



Reeve's Report

For August 23, 2018 to September 19, 2018

August 27, 2018 – County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Agreed to write a letter Minister of Agriculture, to address the provincial negligence in controlling noxious and prohibited weeds along Alberta Highways; and copy the letter to the Minister of Transportation as well as the local MLA's.
- Agreed to write a letter to the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) - Health Canada, opposing the "Proposed Strychnine Re-evaluation Decision PRVD2018-13, Strychnine and Its Associated End-use Products" as the decision would result in the cancellation of all registered products containing strychnine for the purpose of controlling ground squirrels in Canada

August 27, 2018 – County Environmental Operations Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Acknowledged the Tribal Chiefs Employment and Training Services Association in regard to their Project: Waste Management Training of First Nations people, and Evergreen Waste Management's participation in the program.

August 27, 2018 – County Natural Gas Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Execute the Federation of Alberta Gas Co-op Ltd.'s Zone 3 & 4 five-year Agreement among and between 16 parties to formalize the rights and obligations concerning emergency assistance.

August 27, 2018 – County Fire Protective Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Agreed to partner with the Town of Taber's Police and Fire along with the M. D. of Willow Creek for the sole purpose of negotiating a bulk purchasing price for Motorola Alberta First Responders Radio Communication System (AFRRCS) radios.
- Approved the purchase of Motorola Alberta First Responders Radio Communication System (AFRRCS) radios.
- Acknowledged that the decommissioning date of the "Z0213 Bell Media Smoky Lake" tower (that the County's communication equipment is located on) is being slated for September 30, 2018.

August 28, 2018 – Smoky Lake Community Day Care Co-operative Steering Committee Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Continued working towards establishing a Day Care Co-operative for the Smoky Lake Region.

August 29, 2018 – In-House Safety Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Received a presentation in regard to Bill 30: An Act to Protect the Health and Well-being of Working Albertans that amends the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- Reviewed four incidents that occurred between July 25th and August 29th.

August 30, 2018 – County Council Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Bylaw No. 1320-18: Code of Conduct was passed with third and final reading.
- Bylaw No. 1321-18: Small Business Property Assessment Sub-Class, for the purpose of dividing all Non-Residential Assessment into three sub-classes: Vacant Non-Residential, Small Business Property and Other Non-Residential was passed with third and final reading.
- Acknowledge receipt of the Management Policy Statement No. 12-M-01-01: Small Business Assessment Subclass.
- Amended Policy Statement No. 08-11-02: Budget Development to align with the Municipal Government Act changes that require a minimum 3-year financial plan and 5-year capital plan.
- Adopted the Smoky Lake County 2018-2022 Financial Plan.



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- Approve the unbudgeted expense of approximately \$50,400 for concrete girder repairs and a cold-mix asphalt wearing surface on Bridge File No. BF8200 located on Township Road 590 near Range Road 132 over Stoney Creek, to prolong the lifespan and address safety concerns.
- Adopt the Five-Year 2019-2024 Bridge Priority List as presented by Associated Engineering.
- Established an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Committee with Council members and administration from the County, Town of Smoky Lake, Vilna and Waskatenau.
- Gave first reading to Bylaw 1322-18: A Bylaw to amend the Land Use Bylaw 1272-14, for the purpose of adding definitions for cannabis and cannabis-related businesses, and to determine where cannabis-related businesses and developments may be permissible; and scheduled a Public Hearing, for Thursday, September 20, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.
- Amended Policy Statement No. 03-21-04: Backsloping Program to clarify that the site will be inspected by the Public Works Department before commencement of the project and after completion, and to increase cost from \$1,000.00 to a maximum amount of \$ 2,000.00 per half mile, up to a maximum of 1 mile.
- Approved to provide custom work performed by the Agricultural Service Board Department for spraying tansy weeds near the Village of Waskatenau Water Facility.
- Awarded Metro Paving and Road Building Ltd. the Tender for the 2018 Gravel Crushing Tender to Stockpile at the White Earth Creek Gravel Pit.
- Agreed to provide a letter of support to the Smoky Lake Community Daycare Co-operative in support of a grant proposal submitted to the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) funded by the Alberta Lottery Fund, for plumbing alterations and renovations to create a suitable daycare space within H. A. Kostash School in Smoky Lake.
- Acknowledged receipt of the letter denying Smoky Lake County for funding through the Electric Vehicle (EV) and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative a proposed project: Smoky Lake Regional EV Charging Station Network.
- Acknowledged receipt of the letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs in regard to Smoky Lake County projects being accepted for funding under the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) capital program as follows:
 - CAP-10272 – Twp Rd 584 between Hwy 855 & Rge Rd 175: \$150,000.00
 - CAP-10273 – 2018 Road Sealing: \$588,000.00
 - CAP-10275 – 2018 Gravel Road Rehabilitation: \$457,250.00
 - CAP-10274 – 2018 Road Rehab. & Base Stabilization: \$ 91,000.00
- Opposed North East Muni-Corr Ltd.'s proposal to charge the Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission a Utility Right of Way fee related to the construction of the Whitefish Lake First Nation #128 extension project.

September 4, 2018 – Smoky Lake Community Day Care Co-operative Steering Committee Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Continued working towards establishing a Day Care Co-operative for the Smoky Lake Region.

September 5-7, 2018 – Alberta Coordinated Action for Recycling Seminar held in Fort MacMurray:

- Toured the Regional Landfill and Composting Site, the Transfer Station-U-Haul Trans Store Container System and the Oil Sands Discovery Centre.
- Sessions were held with Stephen Fudge - Fire Smart Program and Marlon Leeham, CEO - Fogdog Energy and the guest speaker spoke to Future Carbon Policy-Wood Waste Carbon Credit Offset Management Plan.



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September 8, 2018 – Northern Lights Library Meeting held in Elk Point:

- Purchased a NAO Robot which will help with coding for any library that request it.
- Testing the cloud printing on a trial basis.
- Purchased new Virtual Reality Lab.
- The Board Chair and Executive Director will start to visit councils to present the NLLS statement of service.
- NLLS Annual conference is scheduled for September 20-21, 2018.
- Accepted the proposed budget for next year and is now in review and looking at an increase of 1.5% in the levy next year.
- Reviewed New Policy.

September 10, 2018 – Smoky Lake Community Day Care Co-operative Steering Committee Meeting held at H.A. Kostash School:

- Conducted interviews to hire the Pumpkin Patch Daycare workers.

September 11, 2018 – Smoky Lake Community Day Care Co-operative Steering Committee Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Continued working towards establishing a Day Care Co-operative for the Smoky Lake Region.

September 18, 2018 – Regional Community Development Committee held in County Council Chambers:

- Received a presentation on supporting local food in our region from local farmers: Mandy Melnyk, Dixie MacIntosh and Doug Scott; and decided to pursue developing a local food directory to showcase farmers and businesses who are supporting local food.
- Received a presentation from the Ukraine Chamber of Commerce (CUCC), Alberta Chapter, in regard to the Ukrainian Twinning Initiative.

September 18, 2018 – Smoky Lake Community Day Care Co-operative Steering Committee Meeting held in County Council Chambers:

- Continued working towards establishing a Day Care Co-operative for the Smoky Lake Region.

September 20, 2018 – County Council Meeting – Public Hearing for Bylaw held in County Council Chambers:

- Obtained public input in regard to Bylaw No. 1322-18: a bylaw to amend the Smoky Lake County Land Use Bylaw No. 1272-14, for the purpose of adding definitions for cannabis and cannabis-related businesses, and to determine where cannabis-related businesses and developments may be permissible.
- Bylaw No. 1322-18 was passed with third and final reading.

Sincerely,
Craig Lukinuk
Smoky Lake County Reeve