

District of Mackenzie
Special Meeting
Monday, January 14, 2019

MINUTES of a Special Meeting of the Council of the District of Mackenzie held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office.

PRESENT: Mayor J. Atkinson
Councillor A. Barnes
Councillor V. Brumovsky
Councillor P. Grogan
Councillor A. Hancock
Councillor J. Wiens
Chief Administrative Officer D. McKinley
Chief Financial Officer K. Borne
Director of Corporate Services D. Smith
Director of Operations S. Drysdale
Building Inspector/Project Manager K. Gawryluk
Fire Chief J. Guise
Finance Manager Emily Anne Therrien

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:45 PM

2. BUSINESS

Mayor Atkinson welcomed members of the public to provide any comments, concepts or ideas relating to the 2019 budget.

Jill Affleck and Leanne Mckinnon with Mackenzie Community Spaces asked that Council continue to work to create and improve community spaces for Mackenzie. They would like to see the 2019 and subsequent four-year budget focus on the creation of new outdoor spaces, updates to existing spaces to make them safe and accessible, and increasing the usability of our Recreation Centre with improved hours and programming for young families. They also would like to see new hand-held shower nozzles for kids and toddlers and improved family seating at Munchy's, especially for toddlers and babies. In addition, they suggested completion of play areas at John Dahl Park including rubber matting under the equipment, cement for the slide, realignment of swings, shelter picnic areas, grooming and maintenance of trails in the park and a splash park. Also, a large aquarium in the Recreation Centre and rental equipment at the Rec. Centre so people can have access to different sports equipment. And more playgrounds.

Jessica McDonald and Uma Sharma would like to see budget money available to open Little Mac. Mayor Atkinson advised that there is no groomer and the District is looking at a snow machine because of the re-certification conditions. She advised that there will be a strategy session for the community as we have been bandaiding the operations of the ski hill for some time now. The intention is to meet with everyone interested and to fund raise for a groomer solution. Chief Administrative Officer, Dean McKinley, advised that we will be bringing in a facilitator to facilitate a conversation about Little Mac.

Erin Wylie, representative from MORATA (Mackenzie Outdoor Route & Trail Association) requested that the District of Mackenzie include the Morfee Lake Scramble event into the 2019 budget.

Greg Crooks asked that the District add to the budget winter access and grooming of the John Dahl Park trails.

3. ADJOURNMENT

30831. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Adjournment THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:13 pm.

CARRIED

I certify the foregoing to be the original true copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting.

Mayor

Corporate Officer