

# Council Brief of the January 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

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#### **SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:**

- 1) Subdivision Application #2020-0-135 Vucurevich NW 11-09-21-W4M

  The application was approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.
- 2) Subdivision Application #2020-0-141- Etches SW¼ 17-08-20-W4M

  The application was approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.
- 3) Subdivision Application #2020-0-149 Skiba SE½ 20-12-24-W4M

  The application was approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.
- **4)** Subdivision Application #2020-0-131 Deleeuw portion of NE1/4 16-11-21-W4M The application was approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.
- 5) Subdivision Application #2020-0-155 Postman SW½ 25-10-24-W4M

  The application was approved subject to the conditions and parcel waiver as outlined in the draft resolution.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

## 1) COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. County Land Purchase

Council approved that \$12,500 be withdrawn from the Tax Equalization Reserve for the purchase of a privately-owned lot that functions as a fire pond. As a utility lot that serves the public, the property should be owned and maintained by the County.

b. Bylaw 21-002 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment Hamlet Public/Institutional (HP/I) to Hamlet Residential (HR), Plan 9611179 Block 18 Lot 11 (Monarch Water Tower Site) - First Reading Council approved first reading of the bylaw. The Monarch water tower was demolished in the fall of 2020, and Administration has determined that the best use of the parcel of land going forward would be for residential purposes.

#### 2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Bylaw 21-001 - 2021 Utility Rates

Council approved first, second, and third readings of the bylaw. There is a 1.5% increase to water rates to maintain costs for the utility department. As there is no cost increase from the City of Lethbridge, those savings are being passed on to County utility users.

## b. Tax Penalty Waiver Request

Council approved the request for cancellation of tax penalties in the amount of \$204.53 on Tax Roll #6707000.

#### c. Broadband Internet Expenses

Council approved that Administration fund the consulting portion of the Broadband internet Project in the amount of \$40,207.15 from the Tax Equalization Reserve. Through the project development, some costs were incurred by the County for legal and consultant fees. These costs were to ensure all agreements met legal requirements and to assist Council in making the best long-term decision around the future of broadband internet for the County.

d. McNally Community Association Request as presented at the December 17 Council Meeting - Verbal Update for Council

Council approved that the 2021 McNally Community Association loan payment of \$13,963.34 be postponed until 2022 and directed Administration to extend the McNally Community Association Loan Agreement term by one year. The Association has experienced a loss in revenues due to the COVID-19 pandemic because of cancelled rentals and the postponement of their Casino fundraiser.

#### **COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

## 1) Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update- December 2020

### **Division 1 - Reeve Lorne Hickey**

December 1 Budget Review

December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 4 Mayors and Reeves Meeting

December 4 Special Council Meeting

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December 7 Meeting with Village of Barons

December 15 Telephone Town Hall with Premier Kenney

December 17 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 17 Audit Committee, Audit Planning Meeting

#### **Division 2 - Councillor Tory Campbell**

December 1 Budget Review

December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 3 Chinook Arch Library Board Virtual Meeting

December 4 Special Council Meeting

December 14 Lethbridge Regional Waste Management Services Commission Meeting

December 15 Water Commission Meeting

December 17 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 17 Audit Committee, Audit Planning Meeting

#### **Division 3 - Councillor Robert Horvath**

December 1 Budget Review

December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 4 Special Council Meeting

December 17 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

#### **Division 4 - Councillor Ken Benson**

December 1 Budget Review

December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 4 Special Council Meeting

December 17 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 17 Audit Committee, Audit Planning Meeting

## **Division 5 - Councillor Steve Campbell**

December 1 Budget Meeting

December 2 Exhibition Park Board Meeting
December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 4 Special Council Meeting

December 11 Exhibition Park Board Meeting

December 15 Community Futures HR Committee Meeting

December 16 Community Futures Board Meeting
December 17 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

#### **Division 6 -Councillor Klaas VanderVeen**

December 1 Budget Review

December 3 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

December 4	Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Virtual Meeting
December 4	Special Council Meeting
December 14	Lethbridge Regional Waste Management Services Commission Meeting
December 17	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
December 18	Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Virtual Meeting

## **Division 7 - Councillor Morris Zeinstra**

December 1	Budget Review
December 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
December 4	Special Council Meeting
December 7	Meeting with Ratepayer
December 8	Meeting with Ratepayer
December 17	Lethbridge County Council Meeting