

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE COUNTY HELD AUGUST 20, 2015 IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA.**

**PRESENT:**

Division No. 1	- L. Hickey, Reeve
Division No. 3	- H. Doeve, Deputy Reeve
Division No. 4	- K. Benson
Division No. 5	- S. Campbell
Division No. 6	- T. White
Division No. 7	- M. Zeinstra

**ABSENT:**

Division No. 2	- J. Willms
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**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:**

Chief Administrative Officer	- R. Robinson
Director of Corporate Services	- T. Anderson
Director of Municipal Services	- R. Bacon
Infrastructure Design and Construction Coordinator	- D. Thiele
Acting Director of Community Services	- M. Ebel
Recording Secretary	- D. Irwin

**REEVE LORNE HICKEY IN THE CHAIR**

**CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Hickey called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Rick Robinson, Chief Administrative Officer and members of Council made the following additions and deletions to the August 20, 2015 agenda.

- I1. Royal Canadian Legion Re: Commemorative History Book – Request for Sponsorship
- J3. Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce Re: Finance Minister Joe Ceci - Pre-Budget Consultations - September 11, 2015, Sandman Hotel
- K1. Land Update

337/15 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that Council approve the agenda as amended.  
CARRIED

**IN-CAMERA**

**K1. Land Update**

338/15 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that County Council go In-Camera at 10:04 a.m.  
CARRIED

339/15 K. BENSON MOVED that County Council come out of In-Camera at 10:34 a.m.  
CARRIED

**K1. Land Update**

340/15 T. WHITE MOVED that County Council authorize Administration to seek a legal opinion and schedule a workshop with Legal Counsel and Council regarding the land matter.  
CARRIED

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer

**APPOINTMENTS** **E1. Cindy Vizzutti, CAO and Neil Wilson, Reeve (MD of Willow Creek); Leo Ludwig, CAO and Derrick Annable, Reeve (Vulcan County); Lenze Kiuper, Executive Director and Cam Klassen, Planner (Oldman River Regional Services Commission); Re: Vulcan County / MD of Willow Creek Intermunicipal Development Plan – Presentation by MD of Willow Creek**

Reeve Hickey welcomed the delegation to the meeting at 10:35 a.m. The delegation consisted of Derrick Annable, Reeve, Vulcan County; Leo Ludwig, CAO, Vulcan County; Neil Wilson, Reeve, MD of Willow Creek; Cindy Vizzutti, CAO, MD of Willow Creek; Lenze Kiuper, Executive Director, Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC); Cam Klassen, Planner, ORRSC.

Mr. Annable and Mr. Wilson stated that the Oldman River Regional Services has the contract to develop intermunicipal development plans (IMDP) for adjacent rural municipalities, with funding being provided through the Regional Partnership Initiative. ORRSC members Lenze Kiuper and Cam Klassen discussed the intermunicipal development plan they have developed for Vulcan County and the MD of Willow Creek No. 26 as well as ongoing intermunicipal development plans. The participants feel that this new process where adjacent rural municipalities examine the merits and development of IMDP's as a beneficial way to have what is essentially a 'good neighbour policy'.

Council discussed with the delegation the ongoing Inter-municipal Development Plans that are being worked on in Lethbridge County.

Reeve Hickey thanked the delegation for attending the meeting, the delegation retired at 11:02 a.m.

- 341/15 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that County Council directs Administration to investigate a rural / rural IMDP with its rural neighbors with a report to be brought back to Council at the October 15, 2015 Council meeting. **MOTION DEFEATED**

**CONFIRMATION** **B1. Confirmation of Minutes**

- 342/15 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that the August 6, 2015 Council Minutes be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

**F1. 2015 Road Reconditioning Program - Funding Request**

- 343/15 T. WHITE MOVED that County Council approves an additional \$300,000 from the Public Works Projects Reserve to continue the 2015 Road Reconditioning Program for an additional 7 weeks. **CARRIED**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**G1. Development Application #2015-110 and 2015-118 for Signage and Change of Use at Lot 8, Block 1, Plan 7410087 (4314-1st Avenue, Fairview) – DIRECT CONTROL - New Way Group Ltd.**

- 344/15 T. WHITE MOVED to table item G1. Development Application #2015-110 and 2015-118 for Signage and Change of Use at Lot 8, Block 1, Plan 7410087 (4314-1st Avenue, Fairview) – DIRECT CONTROL - New Way Group Ltd. to the September 3, 2015 Council meeting. **CARRIED**

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer

**APPOINTMENTS** **E2. Dave Schneider, MLA Little Bow**

Reeve Hickey welcomed Mr. Dave Schneider, MLA Little Bow and Mr. Glenn Miller, Assistant to Mr. Schneider to the meeting at 11:34 a.m. Council introduced themselves to the delegation. A discussion was held concerning various topics.

Mr. Schneider stated that the government has sat for two weeks since the election. In that time the following has transpired:

- Three bills passed since the election: 1) An Act to Renewed Democracy; amends the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act; 2) An Act to Restore Fairness to Public Revenue amends The Alberta Corporate Tax Act; and 3) Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2).
- The government has debated Bill 201 being the Electric Utilities (Transparency in Billing) and Bill 202 being the Alberta Local Food Act.
- Regarding construction, the roundabout at Nobleford is ongoing and Coalhurst road work will be starting at the end of this week; and the paving of the Highway 3 corridor from the Monarch turnoff to west Lethbridge is also set to start.
- There has been a private members motion proposed to have all surface rights acts reviewed.
- The constituency office has been relocated from Carmangay, where it was for 25 years to Vulcan; set up is ongoing. There will also be a working office in Coaldale.

Council discussed with Mr. Schneider issues of interest for Lethbridge County including: infrastructure funding, water, water treatment from City and water delivery.

Council requested how can we help Mr. Schneider to lobby on the County's behalf in Edmonton?

Mr. Schneider encouraged the County to keep writing letters, and copy his office and he will present issues to the province on the County's behalf.

Reeve Hickey thanked Mr. Schneider and Mr. Miller for attending the meeting. The delegation retired at 11:57 a.m.

345/15 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that item E2. Dave Schneider, MLA Little Bow be received for information. CARRIED

346/15 T. WHITE MOVED the meeting recess for lunch at 11:57 a.m. CARRIED

Note: Councillor S. Campbell retired at 11:58 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:35 p.m. with all members of Council present as previously stated with the exception of Councillor Campbell.

**CORPORATE SERVICES****H1. Strategic Planning Dates 2016**

347/15 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that County Council selects the dates of January 25<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for the annual Strategic Planning retreat. CARRIED

348/15 K. BENSON MOVED that County Council selects Barbara Pedersen Facilitation Services Inc. as the facilitator for the 2016 annual Strategic Planning retreat. CARRIED

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Chief Administrative Officer

349/15 T. WHITE MOVED that County Council direct Administration to prepare a report to be brought back to a future Council meeting, comparing rates between Canmore, Waterton and the Deerfoot Inn, Calgary for the 2016 Strategic Planning retreat. CARRIED

**H2. 2015 Strategic Plan Progress Update**

350/15 H. DOEVE MOVED that County Council receives the Strategic Plan Progress Update for information. CARRIED

**ADMINISTRATION**

**I1. Royal Canadian Legion Re: Commemorative History Book – Request for Sponsorship**

351/15 T. WHITE MOVED that County Council approve sponsorship of a quarter page, full colour ad in the Royal Canadian Legion's 'Military Service Recognition' Book at a cost of \$519.05 (+ GST); funds to be utilized from the Councillor's Discretionary Reserve. CARRIED

**INVITATIONS**

**J1. City of Lethbridge Re: Retirement Celebration for Kathy Hopkins – September 3, 2015**

352/15 H. DOEVE MOVED that the Reeve or his designate bring greetings and a small gift for presentation to the Retirement Celebration for Kathy Hopkins. Celebration is scheduled for Thursday, September 3, 2015 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at City Hall in the foyer and any other member of Council wishing to attend, do so at their own expense. CARRIED

**J2. Village of Nobleford Re: Appreciation & Recognition – Alberta Emergency Services Medal Presentation to Fire Chief Ryan Wagner**

353/15 H. DOEVE MOVED that Councillor Steve Campbell of the Emergency Services Committee attend the Alberta Emergency Services Medal presentation to Nobleford Fire Chief Ryan Wagner scheduled for August 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Nobleford Community Complex. If Councillor Campbell is unavailable, an alternate member of the Emergency Services Committee attend. CARRIED

**J3. Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce Re: Finance Minister Joe Ceci - Pre-Budget Consultations - September 11, 2015, Sandman Hotel**

354/15 H. DOEVE MOVED that County Council appoint Reeve Hickey and CAO Rick Robinson to attend the Pre-Budget Consultation with Finance Minister Joe Ceci scheduled for Friday, September 11, 2015 commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the Sandman Hotel. CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

355/15 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED the meeting adjourn at 2:26 p.m. CARRIED

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Chief Administrative Officer