



## **Council Brief of the May 7, 2020 Regular Meeting**

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### **SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS:**

- 1) Subdivision Application #2020-0-024 Winkelaar- NE¼ 12-07-21- W4M**  
Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.
- 2) Subdivision Application #2020-0-030 LNID- Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, Plan 0811147 & Canal ROW, Plan 0716429 (W1/2 8-10-23-W4M)**  
Council approved the application subject to the conditions as outlined in the draft resolution.

### **REPORTS:**

- 1) Supervisor of Agriculture Services Report**  
Council received the report for information.
- 2) Planning and Development Department- 1st Quarter Report 2020**  
Council received the report for information.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

- 1) 1:30 p.m.- Dr. Jim Byrne, University of Lethbridge- Presentation**  
Dr. Byrne gave a presentation to Council on the potential impacts of climate change on regional agriculture, and the opportunities that exist within southern Alberta (including Lethbridge County) for renewable energy to increase the region's agricultural production.

### **BYLAWS:**

- 1) Bylaw 20-010- 1673604 Alberta Ltd (More than Just Feed)- Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw from Rural Urban Fringe (RUF) to Rural General Industrial (RGI)- Plan 0214060 Block 1 Lot 1 in a portion of 7-10-23 -W4- First Reading**  
Council approved first reading of the bylaw.

### **MUNICIPAL SERVICES:**

- 1) Airport West Residential Waterline- Capital Project Cancellation**  
Council approved the cancellation of 2019 Utility Capital Project UT-19-02 Airport West Residential Waterline, as the developer is no longer going forward with the proposed residential development.
- 2) Reallocation of Road Construction**  
Council approved that \$500,000 from the Public Works 2020 Operating Budget for Road Reconstruction be reallocated to alternate road infrastructure projects in the 2020 calendar year for 2020 projects.
- 3) Hard Surface Roadway Upgrades- Rudelich and Iron Springs Road**  
Council approved that the treatment of the Rudelich Road, RR 21-2A south of Highway 519 be given a soil cement and chip seal treatment at an approximate cost of \$208,500 with funding

derived from a reallocation of the 2020 construction budget of \$500,000. Council also approved the treatment of the Iron Springs Road, RR 20-4 from Highway 519 to TWPR 11-2, maintaining the current surface and a base stabilization and a final surfacing of chip seal at an approximate cost of \$638,000 with funding derived from a reallocation of the 2020 construction budget of \$500,000. The overage of \$347,300 for the two projects is to be funded from the Public Works Reserve.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

##### **1) Coalhurst Fire Engine 108 Replacement- Supplementary Information**

Council approved that up to \$55,000.00 be drawn from the Emergency Services Contingency Reserve to cover the higher than expected cost of the County's half for the scheduled fire engine replacement with the Town of Coalhurst, and that proceeds from the sale of existing 108 be directed back into the reserve.

#### **CORPORATE SERVICES:**

##### **1) Bylaw 20-011 Tax Mill Rate**

Council approved first, second, and third reading of the bylaw, which sets the 2020 tax mill rates at:

ASSESSMENT CLASS	2020 TAX RATE
Class 3- Farmland	27.5586
Class 1- Residential	7.4674
Class 2- Non-Residential	13.1362
Class 4- Machinery and Equipment	9.4482

##### **2) Bylaw 20-012 2020 Tax Penalty Amendment**

Council approved first, second, and third reading of the bylaw, which defers penalties on property tax payments to September 1, 2020. Council recognizes that some property owners may be experiencing financial difficulties due to the effects of COVID-19.

#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

##### **1) Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association (SAEWA)- Briefing Update April 2020**

Council received the update for information.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

##### **Council Activities for February, March, April 2020**

##### **1) Reeve Lorne Hickey**

###### **February**

3-5- Alberta Irrigation District Association Conference  
6- Brownlee LLP- Emerging Trends in Municipal Law workshop  
7- Council meeting, Mayors and Reeves meeting  
8- Minister of Agriculture meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/LNID/SMRID meeting- Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement  
11- Reeve and CAO meeting  
14- Meeting with Nathan Neudorf, MLA  
15- Royal Canadian Legion Flag Raising  
19- Reeve and CAO meeting

20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter, MLA/Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction  
24- Union Collective Agreement meeting  
25- Coaldale Intermunicipal Development Plan meeting  
26- Coffee with Council, Reeve and CAO meeting  
27- Meeting with Assistant Deputy Minister of Western Economic Diversification

###### **March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat

5- Council meeting  
6- Mayors and Reeves meeting  
11- Reeve and CAO meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**2) Deputy Reeve Tory Campbell**

**February**

4-5- Alberta Irrigation Districts  
Association Conference  
6- Brownlee LLP- Emerging Trends in  
Municipal Law  
7- Council meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/SMRID/LNID  
meeting- Intermunicipal  
Collaboration Framework Agreement  
20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter,  
MLA/Associate Minister of Red  
Tape Reduction  
25- Town of Coaldale Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting, Link  
Pathway meeting  
26- Coffee with Council  
27- Exhibition Park/Rotary Club Ag  
Scholarship dinner  
29- Link Pathway Open House

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**3) Councillor Robert Horvath**

**February**

4-5- Alberta Irrigation Districts  
Conference  
6- Brownlee LLP- Emerging Trends in  
Municipal Law workshop  
7- Council meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/LNID/SMRID  
meeting  
12- Coaldale Chamber of Commerce  
meeting  
20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter,  
MLA/Associate Minister of Red  
Tape Reduction

24- Union Collective Agreement  
meeting  
25- Coaldale Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting  
26- Coffee with Council

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**4) Councillor Ken Benson**

**February**

4-5- Alberta Irrigation Districts  
Association Conference  
6- Council meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/SMRID/LNID  
meeting- Intermunicipal  
Collaboration Framework Agreement,  
Intermunicipal Development Plan  
Committee meeting with  
Town of Coalhurst  
20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter,  
MLA/Associate Minister of Red  
Tape Reduction  
24- Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**5) Councillor Steve Campbell**

**February**

5- Exhibition Park Board meeting  
7- Council meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/SMRID/LNID  
meeting- Intermunicipal  
Collaboration Framework Agreement  
10- Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting  
13- Exhibition Park Board Training  
14- Meeting with Nathan Neudorf, MLA  
20- Council meeting  
24- Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting

26- Community Futures Board meeting  
and training  
27- Exhibition Park/Rotary Club Ag  
Scholarship dinner

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
19- Emergency Exhibition Park meeting  
25- Community Futures Region meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**6) Councillor Klaas VanderVeen**

**February**

3-5- Alberta Irrigation Districts  
Association Conference  
7-Council meeting  
10- Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting  
19- Southern Alberta Energy from  
Waste Association meeting  
20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter,  
MLA/Associate Minister of Red  
Tape Reduction  
24- Town of Coalhurst Intermunicipal  
Development Plan meeting  
26- Coffee with Council

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
27- Southern Alberta Energy from  
Waste Association conference  
call meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting

**7) Councillor Morris Zeinstra**

**February**

3-5- Alberta Irrigation Districts  
Association Conference  
6- Brownlee LLP- Emerging Trends in  
Municipal Law workshop  
7- Council meeting  
10- Lethbridge County/SMRID/LNID  
meeting- Intermunicipal  
Collaboration Framework Agreement  
12- Picture Butte Chamber of  
Commerce meeting  
20- Council meeting  
21- Meeting with Grant Hunter,  
MLA/Associate Minister of Red  
Tape Reduction  
24- Union Collective Agreement  
meeting  
26- Coffee with Council  
27- Exhibition Park/Rotary Club Ag  
Scholarship dinner

**March**

2-3- Corporate Retreat  
5- Council meeting  
9- North County Potable Water Co-op  
meeting  
12- County of Lethbridge Seed Cleaning  
Plant meeting  
30- Council conference call meeting

**April**

16- Council meeting