

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MAY 26, 2009**

PRESENT	Frances Davis Pete Nykolyshyn Bonnie Bigam Brian Harcourt Charlie Johnson Jake Klassen William (Bill) Moedt	Reeve Deputy Reeve Councilor Councilor Councilor Councilor Councilor
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REGRETS

ATTENDING	Ray Coad Wendy Schmaltz Allan Rowe Audrey Bjorklund Charlotte Parker	CAO CSM PWM CDM EA
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MEMBERS OF THE
PUBLIC

Sandra Dohei and Aleks Nelson

CALL TO ORDER Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

AGENDA
C413(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council adopts the Agenda governing the regular Council meeting of May 26, 2009, as amended, with the additional items, as listed. CARRIED.

Additional Items Accounts Payable

MINUTES
C414(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council adopts the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of May 12, 2009, as presented. CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES
C415(05/26/09)

**RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council approves Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn to purchase a 4-H Beef for the County Bar-B-Q day, in place of Councilor Johnson, as per previous resolution C396(05/12/09).

CARRIED.**

DELEGATION

The following delegations made presentations during the meeting:

Manning Diversified
Forest Products

A delegation from the Manning Diversified Forest Products was in attendance at 10:00 a.m.

Reeve Davis called for a break at 10:42 a.m. The meeting re-convened at 10:49 a.m.

C416(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council receives for information the delegation from Manning Diversified Forest Products. CARRIED.

Golden Sheep Power

Golden Sheep Power representatives were in attendance at 10:30 a.m. to report back to council on the wind research they've done on the County's behalf and to present energy options for Council's consideration.

C417(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council receives for information the delegation from Golden Sheep Power. CARRIED.

COUNCIL

Senior Management
Activity Report

The report from the Senior Management Activity Report was reviewed.

C418(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Harcourt that Council accepts for information the Senior Management Team Activity Report, as presented and discussed, with the addition of Clear Hills County having received funding for the Worsley Water Treatment Plant. CARRIED.

Revised Policies

Clear Hills County Policies & Priorities Committee have reviewed all of the policies governing Clear Hills County Council. Some of the policies have been revised and are being presented for resolution.

C419(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council remove policies 3201 (Road Construction) and 1104 (Council Meetings), for later discussion and approve the rest of the revised policies for Clear Hills County, as presented. CARRIED.

Fish & Wildlife
Letters

Councilor Johnson requested that the letters from Fish & Wildlife, regarding the elk depredation intercept feeding site at Cleardale, be put on the agenda.

C420(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Johnson that Council invite Fred Herzog and Lyle Fullerton as a delegation to a future Council meeting. CARRIED.

Letters dated January 18, 2006 and January 26, 2009 – regarding Hwy. 717,730,735

Councilor Johnson requested this item on the agenda.

C421(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Johnson that Council reply to Alberta Transportation's letter of January 26, 2009, stating that Highway 717 is on our 5 year plan and we are willing to participate in the 50/50 cost share for Hwy. 717, with the condition that it will not be degazetted. CARRIED.

C422(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Johnson that Council table the next three items until later in the meeting. CARRIED.

Letter dated April 8, 2009 (Genivar)

Councilor Johnson requested this item on the agenda.

Worsley Lots

Councilor Johnson requested this item on the agenda.

Responsibility of
Council Policy 1102

Councilor Johnson requested this item on the agenda.

Reeve Davis called for a break for lunch at 12:01 p.m.
The meeting re-convened at 12:49 p.m.

C423(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolysyn that Council return to the tabled items. CARRIED.

These items were discussed in camera.

Credit Card Charge

According to Policy 1220 Credit Card, original invoices must be submitted for all charges on the County Credit Card. Failure to do so results in a payroll deduction. A Council resolution is required if an exception is to be made.

C424(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolysyn that Council authorize payment in accordance with Policy 1107, for missing

credit card expense incurred on April 15, 2009, at Ricky's Restaurant. CARRIED.

Cleardale
Subdivision

A letter was received from residents of Cleardale, regarding purchasing lots at Cleardale on a rental purchase plan.

C425(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council directs administration to research the legal and financial ramification to Clear Hills County of the lots being sold, in the County, as rental purchase units. CARRIED.

CORPORATE
Accounts Payable

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of May 13, 2009 to May 26, 2009 was provided for Council's review and ratification.

C426(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Johnson that Council ratifies the expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of May 13, 2009 to May 26,2009 for a total of \$324,530.52. CARRIED.

Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn abstains from voting because of pecuniary interest.

C427(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council ratifies cheque no. 4943 for a total of \$5,628.00. CARRIED.

February Financial
Report

A financial report for the operations of the County for the month ended February, 2009 was provided for Council's review.

C428(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council receives for information the financial report for the month ended February, 2009. CARRIED.

March Financial
Report

A financial report for the operations of the County for the month ended March 31, 2009 was provided for Councils review.

C429(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Harcourt that Council receives for information the financial report for the month ended March, 2009. CARRIED.

Residential Mill Rate

Councillor Klassen requested Administration prepare a report indicating the financial implications on options to reduce the residential mill rate.

C430(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council bring this as a 2010 item, to a future Policy and Priority meeting for research and discussion. CARRIED.

Bylaw 123-09
(Mill rate)

Council passed a motion at the May 12, 2009 regular Council meeting instructing administration to prepare a mill rate bylaw setting the 2009 mill rate at the same rate as 2008.

C431(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council table the mill rate bylaw until a Special Council meeting, June 2, 2009. CARRIED.

Reeve Davis called for a break at 2:01 p.m. The meeting re-convened at 2:08 p.m.

Accounts Payable

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for cheque 4808 and 4809 is provided for Council's review and ratification.

C432(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that this Council ratifies the expenditures for Clear Hills County for cheque 4808 and 4809 in the amount of \$15,191.16. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
Manager's Report

A report was given by the Community Development manager, Audrey Bjorklund.

Communities:

Ag Fieldman Zylstra provided a write-up in the May edition of the County newsletter on the *Energy Options at the Farm Gate* conference he attended in Taber on March 17th and 18th, 2009.

Agriculture

Seasonal Staff: The following seasonal staff have been hired and appointed as weed inspectors under the Weed and Pest Control Acts: Joyce McLaughlin, Patty McLarty, Alex Tanguay, Bailey Larsback, Amanda Nykolyshyn. There are still two positions pending completion of the interview process.

Rental Equipment: The satellite rental equipment yard in the east end of the County will be managed by Chuck and Helen Layher at their yard site. The Layher's have been providing this service for the County for several years.

Wild Boar Program: 6 pairs of wild boar ears had been turned in under the provincial wild board program up to May 12, 2009.

Manager's Report

A report was given by the Public Works manager, Allan Rowe.

32-06 Road Maintenance

- **Chinchaga Road**
- Administration currently obtaining a list of Chinchaga Road users from BP Energy
- Intent to set up a meeting with the road users to inform them of tentative changes
- Intent to negotiate and discuss with the road users to obtain a potential road authority/manager

32-07 Bridges

- 74640 – north of Hines Creek replacement
- 76451 – north of Worsley replacement

32-13 Brushing

- Brushing with the seppi is scheduled to begin June 9, 2009.

32-14 Dust Control

- Local roads will have dust control applied beginning May 22, 2009.
- Alberta Transportation has agreed to apply dust control on SH717.

32-17 Mowing

- Schedule: Mowing will commence June 9, 2009 (double shift).

32-18 Gravel

- 259 miles of road have been graveled as of May 20, 2009
- 55,088.19 tonnes of gravel have been deposited on local roads as of May 20, 2009

32-20 Signage

- Installation of the remaining County entrance/ Come Again signs was completed May 2009

32-23-43 Clear Hills Connector Road

- LOC application: SRD is in the process of canceling Canfor's LOC in order to proceed with the Joint Venture's LOC application
- Control of Corporation application is currently being reviewed at Municipal Affairs

32-24 Regrade Projects

- **Paving Projects**
- Preconstruction meetings scheduled for Wednesday, May 27th for Clear Prairie Road Paving Phase IV (Ski Hill road to RR 100) and for Twp 870 Paving (Worsley to RR 72 South)

32-25 Gravel Pits - Exploration

- Alberta Environment requires further test holes on the Connector Road exploration area

41-09 Water

- Worsley water lines repaired/replaced

41-09 Water Wells

- Water License received from Alberta Environment to install a pump at one of the borrow pits on Hwy 730 to provide non-potable water for resource and agricultural purposes
- LOC application pending

41-20 Regional Water

- Water Treatment Plant Pilot Project
- No information updates from Associated Engineering, from Hydro Geological Consulting or from Provincial Government regarding funding

43-20 Transfer Stations

- Hines Creek Transfer Station Improvements

61-02-21 Cleardale Development – Paving North

- Attachments

C438(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Bigam that Council receives the Public Works Manager's report for information. CARRIED.

Landfill Services

Administration requesting permission from Council to install three six yard bins (on gravel pads) at each of the Clear Prairie and Bear Canyon landfills for the collection of household garbage and for the purpose of containing the garbage that normally escapes the pits in windy weather, creating mess and clutter along nearby roads/ditches and fence lines.

C439(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyszyn that Council directs administration to investigate with the North Peace Regional Landfill Commission, transporting the garbage in the bins to the Regional Landfill. CARRIED.

Worsley Hamlet

- Update for Council regarding the letter received from the Worsley Chamber of Commerce requesting Worsley streets to be cleaned twice monthly between May and September, a speed bump to be installed by the playground, and ditches to be mowed along Highway 726 and Alberta Avenue.
- Pat Foster, Utility Operator, has been trained to run the street sweeper.

C440(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council directs administration to install speed bumps on the street: one at the Worsley General Store and one at the R.V. sewer dump station. CARRIED.

C441(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council directs administration to get in touch with FOCUS regarding additional space and other areas of concern for the Cleardale truck parking area. CARRIED.

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INFORMATION &
CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed:

1. AAMDC Golf Tournament
2. Peace Library System
3. Thank you from H.C. Library
4. Thank you from H.C. & District Recreation Board
5. NADA Communique'
6. Letters regarding Airport Traffic Services P. River

COUNCIL
REPORTS

REVIEW OF
CALENDARS

Council reviewed upcoming meetings and conference dates and updated calendars.

C442(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Harcourt that Council receives for information the upcoming meetings, conference dates and updated calendars. CARRIED.

C443(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council go in camera at 3:16 p.m. CARRIED.

C444(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council comes out of camera at 5:44 p.m. CARRIED.

C445(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Klassen that Council enter a purchase contract with Robert Craig regarding the northerly part of SE 10 85 10 W6, containing 65 acres more or less, as amended, so as to include the triangular area of the Ag. 2 district and a line parallel to the Ag. 2 district and the HR1 district so as to square out HR1 district and the Ag. 2 district, as shown on attached schedule "A". CARRIED.

C446(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Bigam that Council directs Administration to proceed with a RFP, to supply gravel to the County for the next 10 years, in accordance with TILLMA

legislation.

CARRIED.

Adjournment
C447(05/26/09)

RESOLUTION by Councilor Moedt that Council adjourn the Regular Council Meeting on May 26, 2009 at 6:11 p.m. CARRIED.

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REEVE

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER