

COUNTY OF MINBURN NO. 27

COUNTY COUNCIL

- JUNE 15, 2020** Minutes of the County Council meeting held on June 15, 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: | Carl Ogradnick |
| Councillors: | Richard Wagner |
| | Eric Anderson |
| | Clifford Wowdzia |
| | Tara Kuzio |
| | Kevin Bentley |
| Chief Administrative Officer: | Brent Williams |
| Recording Secretary: | Trudy Shukalak |
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Councillor Anderson moved the Agenda for the June 15, 2020 regular County Council meeting be adopted as presented.
Carried.
- MAY 19, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** Councillor Wagner moved the minutes of the May 19, 2020 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.
Carried.
- WARAWA** Director of Finance and Administration Jason Warawa joined the meeting. Time 10:04 a.m.
- SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** Graham Shell presented the Superintendent of Public Works report for the month of May 2020.

Deputy Reeve Ogradnick moved the Superintendent of Public Works report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 77-20 AMEND 2020 ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND OILING PLANS** Councillor Kuzio moved to amend the 2020 Road Construction and Oiling Plans.
Carried.
- TRANSPORTATION REPORT** Councillor Wagner moved the Transportation report for the period January 1 to April 30, 2020 be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 78-20 CLOSED SESSION – THIRD PARTY CONTRACT ISSUES** Councillor Anderson moved that Council close the meeting to the public to discuss third party contract issues as per Section 16(1)(ii) of the *Freedom of Information and Privacy Act*. Time 10:41 a.m.
Carried.
- WILLIAMS/SHELL/SHUKALAK** Brent Williams, Graham Shell and Trudy Shukalak left the meeting. Time 10:41 a.m.
- REVERT TO REGULAR MEETING** Councillor Wowdzia moved that Council revert to the regular meeting. Time 11:10 a.m.
Carried.
- DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES** Mike Fundytus presented the Director of Protective Services report for the month of May 2020.

Councillor Anderson moved the Director of Protective Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried.

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- 79-20
MUTUAL FIRE AID
AGREEMENT WITH
COUNTY OF
VERMILION RIVER** Councillor Anderson moved to enter into a five-year Mutual Fire Aid Agreement with the County of Vermilion River effective January 1, 2020; and
Further, the Agreement shall automatically renew for an additional term of five years commencing upon the expiration of the prior term.
Carried.
- DIRECTOR OF
AGRICULTURE AND
UTILITY SERVICES** Darwin Ullery presented the Director of Agriculture and Utility Services report for the month of May 2020.

Councillor Kuzio moved the Director of Agriculture and Utility Services report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 80-20
APPOINTMENT OF
WEED AND PEST
CONTROL
INSPECTOR AND
SOIL
CONSERVATION
OFFICER** Councillor Bentley moved to appoint Austin Borysiuk as Weed and Pest Control Inspector and Soil Conservation Officer as per Section 7(1) of the *Weed Control Act*, Section 10(1) of the *Agricultural Pest Control Act* and Section 15(1) of the *Soil Conservation Act*.
Carried.
- PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT** Davin Gegolick presented the Planning and Development Officer's report for the month of May 2020.

Councillor Anderson moved the Planning and Development Officer's report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 81-20
BYLAW NO. 1308-20
TO AMEND LAND
USE BYLAW 1254-16** Bylaw No. 1308-20 pursuant to Part 17 of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)* was presented for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw No. 1254-16.

Councillor Bentley moved Bylaw No. 1308-20 to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 1254-16 be given first reading.
Carried.
- 82-20
POLICY PDS 4 –
UTILITIES WITHIN
COUNTY ROAD
ALLOWANCES** Deputy Reeve Ogradnick moved to approve Utilities within County Road Allowances Policy PDS 4, as presented, effective June 15, 2020.
Carried.
- 83-20
CANCELLATION OF
2020 MUNICIPAL TAX
LEVY – SEED
PLANTS AND GOLF
COURSES** Councillor Wowdzia moved to cancel the 2020 municipal portion of 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.
- 84-20
TOWN OF
VEGREVILLE
RECREATION
AGREEMENT/
TRANSPORTATION
SERVICES ROAD
MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENT** Councillor Bentley moved to enter into a Recreation Agreement with the Town of Vegreville for a period of three years commencing January 1, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2022, and Transportation Services Road Maintenance Agreement with the Town of Vegreville for a period of five years.
Carried.

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- RECESS** Councillor Wowdzia moved to recess the meeting. Time 12:13 p.m.
Carried.
- RECONVENE** The meeting reconvened at 12:42 p.m.
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION** Jason Warawa presented the Director of Finance and Administration's monthly Budget and Administration report for the month of May 2020.
Councillor Kuzio moved the Director of Finance and Administration's monthly Budget and Administration report be accepted as presented.
Carried.
- 85-20
POLICY AD 24 –
DISPOSAL OF
ASSETS** Councillor Wowdzia moved to approve Disposal of Assets Policy AD 24, as presented, effective June 15, 2020.
Carried.
- 86-20
POLICY CC 6 –
AMENDED COUNCIL
REMUNERATION** Councillor Anderson moved to approve amended Council Remuneration Policy CC 6, as presented, effective June 15, 2020.
Motion defeated.
- 87-20
POLICY CC 6 -
COUNCIL
REMUNERATION AS
AMENDED** Councillor Wowdzia moved to approve Council Remuneration Policy CC 6 as amended, effective June 15, 2020.
Carried.
- 88-20
BYLAW NO. 1309-20
– REPEAL BYLAW
NOS. 1165-03 AND
1273-18** Bylaw No. 1309-20 was presented to repeal Bylaw No. 1165-03 to contract for and institute an insurance/benefit plan for the members of Council, and Bylaw No. 1273-18 to participate in a Registered Retirement Savings Plan, a Non-Registered Savings Plan, and a Tax Free Savings Account for the members of County Council.
Councillor Kuzio moved Bylaw No. 1309-20 be given first reading.
Carried.
Councillor Bentley moved Bylaw No. 1309-20 be given second reading.
Carried.
Councillor Anderson moved Council unanimously and in full agreement give Bylaw No. 1309-20 third reading at this meeting.
Carried.
Councillor Wowdzia moved Bylaw No. 1309-20 be given third reading.
Carried.
- 89-20
POLICY CC 16 –
TRAVEL AND
SUBSISTENCE
POLICY** Councillor Anderson moved to approve Travel and Subsistence Policy CC 16, as presented, effective July 1, 2020.
Carried.
- 90-20
POLICY AD 25 –
PERSONNEL
POLICY/RESCIND
POLICIES** Councillor Wagner moved to approve Personnel Policy AD 25; and Further, rescind the policies as presented.
Carried.
- COUNCIL REPORTS** Council reported on the following projects, monthly activities and Board/Committee meetings attended:
Councillor Wagner – Division No. 1
- Road construction on Township Road 492;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020.

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- COUNCIL REPORTS CONT'D** Councillor Anderson – Division No. 2
- Flooding issues at Wapasu Park due to rainfall;
 - Request to clean roadside brush by landowner;
 - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020.
- GAVEL** Deputy Reeve Ogrodnick assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS CONT'D** Reeve Konieczny – Division No. 3
- Soft spots and water on roads due to wet weather conditions;
 - Grass seeding at road construction sites by Agricultural Services Department;
 - Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree (M-M-I) Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) meeting, June 9, 2020;
 - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020.
- GAVEL** Reeve Konieczny assumed the gavel.
- COUNCIL REPORTS CONT'D** Councillor Wowdzia – Division No. 4
- Alberta Central East (ACE) Water Corporation conference call meeting, May 22, 2020;
 - Received several calls regarding soft spots and high-water levels on roads;
 - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020.
- Councillor Kuzio – Division No. 5
- Vegreville and District FCSS Community Board virtual meeting, May 19, 2020;
 - St. Joseph's General Hospital Community Board virtual meeting, May 20, 2020;
 - Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professional Attraction and Retention (VRPHPAR) Committee virtual meeting, May 21, 2020;
 - Northern Lights Library System (NLLS) virtual meeting, May 23, 2020;
 - St. Joseph's General Hospital Site Administrator Retirement virtual party, May 29, 2020;
 - Covenant Community Board Chair Council meeting, May 29, 2020;
 - Minburn Foundation meeting, County Council Chambers, June 11, 2020;
 - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020;
 - Presented message on behalf of the County at the Vegreville Royal Canadian Legion Decoration Day, Lavoy Cemetery, June 13, 2020;
 - Thank you to the County from Lavoy Cemetery Society for the annual grant contribution;
 - Ratepayer concerns regarding road conditions, Hamlet of Lavoy sidewalks and water rates;
 - Met with Superintendent of Public Works regarding road concerns;
 - County of Minburn Welcome signs maintenance.
- Deputy Reeve Ogrodnick – Division No. 6
- Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce virtual meeting, June 3, 2020;
 - Vegreville Tourism Advisory Board meeting, June 8, 2020;
 - Minburn Foundation meeting, County Council Chambers, June 11, 2020;
 - Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020;
 - Overland flooding causing road issues;
 - Referral of beaver dam complaints to Agricultural Services Department;
 - Vegreville Regional Museum corn maze;
 - Positive comments received regarding County roads.

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**COUNCIL REPORTS
CONT'D**

Councillor Bentley – Division No. 7

- Meeting with Superintendent of Public Works and ratepayer on Range Road 145 (Golf Course Road) regarding culvert installation, May 21, 2020;
- Discussed sight restriction concerns at intersection of Township Road 540 and Range Road 155 with Director of Agriculture and Utility Services, May 22, 2020;
- Vegreville Economic Development Board meeting, May 27, 2020;
- Meeting with ratepayer on Range Road 143 north of Highway 631 regarding drainage concerns, June 1, 2020;
- Vegreville Regional Museum meeting, June 1, 2020;
- Committee of the Whole meeting, June 12, 2020.

Councillor Anderson moved the Council reports be accepted as presented.
Carried.

**91-20
INSTALL STOP
AHEAD/STOP LINE
SIGNS**

Councillor Bentley moved to install “Stop Ahead” and “Stop Line” signs on Township 540 and Range Road 155 and move the “Stop” sign closer to Township 540.

Carried.

GAVEL

Deputy Reeve Ogrodnick assumed the gavel.

REEVE’S REPORT

Reeve Konieczny reported and commented on the following:

- Virtual meeting with Vegreville and District Chamber of Commerce, Shadow Minister of Agriculture John Barlow and MP Shannon Stubbs, June 2, 2020;
- Presented message on behalf of the County at the Vegreville Royal Canadian Legion Decoration Day, Vegreville Riverside Cemetery, June 14, 2020;
- Positive comments received regarding County roads.

Councillor Kuzio 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:

- Alberta Municipal Affairs – Letter dated May 19, 2020 confirming the County of Minburn’s 2020 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) capital and operating allocations;
- Alberta Municipal Affairs – Letter dated June 2, 2020 confirming the County of Minburn’s Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) application was approved, and that a credit adjustment of \$232,318 will be applied to the June 2020 Alberta School Foundation Fund requisition invoice;
- Alberta Municipal Affairs – Letter dated June 10, 2020 confirming the County of Minburn’s 2020 Gas Tax Fund (GTF) allocation;
- Alberta Seniors and Housing – Letter dated May 20, 2020 thanking the County of Minburn for their letter of support regarding the expansion of Vegreville Homestead Lodge, and advising this project will be considered for funding, should it become available;
- Alberta Transportation – Letter dated May 1, 2020 advising that Bridge Replacement Project for BF 79275 and Range Road 143 Reconstruction Project were approved for funding under the Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) Local Road Bridge and Resource Road Programs;

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CONT'D**

- Abram Goertzen – Letter dated June 9, 2020 regarding a complaint of neighboring dogs entering his property at SE 10-51-11-W4M;
- County of Two Hills – Letter dated May 26, 2020 advising they will be submitting a letter to MP for Lakeland Shannon Stubbs to promote the idea of doubling the Federal GTF allocations to municipalities;
- Thorhild County – Letter dated May 29, 2020 to MP for Lakeland Shannon Stubbs supporting the County of Minburn’s letter to promote in Parliament the idea of doubling the Federal GTF allocations to municipalities;
- Grizzly Bear Creek Wind Power Project – Letter dated June 8, 2020 advising that Enel Green Power (EGP) has acquired the Grizzly Bear Creek Wind Power Project from E.ON Climate Renewables Canada and explaining the proposed project amendments and project overview.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Anderson moved the meeting adjourn. Time 2:34 p.m.

Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer