

February 13, 2024

**AGENDA OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW NO. 136, TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW NO. 136 MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FAIRVIEW, ALBERTA, AT 9:00 A.M. ON FEBRUARY 13, 2024.**

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- 9:00 a.m.
1. CALL TO ORDER
  2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
  3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
    - \* A. Council Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2024
  4. FINANCE
  5. STAFF REPORTS
    - \* A. Chief Administrative Officer Report
    - \* B. Director of Agriculture & Parks/Agriculture Fieldman Report
    - \* C. Director of Public Works Report
  6. COUNCILLOR CONCERNS
- 10:00 a.m.  
10:15 a.m.
7. DELEGATIONS
    - \* A. Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre
    - \* B. Darian Armstrong, Fairview Ski Club
  8. DEVELOPMENT & SUBDIVISIONS
    - \* A. Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and Land Use Bylaw (LUB) – Update from MMSA
  9. COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS
  10. OLD BUSINESS
    - \* A. Pending Report
    - \* B. Fairview and District Playschool Association – Request for Clarification
  11. NEW BUSINESS
    - \* A. Elk Island Recreation Group – Request for Funding
    - \* B. 2024 Hamlet Spring Cleanup and Appliance/Electronics Roundup
    - \* C. Fairview Public Library – Request for Financial Contribution to Retirement Celebration
    - \* D. Tree Tribe Initiative – Proposal for Free Tree Planting
    - \* E. Delegation – Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre
    - \* F. Delegation – Darian Armstrong, Fairview Ski Club
    - \* G. National Police Federation – Request for Letter of Support
  12. INFORMATION ITEMS
    - \* A. RMA Bulletin – Alberta Health Restructuring Engagement
    - \* B. Alberta Counsel – Small Municipality Funding Package
    - \* C. Correspondence from Federal Minister of Energy and Natural Resources dated February 1, 2024
    - \* D. Minutes from Regional Drainage Systems Discussion Meeting, January 31, 2024
  13. NEXT MEETING
    - A. February 27, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.
  14. CLOSED SESSION
  15. Adjournment
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**Attend Electronically:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9132361715?pwd=ajU4aHY5QzNON3JTZnAyL2tBVdVmQT09>  
**Attend by Phone (long distance charges may apply): 1-587-328-1099**

**Meeting ID: 913 236 1715**

**PIN: 123456**

February 13, 2024

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW NO. 136, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FAIRVIEW NO. 136 MUNICIPAL OFFICE, FAIRVIEW, ALBERTA, ON FEBRUARY 13, 2024 COMMENCING AT 9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT AT THE MEETING:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

John Przybylski                      Councillor  
Joshua Hostetler                      Councillor  
Phil Kolodychuk                      Reeve  
Dalen Richardson                      Councillor

**REGRETS:**

Nolan Robertson                      Councillor

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Robert Jorgensen                      Chief Administrative Officer  
Lyndsey Lawrence                      Director, Legislative Services/Development Officer

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Kolodychuk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**AGENDA**

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**MOTION #24-052                      Moved that Council adopt the agenda for the  
Councillor Przybylski                      February 13, 2024 Council Meeting as presented.  
CARRIED.**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MINUTES**

That the seventh paragraph of the item titled "Delegation – Dwayne Adams and Raleigh Milner – 2023 M.D. of Fairview No. 136 Wildfire Event" read as follows:

"The representatives from AEMA, Laurie Halderson, Council and the delegation discussed the concerns expressed by the delegation regarding the M.D. of Fairview No. 136's DRP Application for the 2023 Wildfire Event (PMD 003)."

**MOTION #24-053                      Moved that Council approve the January 23,  
Councillor Hostetler                      2024 Council Meeting Minutes as amended.  
CARRIED.**

**FINANCE**

There were no Finance items.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**CAO REPORT**

The Chief Administrative Officer, Robert Jorgensen, presented his report to Council.



**MOTION #24-054**            **Moved that Council invite representatives of the**  
Councillor Przybylski       **New Horizons Crafts and Games Centre to an**  
   **upcoming meeting of Council.**  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION #24-055**            **Moved that Council receive the Chief**  
Councillor Richardson      **Administrative Officer's report as presented.**  
**CARRIED.**

**DIRECTOR,  
AGRICULTURE &  
PARKS REPORT**

The Director of Agriculture and Parks, Kaitlin McLachlan's report was presented to Council.

**MOTION #24-056**            **Moved that Council receive the Director of**  
Councillor Przybylski      **Agriculture and Parks' report as presented.**  
**CARRIED.**

**DIRECTOR,  
PUBLIC WORKS  
REPORT**

Director of Public Works, Kevin Morrison's report was presented to Council.

**MOTION #24-057**            **Moved that Council receive the Director of**  
Councillor Hostetler       **Public Works' report as presented.**  
**CARRIED.**

**COUNCILLOR CONCERNS**

Councillor Richardson provided a written report of his concerns, attached hereto as Schedule "A".

**MOTION #24-058**            **Moved that Council direct Administration**  
Councillor Przybylski      **develop a policy regarding maintenance of non-**  
**municipally owned cemeteries, to be brought to**  
**Council at a future meeting.**  
**CARRIED.**

Reeve Kolodychuk indicated that the basketball nets at the Bluesky Skating Rink need to be replaced. Further, he queried whether volunteers for the community group cleanup are covered under municipal insurance, negating the need for the community group to obtain liability insurance for volunteers.

**MOTION #24-059**            **Moved that Council direct Administration to**  
Reeve Kolodychuk         **issue a website/social media poll to gauge**  
**interest in installing a pickle ball court for use**  
**during the non-winter season at the Bluesky**  
**Skating Rink.**  
**CARRIED.**

Council recessed 9:52 a.m.

Council resumed 10:00 a.m.

**DELEGATIONS**

**DELEGATION –  
BLUESKY  
COMMUNITY &  
RECREATION  
CENTRE**

The delegation, Terry Cameron and Jennifer Yousling, of the Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre, joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

The delegation provided an update regarding:

- The membership of the Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre;
- Anticipated fundraising initiatives and grant applications;
- 2024 event planning;
- Planned renovations to the stage; and,



- Repairs needed to the M.D. of Fairview No. 136's asset, the skating rink.

The Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre emphasized the need to obtain comprehensive liability insurance. Further, they've investigated options and availability of such insurance for community groups and advised that it is limited. They've advised that insurance through the RMA ANI Program is the best option (and that they would pay the applicable premiums) and has requested reinstatement.

The Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre provided their Certificate of Status to the Director of Legislative Services.

The delegation left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

**DELEGATION –  
FAIRVIEW SKI  
CLUB**

The delegation, Darian Armstrong of the Fairview Ski Club, joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

The delegation advised that the Fairview Ski Hill is not open and will not be opening for this season, but that the two managers are still working.

The Fairview Ski Club will not be making snow, due to their water reservoir being low and it not being cost-effective. The Fairview Ski Club is currently investigating means of replenishing their water reservoir in anticipation of next season.

The delegation requested approval of the Municipality's annual grant for managers' wages. The delegation requested permission to block culverts to divert water into their reservoir (and will be working with landowners); they will be providing the Chief Administrative Officer of their workplan relating to the same.

The delegation left the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

**DEVELOPMENT & SUBDIVISIONS**

**MUNICIPAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
PLAN (MDP) AND  
LAND USE BYLAW  
(LUB) – UPDATE  
FROM MMSA**

**MOTION #24-060**  
Councillor Richardson

**Moved that Council appoint all Councillors to sit as members on the LUB Refresh Committee, with the first meeting of the Committee to be scheduled February 26, 2024 (subject to MMSA availability) at 9:00 a.m.**

**Further, that Council direct Administration to send correspondence to MMSA establishing the expectation that the LUB rewrite be completed (in effect) prior to December 31, 2024. In the event that the LUB is not in effect prior to that date, there will be no additional expenses incurred by the Municipality for all additional work beyond December 31, 2024 relating to the LUB rewrite.**

**CARRIED.**



**COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

Councillors reported on the following Board/Committee meetings they attended from January 23, 2024 to February 12, 2024:

Councillor Przybylski: No meetings to report

Reeve Kolodychuk: January 22-24, 2024 – ASB Provincial Conference  
January 29, 2024 – Fairview Rural Water Co-Op  
February 7, 2024 – Peace River School Division  
Joint Municipalities  
February 9, 2024 – RMA Zone 4  
February 12, 2024 – Intermunicipal Collaboration  
Framework  
February 12, 2024 – GPCSD Public Engagement

Councillor Richardson: February 1, 2024 – Fairview Public Library Board  
February 7, 2024 – Peace River School Division  
Joint Municipalities  
February 9, 2024 – RMA Zone 4  
February 12, 2024 – GPCSD Public Engagement

Councillor Hostetler: February 7, 2024 – Westview/Fairview Development  
Committee (North Peace Housing Foundation Sub-  
Committee)  
February 7, 2024 – North Peace Housing  
Foundation  
February 6, 2024 – RCMP (Citizens on Patrol/Rural  
Crime Watch)

Councillor Robertson: No reports available.

**MOTION #24-061** Moved that Council permit Reeve Kolodychuk to  
Councillor Przybylski attend the a Health Restructuring Engagement  
session being hosted in the Peace Region.  
**CARRIED.**

**MOTION #24-062** Moved that Council accept the Committee/Board  
Councillor Richardson Reports as presented.  
**CARRIED.**

Council recessed at 11:30 a.m.

Council resumed at 11:38 a.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**PENDING REPORT**

**MOTION #24-063** Moved that Council accept the January 23, 2024  
Councillor Hostetler Pending Report as presented.  
**CARRIED.**

**FAIRVIEW AND  
DISTRICT  
PLAYSCHOOL  
SOCIETY –  
REQUEST FOR  
CLARIFICATION**

**MOTION #24-064** Moved that Council accept the information  
Councillor Richardson regarding the Fairview and District Playschool  
Society FCSS Grant as information. Further, that  
Administration send correspondence to the  
Fairview and District Playschool Society



advising of recent updates provided by Grande Prairie Catholic School Division at the February 12, 2024 meeting regarding their assets located at St. Thomas More School.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

ELK ISLAND  
RECREATION  
GROUP –  
REQUEST FOR  
FUNDING

**MOTION #24-065**  
Councillor Przybylski

Moved that Council allocate a \$3,500.00 grant to the Golden Meadow Community Club, to be used by the Elk Island Recreation Group for the maintenance of Elk Island Park.

DEFEATED

2024 HAMLET  
SPRING CLEANUP  
AND APPLIANCE/  
ELECTRONICS  
ROUNDUP

**MOTION #24-066**  
Councillor Richardson

Moved that Council direct Administration to not offer the Hamlet Spring Cleanup and Appliance/Electronics Roundup for 2024.

CARRIED.

FAIRVIEW PUBLIC  
LIBRARY –  
REQUEST FOR  
FINANCIAL  
CONTRIBUTION  
TO RETIREMENT  
CELEBRATION

**MOTION #24-067**  
Councillor Richardson

Moved that Council donate \$300.00 to the Fairview Public Library Board as a contribution to the Librarian's retirement celebration.

DEFEATED.

TREE TRIBE  
INITIATIVE –  
PROPOSAL FOR  
FREE TREE  
PLANTING

**MOTION #24-068**  
Reeve Kolodychuk

Moved that Council accept the Tree Tribe Initiative Proposal for Free Tree planting as information.

CARRIED.

DELEGATION –  
BLUESKY  
COMMUNITY AND  
RECREATION  
CENTRE

**MOTION #24-069**  
Reeve Kolodychuk

Moved that Council direct Administration to reinstate ANI Insurance through RMA for the Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre, provided at the Bluesky Community and Recreation Centre pays all associated premiums. Further, that Administration negotiate a new agreement between the Municipal District of Fairview No. 136 and the Bluesky Community



and Recreation Centre regarding the use of  
lands legally described as Block X, Plan 599EO.  
CARRIED.

**DELEGATION –  
FAIRVIEW SKI  
CLUB**

**MOTION #24-070**  
Councillor Richardson

Moved that Council table the discussion  
regarding the Fairview Ski Club's request for  
funding to the next Special Council Meeting  
(Budget).

CARRIED.

**NATIONAL  
POLICE  
FEDERATION –  
REQUEST FOR  
LETTER OF  
SUPPORT**

**MOTION #24-071**  
Councillor Przybylski

Moved that Council accept the National Police  
Federation's Request for a Letter of Support as  
information.

CARRIED.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

Council was presented with the following information for review:

- a. RMA Bulletin – Alberta Health Restructuring Engagement
- b. Alberta Counsel – Small Municipality Funding Package
- c. Correspondence from Federal Minister of Energy and Natural Resources dated February 1, 2024
- d. Minutes from Regional Drainage Systems Discussions Meeting, January 31, 2024

**MOTION #24-072**  
Councillor Richardson

Moved that Council invite Alberta Counsel to  
present options to Council and Administration  
for small municipality funding packages for the  
Municipal District of Fairview No. 136's  
population base.

CARRIED.

**MOTION #24-073**  
Councillor Hostetler

Moved that Council accept the information items  
as presented.

CARRIED.

**NEXT COUNCIL  
MEETING**

Next Council Meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

**CLOSED SESSION**

There were no closed sessions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Kolodychuk adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

  
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Reeve Kolodychuk

  
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Chief Administrative Officer

**Robert Jorgensen**

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**From:** Dalen Richardson  
**Sent:** February 12, 2024 10:10 PM  
**To:** MDCouncilors  
**Subject:** Councillor concerns Feb 12. 2024

## Concerns

1. want to say thank you to public works for following the new policy and responding in a timely fashion to service requests.
2. I really believe we need to get a grant policy in place with marking criteria and a set amount of funds to administer
3. I was looking at northern sunrise county grants for small businesses, believe the Md should investigate a similar grant program and base it around community enhancement and small businesses within the Md of Fairview.
4. I would like to see council meet bi yearly or quarterly to discuss strategic goals/plans to enhance the Md in the future.
5. I have reached out to the GNWT about their incentives to retain the youth after the go off to school, I think we should look into this, do not know if the other municipalities North of the peace would be interested also.

Most of these concerns are around stats Canada information, and how if we do nothing and stay status quo we will slowly become a non-viable municipality. We really need to start looking long term.

What I have been hearing is it is not about how much money you can make anymore and it's more about the lifestyle that a person can live. What better lifestyle is there then being able to have the freedom of Northern Rural living. We just need to show people in the city the potential that they will be able to give themselves and their families if the move to the North Peace.

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