

**MINUTES  
SADDLE HILLS COUNTY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY JUNE 13, 2006**

*Meeting of the Council for Saddle Hills County was held in the Council Chambers of the Saddle Hills County Administration Building on Tuesday June 13, 2006.*

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b><i>TIM STONE</i></b>	<b><i>REEVE</i></b>
	<b><i>DAVID ROWE</i></b>	<b><i>DEPUTY REEVE</i></b>
	<b><i>CINDY CLARKE</i></b>	<b><i>COUNCILLOR</i></b>
	<b><i>CLIFF TRAVIS</i></b>	<b><i>COUNCILLOR</i></b>
	<b><i>BARBARA BUCK</i></b>	<b><i>COUNCILLOR</i></b>
	<b><i>MIKE McRANN</i></b>	<b><i>COUNCILLOR</i></b>
	<b><i>RICK MCDONALD</i></b>	<b><i>INTERIM CAO</i></b>
	<b><i>SANDY PEDDLE</i></b>	<b><i>RECORDING SECRETARY</i></b>
 <b>ABSENT:</b>	 <b><i>BRUCE JACK</i></b>	 <b><i>COUNCILLOR</i></b>

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Tim Stone called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**MOTION  
01.13.06.06**

Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council go into an In-camera session, with all present (Councillors, Emdadul Haque, Sandy Peddle and Rick McDonald) to stay.

**Carried**

**MOTION  
02.13.06.06**

Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council go out of In-camera session and go into the open session.

**Carried**

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The following additions were made to the agenda:

- 6.2 RFP Land Use Bylaw Review
- 7.12 CAO Contract
- 8.2 Weyerhaeuser
- 8.3 Grande Spirit Foundation
- 8.4 Mountain Pine Beetle Summit

**MOTION**

**03.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council adopt the agenda as amended.**

**Carried**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**3.1 Council Meeting Minutes – May 23, 2006**

The minutes from the May 23, 2006 regularly scheduled meeting of Council were presented for Council's review. The following corrections were noted:

Pg. 3 – 5.5 change the word Tool to *Toolkit*

Pg. 5 – Motion 11.23.05.06 change the word Course to *Conference*

Pg. 5 – change the wording from stepped out at 11:53 a.m. during *to prior*

**MOTION**

**03.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that the Council minutes from the May 23, 2006 regular scheduled Council meeting be adopted as amended.**

**Carried**

**5.1 CAO Regular Council Meeting Report**

The Chief Administrative Officer presented his report to Council.

**MOTION**

**04.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer report for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**5.2 Director of Public Works Report**

The Director of Public Works presented his report to Council:

**MOTION**

**05.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council accept the Director of Public Works report for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**MOTION**

**06.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council authorize administration to complete the Calcium application on Range Road 134 (part of Town Ship Road 801) up to Town Ship Road 802.**

**Carried**

**5.3 Municipal Safety Policy Update**

Administration presented this item to Council on May 23, 2006 and direction was given to bring the item back with the noted amendments for further discussion.

**MOTION**

**07.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council adopt the Municipal Safety Policy PW19 as presented.**

**Carried**

**5.4 2007-2009 Local Road Bridge Priority List**

Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation (AIT) requested the County review the funding requests and submit a new local road bridge priority list for the next 3 year program (2007-2009). On the basis of the existing structural condition rating, safety, preservation and system expansion/upgrading and traffic volume the attached priority list is prepared. Administration would like council to review and approve the priority list.

**MOTION**

**08.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council adopt the 2007 – 2009 Local Road Bridge Priority List as presented.**

**Carried**

*Emdadul Haque, Director of Public Works departed the meeting at 11:58 a.m.*

*Council recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:20 p.m.*

*Laurie Jackson, Development Services Co-ordinator entered the meeting at 1:21 p.m.*

**6.1 Application to Amend Land Use Bylaw – Rezoning**

Administration presented the request for rezoning from agricultural to country residential on May 23, 2006 and was directed to bring this item back for further discussion.

**MOTION**

**09.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council give Bylaw 150-2006 first reading.**

**Carried**

**MOTION**

**10.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council schedule a Public Hearing regarding Rezoning Bylaw 150-2006 on the date established for the July 2006 Council meeting at 1:30 p.m.**

**Carried**

**6.2 RFP – Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan**

At the May 23, 2006 Council Meeting, Council directed administration to prepare a Request For Proposal to obtain the services of a professional planning consultant to conduct the Land Use Bylaw review project. Administration brought the matter back to this Council meeting for further consideration. Discussion ensued and administration was directed to defer this item to the June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Council meeting, when further information can be presented for review.

*Laurie Jackson, Development Services Co-ordinator departed the meeting at 1:38 p.m.*

**7.1 Summer Meeting Schedule**

Administration would like to know on what dates Council wishes to meet during the months of July and August.

**MOTION**

**11.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council set July 18, 2006 and August 17, 2006 as the summer meeting dates.**

**Carried**

**MOTION**

**12.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council give authorization to excuse Councillor Jack from attending regular Council meetings due to medical reason.**

**Carried**

## **7.2 Contaminated Sites Development Conference**

Administration presented Council with a course outline for the Contaminated Sites Development being held in Vancouver on September 28-29, 2006.

### **MOTION**

**13.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council authorize attendance to the Contaminated Sites Development Conference by a member of the Oil and Gas committee.**

**Carried**

## **7.3 Hamlet of Woking ASP**

Administration presented Council with a letter from the Peace Wapiti School Division expressing their support for the Hamlet of Woking Area Structure Plan.

### **MOTION**

**14.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council accept the letter from Peace Wapiti School Division for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

## **7.4 Extension Request for Submitting Financial Statements**

Administration presented Council with a response letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs, granting the extension for submitting the County Financial Statements.

### **MOTION**

**15.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council accept the letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

## **7.5 PCDC Annual General Meeting**

Administration presented Council with an invitation to attend the Annual General meeting of the Peace Country Development Corporation (PCDC) on June 22, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in Peace River.

### **MOTION**

**16.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Travis that County Council authorize attendance to the Peace Country Development Corporation Annual General Meeting in Peace River on June 22, 2006.**

**Carried**

**7.6 Sorrentino's Compassion House Golf Tournament**

Administration has received the annual invitation to participate in the Compassion House Golf Tournament. The tournament is scheduled to take place on Saturday June 27, 2006.

**MOTION**

**17.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Travis that County Council direct administration to proceed as previously and register a foursome and donate an additional Three Hundred and Sixty (\$360.00) dollars towards the Compassion House Golf Tournament making the grand total Six Hundred (\$600.00) dollars.**

**Carried**

**7.7 Smoke-Free Canada**

Administration presented Council with a request for support in making Canada Smoke-free.

**MOTION**

**18.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council accept the letter on a smoke-free Canada from Senator, Mac Harb for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**7.8 Bylaw 130-2003 – Master Rates Bylaw Amendment**

Administration presented Council with an amended copy of the Master Rates Bylaw 130-2003. Discussion ensued and this item has been deferred to the June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Council meeting for further discussion.

**7.9 Recreational Grant Application**

Administration presented Council with the Recreational Grant applications from the community halls for review. Discussion ensued and administration was directed to bring this item back for further review to the July 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**MOTION**

**19.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council defer this item to the July 18, 2006 meeting.**

**Carried**

**7.10 Waste Management Financial Statements**

Administration presented Council with the financial statements from the Waste Management Commission for review.

**MOTION  
20.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council accept the financial statement from the Waste Management Commission for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**7.11 Woking Drainage Ditch Project**

Administration presented Council with an Offer-To-Sell from a landowner in Woking on the SE 24-76-6-W6 with two options for the Woking drainage ditch project. Administration would like direction from Council as to which option they would prefer for this project.

**MOTION  
21.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council approve the purchase of land as presented in option one for the Woking Drainage Ditch project.**

**Carried**

Discussion ensued on a request from Public Works regarding the possibility of a fuel surcharge compensation. It was requested that administration research and bring data back for further discussion.

**MOTION  
22.13.06.06**

**Moved by Deputy Reeve Rowe that County Council direct administration to research the fuel surcharges and bring the information back to the June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meeting.**

**Carried**

**7.12 CAO Contract**

Discussion ensued and Council would like to proceed with the signing of the contract with the new CAO.

**MOTION  
23.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council authorize the signing of employment contract with Tarolyn Peach effective July 31, 2006.**

**Carried**

### **8.1 FCM Convention**

Councillor Clarke, with Councillor McRann presented Council with a brief outline of the FCM convention they attended. It was noted that it was a very good experience and it was an overall well organized event. It was also mentioned that they had very good speakers and interesting tours that everyone enjoyed. Reeve Stone, participated in the standing committee forums and he was elected to sit on the Rural Alberta FCM Board of Directors.

### **8.2 Weyerhaeuser**

Councillor Clarke presented Council with her report on the Weyerhaeuser meeting she attended on May 25, 2006. It was noted that operations are running smoothly and everything is up to date. There was a great deal of discussion on the Mountain Pine Beetle epidemic and the Government has been asked that they continue to fund this project. It was noted that the next meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup>, would be a full day touring the plant and also a tour of the Ainsworth plant.

### **8.3 Grande Spirit Foundation**

Councillor Clarke presented Council with her report on the Grande Spirit Foundation meeting she attended on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006. It was noted that operations are running on schedule and not much to report. The auditors explained the GST situation that has been ongoing with Revenue Canada, but the bottom line is that they are a non-profit organization and therefore they are subject to GST. They are still working on this and hopefully it will be resolved soon. It was noted that contracts have been award for summer work and that all the warranty work has been completed at the Wild Rose Manner.

### **8.4 Mountain Pine Beetle**

Reeve Stone presented Council with his report on the Mountain Pine Beetle meeting he attended. It was mentioned that this epidemic is grown very quickly and spreading faster than they would like. The BC forestry is having a very difficult time trying to control this infestation from spreading further. It was noted that they flew over a wide spread area of central BC so they could get a visual impact of damage the Pine Beetle is doing. It was noted that representatives from all over Alberta were invited to participate, so in the event this epidemic spreads into Alberta they can assist with public relations.

### **MOTION 24.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor McRann that County Council accept the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Grande Spirit Foundation, Weyerhaeuser and the Mountain Pine Beetle reports for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**9. Information Items**

1. AAMD&C – Peace Officer Act
2. AAMD&C RTFO Officially Adopted
3. Letters from Minister Ty Lund
4. FCM
5. Contact (assorted material)
6. Review of the Conflicts of Interest Act
7. Branding the Peace Country
8. Letter from the MD of Big Lakes
9. Alberta Transportation
10. RCMP Victims Assistance Program
11. Alberta Stewardship Network
12. Beef 2006

**MOTION**

**25.13.06.06**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council accept the information items for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Tim Stone declared the meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

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**REEVE**

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**CAO**