

M.D. of Ranchland No. 66
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 12, 2024

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, March 12, 2024, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Harry Streeter, Deputy Reeve
Cameron Gardner, Councillor

Robert Strauss, CAO
Sheldon Steinke, Council Liaison
Nikki Funk, Recording Clerk

Kelly Starling, Director of Emergency Services
Cpl. Mark Amatto, RCMP, Crowsnest Detachment
Cpl. Thomas Nairn, RCMP, Nanton Detachment
Sgt. Perry Pelletier, RCMP, Claresholm Detachment

ABSENT

Ron Davis, Reeve

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Reeve Streeter called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Director Starling joined the meeting at 1:02 p.m.
Cpl. Amatto joined the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion No. 24/03/12/072 MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the agenda as amended with the addition of in-camera:
8.B.ii – West Fraser / Spray Lakes Sawmill Road Use Agreement

And the deletion of:
6.A.i – Action list

CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion No. 24/03/12/073 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the minutes of the February 26th, 2024, meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Cpl. Amatto left the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

EXTERNAL CORRESPONDANCE

Motion No. 24/03/12/074 5.E.i – Minister Invite Letter
5.F.i – Head to Heart Event (NQLF)
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the External Correspondence items 5.E.i and 5.F.i, as information.

CARRIED



Deputy Reeve Streeter recessed at 1:49 p.m.
Deputy Reeve Streeter reconvened at 1:55 p.m.
Cpl. Nairn joined the meeting at 1:55 p.m.
Sgt. Pelletier joined the meeting at 1:55 p.m.
Cpl. Nairn left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.
Sgt. Pelletier left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

BUSINESS

Motion No. 24/03/12/075 6.D.iii – CPO Authorities.
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to authorize administration to proceed with the administrative process to seek the following additional authorities for the Community Peace Officers under the Public Lands Act and associated regulations as discussed.
CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/076 6.D.iv – 2024 Priorities
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that the MD of Ranchland No.66 2024 Emergency Services Priorities include the carry forward of the three priorities from 2023, and to add two additional priorities in relation to current programming being the “Implementation of the Regional Emergency Management Program” and the “Completion of Mutual Aid Agreements with neighboring municipalities for fire and rescue services”.
CARRIED

Director Starling left the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

Motion No. 24/03/12/077 6.D.i – RCMP Delegations
MOVED by Cam Gardner to accept the Delegation presentation from the Crowsnest RCMP detachment for information.
CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/078 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Delegation presentation from the Nanton and Claresholm RCMP detachments for information.
CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/079 6.D.ii – Emergency Services 2023 Year in Review and January/ February 2024 DEM Report
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to accept the Emergency Services 2023 Year in Review as well as the January/ February 2024 DEM Report provided by Kelly Starling, for information.
CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/080 6.E.i – Bylaw 2024-02 – Municipal Development Plan Bylaw
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to table the first reading of the MDP to the March 26th, 2024 Council meeting.
CARRIED

Deputy Reeve Streeter recessed the meeting at 3:35 p.m.
Deputy Reeve Streeter reconvened the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

IN-CAMERA

Motion No. 24/03/12/081 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that, in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council moves into a closed meeting at 3:45 p.m. to discuss advice from officials, per section 24, as well as matters involving legal privilege, per section 27, of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/082 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter that Council return to an open meeting at 4:47 p.m.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA

Motion No. 24/03/12/083 8.B.ii – West Fraser Road Use Agreement
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to enter into the road use agreement with West Fraser/ Spray Lakes Sawmill as presented.

CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/084 7.A – L.O Report to Council
MOVED by Councillor Gardner to authorize legal counsel, Carscallen LLP, to file an appeal to the Alberta Court of Appeal regarding the Alberta Energy Regulator's decision to allow Northback's application for coal exploration and deep drilling permit, pursuant to section 45 of the Responsible Energy Development Act (REDA).

CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/085 8.B.i. – Watercourse Crossing
MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to proceed with the three separate change of scope agreements for the three separate watercourse projects as recommended by ISL Engineering.

CARRIED

Motion No. 24/03/12/086 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Streeter to accept the Liaison Officer's report to council for information.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Being that the agenda matters have concluded, the Deputy Reeve declared the meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

These minutes approved this 26th day of March, 2024.

Ron Davis, Reeve

Robert Strauss, Chief Administrative Officer