

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ACADIA NO. 34.
REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY JUNE 13, 2023.

23/2023

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal District of Acadia №. 34 was held in the Municipal Office in Acadia Valley on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. The Reeve called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Councillors Heeg, Skappak, Peers, Reeve Rafa, CAO Wallsmith and Assistant Dillabough were present at the meeting.

The Reeve then asked council to review the agenda for the June 13, 2023 meeting.

080/2023 COUNCILLOR PEERS:

That the Agenda for June 13, 2023, be accepted by Council with the following amendments under New Business:

- g) Medical Dental Board request for house purchase
- h) Landfill
- i) Dust strip request
- j) HK Water

CARRIED

081/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia №. 34 accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2023, as amended.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PAST MEETING MINUTES:

Jason had been in touch with Laura from WPS, the MD will contribute lines on the pad at the school for pickleball as well as the purchase of the net and supplies. We will also work with them to make a small community flower garden behind the MD office.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Alberta Advantage Immigration Program
- b. Prairie Elevator Requests
- c. Rezoning Bylaw
- d. Grazing Lease Review
- e. Bullpound Solar Project
- f. AI in Facilities Pilot Project
- g. Medical Dental Board request for house purchase
- h. Landfill
- i. Dust strip request
- j. HK Water

082/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 write a letter of support to the Alberta Advantage Immigration program.

CARRIED

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083/2023 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 9:30 a.m. CARRIED

084/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 exit the closed session at 10:00 a.m. CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

James Park met with Council at 10:00 a.m. to go over his monthly activity report, he was away last month for a water course in Calgary. Has been talking to Shawn at BCWM as the landfill needs to be cleaned up and they need to haul away the couches/beds. Has also been in contact with clean farms as the chemical jug site is also overflowing. Gravelling will be starting soon and they will start on the Bindloss side. Street sweepers will be starting tomorrow and should be done in 1 day.

Drive Modular/RES/CBI/Strattus Electric and Jordan Kuhn met with Council at 10:40 – 11:25 a.m. to give a presentation and discuss the possibility of bringing in a 180-man work camp this fall for Big Sky Solar. It would be 7 standalone dorm type units that would have 24-hour security and the workers would all be bused in.

Derek and Jana Kauppinen and Danny Grudecki met with Council at 11:30 -11:53 a.m. to discuss some options for the Prairie Elevator as they are still waiting to hear about the Canada Summer Jobs Grant.

Cpl. Rob Morozoff from the Oyen RCMP met with Council at 11:55 – 12:15 p.m. a.m. to go over his quarterly report. Oyen is now fully staffed with all officers now off probation. Crime rate has stayed the same and traffic is their priority. Big Sky Solar has already met with the RCMP to build a relationship and let them know their plans with a camp in the area.

085/2023 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia #34 loan the Prairie Elevator Society \$10,000 to get them started up for the season. The loan is to be paid back by December 31, 2023 CARRIED

086/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA:

That Council gives 1st reading to Bylaw #2023-787, A Bylaw to rezone Lot 6 Block 19 Plan 1911386 to a Recreation/Residential Resort District. CARRIED

Council adjourned for lunch from 12:35 – 1:05 p.m.

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087/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 table the Grazing Lease review to the July 5 ASB meeting

CARRIED

088/2023 COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 accept the letter from Bullpound Solar as information.

CARRIED

089/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 send a letter that we are not interested at this time in the AI in Facilities Pilot Project

CARRIED

090/2023 COUNCILLOR RAFA;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 send a letter to the Big Country Medical Dental Board that we will cost share the purchase of the house at 212 4th avenue, Oyen, AB but are not interested in purchasing any further houses at this time.

CARRIED

091/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG;

That the Council of the Municipal District of Acadia No. 34 have the CAO draft a letter to Mike and Randy Stolz requesting for them to connect to the Hamlet Utility System.

CARRIED

Reeve Rafa left the meeting at 2:30 p.m., Councillor Peers took over as Chair.

092/2023 COUNCILLOR HEEG:

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

CARRIED

093/2023 COUNCILLOR HOYT:

That the attached list of bills has been paid and reviewed by Council.
Including A/P Cheques and Payroll Cheques 16972-17021

CARRIED

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE reviewed by the CAO

- a. RCMP Quarterly Update
- b. Assessment – Detailed Audit

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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COUNCILLOR SKAPPAK:

May 25 -Joint irrigation meeting with Special Areas

COUNCILLOR HEEG: -Report Attached

May 24 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
May 25 -Joint irrigation meeting with Special Areas
June 2 -Irrigation Meeting to review the Engineer proposals.
June 7 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
June 8 -Zoom interviews for Phase 2 Engineering of the Irrigation project.
June 9 -Zoom interviews continued

COUNCILLOR HOYT:

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June 1 -RES Groundbreaking
June 7 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
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COUNCILLOR PEERS: -Report Attached

May 24 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
May 25 -Joint irrigation meeting with Special Areas
May 31 -BCMD Board meeting to review the proposed recruitment and retention package and discuss the housing situation for nurses
June 11 -BCMD Board meeting to discuss the option to purchase agreement with Dr. Chinwe. The Board also made a motion for the municipalities to purchase the home at 212 4th Avenue, Oyen AB and rent it to a nurse moving to Oyen to work at the hospital.

COUNCILLOR RAFA: -Report Attached

May 24 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
May 25 -Joint irrigation meeting with Special Areas
May 29 -Meeting with Jordan Christianson from Special Areas to discuss retention and housing and how we as partners move forward
June 2 -Irrigation Meeting to review the Engineer proposals.
June 7 -Irrigation Steering Committee Meeting
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June 9 -Zoom interviews continued

Councillor Peers adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Minutes adopted this 11th day of July 2023.

Reeve Rafa

Councillor Peers

CAO Wallsmith