



Council Brief of the March 10, 2022 Regular Meeting

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DELEGATIONS:

- 1) **SouthGrow – Peter Casurella**
Peter Casurella, Executive Director of SouthGrow provided Council with an update of the organization's activities.
- 2) **Oldman Watershed Council – Shannon Frank**
Shannon Frank, Executive Director of the Oldman Watershed Council provided Council with an update of the organization's activities.

SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:

- 1) **Subdivision Application #2021-0-116 – Dar Ray Farms Ltd. - Lots 5-7, Block 1, Plan 2110940 & Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 0814065 within S1/2 5-8-20 W4M**
Council approved the application, subject to the conditions of the draft resolution. The application is to subdivide a small phase in the 508 Agri-business Park and create five lots, along with one property line adjustment for agri-business/industrial use.
- 2) **Subdivision Application #2021-0-208 – Joss - Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1810581 within NW1/4 5-8-20-W4M**
Council approved the application, subject to the conditions of the draft resolution. The application is to resplit a 10.63-acre parcel into two titles for country residential use.
- 3) **Subdivision Application #2022-0-002 – Sinke Farms - Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1811292 & N½ 2-11-22-W4M**
Council approved the application, subject to the conditions of the draft resolution. The application is to reconfigure the boundaries (property line adjustment) of two adjacent agricultural titles by subdividing and consolidating land along the shared boundary, thereby creating adjusted agricultural titles.
- 4) **Subdivision Application #2022-0-005 – Plomp - NW1/4 15-11-23-W4M**
Council approved the application, subject to the conditions of the draft resolution. The application is to subdivide a vacant first parcel out former farmstead subdivision for country residential use.
- 5) **Subdivision Application #2022-0-007 – Bezooyen - SW1/4 32-8-19-W4M**
Council approved the application, subject to the conditions of the draft resolution. The application is to subdivide a first parcel out subdivision for country residential use.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1) **Bylaw 22-001 - Municipal Development Plan - Public Hearing**
Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw. The updated Municipal Development Plan provides policy direction for development within the County.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- 1) **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

a. Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA) – 2022 Annual Conference and Sponsorship

Council approved that any member wishing to attend the conference be authorized to do so, and that the County provide a Gold Sponsorship, with funds utilized from the Councillor's Discretionary Reserve.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Oldman Watershed Council Funding Request

Council approved the Oldman Watershed Council's funding request of \$4,866.00, based on \$0.47 per resident, to be funded from the Council Operating Budget. The non-profit organization's mission is keeping water and land in our region healthy and safe.

b. Shaughnessy Community Association Funding Request

Council directed Administration to invite the Shaughnessy Community Association to the next Council meeting to provide further information with respect to their funding request. The Association has reached out to the County with a request for funding to assist with the replacement of the community hall boiler.

c. Fire Service Response Fees Waiver Request

Council declined the request to waive fire response fees in the amount of \$1625.00.

d. 2021 Year End Surplus Report

Council approved the reallocation of funds from Unrestricted Surplus to Restricted Surplus (Reserves) to be transferred as follows:

Surplus transfer to Reserve	Amount
Public Works Reserve	\$165,000.00
Emergency Services Contingency Reserve	\$25,000.00
Administration Building Reserve	\$50,000.00
Agriculture Service Board Future Projects Reserve	\$100,000.00
Tax Equalization Reserve	\$99,260.00
Surplus transfer total	\$439,260.00

3) ADMINISTRATION

a. Request for Sponsorship - Alberta / NWT Command - Royal Canadian Legion - Annual Military Service Recognition Book

Council approved that the County purchase a 1/4-page full color advertisement in the 15th Annual Military Service Recognition Book, at a cost of \$625.00, with funds coming from the Councillor's Discretionary Reserve.

b. Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation – Donation Request

Council approved a gold donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation to recognize and honor many of the Lethbridge County Veterans who have served our country, with funds for the donation utilized from the Councillor's Discretionary Reserve.

c. Picture Butte and District Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

Council approved that the County provide sponsorship to the Picture Butte and District Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$200.

d. FCM 2022 Annual Conference and Trade Show – June 2 - June 5, 2022

Council approved that any member wishing to attend be authorized to do so.

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Council provided an update of their activities from January 2022:

Division 1 – Councillor Lorne Hickey

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 26 Audit Committee Meeting
January 26 Green Acres Foundation Meeting
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

Division 2 – Reeve Tory Campbell

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 5 Emergency Advisory Committee
January 5 Exhibition Park Board Meeting via Zoom
January 6 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Virtual Town Hall via Zoom – Provincial Policing
January 7 Meeting with CAO
January 7 Meeting with MLA Nathan Neudorf
January 7 Mayors and Reeves via Zoom
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations via Zoom
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting via Teams
January 14 Southern Regional Drainage Committee Meeting via Zoom
January 17 Meeting with Strategic Planning Facilitator & CAO via Zoom
January 17 AHS Virtual Session
January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 19 Virtual Alberta Emergency Management Agency Training
January 19 Keep Alberta RCMP Session presented by National Police Federation
January 19 Exhibition Park Ownership Engagement via Zoom
January 20 Economic Development Training – Southgrow via Zoom
January 21 Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association Meeting
January 26 Audit Committee Meeting
January 28 Meeting with CAO
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

Division 3 – Councillor Mark Sayers

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 5 Emergency Advisory Committee
January 6 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Virtual Town Hall via Zoom – Provincial Policing
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 19 Virtual Alberta Emergency Management Agency Training
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

Division 4 – Councillor John Kuerbis

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 11 Community Futures Lethbridge Training Seminar
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 15 Community Futures Lethbridge Training Program

January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 26 Audit Committee Meeting
January 26 Community Futures Lethbridge Monthly Board Meeting
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

Division 5 – Councillor Eric Van Essen

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 6 MUNIS 101
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 13 MUNIS 101
January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 19 Virtual Alberta Emergency Management Agency Training
January 20 MUNIS 101
January 21 Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association Meeting
January 27 Budget Orientation
January 27 MUNIS 101
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

Division 6 – Deputy Reeve Klaas VanderVeen

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 7 Mayors and Reeves via Zoom
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 12 Coalhurst Fire Discussion with CAO
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 21 Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association Meeting
January 25-28 Agriculture Service Board Conference in Edmonton
January 28 Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association

Division 7 – Councillor Morris Zeinstra

January 5 Effective Meeting Session
January 5 Emergency Advisory Committee
January 11 Council Orientation Session #4 – Public Operations
January 13 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
January 18 Council Orientation Session #5 – Infrastructure
January 25-28 Agriculture Service Board Conference in Edmonton
January 31 Strategic Planning Session

CLOSED SESSION:

1) **Land Request (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)**

Council approved the land sale as per the appraised value.