

**Fishing Lake Metis Settlement
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
March 7th, 2023
9:00a.m.**

Council Present: Charles Gladue, Chairperson
Arlene Calliou, Vice Chair
Tyson Brosseau, Secretary Treasurer
Bill Parenteau, Councillor
Shirley Calliou, Councillor

Administration Present: Tania Daniels, Administrator
Desiree Lacombe-Cardinal, Council Secretary

Chairperson Charles Gladue called the meeting to order @ 9:09a.m.

Member Marie Dustow joined as an observer @ 9:08a.m.

Vice Chair Arlene Calliou led the Opening Prayer

MOTION#FLMSRCM077/2023

Move to approve the review and adoption of the March 7th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

Arlene Calliou/Tyson Brosseau 4/0/0 CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM078/2023

Move to approve the review and adoption of the February 21st, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes with corrections and business arising as noted.

Shirley Calliou/Bill Parenteau 4/0/0 CARRIED

Business Arising from the February 21st, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Council recommends scheduling March 24th for Four Winds and Associates to visit the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement.

Administrator Report

Chairperson Charles Gladue notified Administrator that Council will take copies of her report and review and discuss on Friday March 10th, 2023 when the meeting is reconvened.

Council Correspondence

Pathways to Net Zero on March 29th & 30th All of Council will be in attendance.

Councillor Shirley Calliou would like to review policies and Bylaws yearly.

Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Rental Unit Policy #001/2023.

Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Emergency Repair Policy #002/2023

There are changes to be made within the Emergency Repair Policy, Council would like the Policy to be included in correspondence for the March 21st, 2023 Regular Council Meeting with changes made.

MOTION#FLMSRCM079/2023

Move to approve the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Rental Unit Policy #001/2023.

Bill Parenteau/Arlene Calliou

4/0/0

CARRIED

Chairperson Charles Gladue passed the Chair to Vice Chair Arlene Calliou @ 10:28a.m. & exited the meeting.

Councillor Shirley Calliou stepped out of the meeting @ 10:28a.m.

Member Ann Fayant joined the meeting @ 10:30a.m.

Member has joined the meeting to discuss estate instructions.

Member would like to have her late husbands land transferred to herself and her son. She has come to meet with Council to notify of her intentions to keep the land within the family.

Vice Chair Arlene Calliou notified the member to ensure the process is completed with Land and Membership and she will bring in for approval.

Member Ann Fayant exits the meeting @ 10:40a.m.

Chairperson Charles Gladue & Councillor Shirley Calliou rejoin the meeting @ 10:40a.m.

Vice Chair Arlene Calliou passes the Chair back to Chairperson Charles Gladue @ 10:41a.m.

Finance Director Nicole Durocher joined the meeting @ 10:41a.m.

Request for proposals for the Audit- Finance Director has submitted to MNP and Doyle and Company. They will have until March 31st, 2023 to submit proposals for the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement. The proposals will be reviewed by the Finance

Director and the Administrator and brought forward to Council for approval for the first Regular Council Meeting in April.

Finance Director has completed the 2022 Property Tax Bylaw and has copies for Council.

Finance Director will be presenting the 2023/24 Budget for membership on March 14th from 10:00a.m. until 4:00p.m.

Finance Director Nicole Durocher exited the meeting @ 10:49a.m.

Member Glen Christensen joined the meeting @ 11:00a.m.

Member has joined the meeting to discuss his allotments, he would like to know if Council has considered his request for compensation on the land parcels.

Councillor Shirley Calliou would like to know if the member has included his breakdown for compensation in the MSAT appeal. Member has not, he wanted to have a discussion with Council.

Council does not have the funds in the budget to pay compensation for the land improvements.

Member has put a lot of time and effort into improving the lands for pasture land and for feed for his animals, it would be a shame to lose it all with nothing in return.

Council has reviewed the members request and recommends proceeding with the MSAT as they cannot compensate the member for the land parcels. Member notified Council that he has started the process with MSAT for the land in question.

Member Glen Christensen would like to know how the process for MSAT works, Council Secretary notified member that MSAT will contact the Administration for all information relating to the matter and it will then be up to the Metis Settlement Appeal Tribunal to set a date.

Member Glen Christensen exited the meeting @ 11:25a.m.

Land and Membership Angie Durocher joined the meeting @ 11:27a.m.

MOTION#FLMSRCM080/2023

Move to Table Membership Application for more information.

Bill Parenteau/Arlene Calliou

4/0/0

CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM081/2023

Move to table Bylaw Creation for more information.

Shirley Calliou/Tyson Brosseau

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CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM082/2023

Move to table request to purchase land until the new fiscal year.

Tyson Brosseau/Shirley Calliou

4/0/0

CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM083/2023

Move to post SE-11-058-02-W4M as a Provisional Metis Title as an open posting.

Arlene Calliou/Bill Parenteau

4/0/0

CARRIED

Council Secretary Desiree Lacombe-Cardinal stepped out of meeting @ 11:42a.m.

MOTION#FLMSRCM084/2023

Move to award Metis Title upgrade to Roy Cardinal on land parcel SE-20-057-01-W4M (159.5acres) Pending confirmation of improvements.

Shirley Calliou/Arlene Calliou

3/0/1

CARRIED

Councillor Bill Parenteau Abstained

MOTION#FLMSRCM085/2023

Move to award Metis Title upgrade to Desiree Lacombe-Cardinal on land parcel SW-21-057-01-W4M (133.4 acres) pending confirmation of improvements.

Shirley Calliou/Arlene Calliou

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CARRIED

Councillor Bill Parenteau Abstained

MOTION#FLMSRCM086/2023

Move to award Metis Title upgrade to Desiree Lacombe-Cardinal on land parcel NE-20-057-01-W4M (157.9acres) pending confirmation of improvements.

Shirley Calliou/Arlene Calliou

3/0/1

CARRIED

Councillor Bill Parenteau Abstained

Council Secretary Desiree Lacombe-Cardinal rejoined the meeting @ 12:04p.m.

MOTION#FLMSRCM087/2023

Move to approve Provisional Metis Title Renewal for Richard Aulotte on land parcel SE-11-057-01-W4M from February 7th, 2023 to February 7th, 2028.

Tyson Brosseau/Bill Parenteau

4/0/0

CARRIED

Council would like the Land and Membership Clerk to look into Section 38 the INAC Deregistration.

Land and Membership Angie Durocher exited the meeting @ 12:06p.m.

Break for Lunch @ 12:08p.m.

Reconvene Meeting @ 1:20p.m

Member Skye Durocher joined meeting @ 1:21p.m.

Member has joined the meeting today to discuss her home. She has not received an answer from the Housing Director. Member requires an answer on her home and what is available she has been patient with Council since December. She has mold in her home and it will be worse as the weather warms up with the condensation in the home. Member has not made payments on the home as she has had continued issues within the home since she received it.

Secretary Treasurer Tyson Brosseau would like to know why the member isn't attempting to address some of the problems herself before the home gets any worse.

Member notifies Council that the vents have been opened and she has purchased a dehumidifier for her home as there is a lot of moisture. She states there is a lot of issues with the home. Vice Chair Arlene Calliou would like to know what was done on the home? They took off the old extension as it was not up to code. They put in a patio door and another door, redid the floors, painted and added an extra wall in the one room. They did no structural work, there was new shingles and rafters in the home. Member feels there was not enough ventilation in the home.

Secretary Treasurer Tyson Brosseau would like to know if an inspector went to the home after the renos were completed.

Bronco did a quotation for member's home for all work required but there is not funds in the budget for the work to be completed. The quote is an additional \$48,000.00 on top of what has already been expended on the home.

Council would like to know if the member would consider sweat equity for the work done to decrease the total amount outstanding on the home as she would have the renovations done out of her own pocket.

Member Skye Durocher exited the meeting @ 1:56p.m.

Chairperson Charles Gladue passed the Chair to Vice Chair Arlene Calliou & exited the meeting @ 1:56p.m.

Highland Feeders Cattle Mike Kotelko President & Calvin Laschowski Cow/Calf Manager joined the meeting @ 2:02p.m.

Councillor Bill Parenteau rejoined the meeting @ 2:03p.m.

Mike and Calvin have joined the meeting today to discuss the pasture land within the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement. Vice Chair speaks on the pasture association. The initial assessment from Highland Feeders was the water and the overgrowth of the land. The scope of the project was a lot more challenging and bigger at that time.

Calvin has been chatting with Councillor Bill Parenteau on the work that Fishing Lake Metis Settlement has already commenced. For Highland Feeders its really on what is available for land within the Pasture Association.

Councillor Bill Parenteau notifies Mike and Calvin that the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement has begun improving the lands, the south and east sides have been opened in block four. The fence needs repair along the graveled road.

There are twelve quarters in the block four of the pasture association. It is not fully fenced. Fishing Lake Metis Settlement has created a budget for the work but wanted to speak to Highland Feeders about the possibility of working with each other to develop the land utilizing members for fencing and work within the pasture association.

Vice Chair Arlene speaks on the budget for the removal of beaver dams within that area of the Settlement.

Calvin speaks on the price of fencing it would be about \$10,000.00 a mile. For each block and if you run into more challenging areas the cost can go up. Calvin speaks on this not being an inexpensive venture. Highland seeks the option of having funds or programs to get this project done it's a lot easier. Calvin notifies Council to complete a business plan for the possibility of getting program dollars with the help of Highland Feeders.

Mike Kotelko speaks on the possibility of having partners interested in investing funds to develop the infrastructure and the discussion that took place five or six years ago when the price of fencing was a lot cheaper.

Highland Feeders Cattle Mike Kotelko President & Calvin Laschowski Cow/Calf Manager exited the meeting @ 2:38p.m.

Council agreed to Recess the Meeting until March 10th, 2023

Meeting Reconvened Monday March 13th, 2023 @ 10:00a.m.

Chairperson called the meeting to order @ 10:06a.m.

Councillor Shirley Calliou led the opening prayer

Administrator Report

Employee Grievance

Four Winds and Associates will be in the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement on March 24th.

Bill McElhanney meeting has been scheduled for March 28th.

Public Works was broken into the night of March 10th the work truck was stolen.

Fire Hall break in is currently being estimated at two hundred thousand not including the toilet and pipes that froze due to the extreme cold weather.

HR-There are currently multiple concerns within the organization that the HR department is looking after.

MOU was signed with Arrow Technology for the Fibre Optics work will commence in May and is hoped to be completed in September.

Discussion on the problem homes within the settlement. Council agreed to bring the matter forward at the meeting with the RCMP on March 15th.

Business Licenses for approval

MOTION#FLMSRCM088/2023

Move to approve KDTO Construction Ltd. for a 2023 Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Business License.

Arlene Calliou/Bill Parenteau

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CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM089/2023

Move to approve Gails Catering Services for a 2023 Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Business License.

Arlene Calliou/Shirley Calliou

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CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM090/2023

Move to approve LA Oilfield Services for a 2023 Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Business License.

Bill Parenteau/Tyson Brosseau

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CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM091/2023

Move to approve Lil Catering for a 2023 Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Business License.

Bill Parenteau/Tyson Brosseau

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CARRIED

Range Road 25A Discussion; Councillor Bill Parenteau would like all information sent to legal for an opinion.

Finance Director Nicole Durocher joined the meeting @ 10:45a.m.

Discussion on Night watch for the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement. Finance Director has found funds that can be utilized within the budget for a short-term night watch position all she requires is a motion to transfer the funds.

MOTION#FLMSRCM092/2023

Move to transfer \$4,801.02 from Lakeland Asphalt Account# to 7955 General Expenses.

Arlene Calliou/Shirley Calliou

4/0/0

CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM093/2023

Move to transfer \$6,500.00 from 6055 Entity Support to FLMS Oil Hauling for Council Payroll.

Bill Parenteau/Tyson Brosseau

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CARRIED

MOTION#FLMSRCM094/2023

Move to transfer \$28,350.00 from ICIF Account# to Main Account300594793600 for 50% deposit for Relay Distributors for Wash Bay.

Bill Parenteau/Tyson Brosseau

4/0/0

CARRIED

Council Concerns

Charles Gladue, Chairperson

- Wellness Day that was previously budgeted for the community.
- Would like to look into the creation of a mausoleum for the cemetery.
- CNRL Meeting Date nothing has been set as of yet.

Arlene Calliou, Vice Chair

- Would like to know if the Gym has received a deep cleaning? If not, can the Administrator get this done.
- Education Liaison to look into the process of having a scholarship created for FLMS.
- Also, would like to look into fundraising for the lunch program.
- Would like council to entertain a motion having the mobile home in townsite moved to Riel Beach Properties.

Tyson Brosseau, Secretary Treasurer

- Rental units; is there a unit that requires repairs?
- Members RHI Unit that is vacant what are we doing? Can a letter be drafted to see what the intentions are with the home. A lot of members seeking housing in the Settlement.

Bill Parenteau, Councillor

- Climate Change Coordinator suspended without pay due to all issues within the Administration.
- Budget Amendment priorities SRP Program funds.
- Pasture; what are we doing?
- The projects within the settlement should have signs up stating they will be the future home of the cultural centre and the wash bay specifically.
- Member whom has retired from the Metis Nation of Alberta would like to have a meeting with Council on March 20th at 1:00p.m. and will bring lunch.
- PA System for the General Meeting.

Shirley Calliou, Councillor

- Would like to schedule a meeting for MSI/ICIF updates.
- Org Chart Review and Policy review.
- Would like to see something in place for food security within the Settlement, a community garden in an open safe area.

MOTION#FLMSRCM095/2023

Move to adjourn @ 3:31p.m.

Bill Parenteau



Tania Daniels, Administrator



Charles Gladue, Chairperson



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