

**COUNCIL MINUTES
WOODLANDS COUNTY
March 7, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Council for Woodlands County was held Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at the Municipal Office in Whitecourt, Alberta, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

J. Rennie
R. Govenlock
D. Kluin
D. Pritchard
C. Merrifield

ABSENT:

S. Bonnett
D. McQueen

**IN
ATTENDANCE:**

L. Mercier, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Wharton, Executive Assistant
G. Frank, Director Planning & Community Services
B. Kerton, Barrhead Leader
J. Quigley, Whitecourt Star
G. Farnden, STARS Air Ambulance

**CALLED
TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rennie at 7:00 p.m.

**ADOPTION
OF AGENDA:**

The following amendments were made to the agenda for this meeting:

Remove: 7.7 – Human Values Proclamation

New Business:

Add:

7.1 - (4) Wolverines Sponsorship Event
7.10 Issues on Twp 635

Committee of the Whole:

Add:

10.2 Airport Land for Sale
10.3 General Operations Update

C-15-118-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council adopt the March 7, 2017 agenda as amended.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES:**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017

C-15-119-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council adopt the minutes of the February 21, 2017, regular Council meeting as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2017

C-15-120-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council adopt the minutes of the February 24, 2017, special Council meeting as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

**AMEND PAGE 2 OF FEBRUARY 7, 2017 REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

C-15-121-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council amend page 2 of the February 7, 2017, regular Council meeting minutes showing J. Rennie and C. Merrifield as opposed to motion 15-049-17.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

BYLAW(S)

BYLAW 490/17 – DRAFT WOODLANDS COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW

C-15-122-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council give first reading to Bylaw 490/17 – Draft Woodlands County Land Use Bylaw.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-123-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council direct administration to schedule an open house at 6:00 pm with a public hearing to follow on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Woodland County Municipal Office, council chambers in Whitecourt.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-124-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council direct administration to schedule an open house at 6:00 pm with a public hearing to follow on Monday, April 10th, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Legion Hall in Fort Assiniboine.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

BYLAW 491/17 – REPEALING BYLAW 110

C-15-125-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council give first reading to Bylaw 491/17 – repealing bylaw 110/00.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-126-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council give second reading to Bylaw 491/17.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-127-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council proceed to third and final reading to Bylaw 491/17.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-128-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council give third and final reading to Bylaw 491/17 – repealing bylaw 110/00.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: COUNCIL INVITATIONS

Council reviewed and discussed their availability with respect to the invitations received requesting Council representation.

C-15-129-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council ratify the attendance of Council at the Whitecourt Fire Hall for a celebration ceremony for putting the new rescue truck into service on Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-130-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council accept the Energizing the North seminar as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-131-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council authorizes Mayor Rennie's attendance to meet Alberta Health Services Chief Zone Officer for the North Zone, Gregory Cummings on March 30th, 2017 at the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre at 8:30 am.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-132-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council ratify Councillor Govenlock's attendance at the Wolverines Sponsorship event.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

2017 BUDGET

A discussion ensued regarding the 2017 budget.

C-15-133-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council adopts the 2017 Budget as amended with a deficit of \$119,309.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RECESS: Mayor Rennie recessed the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

RECONVENED: Mayor Rennie reconvened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

DELEGATION(S): STARS AIR AMBULANCE

Glenda Farnden, Senior Municipal Relations Liaison for STARS provided council with a presentation on the types of missions flown, a breakdown on number of missions within Woodlands County, costs of those missions, as well as an overview of the medical technology each STARS air ambulance carries. Glenda also thanked Woodlands County for their support in funding at \$2/per capita for the last 7 years.

C-15-134-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council accepts the STARS Air Ambulance presentation as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: TIME EXTENSION REQUEST 2008SUB27 – PLAN 752-0842 LOT 1 PT. SE 9-59-11 W5M
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C-15-135-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council approve the request for a time extension to register Subdivision Application 2008SUB27 to March 7, 2018.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

TIME EXTENSION REQUEST 2016SUB02 – NE 12-56-10 W5M

C-15-136-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council approve the request for a time extension to register Subdivision Application 2016SUB02 to March 17, 2018.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESIDENTIAL CHIPPING PROGRAM

C-15-137-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council accept the Residential Chipping Program report as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

SUPPORT LETTER FOR CCI WIRELESS

C-15-138-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council direct administration to forward the letter of support to CCI Wireless for their Connect to Innovate Grant application.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

JOINT LETTER TO MINISTER GARNEAU

C-15-139-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council support sending a joint letter to Minister Garneau regarding the planned moratorium on crude oil tankers on British Columbia's North Coast.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

JOINT RETREAT WITH TOWN OF WHITECOURT

Council reviewed and discussed their availability with respect having a joint retreat with the Town of Whitecourt.

C-15-140-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council schedule a joint retreat with the Town of Whitecourt and suggest to the Town that the retreat be held on either April 26, May 15 or May 24, 2017 from 6-9 pm at the Woodlands County Whitecourt Office.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ISSUES ON TWP 635

A discussion ensued regarding some trucking concerns raised by residents on Twp 635.

C-15-141-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council direct administration to schedule a meeting with Millar Western to discuss issues on Twp 635 and direct Councillor Govenlock to raise the concerns regarding Twp 635 at the Millar Western Forest Products Public Advisory Group.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION:

POINTS TO CAPTURE

C-15-142-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council accept:

- 4.1 – Bylaw 490/17 – Draft Land Use Bylaw;
- 5.1 – STARS Air Ambulance;
- 7.2 – 2017 Budget; and
- 7.6 – Letter of Support for CCI Wireless.

as the points to capture from the March 7, 2017, Council meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

REPORTS & QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

Council members provided verbal reports from recent committee meetings and events they attended.

C-15-143-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council accept the Councillor’s reports, as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

C-15-144-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council move to an in-camera session at 8:25 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-145-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council come out of camera at 8:52 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

BENEFIT PLAN

C-15-146-17

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council approve moving to Industrial Alliance based on the proportionate rate breakdown on extended health

care being a 25% cost for employees and a 75% cost to Woodlands County in addition employees will now pay the long term disability fee and Woodlands County will pay the short term disability fee.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

AIRPORT LAND FOR SALE

C-15-147-17

MOVED by Councillor Merrifield that Council direct administration to advertise for sale and/or lease airport commercial land.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

GENERAL OPERATIONS

C-15-148-17

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council accept the general operations discussion as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: C-15-149-17

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Mayor

Secretary