

Council Brief of the December 18, 2025 Regular Meeting

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SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

1) **Subdivision Application #2025-0-159 – Dronkelaar Farms - SW1/4 32-11-20-W4M and Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 1510082 within NW 29-11-20-W4M**

Council approved that the Agricultural subdivision of SW1/4 32-11-20-W4M and Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 1510082 within NW 29-11-20-W4M, to reconfigure three adjacent titles by subdividing 3.11-acres from an 80.0-acre and consolidating it to an adjacent 112.06-acre title for agricultural use.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1) **DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE**

a. **Bylaw 25-028 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to amend Part 8 Subdivision Criteria with minor complimentary text amendments to Part 3 Land Use Districts**

Council approved first reading of Bylaw 25-025 and made the decision to have a detailed discussion on the proposed amendments.

b. **Bylaw 25-029 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to amend Part 1 Administrative, relating to Development Permit Procedures**

Council approved first reading of Bylaw 25-029.

1) **GROWTH & ENGAGEMENT**

a. **Virtual Physician Pilot**

Council approved entering into an agreement with Rocket Doctor to establish a two-year pilot project to increase awareness and utilization of a virtual physician digital platform.

b. **Rural Road Infrastructure Working Committee**

Council appointed Reeve Tory Campbell as its representative to the Rural Road Infrastructure Working Committee and Ryan Thomson as an administrative representative.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. **Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) Application**

Council agreed that the Administration make an application for the Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) for the outstanding education tax and designated industrial property requisitions related to delinquent oil & gas companies.

b. **Bylaw 25-037 & Bylaw 25-038 - Fortis Franchise Agreement & Distribution Access Services**

Council approved first, second, and third reading of Bylaw 25-037 and Bylaw 25-038.

3) ADMINISTRATION

a. **Rescission of Policies**

Council agreed to rescind the following policies:

- Drug & Alcohol Policy
- Workplace Violence Policy
- Workplace Harassment Policy

DELEGATIONS

1) **STARS – Jackie Seely**

Jackie Seely was present to provide Council the annual STARS update.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1) **Bylaw 25-023 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate Plan 9910323 Block 1 Lot 2 in NW 30-9-22-W4 from Rural Agriculture (RA) to Direct Control (DC)**

Council approved second and third reading of Bylaw 25-023.

2) **Bylaw 25-024 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate 95012 River Ridge Road (Plan 8710514 Block 1 Lot 4, SW-31-9-22-W4) from Rural Agriculture (RA) to Grouped Country Residential (GCR)**

Council approved second and third reading of Bylaw 25-024.

CORRESPONDENCE

1) **2026 Provincial ASB Conference**

Council reviewed correspondence regarding the 2026 Provincial ASB Conference.

2) **Coaldale Chamber of Commerce**

Council reviewed an invitation from the Coaldale Chamber of Commerce to their 44th Annual Awards and Appreciation Banquet taking place on Saturday, February 7, 2026 at the Town of Coaldale's Civic Square.

3) **Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services**

Council reviewed correspondence from the Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Services regarding Ministerial Order No. 35/2025, authorizing the Village of Barons, Towns of Picture Butte, Coalhurst, and Nobleford, and the County of Lethbridge to delegate their powers and duties under the Emergency Management Act to the Lethbridge County Regional Emergency Advisory Committee.

COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

1) **Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - November 2025**

Council reviewed the highlights from the Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update for November 2025.

Division 1

Councillor Lorne Hickey

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 7	MD of Willow Creek Legacy of the Land Banquet
November 16-20	RMA Fall Convention
November 19	Green Acres Finance Meeting
November 26	Green Acres Board Meeting
November 27	Green Acres Pemican Lodge Christmas Party
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting
November 28	Green Acres Black Rock Christmas Party

Division 2

Reeve Tory Campbell

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 5	Link Pathway AGM
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting

November 11	Lethbridge Legion Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 14	Employee Recognition Night
November 17-20	RMA Fall Convention
November 27	Virtual Meeting with Minister of Advanced Education
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting
November 28	Town of Coaldale Night of Lights Parade
November 29	Town of Coalhurst Heritage Ball

Division 3

Councillor Mark Sayers

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 5	FCSS Board Meeting
November 5	Link Pathway AGM
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 11	Coaldale Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 13	RMA 101 Online
November 14	Employee Recognition Night
November 17	EOEP Course
November 17-20	RAM Fall Convention
November 25	ASB Meeting
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting
November 28	Town of Coaldale Night of Lights Parade

Division 4

Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 3	Alberta Council Effective Lobbying Refresher Course
November 4	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
November 5	Meeting with PrairiesCan
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 7-8	Community Futures Western Canada Chair Meeting
November 12	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
November 14	Employee Recognition Night
November 17	EOEP Course
November 17-20	RMA Fall Convention

November 26	Weekly Meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting

Division 5

Councillor Kevin Slomp

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 14	Employee Recognition Night
November 17	EOEP Course
November 17-20	RMA Fall Convention
November 25	ASB Meeting
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting

Division 6

Councillor Eric Van Essen

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 5	Picture Butte Chamber of Commerce Executive Meeting
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 11	Picture Butte Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 13	Picture Butte Chamber of Commerce Meeting
November 14	Employee Recognition Night
November 17-20	RMA Fall Convention
November 25	ASB Meeting
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting

Division 7

Councillor Tony Ankermann

November 1	EOEP Munis 101
November 6	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
November 17	EOEP Course
November 17-20	RMA Fall Convention
November 25	ASB Meeting
November 28	Budget Deliberation Meeting

CLOSED SESSION

1) **Growth & Engagement - Intermunicipal Relations (ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intermunicipal relations)**

Council agreed to send a letter of support under the Reeve's signature for the Blood Tribe's AKERS project.

2) **Fire Services (ATIA Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations)**

Council agreed to sign the Coaldale Fire Services Agreement as presented.