



Council Brief of the

February 1, 2023 Regular Meeting

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DELEGATIONS:

1) MLA Grant Hunter

MLA Grant Hunter provided Council with an update on the Highway 3 Twinning from Taber to Burdett, the Agri-Food Processing Corridor, provincial budget deliberations and provincial water shortages.

SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

1) Subdivision Application #2023-0-156 – Traber – Lot 8, Block 25, Plan 0713699 within SW ¼ 7-10-23-W4M (Hamlet of Monarch)

Council approved the subdivision application subject to the conditions outlined in the draft resolution. The application is to subdivide a 0.44 acre title into two equal lots, each being 0.22 acres respectively in size, for hamlet residential use.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

a. Planning and Development Department 2023 Annual Report

Hilary Janzen, Manager, Planning and Development presented the 2023 Planning and Development Department Annual Report.

b. 2023 Community Peace Officer Annual Report

David Entz, Community Peace Officer presented the 2023 Community Peace Officer Annual Report.

2) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Gem of the West Museum Society – Donation Request

Council approved a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Gem of the West Museum Society for their free family event as per County Policy #161.

b. Bylaw 24-005 – Community Aggregate Payment Levy

Council approved three readings of the bylaw, which outlines the Community Aggregate Payment Levy.

c. Bylaw 24-006 – Schedule of Fees

Council approved three readings of the bylaw, which determines the fee schedule for County services in 2024.

d. Farming Smarter 4H Silent Auction Donation Request

Council approved a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Farming Smarter 4H Silent Auction as per County Policy #161.

3) OPERATIONS

a. Bylaw 24-001 – 2024 Utility Rate Bylaw

Council approved three readings of the bylaw, which determines the utility rates for 2023.

4) ADMINISTRATION

a. Town of Picture Butte – Health Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee

Council approved the appointment of Councillor Lorne Hickey to participate on the Town of Picture Butte’s Health Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee.

b. Salvation Army Memorandum of Understanding

Council approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the Salvation Army for first responder support.

c. Letter of Support – City of Lethbridge FRIAA (Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) Grant Application

Council approved a letter of support for the City of Lethbridge FRIAA (Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) Grant Application.

d. CAO Report – Compensation Review Update

CAO Cole Beck provided an update on the compensation review.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1) Southern Alberta Chinese Association – Year of the Dragon Spring Festival Invitation

Council received information on the 13th Annual Alberta CARE Spring Seminar which is being held February 28-March 1, 2024 in Camrose.

2) Southern Alberta Economic Summit 2024

Council received an invitation from SouthGrow for the Southern Alberta Economic Summit 2024 which is being held on March 21, 2024 in Lethbridge.

3) Letter from Ken Kearns

Council received correspondence from Ken Kearns expressing his concerns with the dust suppression program.

4) Town of Nobleford – Notice of Intent to Annex Land

Council received correspondence from the Town of Nobleford regarding their Notice of Intent to Annex Land.