

COUNTY OF MINBURN NO. 27**COUNTY COUNCIL**

- JUNE 21, 2021** Minutes of the County Council meeting held on June 21, 2021 at the County of Minburn No. 27 office, Vegreville, Alberta.
- PRESENT** Present at the meeting were:
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| Reeve: | Roger Konieczny |
| Deputy Reeve: | Clifford Wowdzia |
| Councillors: | Richard Wagner |
| | Eric Anderson |
| | Tara Kuzio |
| | Carl Ogrodnick |
| | Kevin Bentley |
| Chief Administrative Officer: | Brent Williams |
| Recording Secretary: | Trudy Shukalak |
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Councillor Anderson moved the Agenda for the June 21, 2021 regular County Council meeting be adopted as presented.
Carried.
- MAY 17, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Kuzio moved the minutes of the May 17, 2021 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.
Carried.
- SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** Graham Shell presented the Superintendent of Public Works report for the month of May 2021.
- Councillor Ogrodnick moved the Superintendent of Public Works report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 44-21 SCHOOL BUS STOP AHEAD SIGNS – 51026 RGE RD 95/13107 TWP RD 514** Councillor Kuzio moved to install “School Bus Stop Ahead” signs at 51026 Range Road 95 in Division 3 and 13107 Township Road 514 in Division 5.
Carried.
- PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER** Davin Gegolick presented the Planning and Development Officer’s report for the month of May 2021.
- Councillor Bentley moved the Planning and Development Officer’s report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 45-21 POLICY PAR 71-01 WAPASU PARK REGULATIONS AMENDMENT** Councillor Anderson moved to amend Parks and Recreation Wapasu Park Regulations Policy PAR 71-01 as presented.
Carried.
- 46-21 ATCO ELECTRIC UTILITY LINE** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to approve the request received from ATCO Electric to bury their utility line within the County Road allowance located on Township Road 510 between Range Road 123 and 135.
Carried.
- 47-21 SWIMMING LESSONS – WAPASU LAKE** Councillor Kuzio moved to approve the request received from two County residents to hold swimming lessons at Wapasu Lake.
Carried.
- DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND UTILITY SERVICES** Darwin Ullery presented the Agriculture and Utility Services report for the month of May 2021.
- Councillor Anderson moved the Agriculture and Utility Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried.

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- 48-21
POLICY ASB 1 –
BEAVER CONTROL
AMENDMENT** Councillor Ogradnick moved to amend Agricultural Service Board Beaver Control Policy ASB 1 as presented.
Carried.
- DIRECTOR OF
FINANCE AND
ADMINISTRATION** Jason Warawa presented the Director of Finance and Administration's monthly report for the month of May 2021.

Councillor Wagner moved the Director of Finance and Administration's report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 49-21
POLICY
DEVELOPMENT
STANDARDS POLICY
AD 1001-01** Councillor Bentley moved to approve Administration Policy Development Standards Policy AD 1001-01 as presented.
Carried.
- 50-21
NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION
GRANT** Councillor Bentley moved to allocate \$67,600 to non-profit organizations in 2021 as presented, and support the recommended changes to administer the program.
Carried.
- 51-21
POLICY CC6 –
COUNCIL
REMUNERATION
AND APPOINTED
MEMBERS
AMENDMENT** Councillor Anderson moved to amend County Council Remuneration and Benefits for Councillors and Appointed Members Policy CC 6 as presented.
Carried.
- 52-21
ROTARY PEACE
PARK – REQUEST
FOR FUNDING** Councillor Bentley moved an unbudgeted capital expenditure of \$13,200 from the Peace Park Reserve for improvements at the Vegreville Rotary Peace Park.
Carried.
- DIRECTOR OF
PROTECTIVE
SERVICES** Mike Fundytus presented the Director or Protective Services report for the month of May 2021.

Councillor Anderson moved the Director of Protective Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- COUNCILLOR
REPORTS** Council reported on the monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:

Councillor Wagner – Division 1
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 18, 2021
- Gravel required on Range Road 84 north of Township Road 500

Councillor Anderson – Division 2
- Vegreville Intermunicipal Committee meeting, June 3, 2021
- East Central 911 Call Answer Society virtual meeting, June 9, 2021
- Agricultural Service Board (ASB) virtual meeting, June 15, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 18, 2021
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS
CONT'D** Reeve Konieczny – Division 3
- Vegreville Intermunicipal Committee meeting, June 3, 2021
- Received call from ratepayer regarding Buffalo Trail School Division bus routes, June 8, 2021
- Temporary road closure due to farm equipment incident, June 8, 2021
- Received call regarding ditch clean-up, June 8, 2021

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**COUNCIL REPORTS
CONT'D** - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 18, 2021

GAVEL Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.

**COUNCIL REPORTS
CONT'D** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia – Division 4

- Vegreville Intermunicipal Committee meeting, June 3, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 3, 2021
- Meeting with ratepayer regarding an approach
- Meeting with Highlow School community members regarding installation of sign on County right-of-way
- Received call from ratepayer regarding dust control concerns

Councillor Kuzio – Division 5

- Vegreville Community Health Services Awareness virtual meeting, May 18, 2021
- Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professional Attraction and Retention (VRPHPAR) Committee virtual meeting, May 20, 2021
- Meeting with Director of Agriculture and Utility Services regarding sign replacement at entrance Hamlet of Ranfurly entrance, May 21, 2021
- Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies (AAAS) Virtual Awards Gala 2021, May 27, 2021
- Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) general board meeting, May 29, 2021
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Virtual Annual Conference, June 1 to 4, 2021
- Covenant Health virtual presentation – “The Future of Caring for Seniors”, June 9, 2021
- MD of Minburn Foundation meeting, June 10, 2021
- St. Joseph’s Hospital Staff Memorial Plaque Unveiling, June 15, 2021
- Meeting with VRPHPAR Committee and new doctor, June 16, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 18, 2021
- Bear sightings in the Lavoy area
- Ranfurly Transfer Station issues

Councillor Ogrodnick – Division 6

- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce meeting, June 3, 2021
- MD of Minburn Foundation meeting, June 10, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 18, 2021
- Holden Road issues
- Gravel truck concerns

Councillor Bentley – Division 7

- Received call from ratepayer regarding culvert concern crossing Highway 631 east of Highway 857 and reported to Alberta Transportation
- Vegreville Economic Development Board meeting, May 27, 2021
- Received call regarding obstructed Yield sign on Range Road 153 and Township Road 534, May 28, 2021
- Committee of the Whole Meeting, June 18, 2021

Councillor Anderson moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.

Carried.

**53-21
CONGRATULATORY
LETTER –
COUNCILLOR
TANEEN RUDYK**

Councillor Anderson moved to send a letter to Town of Vegreville Councillor Taneen Rudyk congratulating her on her appointment as first Vice-President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).

Carried.

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GAVEL Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.

REEVE'S REPORT Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:
 - Attended Decoration Day Ceremonies at Lavoy and Vegreville Cemeteries, June 12 and June 13, 2021

Councillor Wagner moved the Reeve's report be accepted as presented.
Carried.

GAVEL Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.

CAO'S REPORT Brent Williams presented the CAO's monthly report.

Councillor Anderson moved the CAO's report be accepted as presented.
Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE The following items of correspondence were reviewed by Council:
 - County of Grande Prairie – Copy of letter dated May 14, 2021 sent to the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry requesting increased funding and support for municipal Agricultural Service Boards.
 - MP Lakeland Shannon Stubbs – Letter dated May 28, 2021 received from Shannon Stubbs, MP Lakeland regarding Bill C-21 that will make changes to the Criminal Code and Firearms Act granting municipalities the authority to create handgun bylaws.
 - Smoky Lake County – Copy of letter dated May 31, 2021 sent to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General in support of retaining the RCMP in Alberta.
 - Red Deer County – Letter dated June 4, 2021 sent to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General in support of the RCMP as the premier choice for the province's police force.

**54-21
 BILL C-21 –
 CRIMINAL CODE AND
 FIREARMS ACT** Councillor Ogradnick moved to send a letter to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, MP, Prime Minister of Canada expressing Council's opposition to Bill C-21 that will make changes to the *Criminal Code and Firearms Act*, and includes a provision to grant municipalities the authority to create handgun bylaws which would place conditions on federal firearms, licenses relating to handgun use, storage, or transportation within those municipalities that have passed such bylaws.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT Councillor Kuzio moved the meeting adjourn. Time 12:26 p.m.
Carried.

 Reeve

 Chief Administrative Officer