



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FOR BIRCH HILLS COUNTY HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MARCH 1, 2018

Present: Reeve Gerald Manzulenko
Councillor Ginette Paradis
Councillor Deanne Wendland
Councillor Paul Reum
Councillor Denise Joudrey
CAO Hermann Minderlein
Legislative Officer Shawna Schwerdt

Absent: Deputy Reeve Terry Carbone
Councillor Cheryl Bogdanek

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Manzulenko called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Danny Zahara from The Signal entered the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA RC18-071 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council adopt the agenda of the March 1, 2018 Regular Council Meeting with the following additions:

9. NEW BUSINESS

- f. Response to Oneil Carlier Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, regarding Bylaw 17-04 GE Alfalfa.

In-Camera

Legal - Senior Housing

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
February 15, 2018

RC18-072 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

None.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS
Reeve Manzulenko

Reeve Manzulenko provided a verbal update on the meetings he had attended in Grande Prairie in February, the ICF seminar on the 20th, the G5 Seniors Housing Committee on the 21st, and the Growing the North Conference from the 20th to the 22nd. He also attended the G5 Meeting in Rycroft on February 26th.

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- Deputy Reeve Carbone** Absent.

- Councillor Paradis** Councillor Paradis provided a verbal update to Council regarding the Birch Hills County Library Board (BHCLB) Meeting on February 26th she had attended in Eaglesham. A discussion followed regarding the resignation of the current BHCLB’s auditor and whether or not the BHCLB or BHC’s Council appoint BHCLB’s auditor.

- Councillor Wendland** Councillor Wendland provided a verbal update on the Taste of the Peace & Growing the North Conference she attended in Grande Prairie from February 20th to 22nd and the G5 Meeting on February 26th in Rycroft.

- Councillor Reum** No Report.

- Councillor Bogdanek** Absent.

- Councillor Joudrey** Councillor Joudrey provided a verbal update on the Growing the North Conference she attended in Grande Prairie on February 21st and 22nd, and the G5 Meeting on February 26th in Rycroft.

RC18-073 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept the Councillor Reports for information.

CARRIED

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER’S REPORTS

CAO Report CAO Minderlein provided Council with a verbal update to the written report that had been distributed to Council.

RC18-074 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council receive the CAO’s written report and updates as information.

CARRIED

CAO Action Log Council reviewed the CAO Action Log updated to February 26, 2018 provided in the Agenda Package.

RC18-075 Moved by Councillor Joudrey that Council receive the CAO Action Log for information.

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BYLAWS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ASB Clubroot in Canola
Policy 63-01-18

Council was provided with the Clubroot in Canola
Policy Number 63-01-18 for review and adoption.

RC18-076 Moved by Councillor Wendland that
Council approve Policy Number 63-01-18, the Clubroot
in Canola Policy as presented.

CARRIED

ASB Fusarium
Graminearum Policy
63-02-18

Council was provided with the Fusarium
Graminearum Policy Number 63-02-18 for review and
adoption.

RC18-077 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council
approve Policy Number 63-02-18, the Fusarium
Graminearum Policy as presented.

CARRIED

ASB Virulent Blackleg of
Canola Policy 63-03-18

Council was provided with the Virulent Blackleg of
Canola Policy Number 63-03-18 for review and
adoption.

RC18-078 Moved by Councillor Joudrey that Council
approve Policy Number 63-03-18, the Virulent
Blackleg of Canola Policy as presented.

CARRIED

Eaglesham Hall

Council was provided with information regarding the
Eaglesham Hall in reference to a request for a boot
rack.

RC18-079 Moved by Councillor Reum that Council
direct staff to install appropriate signage to direct users
to remove footwear and to utilize the storage space
provided, and to purchase additional floor mats for
events if deemed necessary.

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NEW BUSINESS

Appointment(s) to
Recreation Board

Council was provided with a request from Kathrin Langlois expressing her interest in being appointed to the Birch Hills County Recreation Board to represent Ward 7.

RC18-080 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council appoint Kathrin Langlois as the member representing Ward 7 of the Recreation Board for a three (3) year term on the Birch Hills County Recreation Board.

CARRIED

Director of Public Works
Dion Hynes and PW
Manager of Infrastructure
Michael Coy entered
meeting at 10:52 a.m.

PW Pickup Truck Tender
Closing

Council was provided with information regarding three 4WD pickup trucks that were tendered to replace units 136, 138 & 139.

RC18-081 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council direct Administration to accept the bid from Windsor Ford and to purchase three Eco Boost equipped pickup trucks including options, for \$40,041.85 each for a total of \$120,125.55.

CARRIED

PW Backhoe Tender
Closing

Council was provided with information regarding a new backhoe that was tendered to replace unit E50 which is a 2004 John Deere 310SJ Backhoe.

RC18-082 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council direct Administration to accept the bid from Brandt Tractor Ltd. for \$154,988.00 for the 2018 John Deere 310 SL Backhoe and to also accept their bid of \$8,873.00 for the supply of an NPK C4C Compactor, for a total of \$163,861.00.

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RC18-083 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council direct Administration to sell unit E50 2004 John Deere 310SJ Backhoe at a future auction.

CARRIED

RC18-084 Moved by Councillor Joudrey that Council direct Administration to sell the three 4WD pickup trucks with unit numbers 136, 138 & 139 at a future auction.

CARRIED

PW Motor Grader Tender Closing

Council was provided with information regarding a new motor grader that was tendered to replace unit G32 (Wanham grader) which is a 2014 John Deere 772GP equipped with a snow wing, a front lift group and a rear ripper. The rear ripper on this machine is also used to mount the wobbly packer attachment that is operational from spring to fall.

RC18-085 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council direct Administration to accept the bid from Finning for \$495,600 for a 2018 Cat 140M3 AWD Grader and to dispose of the 2014 John Deere 772GP at auction at a time that would be convenient and estimated to provide the best return.

CARRIED

Michael Coy left meeting at 10:19 a.m.

PW Water Report

Council was provided with information regarding the water report review including usage, revenues and expenses.

Director of Agriculture Amanda Ouellet entered meeting 10:22 a.m.

RC18-086 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept Public Work's report related to water usage, expenses, and revenues for information and direct Administration to summarize and publicize the report information as deemed appropriate.

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Dion Hynes left meeting at 10:41 a.m.

Genetically Engineered Alfalfa Bylaw 2017-04

On April 17, 2017 Council was presented with Bylaw No. 2017-04, the Genetically Engineered (GE) Alfalfa Bylaw. The GE Alfalfa Bylaw 2017-04 went through first and second reading and was approved by Council. Administration was then directed to forward the GE Bylaw 2017-04 to the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry for approval as required by the Weed Control Regulation AR 19/2010 Section 9(4) before returning the Bylaw to Council for 3rd reading. A response letter came back from the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry explaining why he denied his signature to Birch Hills County Bylaw 2017-04 GE Alfalfa.

RC18-087 Moved by Councillor Joudrey that Council accept the letter from Oneil Carlier, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry for information and direct Administration to draft a letter responding to Minister Carlier for the Reeve's signature explaining why the County deems Bylaw 2017-04 important to producers and requesting that he reconsider his decision not to sign Bylaw 2017-04.

CARRIED

Danny Zahara from The Signal and DOA Ouellet left meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Break 10:50 – 11:00 a.m.

Director of Corporate Services Shelley Braun entered meeting at 11:00 a.m.

FOR INFORMATION

Council was provided with a copy of the following information document that had been supplied by Administration:

1. Budget Variance.

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RC18-088 Moved by Councillor Wendland that Council accept the information item for information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Council was provided with a copy of the following correspondence that had been received or sent by the County:

1. Email re Mayors & Reeves Liaison Committee Meeting – Request for Agenda Items;
2. AAMDC Training Opportunity - Asset Management.

RC18-089 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council accept the correspondence provided for information.

CARRIED

IN-CAMERA

RC18-090 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council move in-camera at 11:34 a.m. for Legal – Related to Senior Housing.

CARRIED

RC18-091 Moved by Councillor Paradis that Council reconvene the regular meeting at 12:30 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Being that there was no further business, Reeve Manzulenکو adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATE – March 29, 2018

Original to be signed by

**GERALD MANZULENKO
REEVE**

Original to be signed by

**HERMANN MINDERLEIN
CAO**

INITIALS: Reeve: _____

CAO: _____