

Council Brief of the August 6, 2020 Regular Meeting

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SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:

1) Subdivision Application #2020-0-070- Richards- Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1812411& NW1/4 32-9-19-W4M

Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.

2) Subdivision Application #2020-0-076- Enns/Kaldal- Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 9912610 & Block 1, Plan 9312048

Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.

REPORTS:

1) Planning and Development Department- 2nd Quarter Report 2020

The report from the period of January to June 2020 included the following highlights:

- Approval of the Hamlet of Chin and Kipp Growth Study and Grouped Country Residential Land Use Strategy
- Hamlet Growth Studies for Shaughnessy and Diamond City started
- 75 development permits issued
- 370 Safety Codes Permit applications submitted
- 12 subdivisions approved

2) Economic Development- 2nd Quarter Report 2020

The report included the following highlights:

- Coordination with Mexican consulate in Calgary to ensure temporary foreign workers were able to come to work in agricultural sector
- Ongoing work on Highway 3 "Canada's Premier Food Corridor" project and improving Lethbridge County broadband
- Shop Local advertising campaign
- Announcement of \$7 million expansion of Lethbridge Biogas plant
- Whole Leaf signing deal with Wendy's of Canada to provide lettuce to that chain
- Business expansion at several other Lethbridge County businesses

APPOINTMENTS:

- 1) 9:30 am- PUBLIC HEARING:
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Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw.

2) 10:00 am- Diana Rung, Alberta Conservation Association

Ms. Rung made a presentation to Council on the association's efforts in stocking ponds throughout the province, promoting sportfishing, and their "Kids Can Catch" program for youth.

BYLAWS:

1) Bylaw 20-007- Road Closure, Sale and Consolidation of a portion of Sidney Road within subdivision plan 4000AQ- First Reading

Council approved first reading of the bylaw.

2) Bylaw 20-016- Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw- Lethbridge Urban Fringe to Grouped Country Residential for north portion of Plan 7770AU Block Z in the NW 26-8-20-W4- First Reading

Council approved first reading of the bylaw.

ADMINISTRATION:

1) Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Assessment Model Review Advocacy

Council directed for a letter to be sent to the Honourable Premier of Alberta, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and local MLAs, outlining the concerns of Lethbridge County, regarding the proposed Assessment Model Review. The Government of Alberta is currently considering changes to the assessment model for regulated properties such as oil and gas pipelines. RMA was involved in the review that let to these changes, and vocally opposed the focus of the review and the outcomes. RMA predicts that the proposed assessment model changes could impact Lethbridge County by a 4% decrease in revenue.

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Council provided an update on their activities for July 2020:

1) Reeve Lorne Hickey:

July 2- Highway 3 Twinning

Announcement

July 16- Employee Appreciation BBQ

July 22- Meeting with CAO

July 23- Council Meeting

July 24- Assessment Model Review

webinar

July 25- Provincial funding

announcement for additional addiction

supports

July 29- Meeting with CAO

2) Councillor Tory Campbell

July 8- LINK Pathway Society board meeting

July 13- Road tour with Director of

Public Operations

July 16- Employee Appreciation BBQ

July 23- Council Meeting

July 30- LINK Pathway Project meeting

3) Councillor Robert Horvath

July 16- Employee Appreciation BBQ

July 23- Council Meeting

4) Councillor Ken Benson

July 16- Employee Appreciation BBQ

July 23- Council Meeting

5) Councillor Steve Campbell

July 2- Exhibition Park board meeting

July 10- Exhibition Park board meeting

July 22- Community Futures Lethbridge

board meeting

July 23- Council Meeting

6) Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

July 2- Rural Crime Roundtable July 23- Council Meeting

7) Councillor Morris Zeinstra

July 8- NCPWC Annual Meeting

July 13- NCPWC meeting

July 16- Employee Appreciation BBQ

July 23- Council Meeting