



Council Brief of the

May 18, 2023 Regular Meeting

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SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:

1) Application #2023-0-040 – 1000824 Alberta Ltd. - Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 1113171 within W1/2 10-9-21-W4M (Chinook Park)

Council approved the subdivision subject to the conditions outlined in the draft resolution. The application is to create nine industrial lots for rural general industrial and business light industrial use.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1) Bylaw 23-013 – Advertising

Council approved second and third readings of the bylaw, which establishes methods for advertising public notices in Lethbridge County.

DELEGATIONS:

1) Ken van Rootselaar - Fire Response Invoice Appeal

The van Rootselaars were present to appeal a fire invoice they received for an arson fire of a vacant home on a property they own in Lethbridge County. Council directed administration to set up a payment plan with no accrued interest and for a term not exceeding three years.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

a. Bylaw 23-017 Tax Mill Rate Third Reading

Council approved third reading of the bylaw, which sets the tax mill rates for 2023:

ASSESSMENT CLASS	2023 TAX RATE
Class 3 - Farmland	29.2552
Class 1 - Residential	7.3766
Class 2 - Non-Residential	12.3792
Class 4 - Machinery and Equipment	8.9029

2) ADMINISTRATION

a. Policy 186 - Committee Members at Large Remuneration

Council approved the policy, which sets procedures and amounts for remuneration for committee members at large.

3) INFRASTRUCTURE

a. Letter of Support - Town of Coaldale Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund Application (DMAF)

Council approved a letter of support and authorized the Town of Coaldale's application under the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund for the South Coaldale Regional Stormwater Management Facility project on behalf of the Town of Coaldale, Lethbridge County, and the Saint Mary River Irrigation District. The funding will be used for the construction of a new

stormwater pond at the south end of Coaldale, which is part of the Malloy Drain Project, a joint initiative between the three organizations.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1) Eventide Home BBQ & Open House Invitation

An invitation for Council was received from Eventide Home, a care centre recently completed in Lethbridge County.

2) Town of Coaldale - Civic Square Grand Opening Invitation

An invitation for Council was received from the Town of Coaldale for the grand opening of the Civic Square.

3) Minister of Municipal Affairs

A letter was received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs, acknowledging the conversations held with the Ministry at the Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference on the Local Government Fiscal Framework, farmland assessment, and land-use planning decisions of the Alberta Energy Regulator.

4) Yellowhead County

A letter was received from the Mayor of Yellowhead County, asking municipalities across the province to contact their MLAs to postpone the provincial election due to the wildfire situation.

5) Town of Coaldale & Tourism Lethbridge - Promoting Tourism in Southern Alberta Networking Event

An invitation was received for a seminar on promoting tourism in Southern Alberta.

Council approved that any member wishing to attend any of the above events be authorized to do so.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1) Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update – April 2023

Division 1 – Councillor Lorne Hickey

April 5	Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Meeting
April 5	FCSS All Councils Meeting
April 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 18	Audit Committee Meeting
April 18	CAO Candidate Interviews
April 19	CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 25	McCain Open House
April 26	Green Acres Board Meeting
April 26	Council Meet & Greet hosted by Picture Butte
April 27	CAO Candidate Interviews

Division 2 – Reeve Tory Campbell

April 5	FCSS All Councils Meeting
April 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 6	Chinook Arch Board Meeting
April 11	Lethbridge College Road to Ready
April 11	Meeting with MP Thomas
April 11	Fire Services Discussion

April 14 CAO Recruitment Meeting
April 17 Southern Regional Drainage Committee Meeting & Governance Meeting
April 18 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 19 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 24 Exhibition Park Ownership Engagement
April 25 McCain Open House
April 27 CAO Candidate Interviews

Division 3 – Councillor Mark Sayers

April 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 11 Meeting with MP Thomas
April 18 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 19 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 25 Regional Water Commission Meeting
April 25 SouthGrow Meeting
April 26 Council Meet & Greet hosted by Picture Butte
April 27 CAO Candidate Interviews

Division 4 – Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis

April 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 11 Regional Waste Commission Meeting
April 11 Meeting with MP Thomas
April 18 Audit Committee Meeting
April 18 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 19 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 25 Regional Water Commission Meeting
April 26 Council Meet & Greet hosted by Picture Butte
April 27 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 28 Lethbridge Recovery Center Press Conference

Division 5 – Councillor Eric Van Essen

April 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 11 Highway 3 Twinning Development Association AGM
April 11 Meeting with MP Thomas
April 13 Picture Butte Chamber of Commerce
April 18 Audit Committee Meeting
April 18 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 19 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 26 Council Meet & Greet hosted by Picture Butte
April 27 CAO Candidate Interviews

Division 6 – Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

April 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 11 Regional Waste Commission Meeting
April 11 Meeting with MP Thomas

Division 7 – Councillor Morris Zeinstra

April 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
April 11 Meeting with MP Thomas
April 18 CAO Candidate Interviews

April 19 CAO Candidate Interviews
April 20 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
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April 27 CAO Candidate Interviews

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation Main Canal

Council directed administration to draft a letter under the Reeve's signature to the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation and Minister of Infrastructure communicating the dire consequences resulting from the main canal failure and the need to use all means possible to make those repairs to get irrigation water flowing as soon as possible.