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MINUTES Council Meeting

9:00 AM - Thursday, November 3, 2022 Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 9:00 AM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT: **Reeve Tory Campbell** Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis Councillor Lorne Hickey **Councillor Mark Sayers** Councillor Eric Van Essen Councillor Klaas VanderVeen **Councillor Morris Zeinstra** Chief Administrative Officer, Ann Mitchell Director of Community Services, Larry Randle Director of Public Operations, Jeremy Wickson Infrastructure Manager, Devon Thiele Manager of Finance & Administration, Jennifer Place Executive Assistant, Candice Robison Supervisor of Planning & Development, Hilary Janzen Senior Planner, Steve Harty

A. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Reeve Tory Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

B. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>

289-2022 Councillor MOVED that the November 3, 2022 Lethbridge County Council VanderVeen Meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

290-2022 Councillor MOVED that the October 20, 2022 Lethbridge County Council Meeting Van Essen Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

C.2. Organizational Meeting Minutes

291-2022Councillor
HickeyMOVED that the October 20, 2022 Lethbridge County Organizational
Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Councillor Mark Sayers arrived at 9:06 a.m.

D. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

D.1. <u>Subdivision Application #2022-0-147 – Double O Farms</u> - <u>N1/2 11-9-19-W4M</u>

292-2022 Councillor MOVED that the Agricultural subdivision of N1/2 11-9-19-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 841 047 255A), to reconfigure two adjacent ¼-sections boundaries within the N½-11-9-19-W4 comprising a total of 272.80- acres (110.40 ha) by subdividing and consolidating land

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thereby creating agricultural titles 200.82 & 71.98- acres (81.27 & 29.13 ha) respectively in size; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County. 2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into and comply with a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.

3. That the titles and portions of land to be subdivided and consolidated to reconfigure the boundaries (property line) of the two (2) adjacent agricultural parcels be done by a plan prepared by a certified Alberta Land Surveyor in a manner such that the resulting titles cannot be further subdivided without approval of the Subdivision Authority.

4. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies or the municipality shall be established.

CARRIED

D.2. <u>Subdivision Application #2022-0-152 – Lethbridge County</u> <u>- Block 11, Plan 6510AE within NW1/4 6-10-21-W4M (Hamlet of Diamond City)</u>

293-2022 Councillor

Councillor MOVED that the Hamlet Public Institutional subdivision of Block 11, Van Essen Plan 6510AE within NW1/4 6-10-21-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 861 006 496), to subdivide an existing title 3.81-acres (1.54 ha) in size and create a 0.72-acre (0.297 ha), or 157 x 199 ft., sized lot for hamlet public-institutional use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

CONDITIONS:

 That a final plan of survey be prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor to create the 0.72-acre lot for final endorsement and registration.
 That any easement(s) as required by the utility agencies or the municipality shall be established.

CARRIED

D.3. <u>Subdivision Application #2022-0-157 – De Valois</u> - SE1/4 1-13-24-W4M

294-2022

Deputy
ReeveMOVED that the Country Residential subdivision of SE1/4 1-13-24-
W4M (Certificate of Title No. 041 027 097), to subdivide a 5.93-acre
(2.40 ha) first parcel out subdivision from a title of 156.00-acres (63.13
ha), for country residential use; BE APPROVED subject to the
following:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County. 2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into and comply with a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.

3. That the applicant submits a final subdivision plan as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor that certifies the boundaries of the parcel being subdivided as approved by the Subdivision Authority.

4. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies or the municipality shall be established.

CARRIED

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H. <u>DEPARTMENT REPORTS</u>

H.3. CORPORATE SERVICES

H.3.1. Lethbridge & District Exhibition Request

295-2022 Councillor VanderVeen WOVED that County Council provide a contribution in the amount of \$2 Million to the Lethbridge & District Exhibition to be funded from the Tax Equalization Reserve and to direct administration to discuss Lethbridge County's partnership and acknowledgment in the Agri-Food Hub and Trade Centre.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 9:53 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS - 10:00 A.M.

E.1. <u>Bylaw 22-009 MacLaine Acres Area Structure Plan and Bylaw 22-010 Land Use</u> Bylaw Amendment Lethbridge Urban Fringe to Grouped Country Residential - Public Hearing

Reeve Campbell called a recess to the Council Meeting, for the Public Hearing for Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010 at 10:02 a.m.

296-2022 Councillor MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010 VanderVeen commence at 10:02 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010.

The applicant Ed Martin spoke in favour of Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010.

Rick Aldoff spoke in favour of Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010.

297-2022 Councillor MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 22-009 and Bylaw 22-010 Sayers adjourn at 10:27 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell reconvened the Council meeting at 10:27 a.m.

298-2022	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	 MOVED that Bylaw 22-009 be read a second time as amended: That the lots (23, 37 and 38) noted within the future service road and future highway bypass be removed as potential lots and be noted as non-developable areas. That the Bylaw be noted as an Amendment to Bylaw 1231 being the Plowman Area Structure Plan.
299-2022	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 22-009 be read a third time.
300-2022	Councillor Sayers	MOVED that Bylaw 22-010 be read a second time as amended, with the areas noted as future service road and future highway bypass removed from the rezoning area and remain as Lethbridge Urban Fringe.
		CARRIED

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301-2022 Deputy MOVED that Bylaw 22-010 be read a third time. Reeve CARRIED Kuerbis

F. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

F.1. <u>10:30 a.m. - Shane Jarokosky</u>

Shane Jarokosky was present to discuss with Council his concerns regarding an invoice he received for fire services.

302-2022 Councillor MOVED to direct administration to bring back a report to the Van Essen November 17 Council meeting with more information.

CARRIED

H. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

H.1. COMMUNITY SERVICES

H.1.1. Planning and Development Department - 3rd Quarter Report 2022

303-2022CouncillorMOVED that County Council receive the Planning and Development
VanderVeenVanderVeenDepartment 3rd Quarter Report 2022 for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

F. DELEGATIONS

F.2. <u>11:00 a.m. - Peter Casurella & Kim Welby - Link Pathway</u>

304-2022 Councillor MOVED that County Council approve the revisions to the VanderVeen Memorandum of Understanding between the Cor Van Raay Link Pathway Committee, the SMRID and Lethbridge County as submitted to Council.

DEFEATED

G. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

G.1. - 11:30 a.m. Delegation - Development Discussion (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)

305-2022Deputy
Reeve
KuerbisMOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed
Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act,
the time being 11:45 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

G.1. - 11:30 a.m. Delegation - Development Discussion (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)

Present during the Closed Session: Lethbridge County Council Senior Management Administrative Staff CARRIED

306-2022Councillor
SayersMOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the
closed session at 12:04 p.m.

CARRIED

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Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 12:36 p.m.

H. <u>DEPARTMENT REPORTS</u>

H.2. INFRASTRUCTURE

H.2.1. Range Road 22-5 Gravel Conversion

307-2022 Councillor MOVED that Council approves the conversion of Range Road 22-5, VanderVeen from Township Road 9-4 to the CP Rail yard entrance, from an asphalt surface to a gravel surface and to direct administration to contact CP Rail and to include this matter in the upcoming budget discussions.

CARRIED

H.4. ADMINISTRATION

H.4.1. <u>Invitation - 2022 University of Alberta Celebration of Planning</u> <u>Fundraiser - Edmonton Convention Centre - November 17, 2022</u>

Council reviewed the invitation to the 2022 University of Alberta Celebration of Planning Fundraiser.

H.4.2. Declaration of Sufficiency of Petition

CAO Ann Mitchell provided the following declarations of sufficiency of petition:

I, Ann Mitchell, pursuant to Section 226(1) of the Municipal Government Act, hereby declare that the petition to council for the construction of an asphalt pavement structure from the intersection of Range Road 21-5 and Township Road 8-2, proceeding north through the Valleyview Place community culde-sac, is sufficient.

I, Ann Mitchell, pursuant to Section 226(1) of the Municipal Government Act, hereby declare that the petition to council for the construction of an asphalt pavement structure of Township Road 8-2 from Highway 5 to Range Road 21-5, is sufficient.

H.5. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

G. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

G.2. - Fire Services Provision (FOIP Section 21 - Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations)

G.3. - Economic Development Interest Discussion (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)

G.4. - Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board - Board Appointments - 2022-2025 Term (FOIP Section 19 - Confidential Evaluations)

308-2022Councillor
HickeyMOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed
Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act,
the time being 1:06 p.m. for the discussion on the following:

G.2. - Fire Services Provision (FOIP Section 21 - Disclosure Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations)

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G.3. - Economic Development Interest Discussion (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body)

G.4. - Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board - Board Appointments - 2022-2025 Term (FOIP Section 19 -Confidential Evaluations)

> Present during the Closed Session: Lethbridge County Council Senior Management Administrative Staff CARRIED

309-2022 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the closed session at 1:53 p.m.

CARRIED

G.3. <u>Economic Development Interest Discussion (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure</u> <u>Harmful to Economic and Other Interests of a Public Body</u>)

310-2022Deputy
Reeve
KuerbisMOVED that County Council authorize\$3,200,000 from the
Commercial/Industrial Land Reserve regarding North & Company File
No. 111625.170.

CARRIED

Councillor Eric Van Essen excused himself from the meeting and abstained from voting on Item G.4 due to a conflict of interest as one of the members being considered for appointment is a family member.

G.4. <u>Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board - Board</u> <u>Appointments 2022-2025 term (FOIP Section 19 - Confidential Evaluations)</u>

311-2022 Councillor MOVED that County Council reappoint Mr. Kim Jensen and Mr. Evert VanderVeen Van Essen for another 3 year term (November 3, 2022- November 3, 2025) on the Chinook Inter-municipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

CARRIED

I. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

J. COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

K. <u>ADJOURN</u>

312-2022 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 1:55 Zeinstra p.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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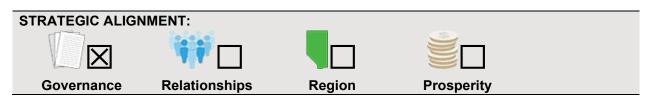
AGENDA ITEM REPORT



Title:	July-September 2022 Community Peace Officer Report
Meeting:	Council Meeting - 17 Nov 2022
Department:	Community Services
Report Author:	David Entz

APPROVAL(S):

Larry Randle, Director of Community Services, Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer, Approved - 03 Nov 2022 Approved - 04 Nov 2022



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides County Council with an overall summary of the County's CPO program for the months of July through September, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

No resolution is required.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

No decision or resolution of Council is required as this report is for information purposes only.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY:

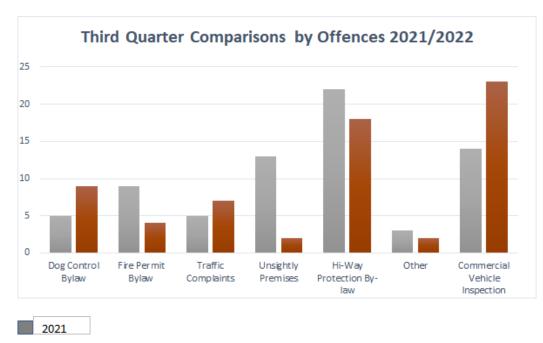
County Council is presented the CPO quarterly report and provided the opportunity to ask questions.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Lethbridge County has one full-time Community Peace Officer (CPO) who provides education and enforcement on a variety of Lethbridge County Bylaws. The CPO is authorized to enforce the Traffic Safety Act and regulations under the Act. The CPO is also certified to inspect Commercial Vehicles. The CPO is part of the Community Services Department and reports to the Department Director, Larry Randle.

Notable events between July and September 2022.

There were a total of 62 Case Reports created during this period compared to 98 within the same period of 2021. Unsightly premises and the Fire Bylaw have a noticeable decrease while the Dog Control Bylaw and Commercial Vehicle Inspections have increased slightly.



The majority of the Highway Protection Bylaw reports were for end guns watering the road. This is and continuous to be an issue.

Overweight trucks.

2022

There were a number of trucks weighed. Two trucks were significantly overweight: one at 7200 kg (15,873 lbs) and the second at 8000 kg. (17,636 lbs) <u>Speeding</u>

126 KPH in maximum 80 KPH on RGE RD 22-5 near TWP RD 10-4. (Base Stabilized Road) 112 KPH in maximum 60 KPH zone on HWY 25 through the Community of Iron Springs 50-60 KPH in maximum 30 KPH zone Stafford Lake Resort. (Numerous speeders)

Joint Force Operations.

Commercial Vehicle Inspections with Coaldale's CPO and the Sheriffs. Lethbridge International Air Show August long weekend Check Stop with the Sheriffs on Hwy 512 and TWP RD 9-2. (Stafford Lake Resort) Traffic Control for Coalhurst Fire at an MVC

Highway Obstruction.

Observed unauthorized blocking of gravel road with straw bales and manure drag hose without Lethbridge County approval.

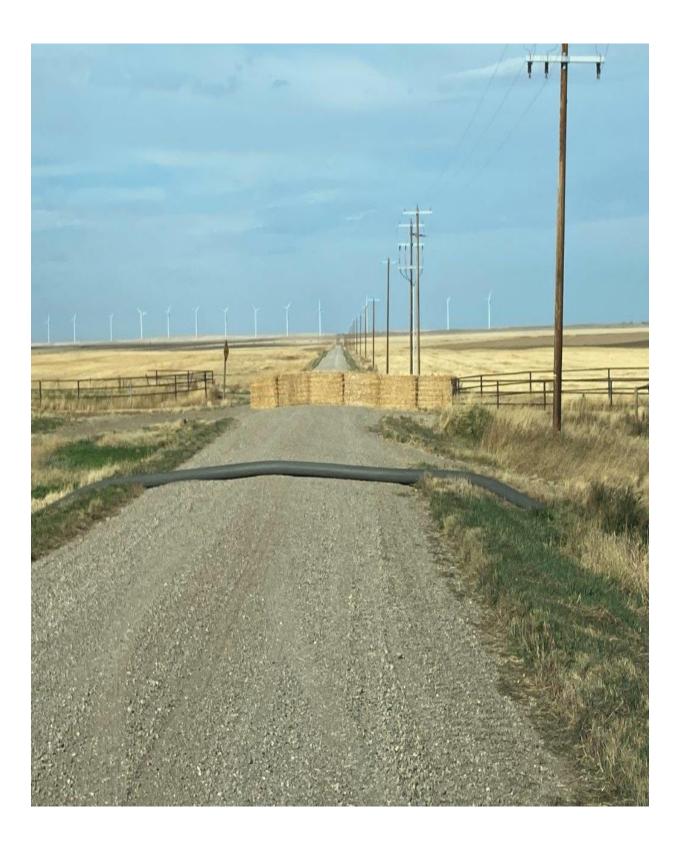
ALTERNATIVES / PROS / CONS:

This report is for information purposes only.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Revenue received from fines issued help offset the cost of the CPO program. There was \$48,753.00 of fines issued for this period of time by the CPO. Approximately 50% of this amount will be received by the County.

LEVEL OF PUBLIC				
	Consult		Collaborate	Empower
ATTACHMENTS:				
Manure Drag Hose				
Straw Bales				





AGENDA ITEM REPORT

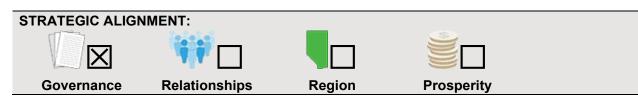


Title:Animal Control Bylaw Review - Council OptionsMeeting:Council Meeting - 17 Nov 2022Department:Community ServicesReport Author:Larry Randle

APPROVAL(S):

Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer,

Approved - 04 Nov 2022



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the September 15, 2022 council meeting, a motion was adopted which directed administration to present several options for amending the Animal Control Bylaw that would allow for the keeping of animals in hamlets. This report presents four options for council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Option 3. Amend the current animal control bylaw so that it allows for the keeping of animals in hamlets based on parcel size, but limit it to a maximum of five animal units.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

The nature of the county is that it is a mostly rural, agricultural municipality. Consequently, it may be reasonable to allow for the keeping of a limited number of farm animals on properties located in hamlets, providing they meet minimum parcel size requirements and other criteria.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY:

Animal Control Bylaw No. 17-008 was adopted in January, 2018 as a way of establishing regulations for the keeping of fur-bearing animals, fowl and livestock on residential properties and small lots, while prohibiting them altogether in hamlets. The bylaw does not apply to cats and dogs.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 2022 when the county undertook bylaw enforcement measures on a property owner who had cows on their property inside of a hamlet, the owners came forward to council as a delegation and asked for a review of the bylaw. Administration has deliberated several options for council's consideration.

Rather than simply allowing the current animal control bylaw to apply to hamlets, council could allow for the keeping of a limited number of animals (eg. up to five animal units) on parcels in hamlets, provided they meet the parcel size requirements in the current bylaw (see attachment). An approach

such as this would show some leniency while still placing limits on the permitted number of animal units on properties in a hamlet.

ALTERNATIVES / PROS / CONS:

Option 1. Maintain status quo.

Pros:

• Preserves the current animal control bylaw which has been administered and applied with relatively few issues since it was approved in 2018.

Cons:

• Prohibits the keeping of non-domestic animals on any land parcels that are located within hamlet boundaries which may be viewed as being overly strict.

Option 2: Amend the current animal control bylaw so that it would allow for the keeping of animals in hamlets in a manner that mirrors the regulations for the keeping of animals on residential properties not located in a hamlet.

Pros:

- Preserves the current animal control bylaw and shows great leniency by expanding it to apply to hamlets.
- Regulates the keeping of animals in hamlets and subdivisions in the county in a consistent manner.

Cons:

- May not be well accepted by hamlet residents who prefer a more residential feel to their neighbourhoods.
- Would allow for a relatively high number of animal units on larger parcels located in hamlets which may create conflicts with nearby smaller-lot, residential property owners.
- The largest single parcel in a county hamlet is 21 acres. If the current animal control bylaw regulations were applied to this parcel, it would allow 24 animal units (i.e. 24 cows, or 1200 broiler chickens, or 63 sheep or goats, etc.) on the property.

Option 3. Amend the current animal control bylaw so that it allows for the keeping of animals in hamlets based on parcel size, but limit it to a maximum of five animal units.

Pros:

- Provides some opportunity for county residents who own large enough parcels in hamlets who would like to keep a few animals.
- Shows some flexibility while still limiting the number of animal units permitted in hamlets.

Cons:

 May create problems for hamlet residents who prefer a more residential feel to their neighbourhoods.

Option 4. The same as Option 3 except council could allow fewer or greater than five animal units up to a specified maximum.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No direct financial impacts have been identified.

LEVEL OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:									
Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower					
ATTACHMENTS:									
Permitted Number of	Animal Units								

1. Animal /Bird Regulations

 a. on a parcel of land in any subdivision or hamlet, between 0.40 hectares (1 acre) and 10.0 hectares (24.7 acres) in size, the following animal units are permitted in Lethbridge County:

Residential Parcel Size in Hectares	Residential Parcel Size in Acres	Allowable Number of
	0.0.00	Animal Units
0.0 - 0.39 hectares	0.099 acres	0
0.4-0.6 hectares	1.0-1.99 acres	1
0.81-1.21 hectares	2.0-2.99 acres	2
1.22-1.61 hectares	3.0-3.99 acres	3
1.62-2.02 hectares	4.0-4.99acres	5
2.03-2.42 hectares	5.0-5.99 acres	6
2.43-2.83 hectares	6.0-6.99 acres	7
2.83 hectares or greater	7 acres or greater	8*

*Plus the number of animal units permitted for that portion of the parcel in excess of 7 acres. Example 5.26 hectares (12.99 acres) 8+6=14 total animal units.

Parcels larger than 10 hectares (24.7 acres) have no restriction on the number animal units permitted. Registration or permits will be required from the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB) if the number of animal units exceeds the NRCB thresholds.

- b. For the purpose of this section "one animal unit" equals the following:
 - i. One horse, donkey, or mule over a year old
 - ii. Two colts up to one year old
 - iii. One llama/alpaca
 - iv. Two ostrich, emu, or other ratite
 - v. One cow or steer over one year old
 - vi. Two calves up to one year old
 - vii. One elk or bison/buffalo
 - viii. Fifty (50) broiler chickens
 - ix. Fifteen (15) chickens (layers)
 - x. Ten (10) ducks, turkeys, pheasants, geese or other similar fowl or in combination thereof
 - xi. Three sheep or goats over a year old

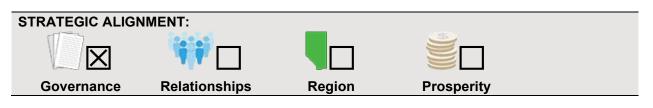
AGENDA ITEM REPORT



Title:	Fire Services Response Fees Waiver Request
Meeting:	Council Meeting - 17 Nov 2022
Department:	Community Services
Report Author:	Byron Fraser

APPROVAL(S):

Larry Randle, Director of Community Services, Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer, Approved - 08 Nov 2022 Approved - 11 Nov 2022



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Lethbridge Fire Department responded to a bale fire on April 19, 2022. The property owner was invoiced as per the County's Schedule of Fees Bylaw. The owner is making a request to Council to further reduce the already reduced fire service charges.

RECOMMENDATION:

That council further reduce the fire service response costs from \$29,350 to an amount it deems appropriate.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Manager of Fire Services is of the opinion that even the \$29,350 invoice is unfair and not representative of the response that was conducted or required.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY:

Council considers each request for a reduction in fire response fees based on the unique circumstances of an incident. The Schedule of Fees Bylaw 20-022 states that the cause and/or origin of an incident will determine whether the individual or the registered property owner will be invoiced fees for emergency response.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Lethbridge City Fire crews responded to a fully-involved bale fire in April. Tactical decision-making fluctuated throughout the incident while trying to decide whether to extinguish the fire or allow it to burn itself out. Multiple crews were kept on scene for an unnecessarily long period of time. The incident started at 4:47 PM and the final units were not released until 7:00 am the next morning. Multiple trucks were also kept on scene to watch the fire for the entire night.

At the November 3rd Council meeting, Mr. Jarokosky presented his case to council which resulted in administration being directed to report on the incident at the November 17th Council meeting. The original invoice was \$53,732 but was reduced by administration to \$29,350 after the Manager of Fire Services thoroughly reviewed the incident.

This revised invoice of \$29,350 is still being appealed by the recipient. His insurance only covered \$10,000 of the cost. He still believes the incident response was excessive and that multiple crews remained on scene when it was not required.

The city agreed to reduce their \$53,732 invoice to the county by \$6750 after their response was questioned by the county. The county also paid \$1200 to the Village of Stirling for their assistance and \$2437.50 to the Town of Picture Butte. The invoice total does not include or reflect Lethbridge County's time or Coaldale Fire's time spent on the incident.

ALTERNATIVES / PROS / CONS:

Option 1: Deny the request for a further reduction to the already-reduced \$29,350 fire response invoice.

Pros:

• The county will eventually collect the amount of the invoice from the property owner.

Cons:

- The county is still forgoing approximately \$18,300 of lost revenue due to the initial invoice reduction.
- The appellant will have to pay \$19,350 out-of-pocket to cover the \$29,350 invoice.

Option 2: Further reduce the \$29,350 invoice as per the appellant's request, to an amount council deems fair.

Pros:

• May satisfy or partially satisfy the request.

Cons:

• Any further reduction to the invoice will increase the amount of revenue forgone by the county.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The county is already subsidizing the incident response cost by approximately \$18,300. Any further reduction to the property owner's invoice will increase this amount.

LEVEL OF PUBLIC	PARTICIPATION:							
	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower				
ATTACHMENTS:								
2022-09-08 - Lethbridg	ge Fire Response -	Jarokosy						
Letter from City								
Shane Jarokosky - Inv	<u>. 121763 \$53732</u>							
Straw stack fire Apeal Letter								

LETHBRIDGE

September 8, 2022

City of Lethbridge

Attn: Lloyd Brierley, Chief Administrative Officer Greg Adair, Chief of Fire and Emergency Services Michael Fox, Director of Community Services

Via email: Lloyd.brierley@lethbridge.ca Greg.adair@lethbridge.ca <u>Michael.fox@lethbridge.ca</u>

Re: City of Lethbridge Fire Response in Lethbridge County on April 19, 2022

Dear City of Lethbridge senior managers;

On April 19th this year the City of Lethbridge Fire Department responded to a grass fire at the Shane Jarokosky Land and Cattle Co. in Lethbridge County located at NW 25-07-21 W4. The county appreciates this service.

The County's Fire Service Manager also attended the incident and had a starkly different perspective than the City's Incident Commander as to how many apparatus and personnel were required. It is Lethbridge County's opinion that too many personnel and too much equipment remained on scene for too long, as directed by the Incident Commander, despite the protestations of the County Fire Service Manager.

The result was a final incident response cost of \$53,732. When the county invoiced the property owner for this amount, not surprisingly, he balked at the charge. The county could not justify the expense (due to the over-response noted above) to the property owner and felt morally obligated to reduce the invoice amount billed to the land owner to \$29,350.

We recognize that firefighting may be as much an art as it is a science, but we are very concerned that major incident responses such as this and the Green Prairie fire in 2021 have resulted in outcomes that are very difficult for the county to justify to our property owners. Please let us take this into consideration in our upcoming meeting regarding the Lethbridge County/City of Lethbridge Fire Services Agreement.

Best Regards,

- pitchell

Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer

Cc: Larry Randle, Director of Community Services Byron Fraser, Manager of Fire Services

> #100, 905- 4th Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta, T1J 4E4 Tel: (403) 328-5525 E-Mail: <u>mailbox@lethcounty.ca</u> Fax: (403) 328-5602



Office of: Chief of Fire and EMS

September 29, 2022

Attention: Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer Larry Randle, Director of Community Services Bryon Fraser, Manager of Fire Services

CC: Lloyd Brierley, City Manager Michael Fox, Director of Community Services

Re: Response to the County of Lethbridge letter regarding a fire response to a County grass fire

After a thorough review of the incident, Lethbridge Fire and Emergency Services(LFES), has determined the required resources were requested, dispatched and utilized to safely mitigate this emergency. During the Post Incident Analysis, LFES identified some of the required resources could have been released sooner. The bill was recalculated with this in mind and reduced by \$ 5450.00

According to the Incident notes, the fire was approx. 600 large square hay bales fully involved. The high winds were blowing embers into an adjacent field causing hot spots fires. The sheer size and magnitude of this event are key factors in determining the type and amount of resources required for a wind driven fire. Fire is unpredictable, especially when wind driven. Wind speeds were reported to be 61 kph at 1900hrs and 50 kph at 2000hrs. High winds create unfavorable firefighting conditions and often blow embers 100s of meters and sometimes kilometers away.

Lethbridge Fire and Emergency Services follows the Blue Card Command model for all fire and rescue incidents. Blue Card Command is an internationally recognized and is an industry best practice system that provides a safe and effective response which aids in creating the best possible outcomes for fire suppression. One of Blue Card Command principles is called front loading the incident. Following this system requires all the required resources (incident dependent) to be dispatched at the beginning of the incident. Once the Incident Commander arrives on scene and the emergency situation is stabilized apparatus will be released.



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Taking into account the fuel load, high winds and the potential of the fire spreading to adjacent fields and yards, along with the responsibility to keep fire personnel, citizens and property within the county of Lethbridge safe, Lethbridge Fire and Emergency provided an effective and safe response during this event.

Following Blue Card Command, 8 Lethbridge Fire units were dispatched. Mutual aid was requested by Incident Command which included Coaldale Fire Tanker 1, Coaldale Fire Wildland 1, Picture Butte Fire Tanker 3 and Stirling Fire Tanker 01. County Command was also part of the initial response, but not requested by Lethbridge Command.

Lethbridge Command released 2 Lethbridge fire apparatus shortly after the initial assessment was completed, Lethbridge Fire Tower 11 and Lethbridge Fire Rescue Vehicle 11.

Fire Apparatuses can pump significant amounts of water when required, therefore, multiple tankers were required to ensure a steady uninterrupted flow of water as there are no hydrants in this location.

Picture Butte Fire Tender 3 was released 20:58:11. Stirling Fire Tender 01 was released at 20:33:20. Lethbridge Fire Tender 21 remained on scene until 07:18:19 along with Coaldale Fire Tender 1 being released at 06:47:30. The 2 tenders remained on scene to be able to supply Lethbridge Fire Engine 11 and Coaldale Fire Wildland 1 truck for the duration of the incident.

Incident Command reported a fully involved, approx. 600 large bales wind driven fire, causing fire debris to be blown down wind causing hot spot fires. 3 wildland trucks were utilized to control these added threats. Lethbridge Fire Wildland 44 was released at 20:24:50. Lethbridge Wildland 11 was released at 22:45:43. Coaldale Wildland 1 remained on scene as a precautionary measure for the potential of added hot spots flaring up throughout the night as the bale stack continued to burn.

Throughout the early part of the incident multiple units were released. Lethbridge Fire Engine 46 was released at 20:21:12. Lethbridge Fire Engine 35 was released at 21:51:20. Lethbridge Fire Platoon Chief 11 was released at 23:29:13. County Command left the scene at 22:40:34.



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Below is a chart of the apparatus which responded and the charges associated to this emergency from the Lethbridge units. Lethbridge is unaware of the charges from our mutual aid partners.

	Dispatch Date	Dispatch Time	In Service Date	Time in Service	Hours	Hours Billed	Rate/H R	Total Hours Cost	Initial bill	Revised Bill Amount
T11	19-Apr-22	16:49:49	19-Apr-22	17:11:48	0.25	0	\$700	\$175		
RV11	19-Apr-22	16:54:43	19-Apr-22	17:28:45	0.5	0	\$500	\$250		
E46	19-Apr-22	16:54:48	19-Apr-22	20:21:12	3.5	0	\$500	\$1,750		
WLD44	19-Apr-22	16:49:51	19-Apr-22	20:24:50	3.5	0	\$250	\$875		
E35	19-Apr-22	16:49:48	19-Apr-22	21:51:20	5	0	\$500	\$2,500		
WLD11	19-Apr-22	16:49:50	19-Apr-22	22:45:43	6	0	\$250	\$1,500		
PC11	19-Apr-22	16:49:52	19-Apr-22	23:39:13	6.75	0	\$250	\$1,687.50		
ET21	19-Apr-22	16:49:46	20-Apr-22	07:18:19	14.5	6.5	\$500	\$7,250	\$6,750	3,250
E11	19-Apr-22	19:26:49	20-Apr-22	07:49:41	12.5	7	\$500	\$6,250	\$5,250	3,500
								\$22,237.50	\$12,000	6,750
Coaldale										
CLDFT1	19-Apr-22	17:00:12	20-Apr-22	06:47:30	13.75	?	?	?		
CLDFWLD1	19-Apr-22	17:00:10	19-Apr-22	06:28:00	13.5	?	?	?		
CLDFU1	19-Apr-22	19:59:33	19-Apr-22	20:47:38	0.75	?	?	?		
Picture But	te									
PBFT3	19-Apr-22	17:20:11	19-Apr-22	20:58:11	3.5	?	?	?		
Stirling										
STRFT01	19-Apr-22	17:21:26	19-Apr-22	20:33:20	3	?	?	?		
CNTYCMD	19-Apr-22	16:50:04	19-Apr-22	22:40:34	5.83	?	?	?		

Respectfully,

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Greg Adair Chief of Fire & EMS

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GST Reg. #: R106989023 Customer #: 7861 Invoice Total: 53, 732. 00 Invoice Date: 2022/06/23 Invoice #: 121763

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Tax Codes: E=Exempt; T=Taxable; I=Included

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2022/06/22	EMERG. SVCS-LEFH-E46	3.500	650.00	E	. 00	2, 275. 00
2022/06/22	EMERG. SVCS-LEFH-WLD11	6.000	650.00	E	. 00	3, 900. 00
2022/06/22	EMERG. SVCS-LEFH-WLD44	3.500	650.00	E	. 00	2, 275. 00
2022/06/22	EMERG. SVCS-LEFH-PC11	6.750	190.00	E	. 00	1, 282. 50
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2022/06/22	FIRE INVESTIGATION-CNTYCMD	1.000	132.00	E	. 00	132.00
2022/06/22	STIRLING FIRE DEPT. INVOICE	1.000	1, 200. 00	E	. 00	1, 200. 00
2022/06/22	CITY-FIRE SUPPRESSION INVOICE	1.000	12,000.00	E	. 00	12,000.00
	Fire incident responded on					
	April 19, 2022 to					
	NW-25-7-21-W4					
	Dept: LEFH: F22028360					

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LETHBRIDGE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

Primary Responding Emergency Service _Lethbridge Fire Department (Fire) Total Elapsed Time: 0 Days 15 Hrs 2 Mins 26 Sec Incident Begin Time 4/19/2022 4:47:15 PM Incident End Time 4/20/2022 7:49:41 AM First Apparatus Dispatched: 4/19/2022 4:49:48 PM

PROQA Incidnet Type: 82C03

Description VEGETATION/WILDLAND/BRUSH/GRASS

Incident Address: 0 , [None selected]

Cross Street:[None selected] / [None selected] Common Place: @NW 25 7 21 W4

Incident Commander: Davis

Reporting Officer:Davis

Contact Type: [None selected]

Name: Shane JAROKOSKY LAND + CATTLE LTD. Telephone 4033300968

Address 285 COULEE SPRING TERRACE ST, LETH AB TIK 5P2

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2	LEFE35	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 5 Hrs 4 Mins 5 Sec
3	LEFET21	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 14 Hrs 31 Mins 4 Sec 8+6.5 Wrs.
4	LEFT11	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 0 Hrs 24 Mins 33 Sec
5	LEFRV11	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 0 Hrs 41 Mins 30 Sec
6	LEFE46	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 3 Hrs 33 Mins 57 Sec
	LEFWLD11	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 5 Hrs 58 Mins 28 Sec
8	LEFWLD44	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 3 Hrs 37 Mins 35 Sec
9	LEFPC11	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 6 Hrs 51 Mins 58 Sec
10	LEFE11	Total Time In Service: 0 Days 15 Hrs 2 Mins 26 Sec <i>B+7 Krs</i> .
Inci	dent Notes: Capt M Davis	LEFE11

2022/04/19 21:39:30 User: MDAVIS

C/:: Straw stack fire

ER: Notified dispatch to get more Tenders rolling and another wild land truck to scene

OA: arrived to find a large Barley straw stack on fire estimated at 600count of 4x4x8 large square bales fully engulfed in flame. Met with owner Shane Jarakoski 403 330-0968 very high winds with burning straw blowin g into the feild and starting small fires in worked stubble feild

AT: met with county fire chief and advised him we need 2 more Tenders , hooked tender 21 to engine 46 an d started suppression on stack with blitzfire and hooked Coaldale Tender to Enging 35 with a handline to continue additional suppression. applied 3 tenders each of water from both trucks with some relief of fire as Tr ack hoe was coming to start tearing stack apart. Sent Wild land 44 to north east side of fire to controll hotsp ots and Wild land 11 to South east to suppress any spot fires there. Got land owner to work feild again on e ast side of fire to further mitigate any further spreading of fire

After a much smaller than expected track hoe arrived we attempted to pull apart the stack and suppress the fire with hand lines with little effect due to fire size and waste piles too large. wind started to decrease so wa s decided upon by all parties involved to let burn and possibility of turning over to land owner to watch and c ontrol. Command was turned over to Capt Heatherington to make that decision as i was being relieved to g ome



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LETHBRIDGE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

C/O: unknown

Comp: command turned over to Capt Heatherington and we returned to station to be relieved by night crew 2022/04/20 09:10:25 User: DHEATHERINGTON

Chief Complaint: Agricultural fire-baled straw burning

Enroute: Engine 11 responded cold from #1 station with PC Heatherington, FF's Gaskell, May and Arnesta d. Weather clear, gusty winds, no snow, traffic light. Was able to see light grey smoke plume from Highwa y 5.

On Arrival: Noted Lethbridge units Engine 35, Engine 46, ET 21, Wildland 44, Wildland 11 and Coaldale Te nder. Received report from Capt Davis on their findings along with their tactics thus far. Met with Bryon Fra ser from the County of Lethbridge. He gave me an update on the situation and a short drive around the site . Large stacked bale fire continuing to burn freely with flames and heavy grey smoke. Hoselines connected to Engine 46 and Engine 35.

Action Taken: Relieved Capt Davis of command, continued with the defensive fire operations. Sent Engine 46 back to #4 station along with Wildland 44. Sent crew from Engine 35 back to #3 station in Engine 11 (at the request of PC Folk) for crew change out. Night shift crew from #3 station came back with Engine 11. W e rolled all hose for Engine 35 and sent the crew and dirty equipment back to #3 station. Engine 22 night shi " prew (Capt Carney, FF's J. McCarthy and Standing) arrived on scene to replace ET 21 day shift crew. Ke ET 21 and Coaldale Tender along with Wildland 11 on scene. Liased with PC Folk about extra staffing. Unable to get call in crews to standby at the fire scene. Arrangements were made with PC Folk to get Coal dale Wildland 11 to replace Lethbridge Wildland 11 from day shift. Later in the evening, ET 21 staffing redu ced from three members to two members with Capt Carney and FF McCarthy staying the night. Backhoe fr om landowner was used to assist in pulling apart the stack of bales. No further water applied as my strateg y was to let the pile continue to burn and reduce in size. Landowners left the scene near 2300 hours. Throu ghout the evening and into the morning, we continued to observe the fire. There were no spot fires from an y embers in the air. Wind changed from the West to the Northwest near midnight. Light flurries started in t he early morning hours with snow starting to accumulate on the ground. At 0600 hours, one of the landown ers returned to continue with backhoe work on the fire. Telephone call made to Bryon Fraser at 0600 hrs, a dvised of the fire status and that it could be changed from a fire to an open burn. He drove back to the sce ne at approximately 0700 hours. We had a short discussion about the fire and the process to turn this into an open burn permit.

Cause/Origin: Cause not determined by dayshift members. Landowner reports no tire tracks near the bale fire prior to his arrival. As the fire appeared to be mostly on the Westside of the stacked bales, a suppositio n of a discarded cigarette could be applied, although no evidence of that is found to support ignition from an external source. Straw has been baled since last fall, so an internal ignition cause is not likely.

Completion: Sent Coaldale Tender back to their station at 0603 hrs and Coaldale Wildland 11 at 0628 hrs. ET 21 sent back to #2 station at approximately 0700 hrs. Terminated Lethbridge County Command at 0710 hrs. Engine 11 returned to #4 station to drop off hose and appliances, then went for fuel and returning to #1 tion close to 0800 hrs.

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LETHBRIDGE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

 Primary Responding Emergency Service
 Barons Fire Department
 Total Elapsed Time: 0 Days 15 Hrs 2 Mins 26 Sec

 Incident Begin Time 4/19/2022 4:47:15 PM
 Incident End Time4/20/2022 7:49:41 AM

 First Apparatus Dispatched: 4/19/2022 4:50:04 PM

PROQA Incidnet Type: 82C03

DescriptionVEGETATION/WILDLAND/BRUSH/GRASS

Incident Address: 0 , [None selected] Cross Street:[None selected] /[None selected] Common Place: @NW 25 7 21 W4

Incident Commander: [None selected]

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Reporting Officer:[None selected]

Total Time In Service: 0 Days 5 Hrs 53 Mins 19 Sec CNTYCMD

Incident Notes: BFraser

2022-04-26 9:19:41 AM User: KWILLMS

Responded with Lethbridge Fire to bale stack fire.

Large stack on fire, high winds with minor spot fires to the east. Crews easily extinguished as the field to the east of the stack was cultivated all the way to the neighboring property 1/2 mile away.

Command at first decided to extinguish the fire but was using tenders to nurse engine and spray water. In m y opinion was not near enough volume to make a difference just slow down the fire. I got the owner to bring r^{++} high hoe to try to pull it apart while they sprayed stuff down but again small amounts of water with little c_{++} upment proved ineffective. After a while they decided to let it burn and monitor it.

On shift change they were having trouble getting crews in to man their wildland unit so asked if I could get o ne until they could get theirs manned. I called in Coaldale WLD11 and was told they would only be needed for a couple hours till they could get guy in ad truck refueled. Crews could not be brought in so Coaldale units were kept there. Fire Finally small enough for owner to finish spreading bales and snow coated ground, so scene was turned over to me to turn over to owner to finish up.

Owner: Shane Jarokosky Land and Cattle LTd

285 Couleesprings Terrace S Lethbridge AB T1k 0V1

403-330-0968



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LETHBRIDGE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

 Primary Responding Emergency Service
 Coaldale (Fire)
 Total Elapsed Time: 0 Days 15 Hrs 2 Mins 26 Sec

 Incident Begin Time 4/19/2022 4:47:15 PM
 Incident End Time4/20/2022 7:49:41 AM

 First Apparatus Dispatched: 4/19/2022 5:00:10 PM

PROQA Incidnet Type: 82C03

Description VEGETATION/WILDLAND/BRUSH/GRASS

Incident Address: 0 , [None selected]

Cross Street:[None selected] / [None selected] Common Place: @NW 25 7 21 W4

Incident Commander: [None selected]

1 CLDFPAGE

- 2 CLDFU1
- 3 CLDFWLD1
- 4 CLDFT1

Incident Notes: FTO MCGILL

2022-04-20 3:39:13 PM User: JGARBUTT Hay bale fire with mutual aid with LFD.

Reporting Officer:McGill

Total Time In Service:0 Days 0 Hrs 0 Mins 0 SecTotal Time In Service:0 Days 5 Hrs 0 Mins 23 Sec\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ hrs.Total Time In Service:0 Days 1 Hrs 34 Mins 13 Sec7Total Time In Service:0 Days 14 Hrs 0 Mins 15 Sec13.75 hrs.CLDFT113.75 hrs.13.75 hrs.



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LETHBRIDGE COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

 Primary Responding Emergency Service
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 Total Elapsed Time: 0 Days 15 Hrs 2 Mins 26 Sec

 Incident Begin Time 4/19/2022 4:47:15 PM
 Incident End Time4/20/2022 7:49:41 AM

 First Apparatus Dispatched: 4/19/2022 5:20:11 PM

PROQA Incidnet Type: 82C03

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PBFT3

1 2 Description VEGETATION/WILDLAND/BRUSH/GRASS

Incident Address: 0 RNG RD 211 , LETHBRIDGE_COUNTY Cross Street:[None selected] / [None selected] Common Place: @NW 25 7 21 W4

Incident Commander: [None selected]

Reporting Officer:West

Total Time In Service: 0 Days 0 Hrs 0 Mins 0 Sec

PBFT3

Total Time In Service: 0 Days 4 Hrs 10 Mins 56 Sec

Incident Notes: Tender Assist, Captain Dekok

5/3/2022 10:28:10 AM User: FWEST

Tender assist to Lethbridge Fire Dept at the request of Lethbridge County 1 for straw stack fire.



LETHBRIDGE FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

May 4, 2022

Lethbridge County 100 – 905 4 Ave S Lethbridge, AB T1J 4E4

Attention: Larry Randle

RE:	Fire:	Jarakoski Hay Bale Fire (F22028360)
	Date:	April 19 – 20, 2022

Dear Larry,

Please find attached Fire Suppression Invoice #67134 for \$12,000.00 along with an outline of the billing resources utilized during the Jarakoski Hay Bale Fire event which took place April 19 through to April 20, 2022.

	Resource	Rate	Hours	Resource Total	Total Billing
Apparatus					
	Engine Tender 21	\$500.00	6.5	\$3,250.00	
	Engine 11	\$500.00	7.0	\$3,500.00	\$6,750.00
Emergency Res	sponders	\$100.00	52.5		\$5,250.00
Total:					\$12,000.00

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact our office at firefinance@lethbridge.ca or phone (403) 320-3800.

Sincerely,

Greg Adair

Ğreg Adair **Chief of Fire and Emergency Services**

/amw

Attachments

Chris Tomaras, Deputy Chief of Operations cc: Marlene Crawford, Reporting & Administration Supervisor

> Fire Headquarters 207–4th Avenue South Lethbridge, AB, T1J 0M8

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Fire & Emergency Services 207 4 Ave S Lethbridge AB T1J 0M8 Phone: 403-320-3800 Email: firefinance@lethbridge.ca GST: 122211253RT0001

Invoice:

Customer #:

Date:

67134

5/4/2022

AR.101142

Lethbridge County	
100 - 905 4 Ave S	
Lethbridge AB T1J 4E4	

Service	Due	Item		Description	
Date	Date	Number			Amount
5/4/2022	6/3/2022	001	Fire Suppression-2022-04-19		12,000.00
				Total Amount Invoiced	12,000.00
				GST	.00
				Balance Due	12,000.00

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> Please return this portion with your payment made payable to: City of Lethbridge 910 4 Ave S Lethbridge AB T1J 0P6 Customer #: AR.101142 Invoice: 67134 Please visit www.lethbridge.ca/payments Due Date: 6/3/2022 for other payment options 12,000.00 Amount Due: Lethbridge County 100 - 905 4 Ave S Lethbridge AB T1J 4E4

Amount Paid



Hay Bale Fire Event	
Event Call in Date	19-Apr-22
Event Call in Time	16:47:15
Event #	F22028360
Bill anything after 8 hours	April 20, 2022 @ 00:47:16

Apparatus

			Time	Date in		Total Hours	Total Billable				
Unit	Apparatus Resource	Date Dispatched	Dispatched	Service	Time in Service	Rounded	Hours	Rat	te/Hour	Tot	al Billable
LEFE35	Engine	19-Apr-22	16:49:48	19-Apr-22	21:51:20	5	0	\$	500.00	\$	1
LEFE46	Engine	19-Apr-22	16:54:48	19-Apr-22	20:21:12	3.5	0	\$	500.00	\$	
LEFET21	Engine Tender	19-Apr-22	16:49:46	20-Apr-22	07:18:19	14.5	6.5	\$	500.00	\$	3,250.00
LEFT11	Tower	19-Apr-22	16:49:49	19-Apr-22	17:11:48	0.25	0	\$	700.00	\$	
LEFRV11	Rescue Vehicle	19-Apr-22	16:54:43	19-Apr-22	17:28:45	0.5	0	\$	500.00	\$	
LEFWLD11	Wildland Truck	19-Apr-22	16:49:50	19-Apr-22	22:45:43	6	0	\$	250.00	\$	542
LEFWLD44	Wildland Truck	19-Арг-22	16:49:51	19-Apr-22	20:24:50	3.5	0	\$	250.00	\$	
LEFPC11	Platoon Chief	19-Apr-22	16:49:52	19-Apr-22	23:39:13	6.75	0	\$	250.00	\$	120
LEFE11	Engine	19-Apr-22	19:26:49	20-Apr-22	07:49:41	12.5	7	\$	500.00	\$	3,500.00
							13.5			\$	6,750.00

Hay Bale Fire Event	
Event Call in Date	19-Apr-22
Event Call in Time	16:47:15
Event #	F22028360
Bill anything after 8 hours	April 20, 2022 @ 00:47:16

Emergency Responders

Employee	Date Dispatched	Time Dispatched	Date In Service	Time Out of Service	Total Hours Rounded	Total Billable Hours	Ra	te/Hour	Tot	al Billable
XXX	19-Apr-22	16:47:15	19-Apr-22	20:30	3.7	а ^с	\$	100.00	Ś	2
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COUNTY OF LETHBRIDGE REGION 7 MUTUAL AID LETHBRIDGE, AB 090101

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	Provided: MUTUAL All	D CALL OUT				
Code	Description	Quantity	Price	GST	Extended	GST
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Terms : Net On Invoice A rate of 12.00% per annum (1.00% per month) interest will be charged on overdue accounts.





EMERGENCY RESPONSE CLAIM TO REGION 7 MUTUAL AID

**Instructions to submitter

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Incident Location:	NW 25 7 21 W4	Time (Called Out:	17:21:00	
Dispatch / Run Report Number:	F22028360				
Incident Description:	Haystack Fire				
Other Services or Depts. Involved:	Mutual Aid Request From	Lethbri	dge County Com	mand	
Labour:	Responder Name:		Hours on Duty:	Rate:	Total:
	Cody Mrak		3 HR	\$ 26.00	0.00
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	Engine 1		\$	
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	Engine 3		\$	
*Total number of hours for each vehicle responding to the	Tender	3 HR	\$ 400.00	1200.00
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			Total Apparatus	1
			Total Claim	1200.00
Other comments or notes:	Rates follow current SAERMSA agreements			
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**Attach copy of Dispatch / Run Report.

Signature of Submitter

Marv.birky@stirlingfd.ca

Contact Email

<u>Marv Birky</u>

Name of Submitter

(403)635-0497

Contact Phone

From:	Shane
To:	Byron Fraser
Subject:	Straw stack fire
Date:	September 13, 2022 11:57:21 AM

>> On April 19, 2022 around 445pm a neighbour phoned me saying there was a fire. I went straight to the fire, where a whole straw stack of mine was on fire. The winds were very strong, blowing from the southwest. Multiple neighbours came to the scene shortly after I arrived. The field was all previously cultivated, so the fire was not spreading. The pieces of straw that were on fire and were blowing into the field did not cause anything else to burn. I phoned 911, telling them there was a fire and that it was no rush to arrive as it was not an emergency. They said they had been called already and were already on their way.

>> The fire engine showed up around 5pm. I talked to the Captain and told him to just let it burn up. He seemed to agree. We brought in a tractor and disc to be on the safe side. No one was panicking. The fire fighters were walking around talking. Most of the farmers that came to help left as there was nothing endanger. Just a straw stack on fire.

>> Then the Captain decided that he had to put it out at around 6pm. Other fire fighters did not agree with him. He called in every County for water trucks, etc. He wanted to call in multiple excavators but I told him I would get mine. They had three pumper trucks there however only one was pumping. The water he put on the straw stack only slowed the fire. I started breaking it up with the excavator, they put water on what I broke up. It was burning faster than we could put it out. Seemed like a waste of time and everyone but the Captain agreed, as far as I could tell.

>> Then the Platoon Chief showed up at 7:15pm. He said "what are you guys doing?! Let it burn itself out. The area around the stack is contained." The Captain replied to the Platoon Chief "this is on you."

>> Most of the fire fighters left. County of Lethbridge Byron Fraser wanted to turn the fire over to me. The City wouldn't let him. The fire engines showed up for night shift. I said that Byron wanted me to watch it, however the City said "we are and don't worry it's not going to cost you."

>> The next day Byron turned the fire over to me and I spent all day turning the pile over to get it completely extinguished at which time I called the fire department to tell them it was completely out.

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>> Concerns:

>> - It was not an emergency, it was just a big straw stack on fire

>> - The Captain would not listen to any other lower rankings, any other

>> fire department, or any of the farmers that came to help -If the field had not been previously worked, the fire would have been a mile down the field within twenty minutes after 5pm. Everyone agreed.

>> -The Captain didn't put any water until 6pm, it was not an emergency

>> -There could have been an emergency somewhere else. They did not need three pumpers, water tankers, and every other county there.

>> -It was the Captains decision to put the water on it, which is fine but that decision leads me to my decision that he is responsible for the bill, not me.

>> -I'm willing to pay for one guy to monitor the situation for twelve hours.

Sent from my iPhone

AGENDA ITEM REPORT



Title:	Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - October 2022
Meeting:	Council Meeting - 17 Nov 2022
Department:	Administration
Report Author:	Ann Mitchell

APPROVAL(S):

Ann Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer,

Approved - 04 Nov 2022



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

To remain transparent to its citizens. Lethbridge County Council report on their activities and events attended throughout the month.

RECOMMENDATION:

No motion required.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

To remain transparent to the citizens of Lethbridge County.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY:

A County Council update is provided monthly.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Lethbridge County Council in order to remain transparent to its citizens, provides a monthly report on their activities and events for the prior month.

ALTERNATIVES / PROS / CONS:

By not reporting activities and events attended by members of Council, citizens are unaware of the events occurring within the region and are unaware of the participation of Council with regards to Community events.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None at this time.

LEVEL OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

X Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower
ATTACHMENTS:				
2022 October Lethbrid	ge County Council	Attendance		

Lethbridge County Council Attendance October 2022

Division 1 Councillor Lorne Hickey

October 3	Council Road Tour
October 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 13	Level of Service, Facilities & Tax Incentive Workshops
October 20	Organizational Meeting / Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 2 Reeve Tory Campbell

October 3	Council Road Tour
October 5	Proposed Development Meeting
October 5	Meeting with Lethbridge City Mayor, Councillor Schmidt-Rempel
October 5	Exhibition Park 125 th Celebration and Tour
October 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 7	Mayors & Reeves
October 12	Exhibition Park Board Meeting
October 13	Level of Service, Facilities & Tax Incentive Workshops
October 17	Council Orientation – Human Resources
October 17	Southern Regional Stormwater Drainage Committee Meeting & Tour
October 18	Economic Development Lethbridge Board Meeting
October 20	Exhibition Park Ownership Engagement Committee Meeting
October 20	Organizational Meeting / Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 21	Reeve/CAO Meeting
October 28	Reeve/CAO Meeting

Division 3 Councillor Mark Sayers

Council Road Tour
Lethbridge County Council Meeting
Level of Service, Facilities & Tax Incentive Workshops
Council Orientation – Human Resources
Organizational Meeting / Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 4 Councillor John Kuerbis

October 3	Council Road Tour
October 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 13	Level of Service, Facilities & Tax Incentive Workshops
October 17	Council Orientation – Human Resources
October 20	Organizational Meeting / Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 5 Councillor Eric Van Essen

October 3	Council Road Tour
October 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 13	Level of Service, Facilities & Tax Incentive Workshops
October 17	Council Orientation – Human Resources
October 20	Organizational Meeting / Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 25	South Region ASB Conference

Division 6 Deputy Reeve Klaas VanderVeen

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Division 7 Councillor Morris Zeinstra

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