

Council Brief of the June 18, 2026 Regular Meeting

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SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

1) **Subdivision Application #2026-0-056 – Bahler – NW1/4 34-10-20-W4M**

Council approved the Country Residential subdivision of Block B, Plan 4434JK within SW1/4 199-20-W4M the Country Residential subdivision of NW1/4 34-10-20-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 231 187 375 +2), to subdivide an 8.32-acre (3.367 ha) first parcel out subdivision from a ¼-section title of 153.65-acres (62.18 ha) for country residential use, subject to the conditions laid out.

2) **Subdivision Application #2026-0-057 – Zwartbol/Slingerland – Lot, Block 1, Plan 9312354 within NW1/4 24-9-22-W4**

Council approved the Country Residential subdivision of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 9312354 within NW1/4 24-9-22-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 261 020 553), to subdivide a 10.47-acre (4.24 ha) title and create three lots varying in size from 3.04 to 4.37 acres (1.23 to 1.77 ha) for grouped country residential use, subject to the conditions laid out.

DELEGATIONS

1) **Robin Hepher CEO – Chinook Arch Library System**

Robin Hepher, CEO of Chinook Arch Library System was present to provide an update for Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1) **Bylaw 26-003 - Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate a portion of NW-4-9-20-W4M (90081 Range Road 204) from Urban Fringe (UF) to a Direct Control (DC)**

The Manager, Planning and Development reviewed Bylaw 26-003. Brian Stwbesdyk spoke in favor of Bylaw 26-003. Not further comments were made. Council moved that Bylaw 26-003 be read a second and third time.

2) **Bylaw 26-009 – Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate Plan 309 DT Block 1 Lots 9-11 (120 Main Street, Turin) from Hamlet Direct Control (H DC) to Hamlet Residential (HR)**

The Manager, Planning and Development reviewed Bylaw 26-009. Jaylene Pickering Chrupka spoke in opposition of Bylaw 26-009. No further comments were made. Council approved that Bylaw 26-009 be read a second and third time.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1) DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

- a. **Bylaw 26-010 – Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to Redesignate a Portion of Plan 0815575, Block 1, Lot 2 (112026 Range Road 223) within SW-15-11-23-W4M from Rural Agriculture (RA) to Business Light Industrial (BLI)**

Council approved that Bylaw 26-010 be read a first time.

2) ADMINISTRATION

- a. **Bylaw 26-018 – ORRSC Regional Assessment Review Board Bylaw**

Council approved that Bylaw 26-018 – ORRSC Regional Assessment Review Board Bylaw be read a first time followed by a second reading. Council considered a third reading of Bylaw 26-018 - ORRSC Regional Assessment Review Board Bylaw.

- b. **Community Peace Officer Policy Updates**

Council approved the following new Community Peace Officer Policies:

- Policy 219 – CPO Agency Objective
- Policy 220 – CPO Authorities and Employer Restrictions
- Policy 221 – CPO Level 1 Incident Reporting
- Policy 222 – Peace Officer Program Reporting

Council then approved to rescind the following existing CPO policies effective upon approval of the new policy framework:

- Policy 207 – CPO OC Spray
- Policy 208 – CPO Baton
- Policy 209 – CPO Complaints
- Policy 210 – CPO Informal Resolutions
- Policy 211 – CPO Record Keeping & Exhibit Handling
- Policy 212 – CPO Employer Reporting Requirements
- Policy 214 – CPO Body Worn Cameras
- Policy 215 – Exhibit Handling & Disposal of Cannabis
- Policy 217 – CPO Communication System

3) GROWTH & ENGAGEMENT

- a. **Communications & Marketing Q1 + Q2 Report**

Mattie Watson, Strategist Communications & Marketing presented the Communications & Marketing Q1 & Q2 report to Council.

b. **SAMP Sponsorship Request**

Council approved a donation of up to \$100.00 per basket from Council's donation reserve to support the creation of welcome packages for new students to the Southern Alberta Medical Program (SAMP) and further that the funds be used to purchase products from local businesses for inclusion in such packages with County promotional material.

CORRESPONDENCE

1) **TIME Society**

Council reviewed correspondence from the TIME Society regarding their upcoming Father Daughter Ball.

2) **Letter from Shari Rogerson**

Council reviewed correspondence from Shari Rogerson regarding the increasing traffic demands along 43rd Street North.

3) **STARS**

Council reviewed a thank you letter for Council's donation to STARS.

4) **Alberta Municipal Affairs – PERC Extension**

Council reviewed correspondence from Alberta Municipal Affairs.

5) **Canadian Federation of Independent Business**

Council reviewed correspondence from Canadian Federation of Independent Business.

6) **City of Lethbridge – Mayor's Community BBQ**

Council reviewed invitation from City of Lethbridge Office of the Mayor to attend the post Whoop Up Days parade BBQ for elected officials at Lethbridge City Hall.

COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

1) **Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update - May 2026**

Council reviewed the highlights from the Lethbridge County Council Attendance Update for May 2026.

Division 1

Councillor Lorne Hickey

May 1	Green Acres Service Awards Recognition Night
May 6	Whoop Up Days Media Launch
May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 7-9	Green Acres Board Retreat
May 20	Green Acres Executive & Finance Meeting
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 22	Chinook Equipment Grand Opening
May 27	Green Acres Board Meeting

Division 2

Reeve Tory Campbell

May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 8	Friends of Chinook Arch Society Casino
May 13	Rural Road Infrastructure Committee Meeting, Virtual
May 13	Meeting with Administration, Development and Infrastructure
May 15	Meeting with MLA Neudorf
May 20	EDL Board Meeting
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 22	Chinook Equipment Grand Opening
May 23	Picture Butte High School Graduation Ceremony
May 28	Media, NRED Grant

Division 3

Councillor Mark Sayers

May 5	ASB Meeting
May 6	Whoop Up Days Media launch
May 6	FCSS Board Meeting
May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 13	Link Pathway Meeting
May 14	Meeting with CAO
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 22	Chinook Equipment Grand Opening

**Division 4****Deputy Reeve John Kuerbis**

May 5	Weekly meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 12	Weekly meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
May 13	Community Futures network of Alberta meeting, Virtual
May 19	Weekly meeting with Community Futures Executive Director
May 20	Regional Waste Commission Branding Workshop
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 27	Community Futures Monthly Board meeting

Division 5**Councillor Kevin Slomp**

May 20	Regional Waste Commission Branding Workshop
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 27	Chinook Arch Planning & Facilities Committee Meeting

Division 6**Councillor Eric Van Essen**

May 5	ASB Meeting
May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 22	Chinook Equipment Grand Opening

Division 7**Councillor Tony Ankermann**

May 5	ASB Meeting
May 7	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 21	Lethbridge County Council Meeting
May 22	Chinook Equipment Grand Opening

NEW BUSINESS

1) **Alberta Municipalities Conference attendance request for the Fall 2026 Convention**

Council approved that Deputy Reeve Kuerbis be sent to the Alberta Municipalities Conference September 23-25, 2026, in Edmonton.

CLOSED SESSION

1) **Contracted Services (ATIA Section 30 - Disclosure harmful to economic & other interests of a public body).**

Council approved to direct administration to issue notice to the Oldman River Regional Services Commission terminating the provision of all services to Lethbridge County, including services associated with the 1995 Planning Commission Agreement, the 2021 Agreement for Regional Assessment Review Services, and the 2019 Agreement for Chinook Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, effective December 31, 2026. Council further approved that they enter into the services provider contract.