



**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 5:00 pm**

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**ATTENDANCE**

**PRESENT**

<b>COUNCILORS</b>	MAYOR Steven Steeves Deputy Mayor Mike Gonet Irene McLeod Herbert Berreault Ernest McLeod
<b>ABSENT</b>	Julie Capot-Blanc Eva Hope

Staff: Senior Administrative Officer Mike Rudkin

The Chairperson (Mayor) took the chair and called the meeting to order at 5:06pm.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Council reviewed the meeting agenda as presented.  
ADD: 8G) Advance Poll for election  
8H) Alarm system for hamlet buildings  
6A) RCMP

**MOTION 2017-159**

That the agenda for the meeting of November 9, 2017 regular council meeting be accepted as amended and distributed.

ADD: 8G) Advance poll for election  
8H) Alarm system for hamlet buildings  
6A) RCMP

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Ernie McLeod  
Carried.

**3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

NONE

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

October 18, 2017 Minutes

**MOTION 2017-160**

That the minutes from the October 18, 2017 regular council meeting be approved as presented and distributed.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

October 24, 2017 Minutes

**MOTION 2017-161**

That the minutes from the October 24, 2017 Special council meeting be approved as presented and distributed.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Ernie McLeod  
Carried.

**5) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**NONE**

Councilor Irene McLeod arrived at 5:14pm.

**6) DELEGATION**

B) Cpl. Brodeur – gave a verbal update.

Prisoners to date this year 393, alcohol/drugs are a big problem especially for those 20-40 years of age, he was hoping to have things slow down but it hasn't yet. He wanted to make it known that the RCMP are not in support of the wet dance that council has agreed to put on. They will be at 50% staffing over the holidays, New Year's Eve is already a busy night without having a wet dance. Asked if the RCMP could bring in extra staff but was told its not possible. This event puts at risk not only the person drinking but the public – family at risk of violence, elder abuse, more DUI's etc. SAO has not sent in the permit application as he has no information on who is running it, how it will be paid for etc. Chances are it's too late to get the application processed in time. Suggested opening the hall over the holidays and have other social events. But the is in line with what the Band could do not the hamlet. Further discussion went on as to cancel the dance or not. Dogs are NOT an RCMP duty unless there is an eminent threat to public safety. It is the hamlets job to enforce the dog bylaw.

**MOTION 2017-162**

That council agrees to cancel the New Year's Eve wet dance approved via motion # 2017-157 at the October 24, 2017 Special Cancel meeting.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Ernie McLeod  
Carried.

**MOTION 2017-163**

That council agrees to hire Mike Gonet to catch and destroy loose dogs in the Hamlet of Fort Laird once he has a valid firearms license and he will be paid \$50 per dog destroyed.

Moved: Herbert Berreault  
Seconded: Ernie McLeod  
Carried.

**7) FINANCIAL AND REPORTS**

NONE

**8) BUSINESS**

- 8A)** Bylaw 255 Council Indemnity – council discussed reading the rates paid to council. This must be done now [prior to the next election as this would take effect April 1, 2018 in the new fiscal year budget. The SAO provided a report from NWTAC showing what various communities pay their council. Fort Laird was near or at the top in this area. Council decided not to proceed with bylaw 255.

**MOTION 2017-164**

That council agrees not to proceed with Bylaw 255 Council Indemnity Bylaw.

Moved: Irene McLeod  
Seconded: Mike Gonet  
Carried.

- 8B)** Municipal Staff pay for Dec 27-29, 2017 – as the office will be closed Dec 27-29, 2017 and the office staff will be paid for these days off, SAO suggested that the Operations staff (water/sewer/garbage) get paid double time for those who work these 3 days. That would be in line with office staff.

**MOTION 2017-165**

That council approves paying those Operation staff who work Dec 27-29, 2017 double time to keep in line with the office staff being paid for those days.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

- 8C)** Hamlet credit card – the mayor suggested getting a second hamlet credit card in the finance officer name as this will help reduce the use of personal credit cards by staff. The suggestion is to do this when the Temporary Borrowing bylaw is renewed as this is how this type of credit is approved. It will have the same limit of \$20,000.

**MOTION 2017-166**

That council directs Administration to have a second hamlet credit card issued with the finance officer name on it when renewing the temporary borrowing bylaw with a limit of \$20,000 same as the current one.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Ernie McLeod  
Carried.

- 8D)** November 23, 2017 regular council meeting – council discussed the need to have a second meeting in November. It was decided that is wasn't needed at this time as one could be called if need be. Further that the Dec 14, 2017 meeting be moved to Dec 7, 2017.

**MOTION 2017-167**

That council approved cancelling the regular council meeting on November 23, 2017. Further that the December 14, 2017 meeting be moved up to December 7, 2017.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Irene McLeod  
Carried.

- 8E) Draft Cemetery plan – council discussed the draft cemetery plan presented by Dillon Consulting. Upon review council decided to approve the plan with one amendment: the expansion area be double the size shown on the map. Further that the SAO is working with Dillon consulting to have a program that will show where all grave sites are, who is buried there and the show a grid of where available site would be. Further that once the revision is made it be brought back to council for review.

MOTION 2017-168

That council approves the draft cemetery plan as amended, to have the expansion site double the size as shown on the map.

Moved: Irene McLeod  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

Discussion on Angus McLeod cutting the grass at the cemetery all summer long. SAO said that hamlet staff cut the grass but will find out from the Municipal Services Manager regarding this. At any rate council wants to pay Angus \$200 for fuel and use wellness money to do that. SAO said that wellness isn't for this as its not a community event.

MOTION 2017-173

That Council directs administration to pay Angus McLeod \$200 for cutting the grass at the cemetery and that Wellness Funding be used to cover this cost.

Moved: Ernie McLeod  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

- 8F) Solid Waste Facility closure and post closure liability assessment draft plan – this plan shows what the estimated closure costs would be for the solid waste site just capped this year and the costs for the current site in operation. The liability is required to be shown on the hamlet's financial statements as the last 2 audits have been qualified for this information not being there. Council agrees to approve the plan. Mayor wants Kentucky blue grass/white clover used on the solid waste site for seeding next year. Also wants MACA to pay for the costs of the sample wells the hamlet must now take samples from. 7 wells and will take an hour per well to do these samples.

MOTION 2017-169

That council approves the Solid Waste Site Facility closure and post closure liability assessment report as presented and distributed.

Moved: Herbert Berreault  
Seconded: Mike Gonet  
Carried.

- 8G) Advance Election poll – it was discussed but not formally approved via motion to have the advance poll on December 4, 2017. Council approved to have the advance poll December 4m 2017.

MOTION 2017-170

That council approves having the advance poll on December 4, 2017 for the upcoming December 11, 2017 election.

Moved: Ernie McLeod  
Seconded: Irene McLeod  
Carried.

- 8H) Alarm system – 2 quotes were received to install the alarm system at the hamlet office and recreation building. After review of the 2 quotes council agreed to approve the quote from earth Communication for \$22,220.24 plus GST. SAO said that this will go higher at there is an error with the travel and per diem rates shown on the quote. Council was ok with that as it will still me much cheaper than the other quote.

MOTION 2017-171

That council approves the alarm system quote from Earth Communication in the amount of \$22,220.24 to supply and install the alarm system at the hamlet office and recreation building.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

- 9) Correspondence – council reviewed the correspondence items and will receive for information only.

**MOTION 2017-172**

That Council accepts 9 A - E for information only.

Moved: Mike Gonet  
Seconded: Irene McLeod  
Carried.

- 10A) Weekend truck start time – Councilor Gonet said that the trucks were doing deliveries on a Saturday morning around 7:15am and he was woken up by it. Asked that an 8am start time be used. SAO said that some drivers start early to finish earlier and if they are behind when short drivers. Further that the SAO said he has had no other complaint regarding this but will speak with Manager of Municipal services about this.

- 10B) Special Meeting Agenda items – this was to let council know what is allowed or not allowed at a special meeting. Only put these items on the agenda. SAO will do that in the future.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Regular Meeting Thursday December 7, 2017 at 5:00 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION 2017-174**

That the meeting of November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be adjourned.

Moved: Irene McLeod  
Seconded: Herbert Berreault  
Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6 :37 pm.

  
  
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Steven Steeves  
Mayor  
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Mike Rudkin  
Senior Administrative Officer