

**COUNCIL MINUTES
WOODLANDS COUNTY
March 22, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Council for Woodlands County was held Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at the Municipal Office in Whitecourt, Alberta, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS

PRESENT:

S. Bonnett – Late Arrival at 10:10 a.m.
J. Rennie
R. Govenlock
D. Kluin
D. McQueen
D. Pritchard

ABSENT:

C. Merrifield

IN

ATTENDANCE:

L. Mercier, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Wharton, Executive Secretary
G. Frank, Director Planning & Community Services
J. Sloomweg, Manager Planning & Development
R. Twach, Manager Infrastructure Technical Services
T. Musser, Director Corporate Services
W. Harris, Reception/Finance Clerk
K. Kennedy, Manager Parks, Recreation & Facilities
H. LaRochelle, Community Liaison & Programming Coordinator
L. Carter, Patrol Services
Sgt. R.W. Dodds, Barrhead RCMP
S/Sgt. R. Comaniuk, Whitecourt RCMP
Sgt. T. Kalis, Whitecourt RCMP
K. Burgoyne
M. Penner, Whitecourt Mountain Bike Association
D. Strebchuk, Whitecourt Mountain Bike Association
B. Kerton, Barrhead Leader

CALLED

TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rennie at 9:31 a.m.

ADOPTION

OF AGENDA:

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

New Business:

Add:

- 7.1 (2) Invitation to Meet with MP Viersen
- (3) Provincial Transit meeting

Committee of the Whole:

Add:

10.4 Fort Fire Department

10.5 Landfill

C-15-154-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council adopt the March 22, 2016, agenda as amended.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES:**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2016

C-15-155-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council adopt the minutes of the March 1, 2016, regular Council meeting as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

BYLAW(S):

BYLAW 475/16 – DEBENTURE – WATER/SEWER BLUE RIDGE

C-15-156-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council gives second reading to Bylaw 475/16 – Debenture – Water/Sewer Blue Ridge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C-15-157-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council gives third reading to Bylaw 475/16 – Debenture – Water/Sewer Blue Ridge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW 476/16 – DEBENTURE – PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING PROJECT

C-15-158-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council gives second reading of Bylaw 476/16 – Debenture – Public Works Building Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C-15-159-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council gives third reading of Bylaw 476/16 – Debenture – Public Works Building Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS: COUNCIL INVITATIONS

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

C-15-160-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council authorize the attendance of Council to attend the Grand Opening of Arnold Viersen, MP Peace River Westlock, Barrhead Office on Friday, April 1, 2016 from 1-3 pm.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-161-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council invite Arnold Viersen, MP Peace River Westlock to attend the April 5th Council meeting in Fort Assiniboine.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-162-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council send a letter requesting that additional provincial transit meetings be scheduled in more locations throughout the province and proper notice be provided for these meetings as well as for the video conference meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DELEGATION(S): KEN BURGOYNE

Mr. Burgoyne was in attendance to discuss concerns that truck haulers are having when making quick 10-15 min stops to grab food etc. within Whitecourt. He asked for assistance in raising these concerns with the Town of Whitecourt.

C-15-163-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council forward the trucker's concerns to the Joint Liaison Committee for discussion.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

STAFF – PRESENTATION - RECEPTIONIST

Wilma Harris provided council with an overview on what her position as the Whitecourt Reception/Finance Clerk entails.

C-15-164-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council accepts the Staff presentation for the regional office Reception/Finance Clerk as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: TIME EXTENSION REQUEST – NE 28-58-13 W5M 2013SUB03
(Con't)

C-15-165-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council approve the request for a time extension to register Subdivision Application 2013SUB03 to February 20, 2017.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

COUNTY OF BARRHEAD NO. 11 REFERRAL – NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT 16-2016 – PT. SE 29-61-5-W5M

C-15-166-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Woodlands County respond to the County of Barrhead that Woodlands County has no objection to Development Application 16-2016 and suggest that a condition be considered for mitigation for noise generated from the gravel extraction and crushing operation as well as a requirement for trucks to be tarped.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

SUMMER PARADES

C-15-167-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council authorize the attendance of Council to attend the July 1 parade in Whitecourt.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-168-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council authorize the attendance of Councillors Kluin and McQueen to attend the August 13th parade in Barrhead.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-169-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council authorize the attendance of Councillors Pritchard and Bonnett to attend the August 13th parade in Mayerthorpe.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-170-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council authorize the attendance of Council to attend the August 20th parade in Fort Assiniboine.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DELEGATION(S): WHITECOURT MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION

Mike Penner and Darryl Strebchuk with the Whitecourt Mountain Bike Association were in attendance to provide Council with information on the association, membership, and plans to develop and build a mountain bike park including budget requests.

C-15-171-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council forward the Whitecourt Mountain Bike Association financial request to the Joint Liaison Committee.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

LATE ARRIVAL: Councillor Bonnett entered the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

PATROL SERVICE STATS

C-15-172-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council accept the 2015 patrol Services Statistics as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

DELEGATION(S): WHITECOURT RCMP DETACHMENT

s/Sgt Ryan Comaniuk and Sgt. Tom Kalis with the Whitecourt RCMP Detachment were in attendance to provide Council with an update of police activity in Woodlands County, the 2015 crime statistics as well as review of annual performance plan priorities for 2016.

C-15-173-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council accepts the Whitecourt Detachment 2015 report and discussion as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

BARRHEAD RCMP DETACHMENT

Sgt R.W. Dodds with the Barrhead RCMP Detachment was in attendance to provide an update of police activity in the Woodlands County area, 2015 statistics as well as to discuss annual performance plan priorities for 2016.

C-15-174-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that accepts the Barrhead RCMP Detachment update and discussion as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION CAPITAL REQUESTS

(Con't)

C-15-175-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Woodlands County Council accepts and approves the budgeted capital funding requests of prioritized items for the Community Groups as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

TWO (2) NEW CREW CAB ¾ TON LONG BOX 4X4 AND ONE (1) NEW CREW CAB STANDARD BOX TRUCK

C-15-176-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council direct administration to proceed with the purchase of two (2) new crew cab ¾ ton long box 4x4 trucks from Eagle River Chrysler for the amount of \$78,412 plus GST and also with the purchase of one (1) new crew cab standard box 4x4 truck from Edmonton Motors for the amount of \$36,635 plus GST.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

AGRICULTURE SERVICES EQUIPMENT RENTAL DEPOT

C-15-177-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council direct administration to contact Steve & Debbie Speer for the Agriculture Services Rental Depot and approve the unbudgeted expenditure of \$4800 for the 2016 budget.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED

C-15-178-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council accept the letter from Canadian Natural Resources Limited as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ALBERTA RURAL PHYSICIAN ACTION PLAN (RPAP)

C-15-179-16

MOVED by Councillor Bonnett that Council direct administration to send a support letter to the Minister of Health for the Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan (RPAP).

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

2016 MINISTER'S SENIORS SERVICE AWARDS

C-15-180-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council direct administration to forward the 2016 Minister's Seniors Service Award pamphlet to Woodlands County community groups for their review.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION:

POINTS TO CAPTURE

C-15-181-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council accept:

- 4.1 – Bylaw 475/16 – Debenture – Water/Sewer Blue Ridge;
- 4.2 – Bylaw 476/16 – Debenture – Public Works Building Project;
- 5.2 – Mountain Bike Association;

- 5.3 – Whitecourt RCMP Detachment;
- 5.4 – Barrhead RCMP Detachment
- 7.4 – Community Organization Capital Requests; and
- 7.8 – Agriculture Services Equipment Rental Depot.

as the points to capture from the March 22, 2016, Council meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

Council reviewed L. Mercier’s report outlining correspondence received by Woodlands County.

C-15-182-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council accepts the information package dated 3 March 2016 as circulated.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RECESS: Mayor Rennie recessed the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

RECONVENED: Mayor Rennie reconvened the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

**REPORTS &
QUESTIONS
FROM MEMBERS
OF COUNCIL:**

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

C-15-183-16

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

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

**COMMITTEE OF
THE WHOLE:**

C-15-184-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council move to an in-camera session at 12:38 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

C-15-185-16

MOVED by Councillor Bonnett that Council come out of camera at 1.28 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION NOMINATIONS

C-15-186-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council supports the recommendations of the Woodlands County Community Services Committee to issue awards to the following individuals:

Golden Heart Award – Lorraine Curtis, Wayne and Jackie Handspiker, Simone Reid, Jeanette Sterling, Betty Switzer, Rick McKinnon, Byron Baker, Keith and Dorothy Mack and Robin Dorchester.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

SOLICITING INPUT

C-15-187-16

MOVED by Councillor Govenlock that Council accept the soliciting input discussion as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

WALKING TRAIL DEVELOPMENT

C-15-188-16

MOVED by Councillor Kluin that Council direct administration to proceed as discussed with the walking trail development.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

FORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

C-15-189-16

MOVED by Councillor McQueen that Council accept the Fort Fire Department discussion as information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

LANDFILL

C-15-190-16

MOVED by Councillor Bonnett that Council direct Mayor Rennie to discuss the Landfill with Mayor Chichak.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: C-15-191-16

MOVED by Councillor Pritchard that Council adjourn the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Mayor

Secretary