

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 21, 2015**

PRESENT

Charlie Johnson	Reeve
Jake Klassen	Deputy Reeve
Miron Croy	Councillor
Dan Fletcher	Councillor
Peter Frixel	Councillor
Jason Ruecker	Councillor
Lee Svederus	Councillor

ABSENT

ATTENDING

Allan Rowe	Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Audrey Bjorklund	Community Development Manager (CDM)
Ron Jensen	Public Works Manager (PWM)
Bonnie Morgan	Executive Assistant (EA)

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

C356-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to adopt the agenda governing the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting with the following addition 7.a.8 Tax assessor, as presented. CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Previous Regular Meeting Minutes

C357-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to adopt the minutes of the June 23, 2015 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

TENDER OPENING

There were no tender openings.

**NEW BUSINESS:
COUNCIL**

Management Team Activity Report

Council reviewed the most recent Management Team Activity Report.

C358-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to accept the June 23, 2015 Management Team Activity Report, as presented. CARRIED.

Drought

Councillor Svederus requested the topic of declaring an Agricultural Economic Disaster in Clear Hills County due to the current drought and heat wave conditions are on today's agenda.

C359-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to send a letter to Honorable Oneil Carlier, Minister of Agriculture requesting that Clear Hill

County be declared an Agricultural Disaster due to drought, including the recommendation for a tax deferral for agricultural producers. CARRIED.

Moisture Towers

Councillor Svederus requested that Moisture Towers be added to today's agenda.

Reeve Johnson recessed the meeting at 9:57 a.m.
Reeve Johnson reconvened the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

C360-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to send a letter to Honorable Oneil Carlier, Minister of Agriculture, and Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) requesting an additional weather station be installed centrally, to provide more accurate precipitation data in Clear Hills County. Including a funding contribution from Clear Hills County towards the installation, with the funds to be included in the 2016 operating budget. CARRIED.

Dust Control

Councillor Fletcher requested that dust control be added to today's agenda for discussion.

C361-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to receive the discussion regarding dust control for information. CARRIED.

Recreation

Councillor Frixel would like a discussion on developing a recreation swimming hole within Clear Hills County similar to the design at the Mile "0" Rotary Lake Park in Dawson Creek, British Columbia.

C362-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to have Administration bring back information on the costs related to developing and operating a similar project as the Rotary Lake swimming hole located at the Mile "0" Rotary Lake Park in Dawson Creek to a future Council Meeting. CARRIED.

Approach Policy
3203- Approach
Construction and
Maintenance

Councillor Svederus requested that a discussion regarding Policy 3203-Approach Construction and Maintenance.

C363-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to receive the discussion regarding Policy 3203- Approach Construction and Maintenance for information. CARRIED.

Log Haul Route
Requests

At the June 23, 2015 Council Meeting Councillor Ruecker tabled the discussion regarding Log Haul Route requests until the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting. Rob Mclaughlin, Operations Superintendent with Canadian Forest Products will be in attendance at the August 18, 2015 Regular Council Meeting to share their upcoming log haul and harvest plans.

C364-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Klassen to table the discussion regarding the log haul route maintenance until the August 18, 2015 Regular Council meeting. CARRIED.

Reeve Johnson recessed the meeting at 10:57 a.m.
Reeve Johnson reconvened the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

DELEGATIONS

Harry Welling-
Biomass Feasibility
Study

Harry Welling will be in attendance at 11:00 a.m. to give Council an update on the Biomass feasibility study.

Reeve Johnson recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m.
Reeve Johnson reconvened the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Tax Assessor

Councillor Svederus requested a discussion regarding Clear Hills County Tax Assessor be added to the agenda.

No action taken

C365-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to have Harry Welling prepare an outline and cost estimate to proceed with the second stage of the Biomass feasibility study. CARRIED.

CORPORATE
SERVICES

Accounts Payable
(June 24, 2015 to
July 14, 2015)

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of June 24, 2015 to July 14, 2015 is provided for Council's review.

C366-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Klassen that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of June 24, 2015 to July 14, 2015 for a total of \$369,275.24 (three hundred and sixty nine thousand two hundred and seventy five dollars and twenty four cents). CARRIED.

Policy 1221 –
Tendering and
Purchasing

Guidelines for purchases are set out in Policy 1221 – Tendering and Purchasing.

C367-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy that Council authorize the payment for Tri-S Concrete invoices 353755 and 353756 for a total of \$48,852.10 (forty eight thousand eight hundred and fifty two dollars and ten cents). CARRIED.

COMMUNITY
SERVICES

Capital Grant Request
George Lake Aquatic
Association

The George Lake Aquatic Association has submitted an application for a \$25,000.00 Capital Grant for a Playground at the George Lake

Camp Ground. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$65,955.31.

C368-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to approve a Capital Grant of \$25,000.00 (twenty five thousand dollars) to the George Lake Aquatic Association for a Playground project at the George Lake Camp Ground with the funds to be allocated from the Recreation Reserve. CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS

Tender 2015-14
Township Road
842 Widening

Council is presented with Tender 2015-14 results for Township Road 842 widening, starting at Range Road 33 and going west to Range Road 42.

C369-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy not to award Tender 2015-14 for Township Road 842 widening, starting at Range Road 33 and going west to Range Road 42. CARRIED.

Access to
SW-1-85-2-W6M

Council is presented with information regarding the construction of access to SW 1-85-2-W6M within the 66 ft. right of way.

C370-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the discussion regarding the construction of access to SW 1-85-2-W6M within the 66 ft. right of way for information and proceed with the road construction within the 66 foot right of way. CARRIED.

WRITTEN REPORTS

COUNCIL,
COMMITTEE &
MANAGERS

Council Reports

Council submits the meetings attended in the previous month and a report, if applicable.

Chief Administrative
Officer's Report

The Chief Administrative Officer report was reviewed.

C371-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to accept the Chief Administrative Officer report for the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

Community
Development
Manager's Report

The Community Development Managers report was reviewed.

C372-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to accept for information the Community Development Manager's report for the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

Corporate Service
Manager's Report

There was nothing to report.

Public Works
Manager's Report

The Public Works Managers report was reviewed.

C373-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to receive the Public Works Manager's report for the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

COUNCIL
INFORMATION

Council was presented with correspondence of pertinent information that has been received.

C374-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive for information the correspondence presented at the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED.

CALENDARS

Council and Administration reviewed the upcoming months' calendars for Councillor Boards and Committee scheduled meetings, to assist Administration with record keeping and Council with a reminder.

C375-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to receive for information the July, August and September 2015 calendars, as presented.

Meeting	Date	Councillor
NPRL	August 27	Fletcher
		CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL
ITEM(S)

There was one legal items discussed.

C376-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to go in camera at 2:13 p.m. CARRIED.

C377-15(07/21/15)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to come out of camera at 2:19 p.m. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Johnson adjourned the July 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting at 2:20 p.m.

DATE REEVE

DATE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER