

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

- MAY 17, 2021** Minutes of the County Council meeting held on May 17, 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   |
|                               | Tara Kuzio       |
|                               | Carl Ogradnick   |
|                               | Kevin Bentley    |
| Chief Administrative Officer: | Brent Williams   |
| Recording Secretary:          | Trudy Shukalak   |
- ABSENT** Councillor Anderson was absent from the meeting.
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the Agenda for the May 17, 2021 regular County Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- APRIL 19, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Kuzio moved the minutes of the April 19, 2021 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- MAY 12, 2021 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Bentley moved the minutes of the May 12, 2021 special Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER** Davin Gegolick presented the Planning and Development Officer's report for the month of April 2021.
- Councillor Bentley moved the Planning and Development Officer's report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 45-21 REQUEST TO PURCHASE LOT AT WAPASU** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to uphold the intentions of the Wapasu Area Structure Plan (ASP) and not allow for the development of additional limited services recreation lots.  
**Carried.**
- SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** Graham Shell presented the Superintendent of Public Works report for the month of April 2021.
- Councillor Ogradnick moved the Superintendent of Public Works report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 46-21 REMOVE YIELD SIGN – TWP RD 504 AND RGE RD 125** Councillor Ogradnick moved to remove the "Yield" sign from the east corner of Township Road 504 and Range Road 125.  
**Carried.**
- 47-21 INSTALL NO THROUGH ROAD SIGN – RGE RD 94 AND TWP RD 490** Councillor Wagner moved to install a "No Through Road" sign at the intersection of Range Road 94 and Township Road 490.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND UTILITY SERVICES** Darwin Ullery presented the Agriculture and Utility Services report for the month of April 2021.
- Councillor Kuzio moved the Agriculture and Utility Services report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**

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- DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION** Jason Warawa presented the Director of Finance and Administration's monthly report for the month of April 2021.
- Councillor Wagner moved the Director of Finance and Administration's report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 48-21 CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN 2021 MUNICIPAL TAXES** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to cancel the 2021 municipal portion of the tax levy for the following as per Section 347(1) of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*:
- Vegreville Seed Cleaning Association Ltd.
  - Innisfree Seed Cleaning Association Ltd.
  - Vegreville Golf Course
  - Mannville Riverview Golf Course
- Carried.**
- 49-21 CAP LEVY BYLAW NO. 1320-21** Bylaw No. 1320-21 was presented for the purpose of authorizing the imposition of a Community Aggregate Payment (CAP) Levy bylaw.
- Councillor Bentley moved to not proceed with the proposed Community Aggregate Payment (CAP) Levy bylaw.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES** Mike Fundytus presented the Director or Protective Services report for the month of April 2021.
- Councillor Kuzio moved the Director of Protective Services report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 50-21 BRIDGE FILE 73952 TENDER AWARD** Councillor Bentley moved to award the tender for Bridge File 73952 Culvert Installation Project located on Range Road 152 south of Township Road 532 to Prairie Erectors for a cost of \$299,017.50 plus GST.  
**Carried.**
- COUNCILLOR REPORTS** Council reported on the monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:
- Councillor Wagner – Division 1
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021
  - Placement of "Yield" signs at intersection of Township Road 490 and Ranger Road 91
  - Rough railroad crossing north of the Hamlet of Minburn
  - Drainage issues on Township Road 504
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS CONT'D** Reeve Konieczny – Division 3
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021
  - Received numerous calls regarding worksite clean-up of construction project in Division 3
  - Received calls and spoke to CAO regarding drainage issues north of the Hamlet of Minburn
  - Request from ratepayer for additional footage of calcium dust control
- GAVEL** Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS CONT'D** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia – Division 4
- Alberta Central East (ACE) Water Corporation Board meeting, April 22, 2021
  - Vegreville Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, April 22, 2021
  - ACE Water Corporation tender award meeting, April 28, 2021
  - ACE Water Corporation Annual Shareholders meeting, April 29, 2021

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**COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D**

- Proclamation signing for Mental Health Awareness Week, April 30, 2021
- Meeting with Road Construction Foreman and landowners regarding Range Road 143 construction project, May 5, 2021
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021

**Councillor Kuzio – Division 5**

- Covenant Health Community Board meeting, April 21, 2021
- Ranfurly Agricultural Society meeting, May 4, 2021
- New flags needed at Ranfurly Cemetery
- Replacement of Hamlet of Ranfurly entrance sign
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021
- "School Bus Ahead" signs requested for 51313 Range Road 140
- Poor condition of roads in the Hamlet of Lavoy
- Removal of utility locate flags

**Councillor Ogradnick – Division 6**

- Vegreville Tourism Advisory Board meeting, April 19, 2021
- ACE Water Corporation Annual Shareholders meeting, April 29, 2021
- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce Board meeting, May 6, 2021
- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce general meeting, May 12, 2021
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021
- Meeting with CAO on Holden Road to discuss oiling plan
- Received numerous complaints regarding conditions of Holden Road
- Proposed change of road construction project from Range Road 160 to Range Road 155

**Councillor Bentley – Division 7**

- Vegreville Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, April 22, 2021
- Vermilion River Watershed meeting, April 23, 2021
- Meeting with ratepayer and Superintendent of Public Works in Warwick to discuss the digging of a ditch on County right-of-way, May 3, 2021
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Member Virtual Town Hall meeting, May 11, 2021
- Virtual Special Council meeting, May 12, 2021
- Meeting with ratepayer on Township 534 to assess a beaver dam causing issues, May 14, 2021

Councillor Bentley moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**

**51-21  
INSTALL SCHOOL  
BUS SIGNS – 51313  
RGE RD 140**

Councillor Kuzio moved to install "School Bus Stop Ahead" signs at 51313 Range Road 140 in Division 5.  
**Carried.**

**52-21  
RANFURLY  
AGRICULTURAL  
SOCIETY – FARMERS  
DAY CONTRIBUTION**

Councillor Kuzio moved a contribution of \$500 to the Ranfurly Agricultural Society to assist them in their 2021 Farmers' day celebration.  
**Carried.**

**53-21  
PUBLIC WORKS  
POLICY PW 44  
AMENDMENT**

Councillor Ogradnick moved to amend Public Works Policy PW 44 to allow for calcium dust controls up to 1,200 feet in length, with the applicant responsible for the full cost of any additional footage over 900 feet.  
**Carried.**

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- 54-21  
2021  
CONSTRUCTION  
PLAN AMENDMENT** Councillor Bentley moved to amend the 2021 construction plan as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 55-21  
2021 OILING PLAN  
AMENDMENT** Councillor Ogradnick moved to amend the 2021 oiling plan as presented.  
**Motion Defeated.**
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.
- REEVE'S REPORT** Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:
- Meeting with CAO to assess roads in Divisions 4, 5, 6 and 7, April 28, 2021
  - Interview with grade six student about being a Councillor
  - Thank you to Deputy Reeve Wowdzia and Councillor Bentley for proclamation signing
- Councillor Kuzio 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 Bentley moved the CAO's report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- CORRESPONDENCE** The following items of correspondence were reviewed by Council:
- CN – News Release dated April 21, 2021 announcing its submission of "Notice of Intent" to the Surface Transportation Board to file an application seeking authority to combine with Kansas City Southern further to CN's superior proposal for a cash-and-stock transaction valued at \$325 per share.
  - County of Paintearth – Copy of letter dated April 21, 2021 sent to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General advising they are not in support of the Government of Alberta's initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service.
  - County of St. Paul – Copy of letter dated May 6, 2021 sent to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General expressing their disappointment with the Government of Alberta's initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service.
  - Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs – E-mail dated May 5, 2021 advising of their appreciation of the County of Minburn's concerns regarding unpaid property taxes for oil and gas properties, and that the Government of Alberta will continue to assess whether additional tools may help municipalities collect unpaid taxes and ensure oil and gas companies contribute to municipal revenue requirements in a fair and stable manner.
- ADJOURNMENT** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the meeting adjourn. Time 11:39 a.m.  
**Carried.**

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 Chief Administrative Officer