

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE COUNTY HELD MARCH 20, 2014 IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA.

PRESENT:

Division No. 1	- L. Hickey, Reeve
Division No. 3	- H. Doeve, Deputy Reeve
Division No. 2	- J. Willms
Division No. 4	- K. Benson
Division No. 5	- S. Campbell
Division No. 7	- M. Zeinstra

ABSENT:

Division No. 6	- T. White
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ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer	- R. Robinson
Director of Corporate Services	- T. Anderson
Director of Municipal Services	- K. Viergutz
Director of Community Services	- L. Randle
Recording Secretary	- D. Irwin

REEVE LORNE HICKEY IN THE CHAIR

CALL TO ORDER Reeve Hickey called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Note: S. Ashbee, Sunny South News present at 10:08 a.m.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Rick Robinson, Chief Administrative Officer and members of Council made the following additions and deletions to the March 20, 2014 agenda.

- F2. Scheduling of Meetings with Irrigation Districts – M. Zeinstra
- F3. Town of Coalhurst Road Discussion – R. Robinson

113/14	J. WILLMS	MOVED that Council approve the agenda as amended.	CARRIED
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CONFIRMATION **B1. Confirmation of Minutes**

114/14	S. CAMPBELL	MOVED that the March 6, 2014 Council Minutes be approved as presented.	CARRIED
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REPORTS **D1. Update of Mayors & Reeves Meeting, March 7, 2014 – L. Hickey**

115/14	M. ZEINSTR	MOVED to accept item D1. Update of Mayors & Reeves Meeting, March 7, 2014 – L. Hickey.	CARRIED
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116/14	M. ZEINSTR	MOVED that Council direct Administration to draft a letter for the Reeve's signature to the Hon. Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, Transport Canada and Hon. Gerry Ritz, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food with a copy to be forwarded to the Mayors and Reeves of South West Alberta, supporting the role of the federal government regarding their intervention in the grain rail movement.	CARRIED
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Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer

MUNICIPAL SERVICES**F1. Garbage Cart Program for Mountain Meadows and Deer Run Estates**

- 117/14 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council approves Administration to proceed with negotiations between the Town of Coalhurst and Lethbridge County to add the subdivisions of Mountain Meadows and Deer Run Estates to the garbage collection services provided to Lethbridge County under the existing contract. The addition of these sites would be an amendment to the current contract. CARRIED

F2. Scheduling of Meetings with Irrigation Districts – M. Zeinstra

Councillor Morris Zeinstra reported that he has received feedback recently that Lethbridge County and the LNID would benefit from a regular meeting schedule to discuss items of mutual issues relating to drainage.

Mr. Kevin Viergutz, Director of Municipal Services reported that he is in regular contact with Mr. Alan Harrold, General Manager of the LNID.

- 118/14 M. ZEINSTR A MOVED that County Council direct Administration to arrange a meeting as soon as possible with the LNID and the SMRID in a spirit of cooperation to discuss mutual issues relating to drainage. CARRIED

APPOINTMENT**E1. Mr. Andy Cumming, Director of Field Services, Mr. Orin Kenzie, Approval Officer, Mr. Karl Ivarson, Inspector National Resource Conservation Board (NRCB) and Mr. Cody Metheral, CFO Extension Specialist, Nutrient Management Section, Alberta Agriculture Re: Agricultural Operation Practices Act (AOPA)**

Reeve Hickey welcomed Mr. Andy Cumming, Director of Field Services, Mr. Orin Kenzie, Approval Officer, Mr. Karl Ivarson, Inspector, National Resource Conservation Board (NRCB) and Mr. Cody Metheral, CFO Extension Specialist, Nutrient Management Section, Alberta Agriculture to the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Mr. Cody Metheral CFO Extension Specialist, Nutrient Management Section, Alberta Agriculture provided a Power Point presentation regarding an overview of how AOPA works in conjunction with the NRBC.

Mr. Orin Kenzie, Approval Officer, NRCB presented a Power Point presentation regarding an overview of the application process with the NRCB.

Mr. Karl Ivarson, Inspector with the NRCB provided Council with a Power Point presentation regarding the role of the Inspector including response to complaints, follow up on permit conditions, program delivery, post-construction inspections and follow up on non-compliance issues.

Reeve Hickey thanked the delegation for attending the meeting. The delegation retired at 12:20 p.m.

- 119/14 K. BENSON MOVED that item E1. Mr. Andy Cumming, Director of Field Services, Mr. Orin Kenzie, Approval Officer, Mr. Karl Ivarson, Inspector National Resource Conservation Board (NRCB) and Mr. Cody Metheral, CFO Extension Specialist, Nutrient Management Section, Alberta Agriculture Re: Agricultural Operation Practices Act (AOPA) be received for information. CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer

- 120/14 J. WILLMS MOVED the meeting recess for lunch at 12:20 p.m. CARRIED
- The meeting reconvened at 1:24 p.m. with all members of Council present as previously stated.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

F3. Town of Coalhurst Road Discussion – R. Robinson

Chief Administrative Officer Rick Robinson reported that a meeting was held on March 14, 2014 with MLA Lethbridge West Mr. Greg Weadick; Mr. Darrell Camplin, Regional Director, Southern Region, Alberta Transportation; Reeve Lorne Hickey as well as Town of Coalhurst Mayor Dennis Cassie and CAO Kim Hauta. The discussion centred on the province wanting to move forward with the road project with the Town of Coalhurst.

Mr. Robinson stated that while the IMDP Committee has made progress and all parties have expressed a willingness to move forward; prior to approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town, the Town will have to confirm which road they wish to move forward with.

- 121/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that County Council request a Council-to-Council meeting with the Town of Coalhurst, inviting also a representative from Alberta Transportation regarding the Coalhurst Road. CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES

G5. Notice of Motion - Stafford Lake - H. Doeve

- 122/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that Reeve, Deputy Reeve, a possible alternate Councillor and Administration create an Ad Hoc Committee to prepare a strategy/brief including issues to discuss with the SMRID, MLA Greg Weadick, Lethbridge West and a representative from the Tourism, Parks and Recreation Department regarding the future of the Stafford Reservoir boat launch and dock. CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES

G1. Policy 164 - Twinning Relationships

- 123/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that County Council approve Policy 164 – Twinning Relationships as amended and further that, Council direct Administration to begin work with the County of Anyang on a Twinning Proposal to be presented to Council for approval CARRIED

G2. 2014 Community Planning Association of Alberta Annual Conference – Sponsorship - April 14-16, 2014, Red Deer, Black Knight Inn

- 124/14 M. ZEINSTRAS MOVED that County Council sponsors the 2014 Community Planning Association Annual Conference in Red Deer at the \$1,250 Gold Sponsorship level. CARRIED

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer

G3. 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Winter Games

- 125/14 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that Lethbridge County Council send a letter to Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation Minister Richard Starke, thanking him for his letter which invites the County to submit a bid to host the 2017 Alberta 55 Plus Winter Games and which states that although the County recognizes the benefits of hosting such an event, unfortunately it is beyond the scope and resources that a smaller, rural municipality such as Lethbridge County can accommodate. CARRIED

G4. Emergency Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference

- 126/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that County Council receives the Emergency Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference Report as presented. CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES

- 127/14 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council bring back item H1. RAVE Storm Pond Purchase Financing that was tabled at the March 6, 2014 County Council meeting. CARRIED

H1. RAVE Storm Pond Purchase Financing

- 128/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that Council approve the RAVE Storm Pond Purchase be funded as per Option A on a 60/40 split basis, 60% - Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program Grant (AMIP) in the amount of \$568,494 and 40% - Public Works Future Projects Reserve, to be paid back by the benefiting owners of the project, over 20 years at annual interest rate of 3.34% as per the Alberta Capital Finance Authority Rate (as of March 1, 2014). CARRIED

H2. 2013 Reserve Allocations

- 129/14 J. WILLMS MOVED that County Council approves the recommended 2013 reserve allocations totaling \$715,000 as follows:

- Public Works - \$167,000
- Utilities Projects - \$38,000
- Airport - \$30,000
- Council Discretionary - \$75,000
- Economic Development - \$75,000
- Recreation - \$75,000
- Emergency Services - \$255,000

CARRIED

H3. Bylaw 1412 - Airport Parking Lot Rehabilitation Project Borrowing Bylaw

- 130/14 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council gives second reading to Bylaw 1412, being a Borrowing Bylaw for the Airport Parking Lot Rehabilitation Project. CARRIED

- 131/14 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that County Council gives third reading to Bylaw 1412, being a Borrowing Bylaw for the Airport Parking Lot Rehabilitation Project. CARRIED

Reeve Hickey recessed the meeting at 3:03 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 3:14 p.m.

 Reeve

 Chief Administrative Officer

ADMINISTRATION**I1. Economic Impact Study Request For Proposals (RFP)**

132/14 H. DOEVE MOVED that Lethbridge County Council authorizes Administration to issue a Request for Proposals as amended for an Economic Impact Study that identifies the value that both agriculture and livestock operations add to the provincial economy. CARRIED

I2. 2014 ATB Financial Canadian Master Curling Championship Re: 1) Greetings from Reeve at Cowboy Country Night – April 2, 2014 Readymade Community Centre; 2) Attendance at Meet and Greet - March 30, 2014 Gem of the West Museum; 3) Closing Banquet scheduled for Saturday April 5, 2014 - Lethbridge Lodge

133/14 J. WILLMS MOVED that County Council authorize the Reeve or his designate to bring greetings from Lethbridge County to the 2014 ATB Financial Canadian Masters Men's and Ladies Curling Championship's Cowboy Country Night, scheduled for April 2, 2014; and further any four Councillors wishing to attend the 2014 ATB Financial Canadian Master Curling Championship Meet and Greet scheduled for March 30, 2014 at the Gem-of-the-West Museum at 6:00 p.m. be authorized to do so; and further that any four Councillors wishing to attend the 2014 ATB Financial Canadian Master Curling Championship Closing Banquet scheduled for April 5, 2014 at the Lethbridge Lodge be authorized to do so. CARRIED

I3. 702 Wing Lethbridge Re: 65th Annual Charter Night Banquet – April 5, 2014

134/14 J. WILLMS MOVED that County Council authorizes the Reeve or his designate to attend the 702 Wing Lethbridge's 65th Annual Charter Banquet scheduled for April 5, 2014 at 702 Wing Quarters. CARRIED

I4. 20th Independent Field Battery, RCA Re: Fifth Annual Vimy Mixed Special Guest Night – April 12, 2014

135/14 J. WILLMS MOVED that County Council authorizes the Reeve and Councillor Ken Benson to attend the 20th Independent Field Battery, RCA Re: Fifth Annual Vimy Mixed Special Guest Night scheduled for April 12, 2014. CARRIED

I5. 50th Anniversary Pin Distribution Schedule to County Schools

136/14 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that Council confirm the school assembly schedule as amended for each member of Council to attend the school assemblies for the purpose of distributing the Lethbridge County 50th Anniversary pins and that Administration distributes the pins prior to the Councillor visit and contact the schools with the confirmed schedule. CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

137/14 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED the meeting adjourn at 3:45 p.m. CARRIED

 Reeve

 Chief Administrative Officer