



MINUTES

County Council Meeting

9:00 AM - Thursday, November 7, 2019

Council Chambers

The County Council of Lethbridge County was called to order on Thursday, November 7, 2019, at 9:00 AM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

- Reeve Lorne Hickey
- Deputy Reeve Ken Benson
- Councillor Tory Campbell
- Councillor Robert Horvath
- Councillor Steve Campbell
- Councillor Klaas VanderVeen
- Councillor Morris Zeinstra
- Chief Administrative Officer Ann Mitchell
- Director of Community Services Larry Randle
- Director of Public Operations Jeremy Wickson
- Acting Director of Corporate Services Jennifer Place
- Technical Services Supervisor Devon Thiele
- Executive Assistant Lorraine Megella

EXCUSED:

A. CALL TO ORDER - OPENING REMARKS

Reeve Hickey called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

B. AMENDMENTS/DELETIONS - CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the November 7, 2019 agenda.

495-2019	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Council approve the agenda as presented.	CARRIED
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C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

C.1. Organizational Meeting Minutes - October 17, 2019

496-2019	Deputy Reeve Benson	MOVED that the Organizational Meeting Minutes for October 17, 2019 be approved as presented.	CARRIED
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C.2. Regular County Council Meeting Minutes - October 17, 2019

497-2019	Councillor Zeinstra	MOVED that the regular County Council Meeting Minutes for October 17, 2019 be approved as presented.	CARRIED
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D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. REPORTS

G. APPOINTMENTS

G.1. Subdivision Applications

a) Subdivision Application #2019-0-138 Pater - Lots 4 & 5, Block 1, Plan 1212032 within SW¹/₄ 1-9-21-W4M

498-2019 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that S.D. Application #2019-0-138 - Pater - Lots 4 & 5, Block 1, Plan 1212032 within SW 1/4 1-9-21-W4 be approved subject to the conditions as discussed during the November 7, 2019 Council meeting. CARRIED

b) Subdivision Application #2019-0-141 Goodfellow - Block L, Plan 6510AE & Block G, Plan 705AA within W1/2 6-10-21-W4M (Diamond City)

499-2019 Deputy Reeve Benson MOVED that S.D. Application #2019-0-141 - Goodfellow - Block L, Plan 6510AE & Block G, Plan 705AA within W1/2 6-10-21-W4 (Diamond City) be approved subject to the conditions as discussed during the November 7, 2019 Council meeting. CARRIED

c) Subdivision Application #2019-0-140 Foisy - Ptn. of NW1/4 20-10-23-W4M

500-2019 Councillor S.Campbell MOVED that S.D. Application #2019-0-140 - Foisy - Ptn. of NW 1/4 S.Campbell 20-20-23-W4 be approved subject to the conditions as discussed during the November 7, 2019 Council meeting. CARRIED

Reeve Hickey recessed the meeting at 10:15 a.m.
The meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

G.2. **Bylaw 19-033 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw (Darius and Gerald Nikkel) - From Rural Agriculture to Rural General Industrial for a portion of the East Half of NE 26-9-20-W4 - Public Hearing**

501-2019 Deputy Reeve Benson MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 19-033 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw (Darius and Gerald Nikkel) - from Rural Agriculture to Rural General Industrial for a Ptn. of the E1/2 of the NE 26-9-20-W4 open at 10:30 a.m. CARRIED

Members of the public in attendance during the public hearing:

- K. Duncan, S. Duncan, S. Lyons, L. Leusink, P. Pfiffner, D. Nikkel, K. Lyons, J. Martens, M. Hofsink, J. Nikkel, D. Kovacs, D. Kovacs, C. Pfiffner, J. Leusink, C. Leusink and D. Voosebelt

Reeve Hickey invited Ms. Hilary Janzen, Senior Planner to give an overview of Bylaw 19-033 and answer questions of Council.

Reeve Hickey asked if anyone present wished to speak in opposition to Bylaw 19-033. The following individuals spoke:

- K. Duncan, S. Duncan, S. Lyons, L. Leusink and P. Pfiffner

Reeve Hickey asked two more times if anyone wished to speak in opposition to Bylaw 19-033. No one came forward.

Reeve Hickey asked if anyone present wished to speak in favor of Bylaw 19-033. The following individual spoke:

- D. Nikkel

Reeve Hickey asked two more times if anyone present wished to speak in favor of Bylaw 19-033. No one came forward.

Reeve Hickey asked Council if they had any further questions. Council had no further questions.

Hilary Janzen, Senior Planner provided closing comments to Council.

502-2019 Councillor VanderVeen MOVED that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 19-033 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw (Darius and Gerald Nikkel) - from Rural Agriculture to Rural General Industrial for a Ptn. of the E1/2 of the NE 26-9-20-W4 close at 10:58 a.m. CARRIED

503-2019 Councillor T.Campbell MOVED that Bylaw 19-033 be read a second time. MOTION DEFEATED

G.3. Del Strazza Re: County Billing Issues

Reeve Hickey welcomed Mr. Del Strazza to the meeting at 11:08 a.m. Council introduced themselves to Mr. Strazza.

Mr. Strazza discussed the following with Council:

- There was a matter of an amount being assessed to him and added to his tax notice dating back to 2012. He has tried to resolve this, but the matter seems to be completely shrouded in mystery with conflicting answers as for the origin of this charge.
- There was a charge for a response to a fire call to his property in 2018, this response resulted in damage to his property equal to or in excess of the billed amount.
- Another response to a fire call in April of this year was the final charge outstanding.
- A final matter that the County has assessed and taxed his property for more land than what was actually there, payment has been made yearly for taxes on land he did not own for some 29 years.

Reeve Hickey thanked Mr. Strazza for attending the meeting. Mr. Strazza retired at 11:27 a.m.

504-2019 Councillor VanderVeen MOVED that Council direct Administration to investigate Mr. Del Strazza's concerns and bring back a report to a future Council meeting. CARRIED

G.4. Allan Friesen, SAFE Society and Lethbridge Fish and Game Association Presentation Re: Firearm Safety Initiatives

Reeve Hickey welcomed Mr. Allan Friesen from the SAFE Society / Lethbridge Fish and Game Association to the meeting at 1:30 p.m. Council introduced themselves to the delegation.

Mr. Friesen gave a presentation regarding the following:

- Messaging and awareness on how far projectiles can travel.
- Public awareness on firearm safety, responsibility and life.
- Youth use the range for free.
- Association has a lease with City of Lethbridge till 2036 for the location at Peenaquim Park, near Softball Valley. At that time the Association will discuss where to relocate to; location yet to be determined but possibly Lethbridge County. Could relocate prior to 2036 if an ideal location can be found.
- Enhancing current facility to a 'Total Containment Range' which is portable and can be relocated to new location.
- Thanks to the County for assisting in getting the messaging of gun safety out to the public.

- There are 1700 members and the facility is run by 30 volunteers.
- Lethbridge County pursuing discussions with the 2020 Alberta Summer Games.

Reeve Hickey thanked Mr. Friesen for attending the meeting. Mr. Friesen departed at 1:45 p.m.

505-2019	Councillor Zeinstra	MOVED that the Fire Arms Safety presentation by Allan Friesen, SAFE Society and Lethbridge Fish and Game Association be received for information.	CARRIED
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G.5. See Section O - Closed Session

H. BYLAWS

(excluding public hearings)

H.1. Bylaw 19-043 - Amendment to the Lethbridge County Municipal Development Plan and Bylaw 19-044 - Amendment to the Lethbridge County Land Use Bylaw - Proposed Amendment for Commercial Solar Collection Facilities

506-2019	Councillor Horvath	MOVED that Bylaw 19-043 and Bylaw 19-044 be read a first time.	CARRIED
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H.2. Bylaw 19-042 - Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)

507-2019	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 19-042 be read a first time.	CARRIED
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508-2019	Deputy Reeve Benson	MOVED that Bylaw 19-042 be read a second time.	CARRIED
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509-2019	Councillor S.Campbell	MOVED that County Council consider proceeding to third reading of Bylaw 19-042.	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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510-2019	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that Bylaw 19-042 be read a third time.	CARRIED
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I. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

J. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Note: Deputy Reeve Benson departed due to pecuniary interest at 11:38 a.m.

J.1. Town of Picture Butte Intent to Annex Land (Ptn. of NW 2-11-21-W4)

511-2019	Councillor S.Campbell	MOVED that County Council approve the signing of the Letter of Consent as requested by the Town of Picture Butte to annex land on a Ptn. of the NW 2-11-21-W4.	CARRIED
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512-2019	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED that the meeting recess for lunch at 11:50 a.m.	CARRIED
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The meeting reconvened at 1:21 p.m. with all members of Council present.

K. CORPORATE SERVICES

L. ADMINISTRATION

M. INVITATIONS

M.1. Coaldale Night of Lights Centennial Parade - November 22, 2019

513-2019 Councillor S.Campbell MOVED that any member of Council wishing to attend the Coaldale Night of Lights Parade, scheduled for Friday, November 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. be authorized to do so. CARRIED

M.2. Coaldale and District Emergency Services Annual Awards Ceremony - November 30, 2019

514-2019 Councillor VanderVeen MOVED that Reeve Lorne Hickey, Deputy Reeve Ken Benson, Councillor Tory Campbell, and Councillor Steve Campbell be authorized to attend the Coaldale and District Emergency Services Annual Awards Ceremony, scheduled for November 30, 2019 at the Gem of the West Museum at 6:00 p.m. CARRIED

M.3. 15th Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast - November 30, 2019

515-2019 Councillor T.Campbell MOVED that the Reeve or his designate be authorized to attend the 15th Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, scheduled for November 30, 2019 at the Sandman Signature Lethbridge Lodge. CARRIED

M.4. MD of Willow Creek 28th Legacy of our Land Banquet- November 29, 2019

516-2019 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that two members of Council be selected to attend the MD of Willow Creek's 28th Legacy of our Land Banquet on November 29, 2019 at the Stavely Community Hall. CARRIED

N. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATES

O. CLOSED SESSION

**O.1. Wage Review
(FOIP Act - Section 19 - Confidential Evaluations)**

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP) (Section 19)

517-2019 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, Council move into Closed Session in the Council Chambers at 1:30 p.m., to consider the following confidential items pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Item O1. - pursuant to Section 19 of the FOIP Act. CARRIED

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the Municipal Government Act, the following members of Administration were in attendance in the Closed Meeting:

- A. Mitchell, CAO (Advice)
- D. Johnson, Human Resources (Advice)

518-2019 Councillor Zeinstra MOVED that County Council move into Open Session at 2:35 p.m. CARRIED

P. ADJOURN

519-2019	Councillor VanderVeen	MOVED the meeting adjourn at 2:40 p.m.	CARRIED
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