

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ACADIA NO. 34.**  
**REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2023.**

5/2023

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal District of Acadia №. 34 was held in the Municipal Office in Acadia Valley on Tuesday, February 14, 2023. The Reeve called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Councillors Peers, Heeg, Hoyt, Reeve Rafa, CAO Wallsmith and Assistant Dillabough were present at the meeting. The Reeve then asked council to review the agenda for the February 14, 2023 meeting.

**015/2023 COUNCILLOR PEERS:**

That the Agenda for February 14, 2023, be accepted by Council with the following amendments:

- c) Delegation – 10:00 a.m. Jordan Kuhn (AV Rec Club)

CARRIED

**016/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG:**

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia №. 34 accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM PAST MEETING MINUTES:**

-Safe grad – After Council approval of allowing the SCHS class of 2023 to use the arena the Rec.Club who normally manages the rental of the facility has some concerns with the approval.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Fire Department Compensation
- b. Gravel and Mowing Tenders
- c. Road Use Agreement – RES Energy
- d. Big Country Hospital Support
- e. Funding Request – Farm Safety Centre

**DELEGATIONS:**

- a. 9:30am – New West Public Affairs
- b. 10:00am – Public Works and ASB Update
- c. 10:00am – Jordan Kuhn

**017/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:**

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 enter into a closed session, (Economic and other interests as per *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Part 1, Division 2, Section 27) at 9:29 a.m.

CARRIED

**018/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:**

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 exit the closed session at 9:55 a.m.

CARRIED

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VISITATION:

Jordan Kuhn met with Council on behalf of the Rec. Club, after the Rec. clubs monthly meeting, they wanted to bring their concerns back to the Council in regard to how the MD Council made the approval for the facility to the 2023 Safe grad.

019/2023 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 accept policy 1709 on Firefighter Compensation.

CARRIED

James Park met with council at 10:20 a.m. to go over his monthly activity reports. James has been out with the grader and plow truck sanding and plowing roads. With the power outages he has also spent quite a bit of time making sure the water plant and generators are running and working. Gravel and mowing tenders were sent out, only 2 tenders for the Gravel and 1 for mowing were submitted.

020/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 award Larry Peers Trucking with the gravelling program from 2023-2025 at a rate of .30/yard mile with a fuel surcharge added if fuel is over \$1.50/liter.

CARRIED

021/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 Larry Peers Trucking with the mowing program for the 2023 year at a rate of \$112.00/mile with a fuel surcharge added if fuel is over \$1.50/liter.

CARRIED

022/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 approve in principal the Road use agreement for RES Energy with respect to the Big Sky Solar Project and further that it be brought back with the map of the haul route.

CARRIED

023/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 approve the funding request of \$5000 towards furnishings for living spaces in the Oyen Lodge for nurses at the Big Country Hospital.

CARRIED

024/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 approve the funding request of \$161.00 for the Farm Safety to support the Safety Smarts program for the 2022 school year.

CARRIED

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Council Adjourned for lunch from 12:05 – 12:50 p.m.

**CAO REPORT:**

- Council reviewed the CAO's calendar for February and March.
- Council reviewed the CAO's progress report.

025/2023 COUNCILLOR HOYT:

That the Monthly Statement, having been checked by Reeve Rafa and Councillor Peers, be accepted by Council. CARRIED

026/2023 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the attached list of bills has been paid and reviewed by Council. Including A/P Cheques and Payroll Cheques #16806-16832

CARRIED

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE reviewed by the CAO**

- a. iHunter Sales
- b. SAB – Funding Formula for Capital Construction
- c. RCMP Quarterly Report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

COUNCILLOR PEERS: -Report Attached

January 25<sup>th</sup> -ASB Meeting & Town Hall

January 26<sup>th</sup> -BCMD meeting to discuss New clinic options, Debbie Kovich is to apply for a grand extension. Hail claims have been approved on the houses

January 31<sup>st</sup> -Land Use Bylaw and Fire Chief Meeting

February 2<sup>nd</sup> -RMA Member Visit

February 3<sup>rd</sup> -RMA Virtual Zone Meeting

COUNCILLOR HEEG: -Report Attached

January 19<sup>th</sup> -RDRMUG Virtual meeting with Nate Horner

January 25<sup>th</sup> -ASB Meeting & Town Hall

January 31<sup>st</sup> -Land Use Bylaw and Fire Chief Meeting

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COUNCILLOR HOYT -No meetings

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REEVE RAFA: -Report Attached  
January 10,11,12 -Oyen Hospital meetings with Doug Jones, Jordan Christianson and AHS to discuss problems & Solutions of the Oyen Hospital  
January 20<sup>th</sup> -Meeting with Doug Jones, Jordan Christianson and AHS to discuss what needs to be done to re-open Oyen Hospital.  
January 25<sup>th</sup> -Town hall meeting with Assessor and ATCO as well as MD budget presentation and Q&A period  
January 26<sup>th</sup> - Meeting with Oyen Hospital staff  
January 27<sup>th</sup> -PEP meeting in Brooks  
January 30<sup>th</sup> - Meeting with Doug Jones, Jordan Christianson and AHS time frame on re-opening of the Hospital and Contract Nurse positions  
January 31<sup>st</sup> -Land Use Bylaw and Fire Chief Meeting  
February 1<sup>st</sup> - Meeting with Doug Jones, Jordan Christianson and UNA to discuss options of what the SA, Town of Oyen and MD can offer to bring more nurses to the area  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> -RMA Member Visit  
February 3<sup>rd</sup> -RMA Virtual Zone Meeting  
February 13<sup>th</sup> -Virtual Irrigation kick off Meeting  
February 13<sup>th</sup> - Meeting with Doug Jones, Jordan Christianson and AHS to discuss progress of the Oyen Hospital, still no manager in place

Councillor Rafa adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Minutes adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

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Reeve Rafa

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CAO Wallsmith