

# MINUTES County Council Meeting

9:00 AM - Thursday, May 7, 2020 Council Chambers

The County Council of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, May 7, 2020, at 9:05 AM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

Reeve Lorne Hickey

Deputy Reeve Robert Horvath Councillor Tory Campbell Councillor Ken Benson Councillor Steve Campbell Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

Councillor Morris Zeinstra (Present at 9:10 a.m.)

Chief Administrative Officer Ann Mitchell

Director of Community Services Larry Randle (Via Teams)

Infrastructure Manager Devon Thiele

Manager of Finance & Administration Jennifer Place

Director of Public Operations Jeremy Wickson Agricultural Services Supervisor Gary Secrist

Supervisor of Planning & Development Hilary Janzen

**Executive Administrative Assistant Donna Irwin** 

## A. CALL TO ORDER - OPENING REMARKS

Reeve Hickey called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

## B. POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS - CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There was no amendment to the May 7, 2020 County Council meeting agenda.

110-2020

Councillor

MOVED that County Council approve the May 7, 2020 Agenda as

VanderVeen presented.

**CARRIED** 

## C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

## C.1. April 16, 2020 County Council Meeting Minutes

111-2020 Councillor

MOVED that the April 16, 2020 Council Minutes be approved as

S.Campbell presented.

**CARRIED** 

## D. NOTICES OF MOTION

Note: Councillor M. Zeinstra present at 9:10 a.m.

## E. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

## E.1. Subdivision Application #2020-0-024 Winkelaar - NE1/4 12-07-21-W4M

112-2020

Councillor

MOVED that S.D. Application #2020-0-024 be approved subject to the

Benson conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.

CARRIED

## E.2. <u>Subdivision Application #2020-0-030 LNID - Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, Plan 0811147</u> & Canal ROW, Plan 0716429 (W1/2 8-10-23-W4M)

113-2020 Councillor MOVED that S.D. Application #2020-0-030 be approved subject to the S.Campbell conditions as outlined in the draft resolution. CARRIED

## F. REPORTS

## F.1. Supervisor of Agriculture Services Report

114-2020 Councillor MOVED that County Council receives the report from the Supervisor Zeinstra of Agriculture Services as information. CARRIED

## F.2. Planning and Development Department - 1st Quarter Report 2020

115-2020 Deputy MOVED that County Council receives the Planning and Development Department 1st Quarter Report for information.

CARRIED

Reeve Hickey recessed the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:52 a.m.

## G. APPOINTMENTS

## G.1. 1:30 p.m. - Dr. Jim Byrne, University of Lethbridge - presentation

Reeve Hickey welcomed Dr. Jim Byrne, President, University of Lethbridge to the meeting at 1:30 p.m. remotely via Teams. Council introduced themselves to Dr. Byrne.

Dr. Byrne provided Council with a PowerPoint presentation regarding the potential impacts of changing climate on regional agriculture, and also the opportunity that exists for southern Alberta, including Lethbridge County, to become an agriculture and renewable energy centre of excellence in North America. Dr. Byrne stated that the opportunity exists to integrate renewable energy generation with increased agricultural production and productivity, creating not only a sustainable food corridor but also a sustainable renewable energy corridor; both would be economic drivers and mutually supporting.

Reeve Hickey thanked Dr. Byrne for his presentation. Dr. Byrne retired at 2:15 p.m.

## H. BYLAWS

(excluding public hearings)

H.1. <u>Bylaw 20-010- 1673604 Alberta Ltd (More than Just Feed) - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw From: Rural Urban Fringe (RUF) To: Rural General Industrial (RGI) - Plan 0214060 Block 1 Lot 1 in a portion of 7-10-23 -W4- First Reading</u>

116-2020 Councillor MOVED that Bylaw 20-010 be read a first time. CARRIED Zeinstra

## I. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

## I.1. Airport West Residential Waterline - Capital Project Cancellation

117-2020 Councillor MOVED that County Council approve the cancellation of 2019 Utility Zeinstra Capital Project UT-19-02 Airport West Residential Waterline.

CARRIED

#### **I.2**. Reallocation of Road Construction

118-2020 Councillor

S.Campbell

MOVED that \$500,000 from the Public Works 2020 Operating Budget for Road Reconstruction be reallocated to alternate road infrastructure CARRIED projects in the 2020 calendar year for 2020 projects.

#### Hard Surface Roadway Upgrades - Rudelich and Iron Springs Road **I.3.**

119-2020

Councillor VanderVeen

MOVED that County Council approve Scenario 1 that the treatment of the Rudelich Road, RR 21-2A south of Highway 519 with a soil cement and chip seal treatment at an approximate cost of \$208,500 with funding derived from a reallocation of the 2020 construction budget of \$500,000. CARRIED

120-2020

Councillor VanderVeen MOVED that that County Council approve the treatment of the Iron Springs Road, RR 20-4 from Highway 519 to TWPR 11-2 with Scenario 2 with a soil cement and chip seal treatment an approximate cost of \$638,000 with funding derived from a reallocation of the 2020 construction budget of \$500,000. The overage for the two projects Rudelich Road and Iron Springs Road of \$347,300 to be funded from **Public** Works Reserve. **CARRIED** 

#### J. **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

#### J.1. Coalhurst Fire Engine 108 Replacement - Supplementary Information

121-2020

Councillor T.Campbell

MOVED that up to \$55,000 be drawn from the Emergency Services Contingency Reserve to cover the higher than expected cost of the County's half for the scheduled fire engine replacement with the Town of Coalhurst, and further that half of the proceeds from the sale of existing 108 if and when it is sold, be directed back into the reserve.

CARRIED

#### K. **CORPORATE SERVICES**

## Bylaw 20-011 Tax Mill Rate

Note: Reeve Hickey recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

122-2020 Councillor T.Campbell MOVED that Bylaw 20-011 Tax Mill Rate 2020 be read a first time.

**CARRIED** 

123-2020

Deputy Reeve

MOVED that Bylaw 20-011 2020 Tax Mill Rate be read a second time.

**CARRIED** 

Horvath

Councillor

Zeinstra

MOVED that Council consider third reading of Bylaw 20-011 2020 Tax

Mill Rate.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

125-2020

124-2020

Councillor

MOVED that Bylaw 20-011 2020 Tax Mill Rate be read a third and final time.

Benson

CARRIED

#### K.2. Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment

126-2020

Councillor MOVED that Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment be read a

S.Campbell first time.

**CARRIED** 

| 127-2020 | Deputy<br>Reeve<br>Horvath | MOVED that Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment be read a second time.  CARRIED                         |
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| 128-2020 | Councillor<br>Benson       | MOVED that Council consider third reading of Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment.  CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY |
| 129-2020 | Councillor<br>Zeinstra     | MOVED that Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment be read a third and final time. CARRIED                 |

## L. ADMINISTRATION

## L.1. <u>Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association (SAEWA) - Briefing Update</u> <u>April 2020</u>

130-2020 Councillor MOVED that County Council receive the Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association (SAEWA) - Briefing Update April 2020 for information. CARRIED

## M. INVITATIONS

## N. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATES

## N.1. Activities attended for February, March and April, 2020:

## Reeve Lorne Hickey - Division 1

- January 28th Mexican Consul General
- February 3-5 Alberta Irrigation District Association Conference
- February 6th Brownlee LLP Emerging Trends in Municipal Law
- February 7th County Council / Mayors & Reeves meeting
- February 8th Minister of Agriculture meeting
- February 10th Lethbridge County / LNID / SMRID meeting –
   Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement
- February 11th Reeve and CAO meeting
- February 14th Meeting with Nathan Neudorf, MLA
- February 15th Royal Canadian Legion Flag Raising
- February 19th Reeve & CAO meeting
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA / Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 24th Union Collective Agreement meeting
- February 25th Coaldale IDP meeting
- February 26th Coffee with Council / Reeve & CAO meeting
- February 27th Meeting with Assistant Deputy Minister of Western Economic Diversification
- March 2nd & 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th County Council meeting
- March 6th Mayors & Reeves meeting
- March 11th Reeve & CAO meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting
- Tuesdays and some Sundays in late March and April meeting remotely with Minister of Municipal Affairs

## Councillor Tory Campbell - Division 2 (Deputy Reeve February 18-April 17, 2020)

- January 31st Southern Regional Drainage meeting
- February 4th & 5th Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Conference
- February 6th Brownlee LLP Emerging Trends in Municipal Law

- February 7th County Council meeting
- February 10th Lethbridge County / SMRID / LNID meeting Intermunicipal Collaboration Agreement
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA / Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 25th Town of Coaldale Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- February 25th Link Pathway meeting
- February 26th Coffee with Council Picture Butte
- February 27th Exhibition Park / Rotary Club Ag Scholarship Dinner
- February 29th Link Pathway Open House
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting
- Online meetings for Chinook Arch Library and Lethbridge Regional Waste meetings

## Councillor Robert Horvath - Division 3 (Deputy Reeve April 18-June 17, 2020)

- February 4th & 5th Alberta Irrigation Districts Conference
- February 6th Brownlee LLP Emerging Trends in Municipal Law
- February 7th County Council meeting
- February 10th Lethbridge County / LNID / SMRID meeting
- February 12th Coaldale Chamber of Commerce meeting
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA/Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 24th Union Collective Agreement meeting
- February 25th Coaldale IDP meeting
- February 26th Coffee with Council
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting

## Councillor Ken Benson – Division 4

- February 4th & 5th Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Conference
- February 6th County Council meeting
- February 10th Lethbridge County / SMRID / LNID meeting Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement
- February 10th Intermunicipal Development Plan Committee meeting with Town of Coalhurst
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA / Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 24th Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting

## Councillor Steve Campbell - Division 5

- February 5th Exhibition Park Board meeting
- February 7th County Council meeting

- February 10th Lethbridge County / SMRID / LNID meeting Intermunicipal Collaboration Agreement
- February 10th Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- February 13th Exhibition Park Board Training
- February 14th Meeting with Nathan Neudorf, MLA
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 24th Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- February 26th Community Futures Board meeting & training
- February 27th Exhibition Park / Rotary Club Ag Scholarship Dinner
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 19th Emergency Exhibition Park meeting
- March 25th Community Futures Region meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting

## Councillor Klaas VanderVeen – Division 6

- February 3rd to 5th Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Conference
- February 7th County Council meeting
- February 10th Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- February 19th Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association meeting
- February 20th County Council meeting
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA / Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 24th Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting
- February 26th Coffee with Council Picture Butte
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 27th Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association Conference Call meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting

## Councillor Morris Zeinstra – Division 7

- February 3rd to 5th Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Conference
- February 6th Brownlee LLP Emerging Trends in Municipal Law
- February 7th County Council meeting
- February 10th Lethbridge County / SMRID / LNID meeting Intermunicipal Collaboration Agreement
- February 12th Picture Butte Chamber of Commerce
- February 20th County Council
- February 21st Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA / Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction
- February 24th Union Collective Agreement meeting
- February 26th Coffee with Council Picture Butte
- March 2nd Corporate Retreat
- March 3rd Corporate Retreat
- March 5th Council meeting
- March 9th North County Potable Water Co-op meeting
- March 12th County of Lethbridge Seed Cleaning Plant meeting
- March 30th Council Conference Call meeting
- April 16th County Council meeting

## O. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

## P. <u>ADJOURN</u>

131-2020 Councillor MOVED that the meeting adjourn at 2:53 p.m. Zeinstra

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