

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

- OCTOBER 19, 2020** Minutes of the County Council meeting held on October 19, 2020 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    |
|                               | Carl Ogrodnick   |
|                               | Kevin Bentley    |
| Chief Administrative Officer: | Brent Williams   |
| Recording Secretary:          | Trudy Shukalak   |
- KUZIO** Councillor Kuzio was absent from the meeting.
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Councillor Bentley moved the Agenda for the October 19, 2020 regular County Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Wagner moved the minutes of the September 21, 2020 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 121-20 VTSS AND MANNVILLE-INNISFREE FCSS TRANSPORTATION FUNDING REQUESTS** Councillor Ogrodnick moved to provide transportation funding in 2020 to Vegreville Transportation Services Society (VTSS) and Mannville-Innisfree Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) in the amount of \$5,000 each.  
**Carried.**
- 122-20 NSWA FUNDING REQUEST** Councillor Bentley moved to provide funding in 2020 to North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) in the amount of \$1,594 (\$.50 per capita).  
**Carried.**
- 123-20 VEGREVILLE REGIONAL MUSEUM SOCIETY FUNDING** Councillor Anderson moved to no longer provide funding to the Vegreville Regional Museum Society.  
**Carried.**
- 124-20 NLLS 2021 BUDGET FOR MUNICIPALITIES** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to approve Northern Lights Library System's (NLLS) 2021 budget with a zero percent levy increase for municipalities without a library board.  
**Carried.**
- SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** Graham Shell presented the Superintendent of Public Works report for the month of September 2020.
- Councillor Ogrodnick moved the Superintendent of Public Works report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- 125-20 INSTALL NO EXIT/CHECKERBOARD SIGN** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to install a "No Exit" and "Checkerboard" sign at the intersection of Highway 857 and Range Road 150.  
**Carried.**
- PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER** Davin Gegolick presented the Planning and Development Officer's report for the month of September 2020.
- Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved the Planning and Development Officer's report be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**

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- 126-20  
COUNTY-OWNED  
PROPERTY PLAN** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to approve the County-Owned Property Plan as presented, as a framework to advertise and sell properties.  
**Carried.**
- DIRECTOR OF  
AGRICULTURE AND  
UTILITY SERVICES** Darwin Ullery presented the Agriculture and Utility Services report for the month of September 2020.  
  
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 September 2020.  
  
Councillor Wagner moved the Director of Finance and Administration's monthly Budget report with revenue and expenditures for the period January 1 to September 30, 2020 be accepted as presented.  
**Carried.**
- DELEGATION:  
DONALD  
SARAFINCHAN** Donald Sarafinchan joined the meeting and asked that Council reconsider his request to lease the undeveloped road allowance between SW 29-51-11-W4M and SE 30-51-11-W4M. Time 11:45 a.m.  
  
Donald Sarafinchan left the meeting. Time 12:10 p.m.
- 127-20  
REQUEST TO LEASE  
UNDEVELOPED  
ROAD ALLOWANCE** Councillor Anderson moved the County deny Donald Sarafinchan's request to lease the undeveloped road allowance between SW 29-51-11-W4M and SE 30-51-11-W4M.  
**Carried.**
- 128-20  
LETTER TO  
ALBERTA  
TRANSPORTATION  
MINISTER AND MLA** Councillor Wagner moved to write a letter to Alberta Transportation Minister and MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville requesting financial assistance for the environmental remediation of BF 526 in Division 1.  
**Carried.**
- 129-20  
PERPETUAL  
ENERGY – TAX  
PAYMENT PLAN** Councillor Anderson moved to enter into an agreement with Perpetual Energy Inc. for tax deferral in the form of an installment payment plan.  
**Carried.**
- 130-20  
PINE CLIFF ENERGY  
– TAX PAYMENT  
PLAN** Councillor Wagner moved to enter into an agreement with Pine Cliff Energy Ltd. for tax deferral in the form of an installment payment plan.  
**Carried.**
- 131-20  
JOINT ELECTIONS  
WITH SCHOOLS** Councillor Ogrodnick moved to enter into joint agreements with Buffalo Trail, Elk Island Public, Elk Island Catholic and East Central Alberta Catholic School Divisions to conduct the school elections in the 2021 municipal election if required.  
**Carried.**
- 132-20  
COUNCILLOR  
MILEAGE EXPENSE  
CLAIMS** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia moved to eliminate the requirement for expense forms for mileage claims related to attendance at Committee of the Whole and Regular Council meetings and have them processed by Administration.  
**Carried.**
- 133-20  
WOWDZIA'S  
TRUCKING GRAVEL  
HAULING  
AGREEMENT** Councillor Wagner moved that Administration negotiate with Wowdzia's Trucking for the extension and amendment of the current gravel hauling agreement and return with a proposal at November's meeting.  
**Carried.**

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**COUNCIL REPORTS** Council reported on the following projects, monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:

Councillor Wagner – Division 1

- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Completion of roadside brushing;
- Heavy pit-run gravel required on south shoulder of Township Road 492;
- Culvert installation on Range Road 85 south of Highway 16.

Councillor Anderson – Division 2

- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Culvert replacement on Township Road 500 and Range Road 105;
- Cattle moving from community pasture;
- Roads in good condition.

**GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Wowdzia assumed the gavel.

**COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D** Reeve Konieczny – Division 3

- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Received call regarding water being pumped on Range Road 103;
- Pumping of water by Alberta Transportation off Highway 881 and Township Road 520.

**GAVEL** Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.

**COUNCIL REPORTS  
CONT'D** Councillor Wowdzia – Division 4

- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Received call from MLA Fort-Saskatchewan-Vegreville's office regarding water on Highway 631;
- Received call from ratepayer regarding dust control on Range Road 142;
- Received call from ratepayer regarding concerns about his driveway due to road construction in 2015-2016.

Councillor Ogrodnick – Division 6

- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce meeting, October 1, 2020;
- Minburn Foundation meeting, County Council Chambers, October 8, 2020;
- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Received several calls regarding washboard road conditions;
- Concerns regarding culverts and beaver control;
- Completion of roadside brushing projects.

Councillor Bentley – Division 7

- Spoke with ratepayer regarding calcium dust control along Range Road 143 (Grains Connect Road), September 23, 2020;
- Met with ratepayer on Range Road 160 north of Township Road 534 to secure dirt, September 25, 2020;
- Vegreville Economic Development Board meeting, September 30, 2020;
- Organizational meeting, October 16, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, October 16, 2020.

Councillor Anderson moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.

**Carried.**

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**REEVE'S REPORT** Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:  
- Received e-mail from MLA Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk regarding grant funding;  
- Virtual Reeves'/Mayors' meeting at the 2020 RMA Fall Convention.

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.**

**134-20 LETTER TO AL KEMMERE – APPRECIATION FOR TERM AS RMA PRESIDENT** Councillor Anderson moved a letter be sent to Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) President Al Kemmere expressing the County's appreciation for his six-year term as President of RMA.

**Carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT** Councillor Wowdzia moved the meeting adjourn. Time 12:31 p.m.  
**Carried.**

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer