



Brief of the December 1, 2022

**Regular Council Meeting**

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**DELEGATIONS:**

**1) Regional Director of Emergency Management Presentation**

A proposal for a Regional Emergency Management System was presented. Council directed administration to review the proposal and bring a detailed report, if required, to the December 15, 2022 Council meeting.

**2) Green Prairie – Fire Services Invoice**

Council directed administration to bring a report to the December 15, 2022 Council meeting with further details on the fire services invoice in question.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**1) Bylaw 22-015 – Road Closure, Sale and Consolidation**

Council directed Administration to send the proposed road closure to the Minister of Transportation for approval. If approved, Council can consider second and third readings of the bylaw. The road closure application is for a portion of a lane on Plan 0811302, which is undeveloped and administration has determined it is not required as part of the County's road network.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**1) COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**a. Bylaw 22-019 – Redesignate a portion of Plan 0210172 Block 2 Lot 1 in the SE 6-10-20-W4 from Rural Agriculture to Grouped Country Residential – First Reading**

Council approved first reading of the bylaw, which would redesignate the portion of land from Rural Agriculture to Grouped Country Residential.

**b. Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA) – 2023 Annual Conference and Sponsorship**

Council approved that up to three members be authorized to attend the conference, and that a Platinum Sponsorship be provided in the amount of \$2,500, funded from Council's Discretionary Reserve.

**c. Fire Services Response Fees Waiver Request Analysis**

Council approved that the fire response invoice be reduced to \$13,822.50.

**2) INFRASTRUCTURE**

**a. Bylaw 22-008 – Commercial and Industrial Municipal Tax Incentive**

Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw, which allow new or expanding businesses to apply for a municipal tax exemption. Requirements include a minimum \$500,000 assessment increase for a three-year rebate (75% in year 1, 50% in year 2, 25% in year 3).

**b. Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application – Lethbridge County/Coaldale Regional Water Supply Study**

Council approved the application, which will examine potential solutions for the two municipalities to accommodate growing development and water demands.

**c. Alberta Community Partnership Grant Application Support – Highway 3 Corridor Regional Water Supply Study**

Council voted in favour of supporting the application, which would see the M.D. of Taber, Town of Taber, Town of Coaldale, and Lethbridge County partner on a study to analyze potential water servicing along the Highway 3 corridor between Coaldale and Taber.

**3) ADMINISTRATION**

**a. Lethbridge & District Exhibition – Ottawa Trade Mission**

Council approved that Reeve Campbell and CAO Mitchell be authorized to attend the Trade Mission on February 14 and 15, 2023.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**1) 2023 Bank of Montreal/Calgary Stampede Farm Family Awards Program**

No motion was made.

**COUNCIL & COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

**1) Truth and Reconciliation Training Update**

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis provided an update on the Truth and Reconciliation Training Seminar he attended at the Kainai Multipurpose Centre in Standoff. Hosted by SouthGrow and led by Owl Chief Francis First Charger, the training included the history of the Blackfoot people, culture, traditions and values, prayers and blessings, the story of Truth and Reconciliation Week and the path forward.