

MINUTES Council Meeting

9:00 AM - Thursday, February 1, 2024 Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, February 1, 2024, 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, Operations, Jeremy Wickson

Director, Development & Infrastructure, Devon Thiele

Director, Corporate Services, Jennifer Place

Executive Assistant, Candice Robison

Supervisor, Planning & Development, Hilary Janzen

Senior Planner, Steve Harty

Regional Manager of Emergency Services, Heath Wright

A. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Tory Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:02 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.

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

375-2024

Deputy Reeve MOVED that the February 1, 2024 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Agenda be adopted as presented.

Kuerbis

CARRIED

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

376-2024

Councillor

MOVED that the January 18, 2024 Lethbridge County Council Minutes

Sayers be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

D. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

D.1. <u>Subdivision Application #2023-0-156 – Traber</u>
<u>- Lot 8, Block 25, Plan 0713699 within SW1/4 7-10-23-W4M</u>
(Hamlet of Monarch)

377-2024

Councillor

Van Essen

MOVED that the Residential subdivision of Lot 8, Block 25, Plan 0713699 within SW1/4 7-10-23-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 231 192

886), to subdivide a 0.44-acre (0.183 ha) title into two equal lots, each

being 0.22- acres (0.09 ha) respectively in size, for hamlet 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. The applicant shall be responsible for all costs related to the installation of an additional hamlet water and sewer connection, including any connection fees owing. Verification must be provided prior to final endorsement if the servicing was addressed directly with the municipality or through the terms of any Development Agreement entered into with Lethbridge County.
- 4. That the applicant provides a Surveyors sketch to illustrate the exact dimensions, location and setbacks of all improvements, including accessory buildings, on the parcel.
- 5. That the applicant submits a final plan as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor that certifies the exact dimensions of the lots as approved, for final endorsement.

CARRIED

E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

F.1.2. 2023 Community Peace Officer Annual Report.

David Entz, Community Peace Officer presented to Council the 2023 Community Peace Officer Annual Report.

F.1.1. Planning and Development Department 2023 Annual Report

Hilary Janzen, Manager, Planning and Development presented to Council the 2023 Planning and Development Department Annual Report.

E.2. **CORPORATE SERVICES**

E.2.1. Gem of the West Museum Society - Donation Request

MOVED that County Council provide a donation to the Gem of the 378-2024 Councillor West Museum Society for their free family event in the amount of Sayers \$500.00 as per Policy #161.

CARRIED

E.2.2. Bylaw No. 24-005 - Community Aggregate Payment Levy

MOVED that Bylaw 24-005 - Community Aggregate Payment Levy 379-2024 Deputy Bylaw be read a first time. Reeve Kuerbis

CARRIED

MOVED that Bylaw 24-005 - Community Aggregate Payment Levy 380-2024 Councillor Bylaw be read a second time. Hickey

CARRIED

381-2024 Councillor MOVED that Council consider reading Bylaw 24-005 - Community Van Essen Aggregate Payment Levy a third time.

CARRIED

382-2024	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 24-005 - Community Aggregate Payment Levy Bylaw be read a third time. CARRIED		
	E.2.3. Bylaw 24-006 - Schedule of Fees			
383-2024	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	MOVED that Bylaw 24-006 - Schedule of Fees be read a first time. CARRIED		
384-2024	Councillor Sayers	MOVED that Bylaw 24-006 - Schedule of Fees be read a second time. CARRIED		
385-2024	Councillor	MOVED that Council consider reading Bylaw 24-006 - Schedule of		
	Van Essen	Fees a third time. CARRIED		
386-2024	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 24-006 - Schedule of Fees be read a third time. CARRIED		

Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

F. DELEGATIONS

F.1. 10:00 a.m. - MLA Grant Hunter

MLA Grant Hunter was present to discuss and provide an update for Council on the Highway 3 Twinning from Taber to Burdett, the Agri-Food Processing Corridor, provincial budget deliberations and provincial water shortages.

F. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

F.2. CORPORATE SERVICES

F.2.4. Farming Smarter 4H Silent Auction Donation Request

387-2024 Councillor MOVED that County Council provide a donation to the Farming VanderVeen Smarter 4H Silent Auction in the amount of \$500.00 as per Policy #161.

CARRIED

CARRIED

F.3. OPERATIONS

F.3.1. Bylaw 24-001 - 2024 Utility Rate Bylaw

MOVED that Bylaw 24-001 - 2024 Utility Rates be read a first time. CARRIED	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	388-2024
MOVED that Bylaw 24-001 - 2024 Utility Rates be read a second time.	Councillor VanderVeen	389-2024
MOVED that Council consider third reading of Bylaw 24-001 - 2024 Utility Rates.	Councillor Savers	390-2024

391-2024 Deputy MOVED that Bylaw 24-001 - 2024 Utility Rates be read a third time.

Reeve CARRIED

Kuerbis

F.4. ADMINISTRATION

F.4.1. <u>Town of Picture Butte - Health Professional Recruitment and Retention</u> Committee

392-2024 Councillor MOVED that County Council appoint Councillor Lorne Hickey to VanderVeen participate on the Town of Picture Butte's Health Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee.

CARRIED

F.4.2. Salvation Army Memorandum of Understanding

393-2024 Councillor MOVED that County Council approve the Memorandum of Van Essen Understanding (MOU) between Lethbridge County and Salvation Army as presented.

CARRIED

F.4.3. <u>Letter of Support - City of Lethbridge FRIAA (Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) Grant Application</u>

394-2024 Councillor MOVED that Council provide a letter of support for the City of Lethbridge FRIAA (Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) grant application.

CARRIED

F.4.4. CAO Report - Compensation Review Update

CAO Cole Beck provided Council with an update on the Compensation Review.

Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1. 13th Annual Alberta CARE Spring Seminar

Council reviewed information regarding the 13th Annual Alberta CARE Spring Seminar which takes place February 28-March 1, 2024 in Camrose.

G.2. <u>Southern Alberta Economic Summit 2024</u>

Council reviewed the invitation from SouthGrow for the Southern Alberta Economic Summit 2024 which will be held on March 21, 2024 in Lethbridge.

G.3. Letter from Ken Kearns

Council reviewed correspondence from Ken Kearns regarding his concerns with the dust suppression program.

G.4. Town of Nobleford - Notice of Intent to Annex Land

Council reviewed correspondence from the Town of Nobleford regarding their Notice of Intent to Annex Land.

Н. **CLOSED SESSION**

H.1. - CAO Report - C. Beck (FOIP Sections 16, 17 23 and 24)

395-2024 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 11:45 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

H.1. - CAO Report - C. Beck (FOIP Sections 16, 17, 23 and 24)

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

396-2024

Councillor

MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the

closed session at 12:48 p.m. Van Essen

CARRIED

COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES l.

J. **NEW BUSINESS**

ADJOURN K.

397-2024 Councillor Zeinstra

MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 12:49

p.m.

CARRIED