

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
POLICY & PRIORITIES MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
April 15, 2008**

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| PRESENT | Frances Davis | Chair |
| | Pete Nykolyshyn | Councillor |
| | Bonnie Bigam | Councillor |
| | Brian Harcourt | Councillor |
| | Bill Moedt | Councillor |
| | Jake Klassen | Councillor |
| | Charles Johnson | Councillor |

REGRETS

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| ATTENDING | Ray Coad | CAO |
| | Wendy Schmaltz | CSM |
| | Faye Ewing | EA |
| | Audrey Bjorklund | CMD |
| | Allan Rowe | PWM |

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Reeve Davis

ADOPTION OF
AGENDA
P032(04/15/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that the agenda governing the Policy and Priorities meeting of April 15, 2008 be adopted with the following changes:

Additions

- **7c. Nuclear information session in Fairview, April 14**
- **7d. Confidential Item Peace Country Health Housing**
- **8b. North Peace Regional Landfill commission**
- **9d. Jubilee Insurance**

Deletions:

- **12a. Confidential Item-Eureka River Subdivision**

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES
P033(04/15/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that the minutes of the February 19, 2008 Policy and Priority meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

COUNCIL

Hines Creek Homesteader Lodge

Reeve Davis, has received some concerns from ratepayers regarding the staffing of the Hines Creek Homesteader Lodge.

P034(04/15/08)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that this Committee receives the concerns made by ratepayers from Reeve Davis, relating to the Hines Creek Homesteader Lodge for information.

CARRIED.

Peace Library Systems

Reeve Davis, has received some concerns in regards to the amount of funding given to the Peace Library system; Council discussed current funding for County

libraries.

P036(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that this Committee recommends council review recreation operating grant policy. CARRIED.**

10:55 a.m. Reeve Davis called a two minute break.
11:05 a.m. Reeve Davis called the meeting to order.

Nuclear Meeting Councillor Johnson would like to discuss information presented at the
Information Session information session in Fairview on April 14, 2008.

P037(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that this Committee receives this information about the Nuclear information session for discussion. CARRIED.**

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
Tradeshow

Update on 14th annual tradeshow from Community Services Manger Audrey Bjorklund

P039(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that this Committee receives this update for information. CARRIED.**

Reeve Davis called for a break for lunch at 12:00 p.m.
Reeve Davis called meeting back to order at 12:33 p.m.

Policy 2303 – Volunteer The current Volunteer Fire Fighter’s Honorariums Policy 2303 Appendix A
Fire Fighters Honorarium refers to Fire Fighter Level 1, this level of training has been replaced by S300.

P040(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Johnson that this Committee recommends Council amend Policy 2303 – Volunteer Fire Fighter’s Honorariums by replacing Fire Fighter Level 1 with S300 throughout the document. CARRIED.**

PUBLIC WORKS
Ditch Cleaning/Rock
Removal

Public Works gathered proposals for rock removal in the County ditches from interested contractors.

P041(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Klassen that Policy & Priorities Committee recommends to Council not proceed with the stand-alone rock removal program. CARRIED.**

North Peace Regional Public Works Manager and Councillor Nykolyshyn presented information
Landfill commission regarding the recent meeting of the North Peace Regional Landfill commission.

P043(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that this committee to accepts for information the discussion regarding the North Peace Regional Landfill commission meeting. CARRIED.**

FINANCE
Mill Rate Bylaw

A draft mill rate bylaw for 2008 based on the motion C043 (01/22/08) with mill rates of 8.24 and 15.12 for residential & farmland and non-residential properties respectively. This is an increase from 8 and 14 in 2007 and 9 and 13 in 2006. As you can see on the bylaw this would create municipal tax revenue of

\$14,698,144.41 compared to our budget of \$12,640,000 and the 2007 amount of \$12,467,557.

P044(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that this Committee recommends Council pass first reading of bylaw 111-08 for the purpose of authorizing and fixing the mill rates levied and imposed against assessable property for the taxation year 2008. CARRIED.**

Annual Meeting Presentations The Senior Management team has prepared the presentation for the annual meetings for Council's review.

P043(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Harcourt that Council accepts for information the presentation for the annual meetings for information. CARRIED.**

Councillor Expenditures Policy number 1203, Expenditures needs to be expanded or another policy developed regarding Councilors expenditures on County credit cards.

P044(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that Council directs administration to develop a credit card expenditure policy as discussed. CARRIED.**

Tradeshaw Staff Recognition Council discussed ideas to show appreciation to the staff for all the hours put in at trade show.

P045(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that this committee recommends council schedule County staff appreciation BBQ May 3, 2008 at the Cleardale Golf Course. CARRIED.**

Reeve Davis called a 5 minute break at 2:05 p.m.
Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Jubilee Insurance Council Harcourt requested this item to be on the agenda

P046(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Harcourt that this committee accepts for information the information regarding Jubilee Insurance. CARRIED.**

CONFIDENTIAL
Peace Country Health
Housing

P047(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that this Committee goes in camera at 2:21 p.m. CARRIED.**

P048(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that this Committee comes out of camera at 3:20 p.m. CARRIED.**

P049(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that this Committee receives for information the discussion regarding Peace Country Health Housing. CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

P050(04/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Nykolyshyn that this Committee adjourns the meeting at 3:25 p.m. CARRIED.**

Date Signed

Chairperson

Date Signed

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