



Minutes

Council Meeting | Thursday, April 3, 2025 | 9:00 AM | Council Chambers

The Council Meeting of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, April 3, 2025, 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 Kevin Slomp – via Teams
 - Councillor Morris Zeinstra
 - Director, Development & Infrastructure Devon Thiele
 - Director, Corporate Services Hailey Pinksen
 - Director, Operations Ryan Thomson
 - Executive Assistant Candice Robison
 - Manager, Planning & Development Hilary Janzen
 - Senior Planner Steve Harty
 - Municipal Intern, Planning Hannah Laberge

A. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Tory Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:03 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. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- F.1.5 - Bridge 79595 Update
- H.3 - Link Pathway Update
- J.2 - Closed Session - GFOA Award

57-2025	Deputy Reeve Kuerbis	MOVED that the Mar, 2025 Lethbridge County Council Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.	CARRIED
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C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

C.1. County Council Meeting Minutes

58-2025	Councillor Hickey	MOVED that the March 6, 2025 Lethbridge County Council Minutes be adopted as presented.	CARRIED
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D. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

**D.1. Subdivision Application #2025-0-022 – McCutcheon
- portion of SE1/4 6-8-20-W4M**

59-2025 Councillor Hickey That S.D. Application #2025-0-022 be approved subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.

CARRIED

E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

E.1. DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

E.1.1. Bylaw 25-007 - Re-designate a portion of Plan 1910749 Block 1 Lot 9 in the NE 25-1-20-W4 from Urban Fringe to Hamlet Industrial and Extend the Hamlet of Shaughnessy Boundary - First Reading

60-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis That Bylaw 25-007 be read a first time.

CARRIED

E.1.2. Bylaw 25-008 - Repeal Bylaw 1481 being the Meadowscape Area Structure Plan - First Reading

61-2025 Councillor Sayers That Bylaw 25-008 be read a first time.

CARRIED

E.1.3. Bylaw 25-009 - Re-designate Plan 2210953 Block 2 Lot 2 from Grouped Country Residential to Urban Fringe - First Reading

62-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis That Bylaw 25-009 be read a first time.

CARRIED

E.1.4. Bylaw 25-010 - Re-designate portions the NE 25-8-23-W4, NW 30-2-22-W4, and SW 30-8-22-W4 from Urban Fringe to Direct Control - First Reading

63-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis That Bylaw 25-010 be read a first time.

CARRIED

E.1.5. Bridge 79595 Update

Devon Thiele, Director, Development & Infrastructure provided Council an update on Bridge 79595.

E.2. ADMINISTRATION

E.2.1. CPAA Conference

The CPAA Conference was discussed.

E.2.2. FCM Conference

The FCM Conference was discussed.

F. **CORRESPONDENCE**

F.1. **Abbondanza Dinner**

Council reviewed an invitation to the Abbondanza Dinner taking place on Saturday, April 12, 2025.

F.2. **Oldman Watershed Council - Thank You**

Council reviewed correspondence from the Oldman Watershed Council thanking Council for their annual donation.

F.3. **Minister of Municipal Affairs**

Council reviewed correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding Education Property Tax.

G. **COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES**

G.1. **Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - February 2025**

Council reviewed the highlights from the Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update for February 2025.

Division 1

Councillor Lorne Hickey

February 4	Health Professional Recruitment & Retention Committee
February 5	FCSS Board Meeting
February 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 8	Southern Alberta Chinese Association Year of the Snake Celebration
February 19	Green Acres Finance Committee Meeting
February 26	Green Acres Board Meeting

Division 2

Reeve Tory Campbell

February 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 7	Mayors & Reeves
February 8	Southern Alberta Chinese Association Year of the Snake Celebration
February 13	Fire Services Review Meeting
February 17	Coaldale & District Handi-Ride Association Ribbon Cutting
February 25	Emergency Services Meeting with Town of Coaldale
February 27	Child Care Needs Assessment, Virtual Session, Jobs, Economy & Trade

Division 3

Councillor Mark Sayers

February 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 7	FCSS Interview
February 13	Fire Services Review Meeting
February 17	Coaldale Handicap Bus Ribbon Cutting
February 24	Oldman Watershed Council Workshop

February 25 Emergency Services Meeting with Town of Coaldale

Division 4

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis

February 4 Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
February 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 11 Community Futures South Region Managers & Chair Meeting
February 26 Community Futures Monthly Board Meeting

Division 5

Councillor Kevin Slomp

February 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 13 Highway 3 Twinning Development Association Meeting
February 24 Oldman Watershed Council Workshop
February 25 Emergency Services Meeting with Town of Coaldale
February 27 Highway 3 Twinning Booth – Ag Expo

Division 6

Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

February 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 28 SAEWA Board Meeting

Division 7

Councillor Morris Zeinstra

February 6 Lethbridge County Council Meeting
February 13 Chamber of Commerce Meeting
February 20 Seed Cleaning Meeting

G.2. Community Futures National Convention - Deputy Reeve Kuerbis - May 4-6

64-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that Deputy Reeve Kuerbis be granted permission to travel to the Community Futures National Convention in St. Johns, May 4-6.

CARRIED

G.3. Link Pathway Update

Councillor Zeinstra provided Council an update on the Link Pathway.

Reeve Campbell recessed the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Reeve Campbell reconvened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS - 10:00 a.m.

Reeve Campbell called a recess to the Council Meeting, for the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-003 at 10:00 a.m.

H.1. Bylaw 25-003 - Re-designate Plan 2410658 Block 5 Lot 1 in the NE 19-10-23-W4 from Rural Agriculture to Direct Control - Public Hearing

65-2025 Councillor Sayers MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-003 commence at 10:01 a.m.

CARRIED

The Manager, Planning and Development reviewed Bylaw 25-003.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-003.

Eric Van Essen, the applicant spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-003.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-003.

Bryon Harbers spoke in opposition of Bylaw 25-003.

Carrie Ann Worden spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-003.

Jerry Joosse spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-003.

Marie Galeana spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-003.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-003.

No further comments were made.

66-2025 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 24-003 adjourn at 10:24 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell reconvened the regular meeting at 10:24 a.m.

67-2025 Councillor Hickey MOVED that Bylaw 25-003 be read a second time.

CARRIED

68-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that Bylaw 25-003 be read a third time.

CARRIED

Reeve Campbell called a recess to the Council Meeting, for the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-004 at 10:28 a.m.

H.2. Bylaw 25-004 - Re-designate Plan 8811143 Block 1 Lot 7 in the SW 3-10-23-W4 from Direct Control (Bylaw 17-003) to Direct Control - Public Hearing

69-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-004 commence at 10:29 a.m. CARRIED

The Manager, Planning and Development reviewed Bylaw 25-004.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-004.

Henry Bakker, the applicant spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-004.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-004.

No further comments were made.

70-2025 Councillor Sayers MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-004 adjourn at 10:37 a.m. CARRIED

Reeve Campbell reconvened the regular meeting at 10:37 a.m.

71-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that Bylaw 25-004 be read a second time, as amended. CARRIED

72-2025 Councillor Sayers MOVED that Bylaw 25-004 be read a third time. CARRIED

Reeve Campbell called a recess to the Council Meeting, for the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-006 at 10:38 a.m.

H.3. Bylaw 25-006 - Re-designate Plan 0210278 Block 1 Lot 1 in the NW 27-11-20-W4 from Rural Agriculture to Rural General Industrial - Public Hearing

73-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-006 commence at 10:39 a.m. CARRIED

The Manager, Planning and Development reviewed Bylaw 25-006.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-006.

Vaughn Penner, agent for the applicant spoke in favor of Bylaw 25-006.

Reeve Campbell asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or opposition of Bylaw 25-006.

No further comments were made.

74-2025 Councillor Hickey MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 25-004 adjourn at 10:46 a.m. CARRIED

Reeve Campbell reconvened the regular meeting at 10:46 a.m.

75-2025 Councillor Sayers MOVED that Bylaw 25-006 be read a second time. CARRIED

76-2025 Councillor Hickey MOVED that Bylaw 25-006 be read a third time. CARRIED

I. **CLOSED SESSION**

J.1. - Disposal of Municipal Lands (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

J.2 - GFOA Awards (FOIP Section 23 - Local Public Body Confidences)

77-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move into Closed Session, pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, the time being 10:49 a.m. for the discussion on the following:

J.1. - Disposal of Municipal Lands (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

J.2. -GFOA Awards (FOIP Section 23 - Local Public Body Confidences)

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

78-2025 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting move out of the closed session at 11:58 a.m. CARRIED

I.1. Disposal of Municipal Lands (FOIP Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

79-2025 Deputy Reeve Kuerbis MOVED that County Council approve the sale of municipal lands and allow County Administration to negotiate the sale of the lands within 15% of the asking price.

CARRIED

J. ADJOURN

80-2025 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that the Lethbridge County Council Meeting adjourn at 11:59 a.m.

CARRIED

Reeve

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