



MINUTES

Council Meeting

9:00 AM - Thursday, September 7, 2023
Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., 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, Cole Beck
- Director of Public Operations, Jeremy Wickson
- Director of Municipal Development & Infrastructure, Devon Thiele
- Director of Corporate Services, Jennifer Place
- Human Resources Manager, Jared Zeller
- Executive Assistant, Candice Robison
- Supervisor of Planning & Development, Hilary Janzen
- Senior Planner, Steve Harty

A. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve Campbell read the following land acknowledgement:

In the true spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge all those who call this land home now and for thousands of years in the past. May we respect each other and find understanding together and recognize the benefits that this land provides to all of us.

CAO Cole Beck introduced the new HR Manager Jared Zeller.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

248-2023	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	MOVED that the September 7, 2023 Lethbridge County Council Meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.	CARRIED
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C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

249-2023	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that the August 3, 2023 Lethbridge County Council Minutes be adopted as presented.	CARRIED
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E. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

E.1. Subdivision Application #2023-0-076 – Atkinson - SW1/4 11-11-23-W4M

250-2023	Councillor Van Essen	MOVED that the Agricultural subdivision of SW1/4 11-11-23-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 191 156 458), to subdivide a 50.37-acre (20.39 ha) first subdivision from a title of 159.48 acres (64.55 ha) for agricultural use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:
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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 provides a final Plan of Surveyor to illustrate the exact dimensions and parcel size of the proposed parcel as approved.

CARRIED

D. DELEGATIONS

D.1. 9:15 a.m. - RCMP

Sgt. Dave Marentette and Cst. Joel Leclerc were present to provide Council the quarterly RCMP update.

E. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

**E.2. Subdivision Application #2023-0-089 – Schalk
- Lots 1-8, Plan 8986EC, ptn. of NE1/4 21-09-22-W4M**

251-2023	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	MOVED that the Agricultural and Country Residential subdivision of Lots 1-8, Plan 8986EC and part of NE1/4 21- 9-22-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 931 007 213 +1, 221 056 957 +1, 001 155 515, 221 056 957, 221 056 957 +2), to reconfigure the property boundaries (property line adjustment) and size of five adjacent titled properties, 0.43, 0.14, 0.41, 0.14 and 15.06 acres (0.17, 0.06, 0.16, 0.06 & 6.09 ha) in size, by subdividing and consolidating to create three new titles 0.72, 0.83 & 14.66 acres (0.29, 0.34, & 5.93 ha) in size for country residential use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:
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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 lines) of the adjacent 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 a final plan be provided as prepared by a certified Alberta Land Surveyor that corresponds to the subdivision title configuration as approved by the Subdivision Authority.
5. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies, or the municipality shall be established.

CARRIED

**E.3. Subdivision Application #2023-0-098 – 1553201 Alberta Ltd./Neels
- Part of NW1/4 21-9-22-W4M**

251-2023	Councillor Sayers	MOVED that the Agricultural & Country Residential subdivision of Part of NW1/4 21-9-22-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 121 046 323, 191 182 586), to enable a property boundary realignment of two adjacent parcels by subdividing a 0.99-acre (0.40 ha) strip of land from a title of 35-acres (14.16 ha) and consolidating it to an adjacent title containing 3.15-acres (1.27 ha) for country residential access use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:
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RESERVE: The 10% reserve requirement, pursuant to Sections 666 and 667 of the Municipal Government Act, be provided as money in place of land on the 0.99-acres at the market value of \$17,000 per acre (approx. \$1,683) with the actual acreage and amount to be paid to Lethbridge County be determined at the final stage, for Municipal Reserve purposes.

AND FURTHER that a Deferred Reserve caveat be registered on the 34.01-acre remnant west title (current C of T #121 046 323) to reflect the 10% reserve requirement, with the actual acreage amount to be provided to Lethbridge County be determined at the final stage, for Municipal Reserve purposes.

CONDITIONS:

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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 surveyed plan as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor that certifies the exact location and dimensions of the parcels being subdivided.
4. The titles and 0.99-acre portion of land to be subdivided and consolidated to reconfigure the boundaries (property line) of the two adjacent parcels, is to 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.
5. That any easement(s) as required by utility agencies as deemed necessary by the Subdivision Authority shall be established prior to finalization of the application.

CARRIED

F. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

F.1. **MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE**

F.1.1. **Bylaw 23-020- Development Authority Bylaw**

252-2023	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 23-020 be read a first time.	CARRIED
253-2023	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	MOVED that Bylaw 23-020 be read a second time.	CARRIED
254-2023	Councillor Sayers	MOVED that County Council proceeds to consideration of third reading of Bylaw 23-020.	CARRIED
255-2023	Councillor Hickey	MOVED that Bylaw 23-020 be read a third time.	CARRIED

D. DELEGATIONS

D.2. **10:00 a.m. - Iron Springs Water Co-op**

Members from the Iron Springs Water Co-op were present to discuss the water co-op with Council.

F. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

F.1. MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

F.1.2. Bridge File 79589 - Request for Budget Increase

256-2023 Councillor Hickey MOVED that County Council approve an additional \$137,000 from the Bridges and Paved Roads Reserve, for a total project cost of \$437,000 on Bridge File 79589.

CARRIED

F.2. CORPORATE SERVICES

F.2.1. 2024 Budget Presentation Schedule

257-2023 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that County Council approve the 2024 Budget Presentation Schedule as amended.

CARRIED

F.2.2. 2023 Business Tax Adjustments

258-2023 Councillor VanderVeen MOVED that County Council approve the 2023 Business Tax adjustment requests as presented in the total amount of \$6,212.50.

CARRIED

F.2.3. Tax Penalty Waiver Request - Roll #42020000

259-2023 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that County Council not waive tax penalties in the amount of \$49.95 as requested for tax roll #42020000.

CARRIED

F.2.4. Tax Penalty Waiver Request - Hutterian Brethren Church of Turin

260-2023 Councillor Van Essen MOVED that County Council not waive tax penalties in the amount of \$5,849.19 as requested for the 125 tax rolls titled to the Hutterian Brethren Church of Turin.

CARRIED

F.2.5. Tax Penalty Waiver Request - I3 Energy

261-2023 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that County Council not waive tax penalties in the amount of \$8,117.20 as requested for the 21 tax rolls titled to I3 Energy.

CARRIED

J. NEW BUSINESS

J.1.

Alberta Development Officers Week - September 18-22

262-2023 Councillor Sayers MOVED that County Council support Alberta Development Officers Week within Lethbridge County as long as we are current members of the Alberta Developers Association of Alberta.

CARRIED

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1. Town of Nobleford - Notice of Intent for Annexation

Council reviewed correspondence from the Town of Nobleford regarding their Notice of Intent for Annexation for land described as SW 11-11-23 W4.

G.2. MADD Canada

Council reviewed the sponsorship request from MADD Canada.

G.3. Cypress County Ag Connections Conference - Lethbridge County Invite

Council reviewed the invitation from Cypress County to attend their Ag Connections Conference being held on November 22, 2023 in Medicine Hat.

G.4. Minister of Environment & Protected Areas - Malloy Drain Phase 2B

Council reviewed correspondence from the Minister of Environment & Protected Areas regarding the Malloy Drain Phase 2B project.

G.5. Chinook Arch Board Report - August 3, 2023

Council reviewed the August 3, 2023 Chinook Arch Board Report.

G.6. Picture Butte Municipal Library

Council reviewed correspondence from the Picture Butte Municipal Library regarding their request for annual funding for the library.

G.7. 2023 Joanne Perlich 'Ride for Dreams'

Council reviewed the sponsorship request for the 2023 Joanne Perlich 'Ride for Dreams' which is being held on September 15, 2023.

G.8. Town of Picture Butte - Picture Butte Urgent Care Centre

Council reviewed the Alberta Health Services Public Service Announcement regarding an upcoming public engagement session being held on September 13, 2023 in Picture Butte.

H. COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

H.1. Request to Rename Range Road 21-2 to "Recovery Road"

Council discussed the request to rename range road 21-2 to recovery road.

H.2. Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - July 2023

Council reviewed the highlights from the Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update for July 2023.

Division 1

Councillor Lorne Hickey

July 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
July 20	Green Acres Blue Sky Lodge 50th Anniversary Celebration
July 24	CAO – Division 1 Councillor Meeting

Division 2

Reeve Tory Campbell

July 1	Canada Day Opening Ceremonies, Henderson Lake
July 5	Exhibition Park Board Meeting
July 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
July 7	Media, re: Canada's Premier Corridor, Agri-Food Processing
July 10	FCC Roundtable Industry Discussion, Agri-Food Hub Tour
July 12	Lethbridge County Economic Development
July 14	Meeting with McCain, re: water
July 20	Media, re: Radio ad spot, Economic Development Survey
July 24	Exhibition Park Ownership Engagement Committee
July 26	Agri-Food Hub & Trade Centre Tour with CAO Cole Beck

Division 3

Councillor Mark Sayers

July 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
July 17 CAO – Division 3 Councillor Meeting
July 18 Water Co-op Liaison Committee Meeting
July 19 Economic Development Consultation
July 27 Water Co-op Liaison Committee Meeting
July 27 Water Co-op Meeting in Diamond City
July 31 Meeting with CAO

Division 4

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis

July 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting (Via Teams)
July 10 Calgary Stampede BMO Farm Family Awards
July 19 Meet & Greet with MLA Hunter & Simplot
July 27 Water Co-op Liaison Committee Meeting
July 27 Water Co-op Meeting in Diamond City

Division 5

Councillor Eric Van Essen

July 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
July 7 CAO – Division 5 Councillor Meeting
July 8 Village of Barons Parade
July 12 Economic Development Consultation

Division 6

Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

July 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
July 10 CAO – Division 6 Councillor Meeting
July 27 Bridge City News Interview
July 27 Radio Ad Recording
July 27 Water Co-op Liaison Committee Meeting
July 27 Water Co-op Meeting in Diamond City
July 28 SAEWA Board Meeting

Division 7

Councillor Morris Zeinstra

I. CLOSED SESSION

I.1 - McCain MOU Discussion (FOIP Section 16 - Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party & Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

263-2023 Councillor Hickey MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, the time being 11:10 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

I.1. - McCain MOU Discussion (FOIP Section 16 - Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party & Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

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

264-2023 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the
Sayers closed session at 11:51 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell reconvened the regular meeting at 11:51 a.m.

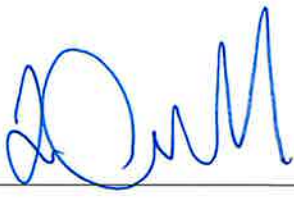
I.1. **McCain MOU Discussion (FOIP Section 16 - Disclosure harmful to business
interests of a third party & Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and
other interests of a public body)**

265-2023 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County sign the MOU with McCain.
Hickey CARRIED

K. **ADJOURN**

266-2023 Councillor MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 11:52
Zeinstra a.m.

CARRIED



Reeve



CAO