

Council Brief of the August 4, 2022 Regular Meeting

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DELEGATIONS:

1) Oldman River Regional Services Commission – Lenze Kuiper

Mr. Kuiper gave Council an overview of the land planning services ORRSC provides to the County and other Southern Alberta municipalities.

2) Bursary Awards – Kaylee Moorhead & Taiya Nickel

Council presented Kaylee Moorhead and Taiya Nickel each with a \$1,000 bursary for their upcoming post-secondary studies. They were the chosen recipients of the County's annual bursary program.

SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:

1) Subdivision Application #2022-0-112 – Nieboer - Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1112255 within SE1/4 4-11-23-W4M

Council approved the application subject to the conditions on the draft resolution. The application is to subdivide a 4.94-acre parcel from a commercial title 25.02-acres in size, for rural commercial use.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1) Bylaw 22-011 - Road Closure, Sale, and Consolidation Road Plan 8419HB

Council approved that the proposed road closure be sent to the Minister of Transportation for approval. The undeveloped road is 0.5 miles south of Highway 519 on Range Road 23-4 and is not required as part of the County's road network.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. Planning and Development Department - 2nd Quarter Report

The Manager of Planning and Development presented a report on the department's activities in the first two quarters of 2022:

- 122 development applications received (decrease from 161 in 2021), with 114 issued
- 108 building permits, 215 electrical permits, 137 gas permits, 70 plumbing permits, and 31 private septic disposal system permits issued by Park Enterprises
- 18 subdivision applications approved
- Work commenced on new Lethbridge County/Town of Coaldale Intermunicipal Development Plan
- All residential lots for sale by Lethbridge County in Monarch are sold

b. Bylaw 22-012 - Re-designate portion of NE/NW 12-9-19-W4 from Rural Agriculture to Rural Recreation - First Reading

Council approved first reading of the bylaw, which would redesignate portions of the land from Rural Agriculture to Rural Recreation to allow for the expansion of the existing Stafford Park area. A Public Hearing is scheduled for September 1, 2022.

c. Resolution - Road Closure, Sale, and Consolidation of Road Plan 5110BM

Council approved by Resolution the closure of the portion of road. The undeveloped road is located directly east of Diamond City.

d. Development Permit Application 2022-111 - City of Lethbridge Litter Fence SW 4-10-21-W4M

Council approved the development permit with conditions. The application is to construct additional litter fencing at the Lethbridge Waste and Recycling Centre.

e. Diamond City Community Hall Update and Request

Council directed administration to prepare a subdivision application and report to Council recommending the subdivision of approximately 0.7 acres of land to replace the existing Diamond City Community Hall in its current location. Council also approved that ownership of the new parcel be transferred and donated to the Diamond City Community Association for the purpose of allowing the Association to construct a new community hall.

f. Town of Nobleford - Request for Fire Service Transition Costs Follow Up Report

Council approved that the \$25,000 transition cost request be divided by percentage based upon the fire service area acquired between the Town of Nobleford and Town of Picture Butte, being 76.5% (\$19,125) for Nobleford and 23.5% (\$5,875) for Picture Butte, as a one-time payment.

g. Resolution - Road Closure, Sale, and Consolidation of Road Plan 4725BM

Council approved by Resolution the closure of the portion of road. The undeveloped road allowance is located east of Iron Springs on Township Road 11-4.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Physician Recruitment - City of Lethbridge

Council approved committing \$15,000 toward physician recruitment marketing and advertising, with the funds to be drawn from the Tax Equalization Reserve. At the previous Council meeting, a delegation from the City of Lethbridge requested the County make a financial commitment to attracting physicians to the area.

3) ADMINISTRATION

a. 2022 Pincher Creek Parade and Dignitary Luncheon - August 20, 2022 - Pincher Creek, AB Council approved that regrets be sent to the Town of Pincher Creek for their parade and dignitary luncheon.

b. Green Acres Foundation - Verbal Report

Council directed administration to draft a letter to the Minister of Seniors and Housing to address the concerns regarding the Green Acres Foundation facility in Picture Butte and to indicate the importance of transferring ownership of the building to the foundation.

c. Redistribution of Federal Electoral Districts

Council directed administration to draft a letter to be sent to the Federal Electoral District Commission regarding the County's concerns with the redistribution of Federal Electoral Districts.

4) INFRASTRUCTURE

a. Asset Management Update

Council received the asset management update for information.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1) Royal Canadian Mounted Police

A letter from the RCMP encouraging the use of the Alberta RCMP app to report rural crime.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

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Division 1 – Councillor Lorne Hickey June 1 Family & Community Support Services Meeting June 8 Discussion on Proposed Commercial/Industrial Tax Incentive Bylaw June 9 Lethbridge County/Town of Coaldale Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) Committee Meeting June 16 Lethbridge County Council Meeting June 22 Bursary Committee Meeting

June 22 Green Acres Finance and Audit Committee Meeting
June 27 McNally Community Association Donation Presentation

June 29 Green Acres Board Meeting

Division 2 - Reeve Tory Campbell

June 1 – 6	2022 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference (travel days included)
June 7	Exhibition Park Media Lunch, Whoop-Up Days and Pro Rodeo
June 8	Meeting with MLA Neudorf, Water Forum Planning/Discussion
June 8	Discussion on Proposed Commercial/Industrial Tax Incentive Bylaw
June 9	Lethbridge County/City of Lethbridge Meeting
June 15	Economic Development Lethbridge Board Meeting
June 16	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
June 16	Meeting with Mayor Van Rijn, Town of Coaldale
June 20	Value Scoping, Palliser Schools, Town of Coalhurst
June 21	Emergency Advisory Committee Meeting
June 22	Meeting with Town of Coaldale re: Water
June 22	Grand Opening, Festival Square Lethbridge
June 23	Value Scoping, Palliser Schools, Town of Coalhurst
June 24	Mayors and Reeve, Joint Session, Taber
June 24	Healthcare in Alberta – A Conversation re Challenges and Opportunities
June 27	Value Scoping, Palliser Schools, Town of Coalhurst
June 28	Interview, re: Town of Coaldale Fire Master Plan
June 28	Water Forum hosted by MLA Neudorf
June 29	Council & Senior Leadership Team (SLT) Team Building Event
June 29	Rural Economic Development Engagement Session, Coast Lethbridge

Division 3 – Councillor Mark Sayers

June /	Discussion on Proposed Commercial/Industrial Tax Incentive Bylaw
June 9	Lethbridge County/Town of Coaldale IDP Committee Meeting
June 16	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
June 21	Emergency Advisory Committee Meeting
June 22	Bursary Committee Meeting
June 23	SouthGrow Board Meeting AGM
June 29	Council & SLT Team Building Event

Division 4 – Councillor John Kuerbis

June 16	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
June 22	Community Futures AGM & Regular Board Meeting

Division 5 – Councillor Eric Van Essen

June 8	Discussion on	Proposed	Commercial	/Industrial `	Tax Incentive Bylaw

June 16 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 6 – Deputy Reeve Klaas VanderVeen

June 9	Lethbridge County/City of Lethbridge Meeting
June 15	Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association Meeting
June 16	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
June 28	Water Forum hosted by MLA Neudorf
June 29	Council & SLT Team Building Event

Division 7 – Councillor Morris Zeinstra

June 8	Discussion on Proposed Commercial/Industrial Tax Incentive Bylaw
June 16	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
June 21	Emergency Advisory Committee Meeting

CLOSED SESSION:

1) Proposed Regional Economic Development Initiative - Follow-up Report (FOIP Section 16 - Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party and Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)

No motion was made.