MACKENZIE
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PRIOR TO ADOPTION

Regular Council Meeting

Minutes

April 13, 2026, 7:15 p.m.
Council Chambers of the Municipal Office
1 Mackenzie Boulevard, Mackenzie, BC

Council Present:	Mayor J. Atkinson, Councillor A. Barnes, Councillor V. Brumovsky, Councillor R. McMeeken, Councillor K. Tapper, Councillor J. Wright, Councillor P. Kyllo
Staff Present:	Chief Administrative Officer D. Smith, Chief Financial Officer K. Borne, Director of Operations J. Murray, Director of Recreation Services T. Gilmer, Director of Corporate Services E. Kaehn, Finance Manager W. Peterson, Legislative Clerk/Executive Assistant, C. Smith
Visitors Present:	Noah Strom, Student, Mackenzie Secondary School, Karen Potvin, Administrations, Mackenzie Secondary School

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1. CALL TO ORDER

CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:15 PM.

Mayor Atkinson acknowledged the land on which we gather is within the traditional territory of the Tse'khene People of the McLeod Lake Indian Band.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Special Meeting- March 23, 2026
The minutes of the Special Meeting held on March 23, 2026 were adopted as presented.

2.2 Committee of the Whole - March 23, 2026
The minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on March 23, 2026 were adopted as presented.

2.3 Regular Meeting - March 23, 2026
The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 23, 2026 were adopted as presented.

3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

N/A

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4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution: 34188
Moved by: Councillor McMeeken
THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Jeff Close, resident, asked whether Morfee Mountain Road maintenance is funded by the road user groups. Mayor Atkinson responded that no Morfee Mountain Road user group has been established yet, but there will be one and discussions are to take place on a long-term plan to fund ongoing maintenance. The allocated funding represents the maximum amount for this year, with hopes for grants and in-kind contributions from the community, businesses, and user groups, noting interest has already been received. Mr. Close also noted, in his capacity as a CHMM Board member, that the radio station has a tower on the mountain and would like to be included in maintenance communications and the road user group.

6. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

6.1 Mackenzie Secondary School Ski Team
Noah Strom, Mackenzie Secondary Student, and Karen Potvin, Mackenzie Secondary School Administration, presented to Mayor and Council on the team's Provincial Championship attendance.

6.2 Written Correspondence
A letter from a resident regarding agenda item 7.2.1 was read aloud, expressing support for concerns about recreation centre hours and noting that community support may exceed the signatures received. The resident suggested exploring controlled-access entry systems to allow extended fitness facility hours while limiting access to other areas. Director of Recreation Services, Terry Gilmer, advised that extending gym hours while restricting access to other areas is not feasible due mainly to the presence of hazardous chemicals stored on site.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution: 34189
Moved by: Councillor Brumovsky
THAT the Correspondence listed on the Agenda be received.

CARRIED

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7.1 For Action:

7.1.1 North Central Local Government Association Co-sponsorship
Resolution: 34190
Moved by: Councillor Barnes
THAT the District withdraw their submitted resolution pertaining to the Northern and Rural Area Homeowner Grant and co-sponsor the Northern and Rural Homeowner Grant resolution put forward by the City of Prince Rupert for the 2026 NCLA AGM.

CARRIED

7.2 For Consideration:

7.2.1 Recreation Centre Gym Hours
Resolution: 34191
Moved by: Councillor McMeeken
THAT Council receive this letter for information.

CARRIED

7.2.4 Urging Council to Oppose the Provincial Sales Tax (PST) Expansion on Professional Services
Resolution: 34193
Moved by: Councillor Brumovsky
THAT staff bring a report back to the next meeting date, outlining the possible financial impacts of the Provincial Sales Tax (PST) Expansion on Professional Services on current and near future District projects.

CARRIED

7.2.5 Federal Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Trade Negotiations and Tariff Measures Survey
Resolution: 34192
Moved by: Councillor Wright
THAT Council direct staff to complete the Federal Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Trade Negotiations and Tariff Measures Survey.

CARRIED

7.3 Centre Table File

7.3.1 Recreation Centre Gym Hours Resident Letter and Signatures

8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

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8.1 Fuel and Lubricant Delivery Contract for 2026-2028

Resolution: 34194

Moved by: Councillor Barnes

THAT Council awards the 2026-2028 Fuel and Lubricant Delivery Contract, with the option for a one-year extension if mutually agreeable, to Petro-Canada Ltd. (Suncor Energy Products);

AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the contract and any related documentation.

CARRIED

8.2 Morfee Mountain Road – 2026 Operating Budget

Resolution: 34195

Moved by: Councillor Wright

THAT Council authorizes the 2026 operating budget allocation of up to $67,000 from the McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest Dividends for the Morfee Mountain Road License of Occupation first-year requirements.

CARRIED

8.3 2026 Water, Sewer and Garbage Bylaw Amendment

Resolution: 34196

Moved by: Councillor Brumovsky

THAT Council receives this report for information.

CARRIED

8.4 Property Sale and Price Approvals

Councillor Tapper left the room until discussions and voting on item 8.4 concluded.

Resolution: 34197

Moved by: Councillor Brumovsky

THAT Council authorizes the property transfer agreement with the Omineca Growers Society as outlined in this report;

AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the agreement and any related documentation.

CARRIED

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

9.1 Mayor's Report

N/A

9.2 Council Reports

Councillor McMeeken provided a verbal report.

9.2.1 Councillor Wright

Councillor Wright provided a written report.

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10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution: 34198
Moved by: Councillor P. Kyllo
THAT staff bring back a report to the next meeting to provide Council with an update on golf cart use on District roadways.

CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution: 34199
Moved by: Councillor Wright
THAT the District of Mackenzie declare June as Pride Month and raise the Pride Flag for the month of June.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS

12.1 Water Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2026
Resolution: 34200
Moved by: Councillor McMeeken
THAT Bylaw No. 1531, 2026 cited as "Water Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1531, 2026" be given its first three readings.

CARRIED

12.2 Sewer Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1532, 2026
Resolution: 34201
Moved by: Councillor Brumovsky
THAT Bylaw No. 1532, 2026 cited "Sewer Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No.1532, 2026" be given its first three readings.

CARRIED

12.3 Garbage Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1533, 2026
Resolution: 34202
Moved by: Councillor Wright

THAT Bylaw No. 1533, 2026 cited "Garbage Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw 1533, 2026" be given its first three readings.

CARRIED

13. NOTICE OF MOTION

N/A

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14. COMING EVENTS

- Mackenzie Spring Expo is taking place at the Mackenzie Recreation Centre Friday April 24th and Saturday April 25th
- School District No. 57 Meeting at Mackenzie Secondary School in the Library Wednesday April 15, 2026 at 4:00 pm
- CNC Community Forum at the Mackenzie Recreation Centre Thursday April 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm
- Mackenzie Community Arts Council Earth Day Extravaganza, Saturday April 18, 2026 at 12:00 pm
- Mackenzie House Concert at the Mackenzie Community Arts Centre, Saturday April 18, 2026 at 7:00 pm

15. INQUIRIES

Janice Nelson, Resident, expressed surprise at the proposed 2026 Morfee Mountain Road maintenance budget, noting it appeared low at $67,000. Mayor Atkinson advised that the budget would be capped at $67,000 and that once a road user group is established, the District can begin planning for long-term maintenance. Ms. Nelson asked whether the matter had been discussed in camera, and the Mayor confirmed it had not.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution: 34203
Moved by: Councillor Barnes
THAT the meeting adjourns at 8:07 PM.

CARRIED

Mayor

Corporate Officer

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