

Council Brief of the December 6, 2021 Regular Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER:

Reeve Campbell thanked Council and staff for participating in the budget deliberation meetings.

Reeve Campbell also acknowledged the holiday season and made mention of the Toys for Tots box located in the lobby of the County Office as well as the Coaldale, Picture Butte and Lethbridge Food Banks and encouraged anyone who could give back during this time to do so.

SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:

- 1) Subdivision Application #2021-0-186 Vande Bruinhorst Farms SE1/4 30-9-19-W4M Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined on the draft resolution, including a parcel size reduction to 3.0 acres. The application is to subdivide a vacant first-parcel-out subdivision for country residential use.
- 2) Subdivision Application #2021-0-175 Beattie Block A, Plan 9210553 & SE1/4 7-9-20-W4M Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined on the draft resolution. The application is to enable a property boundary reconfiguration of two adjacent parcels and enlarge a 3.46 acre acreage, creating a 6.84 acre title for country residential use.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1) Bylaw 21-018 - Amendment to Land Use Bylaw from Direct Control to Direct Control - Crystal Springs Cheese - Public Hearing

Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw, which will allow for a liquor store at the existing business.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) COMMUNITY SERVICES

- a. Development Permit Application 2021-234 (City of Lethbridge Landfill Composting Facility)
 Council approved the application, which would allow the applicant to construct a new
 compost facility at the landfill.
- b. Proposed Amendment to Land Disposition Policy #172 Council approved the amendment to the policy, which adds provisions for all types of parcels of land, rather than just stand-alone, developable parcels as was in the previous policy.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. ORRSC - Assessment Review Board Services - Agreement & Bylaw Update Council approved that Bylaw 1374 – Regional Assessment Review Board be rescinded and approved first, second, and third readings of Bylaw 21-019 – Regional Assessment Review Board Amendments. Amendments to the Bylaw include required changes from the Municipal Government Act and to definitions. Council also approved that the County enter into the amended Agreement for Regional Assessment Review Services with the Oldman River Regional Services Commission, which was requested by the organization.

b. Tax Penalty Waiver Request

Council declined the request for the penalty waiver in the amount of \$459.46.

c. Bylaw 21-020 - Schedule of Fees

Council approved first, second, and third reading of the amended Schedule of Fees.

3) ADMINISTRATION

a. 2022 Strategic Planning Retreat

Council approved that the 2022 Strategic Planning Retreat be held in Canmore. The Strategic Plan provides focus, alignment with longer term plans, ensures Council and Administration are on the same page, sets the direction for departmental business plans and budgets and is a key component of the accountability relationship between the CAO and Council.

b. FCSS Committee Re-Appointment

Council approved that Councillor Hickey be appointed as the Lethbridge County representative for the FCSS Committee.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1) The Lethbridge United Services Institute Legacy of Alberta Recognizing Veterans Contributions Event

Council approved that any member wishing to attend The Lethbridge United Services Institute Legacy of Alberta Recognizing Veterans Contributions event on December 8, 2021 be authorized to do so.

DELEGATIONS:

1) 11:00 AM - Highway 3 Twinning Development Association

Bill Chapman, President and Victoria Chester, Director of Advancement for the Highway 3 Twinning Development Association were present to provide Council an update on the association.

CLOSED SESSION:

1) Public Utility Lot (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic & Other Interests of a Public Body)

Council approved the sale of the public utility lot and directed administration to negotiate the sale with the adjacent landowner(s).

2) 2022 Bank of Montreal/Calgary Stampede Farm Family Awards Program (FOIP Section 19 - Confidential Evaluations)

Council nominated the Vandenelzen family as the 2022 Bank of Montreal/Calgary Stampede Farm Family with consideration given to the criteria set out for the award.

3) County/City Collaboration (FOIP Section 21 - Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations)

Council directed administration to provide a letter of support to the City of Lethbridge.