



Council Brief of the

September 21, 2023 Regular Meeting

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SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

1) Subdivision Application #2023-0-003 – Cote - Lot 4, Block 20, Plan 9412761, ptn. of closed road and SW1/4 6-10-2-W4M

Council approved the supplication subject to the conditions outlined in the draft resolution. The application is to reconfigure two existing parcels and a former roadway and create two new titles for county residential use.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

a. Bylaw 22-011 - Road Closure, Sale and Consolidation Road Plan 8419HB- Second and Third Reading

Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw, which will close the undeveloped road that is located 0.5 miles south of Highway 519 on Range Road 23-4.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Tax Penalty Waiver Request - Roll #03020000

Council did not waive tax penalties in the amount of \$302.67.

b. Stirling Wind Project - Community Funding

Council directed administration to sign the Community Benefits Agreement with Stirling Renewable Energy and to bring back a plan for community funding projects, effective for 2024. The Stirling Wind Project is in the County of Warner (9 turbines) and Lethbridge County (14 turbines). As part of the project's community relations commitment, Lethbridge County would be eligible for \$15,217 to fund community projects.

c. Fire Services Department Update

The Fire Services Manager provided an update on the department's activities for January 1 to July 31:

- 281 incidents responded to (up 52 from same period in 2022), with Fire Services Manager responding to 62 of these incidents
- 565 fire permits issued
- 112 fire safety inspections conducted for businesses
- 13 fire investigations completed
- Coordinated transition of Coaldale Emergency Services into new response area
- Implemented records management program
- Launched hydrant maintenance and testing program
- Worked with Human Resources department to create a Volunteer Firefighter Directive, allowing County employees serving as volunteer firefighters to respond to emergencies during work hours

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1) Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - August 2023

Council provided updates on activities in August:

Councillor Lorne Hickey – Division 1

August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 10	Agri-Food Hub & Trade Centre Grand Opening
August 22	Whoop-Up Days Pancake Breakfast and Parade
August 24	Brighter Together Food Journey Reception

Reeve Tory Campbell – Division 2

August 2	Exhibition Park Board Meeting
August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 3	Chinook Arch Library Board Meeting
August 8	Exhibition Park Meeting, Virtual
August 10	Agri-Food Hub & Trade Centre Grand Opening
August 12	Coaldale Summer Fest Candy Parade
August 16	Casino, Friends of Chinook Arch Library Society
August 21	Water and Wastewater Briefing, CAO and Staff
August 22	Whoop-Up Days Pancake Breakfast and Parade
August 22	Meeting with Premier Danielle Smith, Water and Wastewater
August 24	Brighter Together Food Journey Tour and Reception
August 25	Whoop-Up Days Rodeo Hosting
August 26	Casino, Exhibition Park
August 29	Reeves Roundtable, Renewable Energy- CANREA, Stirling, AB

Councillor Mark Sayers – Division 3

August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 12	Coaldale Summer Fest Candy Parade
August 22	Whoop-Up Days Pancake Breakfast and Parade
August 24	Brighter Together Food Journey Reception

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis – Division 4

August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting (Via Teams)
August 12	Nobleford Parade
August 21	Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
August 22	Whoop-Up Days Pancake Breakfast and Parade
August 23	Pow Wow Grand Entry Celebration
August 24	Pow Wow Grand Entry Celebration
August 26	Coalhurst Parade

Councillor Eric Van Essen – Division 5

August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 10	Southern Regional Stormwater Drainage Committee Meeting
August 12	Nobleford Parade
August 19	Picture Butte Parade
August 22	Whoop-Up Days Pancake Breakfast and Parade

Councillor Klaas VanderVeen – Division 6

August 1	Economic Development Consultation with Kevin McPhillips
August 2	Link Pathway Meeting
August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 10	Agri-Food Hub & Trade Centre Grand Opening

August 11	Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association (SAEWA) AGM Nomination Committee Meeting
August 16	Picture Butte & District Harvest
August 19	Picture Butte Parade
August 25	SAEWA Board Meeting

Councillor Morris Zeinstra – Division 7

August 3	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
August 9	CAO – Division 7 Councillor Meeting
August 10	Agri-Food Hub & Trade Centre Grand Opening
August 19	Picture Butte Parade

CLOSED SESSION:

1) ACP Grant (FOIP Section 21 - Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations)

Council approved a letter of support for the City of Lethbridge's ACP grant application in support of the Regional Water Concept Development Study project.

Council approved a letter of support for the Town of Taber's ACP grant application in support of the Regional Wastewater Concept Development Study project.

Council approved submitting an ACP grant application in support of a Regional Waste Study.