

Council Brief of the August 16, 2018 Regular Meeting

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APPOINTMENTS:

1) 10:30 am- Blake & Melanie Kurucz Re: Request to Continue Road Maintenance Services on Private Access Road

Council passed the recommendation to have administration bring a report back to a later meeting on the history of the property so Council can make a more informed decision on the matter. Blake and Melanie Kurucz requested that their private access road continue to be graded, as these services were recently discontinued by Municipal Services upon discovering that the road was private.

- 2) 1:30 pm Subdivision Applications
 - a) 2018-0-102 Robert Kubik NW 1/4 19-11-19-W4

Council approved this subdivision application subject to conditions outlined on the draft resolution.

b) 2018-0-103 - Robert Kubik & Joanne Kubik - SE 1/4 24-11-20-W4
Council approved this subdivision application subject to conditions outlined on the draft resolution.

BYLAWS (excluding public hearings):

1) Bylaw 18-019 – Lethbridge County/MD of Taber Intermunicipal Development Plan- First Reading

Council passed first reading of Bylaw 18-019. The draft plan includes a framework for addressing land use in the fringe area and between the MD of Taber and Lethbridge County, and includes policies on referral and dispute resolution processes, land use, transportation and road networks, and nature environment (ie. Stafford and Chin reservoirs).

2) Bylaw 18-020 Land Use Bylaw Amendment- Cannabis Retails Sales and Legalization- First Reading

Council passed first reading of Bylaw 18-020. The proposal includes allowing retail cannabis stores in the Hamlet Commercial and Rural Commercial Land Use Districts as a discretionary use. The proposed amendment to the Land Use Bylaw includes the criteria and standards for retail cannabis stores, application requirements, and amends the definitions within the Land Use Bylaw to ensure clarity with regards to both retail cannabis stores and Cannabis Protection Facilities (previously known as Medical Marihuana Production Facilities).

MUNICIPAL SERVICES:

1) SMRID Proposed Chin 2 Rehabilitation and Storm Water Conveyance Agreement Fee Council approved Administration to send a letter to the SMRID thanking them for their presentation and informing them that the County is not in favour of approving a Drainage Conveyance fee to fund the proposed Chin 2 Rehabilitation Project. THE SMRID made a presentation to County Council on

June 7, 2018, proposing the \$15,000 per year fee as a cost-sharing arrangement to fund the canal rehabilitation project.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

1) Link Society Pathway Project

Council approved that: 1) One Council member be appointed to the Link Pathway Society Committee, and 2) County Council contribute \$150,000 to the Link Pathway Society for the construction of a pathway through Lethbridge County linking the Town of Coaldale to the City of Lethbridge and that the funds be drawn from the Municipal Reserve, conditional on the Society receiving provincial grant funding for the project.

2) Communications Survey

Council received the Communications Survey report for information and approved that administration be directed to proceed with: 1) Live-streaming and recording of Council meetings by December 31, 2018, and 2) A monthly newsletter to be distributed online and through an e-mail opt-in form for residents beginning September 2018. The Communications Survey was done in June 2018 to help Administration determine the effectiveness of the County's communications strategy and gain insight on areas needing improvement.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

1) Council Chambers Upgrades

Council approved that the Council Chambers Directors' Desk Operating Project be amended to a maximum cost of \$6,000, to be funded from the Administrative Building Reserve. Some of the modifications being considered will provide for a more fluent set-up and professional appearance to Council Chambers.

ADMINISTRATION

1) Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Re: Increase in Board Size

Council approved that Administration be directed to forward a letter to the Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS, under the Reeve's signature, indicating that Lethbridge County is opposed to the increase in the FCSS Board size from 9 to 16. The Barons-Eureka-Warner Family & Community Support Services is governed by a Board appointed by local municipal councils. The resolution to add seven (7) members to the Board was made at the May 2, 2018 Board Meeting.

INVITATIONS:

1) Coaldale & District Chamber of Commerce Re: 38th Annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet - September 22, 2018, Gem of the West Museum

Council approved that any member of Council wishing to attend the Coaldale & District Chamber of Commerce 38th Annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet scheduled for September 22, 2018 at the Gem of the West Museum, Coaldale, be authorized to do so.

2) 12th Annual Foodgrains Harvest Day Celebration- August 24, 2018

Council approved that any member of Council wishing to attend the 12th Annual Foodgrains Harvest Day Celebration scheduled for August 24, 2018 at 11:30 am be authorized to do so.

3) German-Canadian Club 60th Anniversary Dinner and Dance- September **15, 2018** Council approved that the invitation to the German-Canadian Club 60th Anniversary Dinner and Dance on September **15, 2018** be received for information.

- **4)** Nikka Yuko Golden Reception and Presentation-September **15, 2018, University of Lethbridge** Council approved that the Reeve or his designate be authorized to attend the Nikka Yuko Golden Reception and Presentation on September **15, 2018** at the University of Lethbridge.
- **5)** Coyote Flats Prairie Tractor Club and Museum- Harvest Days- August 18, 2018
 Council approved that the report on the Coyote Flats Prairie Tractor Club and Museum Harvest Days on August 18, 2018 be received for information.
- **6) Picture Butte Foodgrains Harvest- August 30, 2018** Council approved that the report on the Picture Butte Foodgrains Harvest on August 30, 2018 be received for information.