

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF LETHBRIDGE COUNTY HELD DECEMBER 20, 2017 IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA.

PRESENT:

Division No. 1	- L. Hickey, Reeve
Division No. 4	- K. Benson, Deputy Reeve
Division No. 2	- T. Campbell
Division No. 3	- R. Horvath
Division No. 5	- S. Campbell
Division No. 6	- K. Vander Veen
Division No. 7	- M. Zeinstra

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Interim/Chief Administrative Officer	- S. Steinke
Acting/Director of Corporate Services	- J. Place
Acting/Director of Municipal Services	- D. Thiele
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 10:05 a.m.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Sheldon Steinke, Interim Chief Administrative Officer and members of Council made the following additions and deletions to the December 20, 2017 agenda.

- J1. In-Service Training Opportunity for Boards of Directors of Commissions with Brownlee Law
- J2. Iron Springs School, Palliser Regional School District
- K2. 20th Independent Field Battery, RCA Re: Annual New Year's Levee – January 1, 2018, Vimy Ridge Armoury

656/17 K. VANDER VEEN
 MOVED that Council approve the agenda as amended.
 CARRIED

CONFIRMATION B1. Confirmation of Minutes

657/17 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that the December 7, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.
 CARRIED

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

G1. Lethbridge Airport Area Water License

658/17 M. ZEINTRA MOVED that County Council authorizes Administration to continue to negotiate the City/Airport Water Supply Agreement with the City of Lethbridge and further, that Administration continues to investigate purchasing alternate water licenses.
 CARRIED

659/17 K. VANDER VEEN
 MOVED that County Council direct Administration to bring a report back to a future Council meeting regarding the County of Lethbridge Rural Water Users Association.
 CARRIED

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G2. MD of Willow Creek Re: Group Meeting of Surrounding Agriculture Service Board Representatives to Discuss Legislative Recommendations to Improve Farm and Ranch Health and Safety – December 22, 2017, MD of Willow Creek

- 660/17 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council receives item G2. MD of Willow Creek Re: Group Meeting of Surrounding Agriculture Service Board Representatives to Discuss Legislative Recommendations to Improve Farm and Ranch Health and Safety – December 22, 2017, MD of Willow Creek for information. CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES

H1. Proposed Local Area Improvement (Pater Subdivision)

- 661/17 K. VANDER VEEN
MOVED that Council extends the deadline for receiving a counter-petition to the proposed local area improvement for paving 660 metres of Range Road 21-0A to April 2, 2018 and that a letter be sent to all impacted landowners advising them of the extension. CARRIED
- 662/17 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that Council direct Administration to research an “Endeavour to Assist” clause regarding the property identified as that portion of SW 1-9-21-W4, #4-210056 HWY 512 prior to making a decision whether to include the property on the list of benefitting properties for the proposed local area improvement for paving 660 metres of Range Road 21-0A. CARRIED
- 663/17 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that Council not contribute to the proposed local area improvement project to pave 660 metres of Range Road 21-0A. CARRIED

H2. McNally Community Citizens on Patrol – Donation Request

- 664/17 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED that County Council authorizes a \$500.00 donation to the McNally Community Citizens on Patrol group to help offset the costs of the program with funds to be derived from the Donation Reserve. CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES

I1. 2017 Canadian Award for Financial Reporting

- 665/17 T. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council receives the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 report for information. CARRIED

Reeve Hickey recessed the meeting at 11:15 a.m.
The meeting reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

I2. Elected Officials Tax Exemption

- 666/17 K. VANDER VEEN
MOVED that as of January 1, 2018, County Council waives the one third tax exemption on Elected Officials income as per the 2017 Federal Budget approval, where it was decided that this tax exemption would be eliminated. CARRIED

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I3. 2018-2020 - Operating Budget Approval

- 667/17 S. CAMPBELL MOVED that County Council approve the 2018 Operating Budget expenses in the amount of \$29,655,080.00 as outlined in Attachment 1 and further that the 2019 and 2020 Operating Budget expenses in the amounts of \$30,096,940.00 and \$31,255,530.00 respectively be approved in principle.
CARRIED

I4. 2018-2020 - Capital Budget Approval

- 668/17 K. VANDER VEEN
MOVED that the 2018 Capital Budget in the amount of \$20,783,845.00 as outlined in Attachment 1 and Attachment 2, be approved and further that the 2019 and 2020 Capital Budgets in the amounts of \$8,159,900.00 and \$6,181,620.00 respectively, as outlined in Attachment 1, be approved in principle.
CARRIED

APPOINTMENTS E1. S/Sgt. Glenn Henry, RCMP Detachment Commander, Coaldale and S/Sgt. Thomas Howell, RCMP Detachment Commander, Picture Butte

Reeve Hickey welcomed Staff Sgt. Glenn Henry, RCMP Detachment Commander, Coaldale and Staff Sgt. Thomas Howell, RCMP Detachment Commander, Picture Butte to the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Staff Sgt. Henry and Staff Sgt. Howell provided Council with an update on policing activities for their respective detachments.

- 669/17 R. HORVATH MOVED that County Council accepts the RCMP information update provided by Staff Sgt. Glenn Henry, RCMP Detachment Commander, Coaldale and Staff Sgt. Thomas Howell, RCMP Detachment Commander, Picture Butte for information.
CARRIED

- 670/17 M. ZEINSTRA MOVED the meeting recess for lunch at 12:07 p.m. CARRIED

The meeting reconvened at 1:42 p.m. with all members of Council present as previously stated.

APPOINTMENTS E2a). SD Application 2017-0-176 - DRT Farms Ltd. - S 1/2 10-9-21-W4

- 671/17 K. VANDER VEEN
MOVED that the Agricultural & Country Residential subdivision of S1/2 10-9-21-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 171 184 395 +1), to reconfigure the size and orientation of two adjacent separately titled parcels, by consolidating an existing 9.42 acre (3.81 ha) title from a portion of the SW 10-9-21-W4 to the adjacent east 79.49 acre (32.17 ha) title (S½ of SE 10-9-21-W4), and then subdivide out a 10.00 acre (4.05 ha) parcel on the very east perimeter of the S½ of SE 10-9-21-W4, for both Agricultural and Country Residential use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County.
2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be

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registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.

3. That the titles and portions of land to be subdivided and consolidated to reconfigure the boundaries and sizes of the two (2) adjacent parcels be done by a plan prepared by a certified Alberta Land Surveyor in a manner such that the resulting title cannot be further subdivided without approval of the Subdivision Authority.

4. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies or the municipality shall be established.

REASONS:

1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan and complies with both the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw.

2. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 7 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation.

3. The Subdivision Authority has determined the application complies with the agricultural subdivision criteria and is deemed to conform to the applicable City of Lethbridge and Lethbridge County IDP policies. The City of Lethbridge has no stated objections or concerns with the subdivision.

4. The subdivision proposal is eligible for consideration in accordance with the County's subdivision criteria as a reconfiguration/realignment of existing titles, with no additional titles being created above what presently exist. CARRIED

E2b). SD Application 2017-0-185 - Herbert Lawrence Wall and Kristine Wall - SW 1/4 1-9-20-W4

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T. CAMPBELL MOVED that the Country Residential and Agricultural subdivision of SW1/4 1-9-20-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 121 180 583 +1), to subdivide a vacant 3.50 acre (1.42 ha) parcel from an unsubdivided quarter section containing 157.98 acres (63.93 ha), for Country Residential use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County.

2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.

3. That a final plan of survey be provided for the approved parcel, as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor acceptable for registration at Land Titles.

4. That the applicant has a professional soils analysis completed for the new parcel to demonstrate suitability of a private on-site septic treatment system on the land, with results to be as determined satisfactory to the Subdivision Authority.

5. That the utility right-of-way / easement(s) as required by ATCO Gas shall be established prior to finalization of the application.

REASONS:

1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan, and with the parcel size waiver granted in accordance with section 654(2) of the MGA, the

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proposed subdivision complies with both the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw.

2. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 7 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation.

3. The Town of Coaldale did not object to the proposal which is located within the IDP boundary with the Town. The Subdivision Authority has determined that given this proposal is a first subdivision from the quarter section, it complies with the applicable IDP policies for this area.

4. The 3.50 acre subdivision proposal is eligible for consideration in accordance with the County's subdivision criteria as a bareland (vacant) parcel. The Subdivision Authority has granted a waiver of the Land Use Bylaw maximum 3.0 acre vacant parcel size, to allow the proposed 3.50 acre parcel, in consideration of the 0.5 acres of land area utilized by the SMRID.

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E2c). SD Application 2017-0-187 - Floyd Joss and Louise Bessie Joss - NW 1/4 5-8-20-W4

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R. HORVATH

MOVED that the Country Residential subdivision of NW1/4 5-8-20-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 101 023 639), to subdivide an existing 90.73 acre (36.71 ha) title fragmented between an irrigation district canal and the CPR rail-track and create a separate 10.62 acre (4.30 ha) parcel, for Country Residential use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

RESERVE: The 10% reserve requirement, pursuant to Sections 666 and 667 of the Municipal Government Act, be provided as money in place of land on the 10.62 acres at the market value of \$10,000 per acre with the actual acreage and amount to be paid to Lethbridge County be determined at the final stage, for Municipal Reserve purposes.

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to Lethbridge County.

2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into a Development Agreement with Lethbridge County which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.

3. That the applicant provide a Subdivision plan as acceptable to Land Titles office, as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor that illustrates the parcel to be subdivided and registered as approved, prior to final endorsement.

REASONS:

1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan and complies with both the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw.

2. With consideration for the Overlay (shadow) Plan, the Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 7 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation.

3. The Subdivision Authority has determined the parcel is suitable and a parcel size waiver has merit, as the boundary will align with an Overlay (shadow) Plan that was prepared for this land in conjunction with the 508 Agri-Business Park Area

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Structure Plan adopted for the land immediately south. This subdivision will separate the existing farm yard from the remnant agricultural land that has been identified in the ASP and the County's Industrial-Commercial Land Use Strategy as future business/industrial land use.

4. This application is considered in respect of the title being a cut-off/fragmented parcel that is severed by a main SMRID canal and CPR rail-line and separating the existing farm yard area from the agricultural parcel.

5. No objections or concerns have been received and Alberta Transportation has granted an approval. CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION

J1. In Service Training Opportunity for Boards of Directors of Commissions with Brownlee Law

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K. VANDER VEEN

MOVED that County Council determines a date early in 2018 for the In Service Training Opportunity for Boards of Directors of Commissions with Brownlee Law and further that Administration recommends inviting all surrounding municipalities to join the in service training for their Directors of the Commissions providing services within Lethbridge County. CARRIED

J2. Iron Springs School, Palliser Regional School District

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M. ZEINSTR

MOVED that County Council authorize the donation of approximately 12 acres of County-owned land located in the most south-easterly corner of the SW 28-11-20-W4, immediately to the north of the Hamlet of Iron Springs to the Palliser School Board, for their future Iron Springs School construction, subject to confirmation that the school will be built on that site. CARRIED

INVITATIONS

K1. MP Rachael Harder Re: Rural Crime Round Table - January 5, 2018, Lethbridge

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K. VANDER VEEN

MOVED that any member of Council wishing to attend the Rachael Harder, MP Rural Crime Round Table Session scheduled for Friday, January 5, 2018 at Moxie's Restaurant from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. be authorized to do so. CARRIED

K2. 20th Independent Field Battery, RCA Re: Annual New Year's Levee - January 1, 2018, Vimy Ridge Armoury

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S. CAMPBELL

MOVED that County Council authorize the Reeve or his designate to attend the Annual New Year's Levee, 20th Independent Field Battery, RCA scheduled for January 1, 2018 at 1200 hours at the Vimy Ridge Armoury, Lethbridge. CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

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M. ZEINSTR

MOVED the meeting adjourn at 2:20 p.m.

CARRIED

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