

November 25, 2024

Community Grants Presentations

Council adopted the Community Grants Policy 3.16 which requires all organizations approved for Fee-For Service Agreements to provide an in-person presentation to Council at the end of each year of the Agreement, highlighting accomplishments, goals and objectives, benefits provided to the community. Council received presentations from:

- Mackenzie & District Museum
- Mackenzie Golf & Country Club
- Mackenzie Outdoor Route and Trail Association

Rocky Mountain Riders – Letter of Support

Council received a request from Danielle Roscher, BCSF Administrative Coordinator for the South Peace Snowmobile Clubs, seeking a Letter of Support for the Rocky Mountain Riders application to the Rural Economic Diversification & Infrastructure Project grant as well as for the placement of a commercial garbage bin at the base of Morfee Mountain road during snowmobile season. Council approved the letter of support, however was unable to accommodate the garbage bin request.

2024 By-Election Results

Council received a report with the November 2024 By-Election results.

	Advanced Vote Nov. 6, 2024	Advanced & Special Vote Nov. 15, 2024	General Voting Day Nov. 16, 2024	Total	Elected
Cassandra Carter	46	27	42	115	No
Joy Davy	24	21	14	59	No
Megan Devlin	8	11	6	25	No
Kevin Joubert	20	10	25	55	No
Peter Kylo	57	48	87	192	Yes

CivicInfo BC has estimated that the number of eligible voters in Mackenzie is 2,573. The estimated voter turnout for the 2024 By-Election was approximately 17%.

2024 – 2028 Financial Plan Amendment

Council received a report on a proposed amendment to the 2023-2027 Financial Plan. This amendment includes approved grant funding, new capital projects (approved by Council after the bylaw was adopted), and revised operating and capital expenditures. The amended bylaw was given first three readings.

Proposed 2025 Budget Schedule

Council approved the proposed Council meeting dates for the 2025 annual budget process.

Event	Date
Budget Discussion	Monday January 13, 2025, 6:15pm
Budget Discussion	Monday, January 27, 2025, 6:00pm
Presentation of the 2025 Provisional Operating and Capital Budget	Monday, February 10, 2025, 5:45pm
Community Budget Consultation	Monday, February 10, 2025, 6:45pm
Presentation of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan Bylaw	Monday, April 28, 2025, 6:00 pm
Community Budget Consultation	Monday, April 28, 2025, 6:45pm
First Three Readings of 2025 – 2029 Financial Plan Bylaw	Monday April 28, 2025, 7:15pm
Adoption of 2025-2029 Financial Plan Bylaw	Monday May 12, 2025, 7:15pm

Land Referral – Notice of Work Terus

The Sonic Pit is a 38.04-hectare sand and gravel operation near Mackenzie, BC, owned by Terus Construction. The notice of work (NoW) application is for an amendment to Mines Act Permit G-9-65 to operate and expand the existing footprint of their operation within their tenured area as well as an amendment application to extend the operational dates of the pit. Council voted that the District of Mackenzie has no objections to the approval of the application, provided that the review period does not exceed 15 years or any other timeframe deemed acceptable by the Inspector of Mines – Permitting, Northeast/North Central Region office.

FireSmart Structure Protection Trailer

Council awarded the contract for the purchase of the Structure Protection Unit Trailer to Kitt Equipment for a total of \$29,105.11 plus GST.

Notice of Motion: South Peace Mackenzie Trust Application

At the next regular council meeting, Council will decide on submitting a grant application to the South Peace Mackenzie Trust with the intention of hiring a second Economic Development worker for the municipality to work in the Corporate Service Department.

Coming Events

Rec Centre Grand Re – Opening Event

Teen Night

Date: Friday November 29

Swim: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Skate: 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Pool Day

Date: Saturday November 30

Public Swim: 8:30am – 1:30pm

Family Swim: 1:45pm – 4:45pm

Arena Day

Date: Sunday December 1

U18 Knights Vs FSJ: 9:00am – 11:30am

Family Skate: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Public Skate: 1:15pm – 2:15pm

Plaid Friday

November 29

Mackenzie Chamber of Commerce Annual Auction

Date: Saturday November 30

Time: Doors open at 6:00pm

Where: Mackenzie Legion