COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING August 18, 2021

Meeting Called to Order

The County Council Meeting was called to order by Reeve, D. Gulayec at 10:01 a.m. on Wednesday August 18, 2021.

Attendance

Present were:

D. Gulayec S. Dary, CAO

M. Phillips K. Kenney, Executive Assistant

D. SaskiwS. OdegardE. Yakemchuk

Agenda

The Agenda for the August 18, 2021 Council Meeting was presented for review and consideration, having the following additions be presented:

o Letter of Request re: Private Work Policy PUB-PRI-1.

o Letter of Request re: Lac Santé.

o Letter of Request re: NW & SW 20-54-8 W4 Land Lease.

There being no further additions; it was moved by:

R-120306 M. PHILLIPS

That the Agenda, inclusive of the additions, be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Previous Minutes

The minutes of the July 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, D. Gulayec asked for adoption.

R-120307 E. YAKEMCHUK

That the minutes of the July 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Correspondence re: previous meeting.
- Natural Gas Utility re: 2021 Operations & Maintenance Audit.

Natural Gas Utility re: 2021 O&M Audit The CAO informed Council that at the August 8, 2021 Natural Gas Utility Meeting it was resolved that the Natural Gas Utility Committee review and adopt both the Integrity Management Plan and the Health and Safety Plan as part of the 2021 Operations and Maintenance Audit, having the same be adopted by Council resolution.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120308 M. PHILLIPS

That the County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility Committee have reviewed and adopt the afore-mentioned County of Two Hills Health and Safety Plan as a guideline in maintaining health and safety in the County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility's operations.

Motion Carried

R-120309 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That the County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility Committee have reviewed and adopt the Integrity Management Plan as a guideline in maintaining integrity in the County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility's operations.

Motion Carried

C. McRae, Director of Finance entered the Council Chambers.

Bank Rec – July

The Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending July 2021 indicating a bank balance of \$4, 197, 032.68 was presented for review and consideration.

Council having reviewed and discussed the July 2021 Bank Reconciliation Report; it was moved by:

R-120310 S. ODEGARD

That the Bank Reconciliation Reports for the month ending July 2021, as presented, reviewed and discussed by Council be approved, signed and incorporated into the minutes.

Motion Carried

C. McRae left the Council Chambers.

NE 16-57-14 W4 Gravel Pit The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from the Pit Owner of NE 16-57-14 W4, requesting to be compensated for rock-picking and to have six-years of business tax written off.

The CAO informed Council of items to be discussed in Closed-Session as per Division 2, Section 16(a)(ii) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; it was moved by:

R-120311 <u>S. ODEGARD</u>

That Council meet in closed-session as per Division 2, Section 16(a)(ii) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act re: Legal and Land with all members in attendance – time 10:09 a.m.

Motion Carried

R-120312 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That Council revert back to the regular public meeting with all members in attendance – time 10:34 p.m.

Motion Carried

R-120313 E. YAKEMCHUK

That as per Gravel Pits Policy PUB-PIT-1 the County of Two Hills refund the municipal portion of gravel pit assessment for NE 16-57-14 W4 for 2020 and 2021.

Motion Carried

R-120314 E. YAKEMCHUK

That the pit owner of NE 16-57-14 W4 be compensated in the amount of \$2,500.00 for rock picking, with the condition that a release be signed at the same time, having reclamation being complete and closed.

Motion Carried

SE 16-53-12 W4 re: PUB-GRV-2

The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from the Landowner of SE 16-53-12 W4, requesting to receive Graveling Driveways Policy PUB-GRV-2 10-cubic yards delivery of gravel.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120315 M. PHILLIPS

That Gravelling Driveways Policy PUB-GRV-2 be followed.

Motion Carried

Post Office Tax Deduction

The CAO informed Council of correspondence from the Landowner of Lot 7, Block 3, Plan 1977EO Beauvallon Post Office is requesting leniency on land tax as the post office service is being taxed a business.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120316 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That the County of Two Hills under the authority if Section 347(b) of the *Municipal Government Act* cancel a portion in the amount of \$200.00 of the 2021 property taxes Roll No. 2833.00 Lot 7, Block 3, Plan 197EO being the Beauvallon Post Office and up to \$200.00 on Roll No. 100.00 on Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 40ET being the Hairy Hill Post Office.

Motion Carried

Lakeland Breakers Outdoor Society

The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from Lakeland Breakers Outdoor Society requesting to be encompassed as an Additional Named Insurance under the County of Two Hills insurance policy; the CAO informed Council that the Lakeland Breakers Outdoor Society does not qualify as an ANI and must directly apply to RMA Insurance for a policy.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120317 S. ODEGARD

That Lakeland Breakers Outdoor Society's Additional Named Insurance request be accept as information.

Motion Carried

Pelican Bay Dust Control

The CAO informed Council of a Public Works Project Request from a Board Member of Pelican Bay, requesting Dust Control within the subdivision in 2022.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120318 M. PHILLIPS

That the County of Two Hills recommend Pelican Bay's request for Dust Control be undertaken by a private organization.

Motion Carried

2021 Election re: Advance Vote Date

The CAO informed Council that at the June 23, 2021 Regular Council meeting, it was resolved that the County of Two Hills hold an advanced vote for the 2021 Election.

The CAO further informed Council that pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, notice must be given at least once a week in each of the two-weeks before the date set for the advanced vote.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120319 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That the County of Two Hill set Thursday October 7, 2021 as the advanced vote for the 2021 Municipal Election, having the voting station at the Two Hills County Office open from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Motion Carried

EOEP re: Munis 101

The CAO informed Council that the Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) is delivering Munis 101 with the support of Alberta Municipal Affairs to help meet the *Municipal Government Act* requirements for post-election Council Orientation; further informing that Munis 101 is offered in person on November 22 and 23, 2021 in Edmonton, Alberta in conjunction with the RMA Fall Convention.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120320 S. ODEGARD

That the Council of the County of Two Hills be authorized to attend Munis 101 sessions.

Motion Carried

Educational Support re: ADM-PER-6

The CAO requested as per Educational Support Policy ADM-PER-6, the following request for educational support is hereby submitted; the Executive Assistant requests authorization to commence with a course in the Local Government Certificate Program (NACLAA).

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120321 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That the above request for educational support be approved as per Educational Support Policy ADM-PER-6.

Motion Carried

ARMAA Conference

The CAO informed Council as per Attendance Policy ADM-CON-6 the following request for conference attendance is hereby submitted: Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association Conference.

The CAO and the Executive Assistant request to attend the Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association Conference in Canmore, Alberta on August 31 to September 3, 2021.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120322 S. ODEGARD

That the CAO and Executive Assistant be authorized to attend the Alberta Rural Administrators Association Conference in Canmore, Alberta on August 31 to September 3, 2021.

Motion Carried

Two Hills Agricultural Society

The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from the Two Hills Agricultural Society requesting a Letter of Support for their 2021 Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) application.

The CAO advised Council that the Community Facility Enhancement Program is a matching grant (County portion utilized from 2021 Support Grant).

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120323 D. SASKIW

That the County of Two Hills provide a Letter of Support to the Two Hills Agriculture Society for their 2021 Community Facility Enhancement Program application.

Motion Carried

Essential Services Report

G. Dupuis, Essential Services Administrator entered the Council Chambers to present the Essential Services Report.

On conclusion of the report, G. Dupuis left the Council Chambers.

Committees of Council

Councillor, D. Saskiw provided updates on the Two Hills Family and Community Services, Northern Lights Library System and Two Hills Town & County Airport Commission Committees; requesting a Joint Municipalities Meeting to discuss Doctor Incentives.

Deputy Reeve, E. Yakemchuk and Councillor, S. Odegard provided an update on the Willingdon Seed Cleaning Plant Committee.

Reeve, D. Gulayec provided an update on the Vermilion River Water Committee (ACE Water).

PUB-PRI-1

The CAO informed Council that the Public Works Department received a project request from the Landowner of the NE 34-55-14 W4 for private work, requesting that top soil be leveled for the purpose of water drainage.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120324 M. PHILLIPS

That Private Work Policy PUB-PRI-1 be approved as amended this 18th day of August, 2021, having no topsoil be leveled for the purpose of water drainage.

Motion Carried

Lac Santé

The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from a ratepayer, requesting Lac Santé be developed into a municipal park for camping and swimming, and requested that the same question be asked at the 2021 Municipal Election.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120325 E. YAKEMCHUK

That the Lac Santé swimming and camping request be tabled to the 2022 Strategic Plan and Budget Discussion.

Motion Carried

NW & SW 20-54-8 W4 Land Lease The CAO informed Council of correspondence received from the Landowner of NW 10-54-8 W4, requesting to lease NW & SW 20-54-8 W4 for the purpose of cattle grazing.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120326 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That the County of Two Hills enter into a Lease Agreement with the landowner of NW 10-54-8-W4, for the purpose of grazing cattle on NW 20-54-8-W4 (AUM rate to be determined), having legal being engaged for the provision of a lease agreement (having no cattle on the property until an agreement is signed and all conditions are met).

Motion Carried

Correspondence & Information Items

- County of Vermilion River re: Bill C-21 Changes to the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act.
- RMA:
- o Contact Newsletters July 16, 23 & 30, 2021.
- Member Bulletins:
- o 2021-07-16 | Book Your Accommodations for the RMA 2021 Fall Convention.
- o 2021-07-16 | Community Conversation Regarding Vaccine Records.
- o 2021-07-15 | Changes to RMA's Resolution Process.
- o 2021-07-15 | Resolution Deadline for 2021 Fall Convention.
- o 2021-07-21 | Supports Available for Farmers.
- o 2021-07-22 | Potential Municipal Impacts of RCMP Compensation Changes.
- 2021-07-23 | Join the Campaign to Protect Victim Services.
- o 2021-07-26 | Registration is Now Open for Canada's History and the Municipal Role in Reconciliation Workshop.
- 2021-07-26 | RMA Continuing to Seek Answers on Release of Provincial Police Service Transition Report.
- o 2021-07-27 | Submit Now for R.W. Hay Award Nominees and In Memoriam Recognition.
- o 2021-07-27 | Weed Free Forage Program.
- o 2021-07-28 | Updated Green Communities Guide Available.
- o 2021-07-28 | Share Your Gas Tax Fund Success Story with FCM.

- o 2021-07-27 | Mark Your Calendar for Munis 101.
- o 2021-08-05 | Provide Feedback on Proposed New Requirements for Geothermal Resource Development.

Next Meeting Date Discussion took place on the next meeting date; it was moved by:

R-120327 M. PHILLIPS

That the next regular Council Meeting be held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 in the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m. and the Department Head Meeting be held on Thursday September 9, 2021 in the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.; and, that the October regular Council Meeting and Department Head Meeting be call of the chair.

Motion Carried

Closed-Session

The Deputy Reeve informed Council of items to be discussed in Closed-Session as per Division 2, Section 16(a)(ii) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; it was moved by:

R-120328 E. YAKEMCHUK

That Council meet in closed-session as per Division 2, Section 16(a)(ii) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act re: Legal with all members in attendance – time 12:07 p.m.

Motion Carried

R-120329 <u>D. SASKIW</u>

That Council revert back to the regular public meeting with all members in attendance – time 12:17 p.m.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Council having dealt with all items contained on the Meeting Agenda; it was moved by:

R-120330 <u>D. GULAYEC</u>

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

	Motion Carried	
REEVE	CAO	