

Council Brief of the November 18, 2021 Regular Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER:

Reeve Campbell acknowledged and provided condolences for all those being affected by the floods in British Columbia.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1) CORPORATE SERVICES

a. Council Remuneration Update

Council approved that members return to the budgeted remuneration as per Policy #183, effective the November 2021 month end payroll run. In April 2020, Council decided to temporarily reduce their salaries by 10% due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

b. 2021 Tax Auction Reserve Bids and Conditions of Sale

Council approved the 2021 Tax Auction Properties Schedule 'A' reserve bids and conditions as presented. Three parcels will be offered for sale, subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions in the existing certificate of title.

2) MUNICIPAL SERVICES

a. Policy 356 – Local Improvement Tax

Council approved the policy, which will ensure a consistent and transparent process for future Local Improvement Taxes. It provides guidance to staff and property owners on the steps required to initiate a Local Improvement Tax, and the financial implications of doing so. It also suggests a contribution rate when a Local Improvement Tax is initiated by the County.

b. Rescind Policies Amalgamated into Public Works Level of Service Policy

Council rescinded Policy 341 – Gravel Road Maintenance and Policy 345 – County Roads – Servicing Levels as they are represented in the Public Works Level of Service Policy.

c. 2021 – 2022 Level of Service – Public Works Winter Maintenance Level of Service

Council approved the policy, which outlines most of the winter maintenance activities the Public Works department provides. Policy 342 – Snow Plowing was rescinded as it is now represented in the Level of Service policy.

3) COMMUNITY SERVICES

a. Emergency Management Support Agreement Renewal

Council approved the renewal of the Agreement for Emergency Management Support with the Town of Coaldale for a one-year period commencing February 1, 2022 at a cost of \$40,000. The agreement provides the County with Director of Emergency Management (DEM) services.

b. August - October 2021 Fire Services Coordinator Activity Summary

The County's Fire Services Coordinator provided an update on activities from August to October 2021.

4) ADMINISTRATION

a. Letter of Support Request – Lethbridge Airport CBSA Agents

Council approved that a letter of support be written for the return of CBSA (customs agents) to the Lethbridge Airport to facilitate out of country air traffic to clear customs in Lethbridge.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1) Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - October 2021

Division 1 - Councillor Lorne Hickey October 1 **Mayors and Reeves** October 6 Meeting with CAO October 7 Lethbridge County Council Meeting October 13 Meeting with CAO October 14 Meeting with Minister Nixon October 20 Meeting with CAO October 28 Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting October 28 Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 2 - Reeve Tory Campbell

October 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 28	Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting
October 28	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 29	Meeting with CAO

Division 3 - Councillor Mark Sayers

October 28	Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting
October 28	Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 4 - Councillor John Kuerbis

October 28	Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting
October 28	Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 6 -Councillor Klaas VanderVeen

October 6	South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference in Cardston
October 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
October 8	SAEWA Board Meeting
October 20	Economic Development Lethbridge
October 28	Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting
October 28	Lethbridge County Council Meeting

Division 7 - Councillor Morris Zeinstra

South Region Agricultural Service Board Conference in Cardston
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Lethbridge County Organizational Meeting
Lethbridge County Council Meeting

DELEGATIONS:

1) CLOSED SESSION – (FOIP Section 16 – Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party)
No motion was made.

CLOSED SESSION:

1) 2022 Bank of Montreal/Calgary Stampede Farm Family Awards Program (FOIP Section 19 – Confidential Evaluations)

No motion was made.

2) Land Disposition (FOIP Section 16 – Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party)
No motion was made.