

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

- APRIL 19, 2021** Minutes of the County Council meeting held on April 19, 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 (virtual attendance) |
| Recording Secretary:          | Trudy Shukalak                      |
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Councillor Bentley moved the Agenda for the April 19, 2021 regular County Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- MARCH 15, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Kuzio moved the minutes of the March 15, 2021 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- MARCH 31, 2021 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the minutes of the March 31, 2021 special Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** Graham Shell presented the Superintendent of Public Works report for the month of March 2021.
- Councillor Wagner moved the Superintendent of Public Works report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 33-21 SCHOOL BUS STOP AHEAD SIGNS – 53511 RGE RD 153** Councillor Bentley moved to install “School Bus Stop Ahead” signs at 53511 Range Road 153 in Division 7.  
**Carried.**
- 34-21 SCHOOL BUS STOP AHEAD SIGNS – 10031 TWP RD 520** Councillor Wagner moved to install “School Bus Stop Ahead” signs at 10031 Township Road 520 in Division 3.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND UTILITY SERVICES** Darwin Ullery presented the Agriculture and Utility Services report for the month of March 2021.
- Councillor Anderson moved the Agriculture and Utility Services report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION** Jason Warawa presented the Director of Finance and Administration’s monthly Budget report for the month of March 2021.
- Councillor Bentley moved the Director of Finance and Administration’s monthly budget report with revenue and expenditures for the period January 1 to March 31, 2021 be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES** Mike Fundytus presented the Director or Protective Services report for the month of March 2021.
- Councillor Kuzio moved the Director of Protective Services report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**

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MUTUAL AID  
AGREEMENT WITH  
ALBERTA  
AGRICULTURE AND  
FORESTRY** Councillor Anderson moved to enter into a Mutual Aid Agreement with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry to facilitate the prevention and control of forest and prairie fires.  
**Carried.**
- 36-21  
BYLAW 1315-21  
DESIGNATION OF  
MORE THAN ONE  
VOTING STATION  
PER SUBDIVISION** Bylaw No. 1315-21 was presented for the purpose of authorizing the designation of more than one voting station for each subdivision in the municipal election.  
  
Councillor Ogradnick moved Bylaw No. 1315-21 be given first reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Anderson moved Bylaw No. 1315-21 be given second reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Wagner moved Council unanimously and in full agreement to give Bylaw No. 1315-21 third reading at this meeting.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Bentley moved Bylaw No. 1315-21 be given third reading.  
**Carried.**
- 37-21  
2021 MUNICIPAL  
ELECTION –  
ADVANCE VOTE** Councillor Kuzio moved to hold an Advance Vote for the October 18, 2021 Municipal and School Board Trustee Election.  
**Carried.**
- 38-21  
2021 TAX RATE  
BYLAW 1316-21** Bylaw No. 1316-21 was presented to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property within the County of Minburn for the 2021 taxation year.  
  
Councillor Kuzio moved Bylaw No. 1316-21 be given first reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved Bylaw No. 1316-21 be given second reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Anderson moved Council unanimously and in full agreement to give Bylaw No. 1316-21 third reading at this meeting.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Wagner moved Bylaw No. 1316-21 be given third reading.  
**Carried.**
- 39-21  
HAMLET OF  
MINBURN SPECIAL  
TAX BYLAW 1317-21** Bylaw No. 1317-21 was presented to authorize a special tax bylaw for the 2021 taxation year against parcels of land in the Hamlet of Minburn to raise revenue to pay for sewer services.  
  
Councillor Wagner moved Bylaw No. 1317-21 be given first reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Bentley moved Bylaw No. 1317-21 be given second reading.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Ogradnick moved Council unanimously and in full agreement to give Bylaw No. 1317-21 third reading at this meeting.  
**Carried.**  
  
Councillor Anderson moved Bylaw No. 1317-21 be given third reading.  
**Carried.**

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TAX CANCELLATION  
REQUEST – TAX  
ROLL 711141** Councillor Kuzio moved to cancel the current municipal taxes owing in the amount of \$447.15 for Tax Roll 711141.  
**Carried.**
- 41-21  
TAX CANCELLATION  
REQUEST – TAX  
ROLL 543300** Councillor Anderson moved to cancel the 2021 improvement tax levy in the amount of \$877.93 for Tax Roll 543300.  
**Carried.**
- DELEGATION:  
STAFF SERGEANT  
VEGREVILLE RCMP** Staff Sergeant Terry Hyggen from the Vegreville RCMP Detachment joined the meeting via virtual attendance to discuss local policing issues. Time 11:34 a.m.
- Staff Sergeant Hyggen left the meeting. Time 11:50 a.m
- COUNCIL REPORTS** Council reported on the monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:
- Councillor Wagner – Division 1
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
  - Meeting with landowners to discuss road concerns on Township Road 504 east of the Village of Mannville
  - Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
  - Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
- Councillor Anderson – Division 2
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
  - Innisfree Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, April 14, 2021
  - Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
  - Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
  - Acknowledgement of Terry Dmyrtiw's 30 years of service as a Director of the Innisfree Seed Cleaning Plant
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D** Reeve Konieczny – Division 3
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
  - Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
  - Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong, April 16, 2021
  - Thank you received from ratepayer for brush clearing
  - Calls received regarding dust control on Township Road 510
- GAVEL** Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia – Division 4
- ACE Water Corporation virtual meeting, March 24, 2021
  - Vegreville Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, March 24, 2021
  - Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
  - Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
  - Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
  - Received call regarding roadside brushing at intersection of Township 532 and Range Road 141
  - Beaver dam issues at bridge on Range Road 143 between Township Road 532 and Highway 631, and Range Road 142 north of Township Road 532
  - Rough road at intersection of Township Road 532 and Range Road 144
  - Dust control concerns on Range Road 143

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**COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D****Councillor Kuzio – Division 5**

- RMA 2021 virtual Spring Convention, March 16 and 17, 2021
- Minburn Foundation meeting, March 18, 2021
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
- Minburn Foundation meeting, April 8, 2021
- Alberta Seniors and Community Housing Association (ASCHA) virtual AGM, April 8, 2021
- RMA virtual Police Act Engagement Review, April 9, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
- Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
- Received call regarding roadside brushing
- Received call regarding plugged culvert on Range Road 125 and Township Road 504
- Leaky fire hydrant in the Hamlet of Lavoy
- Received call regarding Recovery of Expenses for Fire Fighting Policy
- Lavoy wastewater lagoon odor concerns

**Councillor Ogrodnick – Division 6**

- RMA 2021 virtual Spring Convention, March 16 and 17, 2021
- Minburn Foundation meeting, March 18, 2021
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce virtual meeting, April 1, 2021
- Minburn Foundation meeting, April 8, 2021
- ASCHA virtual AGM, April 8, 2021
- Meeting with Superintendent of Public Works and ratepayer regarding road washout concerns, April 14, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
- Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
- Received call regarding road complaint and County dug-out drainage, April 16, 2021
- Holden Road oiling maintenance
- Received calls regarding road bans
- Notification of residents regarding shoulder pull projects

**Councillor Bentley – Division 7**

- RMA 2021 virtual Spring Convention, March 16 and 17, 2021
- Vegreville Seed Cleaning Plant meeting, March 24, 2021
- Special Council meeting, March 31, 2021
- Meeting with ratepayer on Range Road 145 north of Township Road 540 regarding proposal to rebuild Range Road 145, April 3, 2021
- Received call from ratepayer regarding removal of beaver dam on Range Road 155 and Township Road 532, April 5, 2021
- Telephone Town Hall meeting with Dr. Deena Hinshaw and Municipal Affairs Minister Ric McIver, April 6, 2021
- Meeting with ratepayer on Range Road 153 south of Township 540 regarding request to install "School Bus Stop Ahead" signs, April 12, 2021
- Committee of the Whole meeting, April 16, 2021
- Virtual meeting with MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, April 16, 2021
- Received call from ratepayer regarding high property taxes
- Roadside brushing by Alberta Transportation on Highway 631 and Range Road 154

Councillor Anderson moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.

**Carried.**

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CONGRATULATORY  
RETIREMENT  
LETTER – TERRY  
DMYTRIW** Councillor Anderson moved to send a congratulatory retirement letter to Terry Dmytriw for his 30 years of service as a Director of the Innisfree Seed Cleaning Plant.  
**Carried.**
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.
- REEVE'S REPORT** Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:
- Attended Mayors' and Reeves' virtual meeting, RMA 2021 Spring Convention, March 15, 2021
  - Signed Volunteer Week Proclamation with Town of Vegreville Mayor Tim MacPhee, March 12, 2021
  - Participated in a Volunteer Week video for Mannville-Innisfree FCSS
- Councillor Anderson moved the Reeve's report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- GAVEL** Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.
- CAO 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:
- Minister of Seniors and Housing – Declaring June 7 to 13, 2021 as Seniors' Week in the Province of Alberta.
  - Alberta Municipal Affairs – E-mail dated March 22, 2021 regarding the ongoing transition to centralized assessment for designated industrial (DI) properties.
  - Alberta Municipal Affairs – Letter dated March 29, 2021 advising the County's grant application under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component of the 2020/21 Alberta Community Partnership program for the Mannville East Industrial Park Area Structure Plan has been declined.
  - Lac La Biche County – Letter dated March 22, 2021 inviting the County to join them at the 2021 Healthier Communities Fundraising Golf Tournament on July 9, 2021 at the Lac La Biche Golf and Country Club.
  - Vermilion RCMP – Letter dated March 29, 2021 announcing the retirement of Sergeant Jane Boehr and the appointment of Corporal Michael Dunsmore to Sergeant in the Vermilion Detachment Commander position.
  - Vermilion RCMP – Letter dated March 30, 2021 containing the quarterly Community Policing Report for the Vermilion RCMP.
  - Vegreville RCMP – Vegreville Provincial Detachment Annual Policing Report for the period January to December 2020.
  - Vegreville RCMP – Quarterly Community Policing Report for the Vegreville Detachment that covers the January 1 to March 31, 2021 reporting period.
  - Alberta Transportation – Letter dated March 30, 2021 thanking the County for their correspondence regarding the Mandatory Entry Level Training (MELT) program and the Agricultural Extension Program.
  - Town of Morinville – Letter dated April 16, 2021 stating their opposition to the Government of Alberta's initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS).
- 43-21  
SENIORS WEEK  
DECLARATION** Councillor Ogradnick moved to declare June 7 to 13, 2021 to be Seniors' Week in the County of Minburn.  
**Carried.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Councillor Anderson moved the meeting adjourn. Time 12:20 p.m.  
**Carried.**

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer