -
Food Bank:****0202-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe to add food bank to the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sport for Life Update:

A grant was approved to send four employees from the MD, two (2) from Wabasca and two (2) from Calling Lake, to attend the Sport for Life international physical literacy conference in New York.

Park Improvement Update: The recreation committee met a few times. The model and concepts of each area have been discussed and the representatives from each community have a clear understanding of that they want in their communities.

Councillor Declaration:

Councillor Tahirih Wiebe declared conflict on the following item and left the room at 1:07 p.m.

**TJSCB Community Learning
Centre Lease Extension
Request:****0203-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild to approve the lease extension to TJSCB Community Learning Centre for 2 years terms subject to sharing the Sandy Lake outreach facility with the MD programmer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Return:

Councillor Tahirih Wiebe returned to the meeting at 1:19 p.m.

Councillor Declaration:

Councillor Darlene Jackson declared conflict on the following item and left the room at 1:21 p.m.



Mistassiniy School Donation**Request:****0204-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the request from Mistassiniy Schools is approved for \$5,000 payable to Fish Derby Fund to assist in the fundraising event for the graduation on June 24, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Departure:

Councillors Roy Yellowknee and Leo Alook left meeting at 1:21 p.m.

Councillor Return:

Councillor Darlene Jackson returned to the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Councillor Declaration:

Councillor Darlene Jackson declared conflict on the following item and left the room at 1:41 p.m.

Wabasca Lions Club:**0205-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that council approve the \$10,000 annual grant to Wabasca Lions Club subject to providing financial statements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Return:

Councillor Darlene Jackson returned to the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Food Bank Grant:**0206-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild to allocate the \$125,000 food grant as follows: \$60,000 for Wabasca, \$30,000 for Calling Lake, \$10,000 for Sandy Lake, \$10,000 for Red Earth Creek, \$5,000 for Chipewyan Lake and \$10,000 for transportation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Review & Approval of
the 2022 MD17 Audited
Financial Statements:****0207-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the 2022 MD of Opportunity audited financial statements are approved as presented by Wilde & Company; and the Municipal Financial Information Return (MFIR) can be filed based on these statements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council Round Table:**0208-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Review & Approval
of the 2022 Audited
Financial Statements
RISK Program Donation
Request:****0209-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the request from Peace Regional RCMP Community Advisory Committee is approved for \$200 to assist with the cost of a guest speaker, supplies and meals for the students participating in the RISK program on May 15, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Peace Regional Golf
Tournament:****0210-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that council is authorized to attend the Peace Regional Golf Tournament hosted by Transportation & Economic Corridors Peace Regional on July 6, 2023 in Grande Prairie.

**Risk,
Information/
Correspondence:**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0211-2023-17MDC

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars:**0212-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Closed Session:**0213-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that council move to closed session at 3:24 p.m. with the Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services, and Recording Secretary to discuss item: 16b.i. Red Earth Creek Unsightly Premises and 16b.ii. Jackson Street Issue, as per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chief Financial Officer left at 3:35 p.m. and Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services left at 3:37 p.m.

0214-2023-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that council return to open meeting at 3:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates:

Regular Council Meeting
May 10, 2023
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Delegation Council Meeting
May 23, 2023
10:00 a.m.
Red Earth Creek Community Hall

Adjournment:**0215-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that the meeting is adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


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Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer