

M.D. of Ranchland No. 66
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 19, 2023

The meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66 was held in Council Chambers in the Municipal Office located at the Chain Lakes Provincial Park on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Ron Davis, Reeve
Harry Streeter, Deputy Reeve
Cam Gardner, Councillor

Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer
Greg Brkich, Accountant
Sheldon Steinke, Council Liaison
Nikki Funk, Recording Clerk
Rick Lawson, Superintendent of Public Works
Rick Niwa, Agricultural Fieldman

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Davis called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion No. 23/09/19/304 MOVED by Councillor Gardner that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion No. 23/09/19/305 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the minutes of the September 5, 2023, meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

Motion No. 23/09/19/306 6.A.i – Action List
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the Action for information.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/307 6.A.ii – Bank Rec and Vendor Payment
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Bank Rec and Vendor Payment list for information.

CARRIED



Motion No. 23/09/19/308 6.A.iii – ARMAA – CAO Report
MOVED by Reeve Davis that the CAO's report on the most recent ARMAA conference be forwarded to Council via email.

CARRIED

Rick Lawson joined the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Motion No. 23/09/19/309 6.B.i – Public Works Update
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to authorize the ordering of the 160 15A AWD grader as presented with the funding for the purchase to be included as part of the 2024 MD of Ranchland Capital budget.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/310 MOVED by Councillor Gardner to amend the budget to approve the purchase and construction of the communications tower as presented and quoted in the amount up to \$18,000 plus GST, to be funded from the MD of Ranchland Operating Reserve.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/311 MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the public works update PowerPoint for information.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/312 6.B.iii – STIP-LRB Grant Application for BF 84582
MOVED by Reeve Davis to authorize Roseke Engineering providing an updated cost estimate for the BF 84582 bridge project.

CARRIED

Rick Lawson left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.
Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 12:30 p.m.
Reeve Davis reconvened the meeting at 1:11 p.m.
Rick Niwa joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

Motion No. 23/09/19/313 6.C.i – Disposal of Park Truck
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the discussion regarding the disposal of the F-350 parks truck, for information.

CARRIED

Rick Niwa Left the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Motion No. 23/09/19/314 6.B.ii – MD of Pincher Creek partnership request ACP grant
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that That Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66 supports the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No.9's (managing partner) submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application in support of the Regional Transportation Master Plan project with the understanding that there is no matching municipal, financial contribution required to the grant.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/315 6.C.ii – Discussion from AB Gov RE: Campfire pits at Chain
MOVED by Councillor Gardner that the MD of Ranchland is strongly opposed to campfire pits being developed at the Chain Lakes Provincial Park location due to the potential severe fire hazard risk associated with the specific type of dense vegetation present at the park, and furthermore addition due to the previous historic understanding that campfire pits were not appropriate for this location.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/316 6.D.i – Update RE: AMHSA Safety Audit
MOVED by Reeve Davis to accept the update regarding the AMHSA safety audit, for information.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/317 6.E.i – AER Open House
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the report from staff attending the AER open house workshops, for information.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/318 6.E.ii – FLBMA Meeting Agenda/Summary
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the report from staff regarding the Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association meeting, as information.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/319 6.F.i – LRSD – Nanton School Advisory Committee
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the report from staff regarding the Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association meeting, as information.

CARRIED

Reeve Davis recessed the meeting at 2:34 p.m.
Reeve Davis resumed the meeting 2:43 p.m.

IN-CAMERA

Motion No. 23/09/19/320 MOVED by Reeve Davis that, in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves into a closed meeting at 2:43 p.m. to discuss matters involving advice from officials, per section 24 as well as matters regarding legal privilege, per section 27 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)

CARRIED



Motion No. 23/09/19/321 MOVED by Reeve Davis that Council return to an open meeting at 3:53 p.m.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA

Motion No. 23/09/19/322 8.A – Liaison Officer’s Report to Council
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to approve filing of a Statement of Concern through legal counsel for the Northback Holdings Corporation, coal exploration and drilling applications.

CARRIED

Motion No. 23/09/19/323 8.A – Liaison Officer’s Report to Council
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept items 8.A, 8.B, 8.C, for information.

CARRIED


ADJOURNMENT

Being that the agenda matters have concluded, the Reeve declared the meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

These minutes approved this 3rd day of October, 2023.



Ron Davis, Reeve



Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer