

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Minutes of the **County Council meeting** held on Thursday, **April 16, 2009** at 9:10 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Reeve Mr. Cory Ollikka in the presence of the following persons:

		<u>A T T E N D A N C E</u>
		<u>Thursday, April 16, 2009</u>
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councilors(s)</u>	
1	Dareld Cholak	Present
2	Ron Bobocel	Present
3	Barton Coady	Present
4	Lori Danyluk	Present
5	Cory Ollikka	Present
C.A.O.	Cary Smigerowsky	Present
Asst CAO/R.S	Lydia Cielin	Present

3 Members of the Public in attendance.

2. Agenda:

Agenda

406-09: Bobocel

That the Agenda for Thursday, April 16, 2009 County Council meeting, be adopted as amended:

Addition(s):

- 1. TILMA and AIT Procurement: CAO Report.

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

Minutes of March 16, 2009 - County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting

407-09: Coady

That the minutes of the County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting: Planning held on Monday, March 16, 2009 be adopted.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 9:15 a.m.

4. Request for Decision:

2009 Public Sale of Land: County Owned

408-09: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County accept the bid from Mr. Tom McDonald, Agent for Ron Taylor in the amount of \$2,000.00 plus G.S.T. for “the public land for sale” of property Lots 8 and 9, Block 3, Plan 1039CL, Roll # 27150308 and Roll # 27150309 within the Hamlet of Bellis, subject to conditions that property is sold “as is” and the owner is responsible, not the County to provide access to property.

Carried.

409-09: Coady

That Smoky Lake County accept the bid from Mr. Chris Johnson in the amount of \$7,500.00 plus G.S.T. for “the public land for sale” of rural property NW 21-60-17-W4, Roll # 17602131, subject to condition that property is sold “as is” and the owner is responsible, not the County to provide access to property.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager left the Council Chambers, time 9:22 a.m.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller entered the Council Chambers, time 9:24 a.m.

Bylaw No. 1184-09: Allowance for Expenses Incidental to the Discharge of an Elected Officer’s Duties

410-09: Cholak That **Bylaw No. 1184-09:** authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to establish an Allowance for Expenses Incidental to the Discharge of an Elected Officer’s Duties, be deferred to the next County Council meeting.

Carried.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller left the Council Chambers, time 9:32 a.m.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller entered the Council Chambers, time 9:35 a.m.

5. Issues for Information:

Chief Administrative Officer’s Report

The Chief Administrative Officer gave an updated report to Council for the period of March 17, 2009 to April 16, 2009.

Legislative / Governance:

- Engage Mike Heck as an independent consultant to prepare the “Rural Connections: Community Broadband Infrastructure Pilot Program” Grant.
- County Professional Development Day – May 5, 2009.
- Bellis Curling Association: Insurance cancellation.

Administrative:

- Request For Proposal – Construction Project No. C2912-09: To be advertised on TILMA and AIT Website.
- Honourable Ray Danyluk, Municipal Affairs, March 25, 2009: Confirmation of Thorhild, Smoky Lake Regional Water Partnership Exploration funding through Regional Partnerships Initiative - \$50,000.00.
- Next Month’s Objectives: Policy on County contribution to employee education programs and service to municipalities.
- Next Month’s Objectives: Drafting Gravel Extraction and Gravel Crushing – Request For Proposal’s.
- Next Month’s Objectives: Execution of Easements for Road Construction and payment of same.

Community:

- Bonnie Gatzke, Deputy Fire Chief, Smoky Lake Fire Department: Assistance in Building funds.

Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development

411-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County make application to Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development: “Rural Connection: Community Broadband Infrastructure Pilot Program” Grant for a maximum contribution amount of \$500,000.00 and engage Mike Heck as an independent consultant to prepare the “Rural Connections: Community Broadband Infrastructure Pilot Program” Grant.

Carried.

County Professional Development Day

412-09: Coady That Smoky Lake County approve Tuesday, May 5, 2009 as a “Professional Development Day” for County employees and that the Municipal Offices be closed for that day.

Carried.

Bellis Curling Association

413-09: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County cancel the Property (Building) Insurance premium with Jubilee Insurance Agencies for the Bellis Curling Association for the 2008 Year and write-off the amount of \$1,318.49 including penalties from the Accounts Receivable Aging Report.

Carried.

Fire Department: Building Fund

414-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County donate in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Smoky Lake Fire Department, Vilna Fire Department and Waskatenau Fire Department to assist with their respective building fund.

Carried.

Financial Update: As annexed to the minutes:

↳ Financial Statement for the Month of **February 2009**.

Action List:

↳ **Action List: N/A.**

415-09: Coady That the updated report for the period of March 17, 2009 to April 16, 2009 by the Chief Administrative Officer, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager and Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman entered the Council Chambers, time 10:10 a.m.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller left the Council Chambers, time 10:10 a.m.

7. Delegation(s):

Ernie Cherniwchan: Road

Present before County Council at 10:10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. was Mr. Ernie Cherniwchan to discuss his original request of \$5,000.00 total cost for the purchase +/- 2.0 acres of property located on NE 7-60-15-W4 for the required road and not the County’s counter-offer in the amount of \$1,250.00 per acre.

Executive Session: Personnel

416-09: Bobocel That County Council go into an executive session to discuss the land issue, time 10:17 a.m.

Carried.

Mr. Ernie Cherniwchan entered the Council Chambers, time 10:50 a.m.

417-09: Danyluk

That County Council go out of an executive session,
time 11:00 a.m.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager and Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman left the Council Chambers, time 11:00 a.m.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller and Tracy Rosichuk, Tax Clerk entered the Council Chambers, time 11:08 a.m.

MP Brian Storseth

Present before County Council at 11:10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. was Mr. Brian Storseth, Member of Parliament, Westlock-St.Paul to distribute the Tax Gas Fund Grant (New Deal Money) to Smoky Lake County.

County Council provided greeting, acknowledgment and welcomed MP Brian Storseth to Smoky Lake.

Reeve Cory Ollikka left the Council Chambers to have a photo taken with MP Brian Storseth with an over-sized cheque of the Tax Gas Fund Grant, time 11:15 a.m.

Deputy Reeve Dareld Cholak assumed the chair, time 11:15 a.m.

Accurate Assessment Group Ltd.

Present before County Council at 11:15 a.m. to 11:43 a.m. was Bob Daudelin, AMAA, Regional Assessment Coordinator, Ray Fortin, AMAA, Industrial Assessment Coordinator, Jesse Nelson, Residential Assessor, and Sean Barrett, Industrial Assessor with Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. to provide Council with an overview of the 2008 Smoky Lake County Industrial Assessment Summary and the 2008 Residential/Non-Residential Assessment.

Reeve Cory Ollikka entered the Council Chambers, time 11:30 a.m.

County Council extended a “Thank You” to Accurate Assessment Group for the excellent work of assessment services provided by you and your firm to the County for the last five years.

Tracy Rosichuk, Tax Clerk left the Council Chambers, time 11:43 a.m.

Reeve Cory Ollikka re-assumed the chair at 11:43 a.m.

9. Public Question and Answer Period:

11:45 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.

Leo Federkiewicz

Question: What is the decision of the County’s position in regards to taking action to resolve the land survey dispute?

Reply: The Reeve indicated that the County is in no position to get involved in private land disputes and a Motion was passed at the March 17, 2009 County Council Meeting.

A copy of the resolution will be provided to Mr. Leo Federkiewicz.

418-09: Ollikka Meeting recessed for Lunch, time 12:00 noon.

Carried.

Meeting Reconvene

The meeting reconvened on a call to order by Reeve Cory Ollikka at 1:02 p.m. in the presence of all Council members, and in the presence of the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Recording Secretary.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager, Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman, and Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller entered the Council Chambers, time 1:02 p.m.

7. Delegation:

Smoky Lake County: Natural Gas Department

Present before County Council at 1:02 p.m. to 1:55 p.m. was John Malysh, Natural Gas Manager and Thomas Ponich, Natural Gas Technician.

Congratulations: Thomas Ponich

Smoky Lake County Council extended with great pleasure, a congratulations to commend Thomas Ponich for achieving the highest mark of 95% Final on his 1st year at NAIT in obtaining the Gas Utility Operator Certification.

Associated Engineering Alberta Ltd.

Present before County Council at 1:05 p.m. to 1:40 p.m. was Ben Gibson, Structural Designer and Michelle Dufurat-Jarvis, Structural Designer with Associated Engineering Alberta Ltd. to update County Council on the 2009 Bridges.

2009 Bridge Summary:

Group 1: 2009

- BF 75352: North West of Vilna on Twp Rd. 600
SW 03-60-14-W4 (Stony Creek) – Replacement culvert.
- BF 13499: North of the Town of Smoky Lake
SE 1-61-18-W4 (Triburary to White Earth Creek)
- Bridge Replacement.

Group 2: Completed May 2009

- BF 13325: SW 17-59-13-W4 (Stony Creek)
- BF 07163: NW 31-59-16-W4 (White Earth Creek)
- BF 09848: SE 35-58-13-W4 (Stony Creek)
- BF 09915: SW 33-59-16-W4 (White Earth Creek)

Group 3: Ready for Tender - 2009

- BF 01603; North of Waskatenau on RR 193
SW 22-59-19-W4 (Waskatenau Creek) – Maintenance.
- BF 06774; South of the Town of Smoky Lake on RR 171
NW 25-58-17-W4 (Smoky Creek) – Maintenance.
- BF 08237: North West of Waskatenau on RR 200 and Twp 602
SW 18-60-19-W4 (Waskatenau Creek) – Maintenance.
- BF 73305: South of Edwand on Twp 594
SW 26-59-16-W4 (Edwand Creek) – Maintenance.
- BF 74018: South of the Town of Smoky Lake
NW 30-58-16-W4 (Smoky Creek) – Bridge assessment.

Group 4:

- BF 79073: South East of Vilna on RR 132
SW 11-59-13-W4 (Stony Creek) – Replacement.
- BF 73306: South West of Edwand Twp Rd 594
SE 27-59-16-W4 (Triburary to White Earth Creek)
– Replacement AT Standard Bridge.
- BF 07479: North of Waskatenau on Twp Rd. 594
SE 28-5-19-W4 (Waskatenau Creek) - Replacement precast arch.

Group 5:

- BF 08744: Twp 604, W. of RR180
SW 25-60-18-W4 (White Earth Creek) – Bridge Assessment.
- BF 06872: Near Edwand on RR 163, N. of Hwy 28
SE 28-59-16-W4 (White Earth Creek) – Bridge Assessment.
- BF 08199: Near Vilna on RR 133, S. of Hwy 28
SW 22-59-13-W4 (Stony Creek) – Bridge Assessment.
- BF 75780: RR 131, N. of Twp 590
NW 1-59-13-W4 – Bridge Assessment.

Other Bridge Files:

- BF 79279: Near Whitefish Lake on RR 133A
NW 4-62-13-W4 – Bridge assessment.
- BF 75969: South of Vilna on RR 14
NW 12-58-14-W4 – Bridge is being replaced with culverts.
- BF 79429: North West of Vilna on RR 140
NW 6-60-13-W4 (Tributary to Stony Creek)
- Maintain weight restriction and monitor.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager, Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman, and Tracy Rosichuk, Tax Clerk left the Council Chambers, time 1:40 p.m.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 1:45 p.m.

Smoky Lake Heritage Board

Present before County Council at 1:40 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. was Noreen Easterbrook, Chair and Graham Dalziel, Secretary-Treasurer, Smoky Lake Heritage Board to provide Heritage Board updates.

Heritage Board Report:**1. Municipal Designation of Historic Resources:**

- A process is in place for Heritage Board to facilitate Municipal Historic Designation.
- This began with development of an application and evaluation system.
- A public information session was held in the fall last year.
- **Four completed applications have been submitted to us:**

1. **Holy Trinity Russo Orthodox Church.**
2. **Highland Community Hall of Barich.**
3. **Stry Ukrainian Catholic Church**
4. **The House In the Middle of the Road – The Anderson House.**

- The Heritage Board believes these four sites are worthy of designation as municipal historic resources and recommends that Smoky Lake County Council take steps to proceed with designation.
- If Council agrees that the proposed resources should be given official designation, a notice of intent must be issued to landowners, and following the specified waiting period, Council will vote on whether to pass a bylaw for that site as required under legislation of the *Alberta Historic Resources Act*.
- The Heritage Board will provide documented information and work with Smoky Lake County Development Officer to facilitate the process as required.

2. Victoria District National Historic Site (VDNHSC) – Plaque Site:

- To mark the significance of the Nationally-designated historic Victoria District, an area has been set up to display commemorative plaques.
- Victoria Home Guard is the custodian of the plaque site as their mandate is to protect and promote the history within the entire Victoria District. Boulders were placed at this site some time ago including two large boulders on which to place their plaque and those of Parks Canada all describing the historic district. Later, a flag was installed as well as a map on a pedestal and the Home Guard Plaque with the expectation that federal plaques would be installed at that same site.
- Recently, a nearby resident has expressed discontent in its location and lack of consultation with adjacent landowners prior to the development.
- The landowner approached the Heritage Board to request that the plaque site be moved.
- Since the Federal Government will only install their plaques at a location without conflict, we have responded by looking along the Victoria Trail for potentially suitable locations
- The landowner has now agreed that the home guard site can remain, but with no additional plaques. Therefore, a separate location needs to be found for the federal plaques.
- One option is to have the plaque site located at Victoria Settlement Provincial Historic Site where facilities are available for the public.
- If the County decides to relocate the plaque site at the Provincial Site, a protocols needs to be followed to initiate the process including:
 - Smoky Lake County would need to write a letter to the Province requesting in writing the intent to relocate plaques at that site.
 - The County and the Federal Government require a Memorandum of Understanding.
- Another option would be to locate the plaque site on county land. – River Lot 10 – Victoria Settlement. Since the general public will be accessing the site, sufficient parking would be required for safety along with washroom facilities. And eventually use this land also as a “Heritage Park” – relocating old historical building not wanted by landowners.
- In either case, Heritage Board will be recommending that an open house be held where all interested parties will be consulted prior to making a decision on the plaque site location.

3. Victoria District National Historic Site (VDNHSC) - Event:

- Heritage Board has been planning an event for Victoria District. The national designation, which was granted a few year ago, required a Commemorative Integrity Statement (C.I.S.) to be submitted to the Federal Government for completeness.
- A signing ceremony will take place May 23, 2009 at 1:30 p.m..
- All councilors will be invited as well as the Development Officer, CAO, and his assistant.
- We request that the reeve be among the guest speakers.
- There will be politicians from all levels of government and plenty of media.
- The event will be a celebration to highlight completion of the C.I.S. as the final step needed to recognize the national designation.
- Our C.I.S. official signing ceremony highlights the importance of the Metis River Lot system, fur trade, missions, and Eastern European immigrants. In addition, this celebration will applaud the historic significance by those who were involved in designation and the C.I.S. that explains it, as well as the ongoing important task of managing the historic resources that belong to all Canadians.
- Our board would like Council to provide Financial support to the upcoming ceremony in celebration of the C.I.S. for the Victoria District National Historic Site of Canada.

Heritage Groups Meeting: Invitation

419-09: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County schedule a Heritage Groups Meeting in May and an invitation be extended to the Smoky Lake Heritage Board, Victoria Home Guard Historical Society, Friends of Victoria Settlement Advisory Committee and the Metis Crossing to discuss the location of the National Recognition Commemorative Plaque Site.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager left the Council Chambers, time 2:00 p.m.

Victoria Home Guard Historical Society

420-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County purchase a Natural Gas Barbeque and donate to the Victoria Home Guard Historical Society for its Thirteenth Annual Guard Dinner Event held on May 23, 2009 at the Smoky Lake Complex.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Heritage Board

421-09: Cholak That the Chief Administrative Officer write a letter to the Smoky Lake Heritage Board requesting the Board to utilize its surplus funding towards the National Designation – Commemorative Integrity Statement (C.I.S.) Signing Ceremony Event scheduled on May 23, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at the Victoria Settlement.

Carried.

Comptroller: Report

422-09: Coady That the Comptroller Report received by Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller for the period of March 5, 2009 to April 9, 2009, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Angela Semeniuk, Comptroller left the Council Chambers, time 2:25 p.m.

Finning Canada CAT

Mr. Dale Chapelsky, Governmental Account Manager for Finning Canada CAT entered the Council Chambers to extend greetings to County Council, time 2:30 p.m.

Management Reports: Public Works Department

Public Works: 2009 Equipment for Sale

423-09: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County advertise to tender the following 2009 Public Works Equipment items:
Unit # 100 - 1999 Ford F250 Superduty 4x4 – Serial #1FTNX21L1XEB37953 - 440344 KMS
Unit # 503S – 2001 Cat 14H Motor Grader - Serial #7WJ2210 – 8301 HRS – C/W: Imac Hydraulic Snow Wing.
Unit # 417 – 1996 Midtech 6300 Boom Buster Roadside Sprayer – Serial #11400020560
Unit # 165 – 1995 Ford F700 Deck Truck – Serial #1FDNF77J2SVA18884 – 106319 KMS
Unit #166S – 1995 Western 10 Ft. 4 Way Hydraulic Snowplow
2 – 16.00 x 24 Spare Tires – Radial on Rims to fit 14G or 14H Grader

Carried.

Reeve's Report

Reeve Cory Ollikka presented the following report:

- Mayors/Reeve Committee Meeting at the Convention on March 23, 2009:
 - Libraries – Additional Funding request.
 - Municipal Regional Water System.
 - Land Use Framework's Impact on Gravel Extraction.
 - Loss of Rail Lines.
 - Pipeline Issues Surrounding TransCanada Pipelines.
 - AUMA Local Government Initiatives.
 - Rural Doctors-On-Call.
 - Capital Region Board.
 - Bill 23.
- 2nd Annual Rural Alberta Community Physician Recruitment and Retention (R&R) Workshop.
- Issues will be addressed during the Committee Task Force and Board reporting.

2nd Annual Rural Alberta Physician R & R Workshop

424-09: Cholak

That County Council who can attend – attend the 2nd Annual Rural Alberta Community Physician Recruitment and Retention (R & R) Workshop on September 23, and 24, 2009 in Nisku, Alberta.

Carried.

425-09: Ollikka

That the Reeve's report be accepted, as presented.

Carried.

Committee Task Forces and Boards: Report**Alberta HUB**

- Executive Management Committee Meeting: March 27, 2009 at Elk Point.
- Aboriginal Community Enterprises Media Conference: 7 aboriginal communities of HUB – main stakeholders providing strategic direction, program development and implementation.
- Conference anticipated outcome: new enterprises in the region – aboriginal owned and operated.
- Successful aboriginal economic development model for other aboriginal communities to emulate, ie. Policy and Procedure Manual and Guide.
- Total estimate budget for 2.5 years: 1.2 Million consisting of \$60,000.00 HUB Dollars, \$240,000.00 Alberta, Employment, Immigration and \$900,000.00 Grant Rural Alberta Development Fund.
- Estimating this project will take 50% of HUB Time.
- Three Strategic Goals:
 - Community Readiness.
 - Investment Attraction.
 - Diversified Stable Workforce.
- MLA Roundtable: To be held in June.
- May 28, 2009: Annual Meeting in St. Paul.
- April 24, 2009: Next meeting scheduled in Smoky Lake. Would like to reeve to receive and present to HUB.

Ambulance Committee

- No report.
- In its transition stage.

Community Futures Corporation: St. Paul / Smoky Lake Region

- Chair/Manager meeting held in Leduc.
- Smoky Lake Cheese Plant: Visa assistance.
- Regional Food Branding Strategy: Logo completed.
- Rural Adaptation Grant Program: Application process.
- Financial: Budget looks good – 2 loans approved.

R.C.M.P. Liaison Committee

Royal Canadian Mounted Police - Smoky Lake Detachment

- Present before County Council at 2:40 p.m. to 3:05 p.m. was Sgt. K.A. (Keith) Pettipas, RCMP - Smoky Lake Detachment to provide an update to County Council on Policing in Smoky Lake.
- Stg. K.A. (Keith) Pettipas requested to go into an executive session.
- Annual Performance Time: Addressing Break and Entering and DARE Program.

426-09: Bobocel That County Council go into an executive session to discuss legal and law enforcement issues, time 2:42 p.m.

Carried.

427-09: Bobocel That County Council go out of the executive session, time 2.50 p.m.

Carried.

Evergreen Regional Waste Management

- Minutes: March 9, 2009.

Family Community Support Services Committee

- Funding support.

428-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County donate in the amount of **\$2,000.00 each** to the Smoky Lake Bar-V-Nook Lodge, Vilna Lodge and the Vilna Senior Citizens Recreational Society to assist in transportation expenses to FCSS events; and allocate funds from the 2009 FCSS Budget.

Carried.

Family-School Liaison Committee

- Meeting scheduled for June 16, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Fire and Rescue Committee

Smoky Lake:

- Smoky Lake Fire Department hosted a Regional Zone 3 Meeting on Saturday, April 3, 2009: Issues of discussion – S.O.G.'s, Ambulance and Radio Communication – 3 divisional dispatching.

Waskatenau:

- No report.

Vilna:

- No report.

Government Liaison Committee

- No report.

Highway 28/63 Regional Water Group Steering Committee

- Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission Meeting scheduled for April 21, 2009 at Thorhild.

In-House Safety Committee

- All County Staff need First Aid updates.
- Crane Operation: Researching Instructor.
- Gas Department Personnel: Scissor Lift Training.
- Air Brakes Training: Waskatenau Fire Department.
- Next In-House Safety Meeting to be held on May 5, 2009.

Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) Committee

- Meetings held on April 15, 2009.
- Tradeshows: Fort McMurray and Sherwood Park.
- Community Economic Development Officer: Finalized Employment Contract.
- Next meeting scheduled for May 13, 2009.

Municipal Planning Commission

- No report.

Northern Care

- Northern Care Meeting scheduled for June 19, 2009 at Nisku.

North East Muni-Corr Ltd.

- Meeting held on April 13, 2009 in St. Paul.
- Annual Trail Inspection from Bonnyville to Smoky Lake on May 9, 2009. A one-day Spring ride.
- Trail Steward reported that the gates along the trail in Smoky Lake County need some repairs and he will be approaching all municipalities Public Works Departments.
- Riverland Trail Society: Delegates expressing the need for more buy-in from municipalities for the grooming of the trail.
- Alberta Iron Horse Trail: Marianne Price will be requesting future funding to continue position from Alberta Tourism Parks and Recreation.
- Riverland Recreational Trail Society – 10th Anniversary scheduled for April 20, 2009 at the Portage College in St. Paul.
- Town of St. Paul will be requesting to use the trail as a Utility Corridor.
- The “Alberta Iron Horse Trail”, Marianne Price has been promoting at the Red Deer Sportsmen Show, Saskatoon Leisure Show, Edmonton Boat and Sportsmen Show, Lloydminster Spring Showcase, Calgary Outdoor and Adventure show, AAMD&C, Camrose Rural Tourism Conference and next week Sherwood Park Tradeshow.
- Next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2009 in St. Paul.

Trail Inspection – Spring Ride

429-09: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County host at the Smoky Lake Curling Rink and sponsor the supper meal for the Muni-Corr delegates on the Trail Inspection Spring Ride from Bonnyville to Smoky Lake on May 9, 2009; and cost-share the expenses with the Town of Smoky Lake.

Carried.

Policy Committee

- No report.

Risk Control Management Committee

- **Minutes:** Added Named Insured:
Smoky Lake Agricultural Society:
Minutes: December 1, 2008 – Annual Meeting.
Minutes: December 1, 2008 – Board of Directors Meeting.
Minutes: January 19, 2009.
Victoria Home Guard Historical Society:
Minutes: March 16, 2009 – Annual Meeting and 2008 Financial.

Smoky Lake Agricultural Society

- No report.

Smoky Lake Foundation

- Meeting scheduled for April 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

Smoky Lake Arts Retreat

- No report.

Victoria Settlement Advisory Committee

- No report.

Smoky Lake Heritage Board

- No Minutes.

Doctor Retention and Recruitment Committee

- No report.

Joint Municipalities

- Next meeting scheduled for Monday, June 22, 2009 to be hosted the by Town of Smoky Lake.

AAMD&C District 5

- Next meeting scheduled for the AAMD&C District 5 to be held on Monday, July 13, 2009.

430-09: Cholak

That County Council who can attend and senior administration attend the Alberta Association of Municipal District and Counties – District No. 5 Meeting on July 13, 2009 hosted by the County of Two Hills.

Carried.

431-09: Cholak

That the Committee Task Force and Board Reports presented by Councillors be accepted.

Carried.

6. Correspondence:

432-09: Cholak

That the following correspondence received from the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, be filed for information:

- a. Contact Newsletter:
 - March 20, 2009.
- b. Contact Newsletter:
 - March 27, 2009.
- c. Federation of Canadian Municipalities Highlights:
 - March 19, 2009.
- d. Member Bulletin – March 13, 2009:
 - Rural Connectivity Series: AXIA Report.
- e. Member Bulletin – March 20, 2009:
 - Bill 23: Assessment Complaint and Appeal System Changes.
- f. Contact Newsletter:
 - April 3, 2009.

Carried.

Media Release: Village of Thorhild Joins County

433-09: Danyluk That the media release, dated March 20, 2009 in regards to the announcement of the Village of Thorhild, that effective April 1, 2009, the Province of Alberta will dissolve the Village of Thorhild to become a hamlet in the County of Thorhild, be filed for information.

Carried.

Village of Waskatenau: Committee Appointments

434-09: Bobocel That the letter received from Bernice Macyk, Administrator, Village of Waskatenau, dated March 24, 2009 in regards to new Committee member appointments, be filed for information.

Carried.

PC Alberta

435-09: Danyluk That the correspondence received from Jim Campbell, Executive Director, PC Alberta, dated March 20, 2009 entitled “PC Alberta Notes”, be filed for information.

Carried.

Community Futures: St. Paul – Smoky Lake

436-09: Cholak That County Council approve the action taken by the Reeve to write a letter of support to the Community Futures: St. Paul – Smoky Lake for the Rural Community Adaptation Grant Program.

Carried.

Alberta Transportation: 30th Annual Golf Day

437-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County purchase one registration for the Reeve or alternate to attend the Alberta Transportation – 30th Annual Golf Day Local Charity in Barrhead on June 19, 2009.

Carried.

Road Survey – Victoria Trail

438-09: Danyluk That the correspondence received from County Administration in regards to preparing a legal survey for the Road located on the Victoria Trail: S ½ NW 12-58-18-W, be filed for information purposes.

Carried.

Alberta Equestrian Awareness Society

439-09: Coady That Smoky Lake County donate in the amount of **\$100.00** to the Alberta Equestrian Awareness Society, Annual Memorial Trail Bike Ride for the Cure for the Alberta Cancer Foundation on June 13, 2009 at WhiteEarth Valley – High Lonesome Staging Area.

Carried.

H.A. Kostash School / Vilna School

440-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County donate funds in the amount of **\$750.00** allotted from the 2009 F.C.S.S. Budget to H.A. Kostash School, Grade Five Class and funds in the amount of **\$750.00** allotted from the 2009 F.C.S.S. Budget to Vilna School, Grade Five Class for the overnight Field Trip to the Bennett Centre.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: 2007 MSI

441-09: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Janice Romanyshyn, Director, Municipal Grants and Information Services, Alberta Municipal Affairs, dated March 25, 2009 in regards to the satisfactory completion to the memorandum of agreement for the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) 2007 Capital Statement of Funding and Expenditures, and be filed for information.

Carried.

Alberta Health and Wellness

442-09: Danyluk That the letter received from Tyler James, Acting Executive, Director, Alberta Health and Wellness, dated March 19, 2009, in regards to the status of the delivery of Ambulance Services transition on schedule for April 1, 2009, be filed for information.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: Official Census

443-09: Cholak That Smoky Lake County take no action to conduct an official Census, in regards to the letter received from Janice Romanyshyn, Director, Municipal Grants and Information Services, Alberta Municipal Affairs, dated March 23, 2009.

Carried.

Vitalize 2009: Provincial Voluntary Sector Conference

444-09: Cholak That the correspondence received on the Vitalize 2009: Provincial Voluntary Sector Conference: Full Speed Ahead-Creating Connections in New Directors on June 4, 5, and 6, 2009 at the Telus Convention Centre in Calgary, be filed for information.

Carried.

Seniors' Week 2009

445-09: Coady

That the Smoky Lake County proclaim Seniors' Week 2009 from June 1 to 7, 2009, in honour of the past, present and future contributions of the seniors of this community and throughout Alberta.

Carried.

Heritage Groups Meeting

446-09: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County schedule a Heritage Groups Meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 in the County Council Chambers at 4:00 p.m.

Carried.

North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

447-09: Danyluk

That the letter received from Dave Trew, Executive Director, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance, in regards to the Municipal Forum held on February 10, 2009 and appreciation for the participation in the three discussion panel, be filed for information.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: MSI Capital Funding

448-09: Ollikka

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Honourable Ray Danyluk, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs, dated March 31, 2009 in regards to the 2009 capital funding component of the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) have been accepted for the following qualifying projects:

CAP-1175: Resort-Base Stabilization Program	\$ 200,000
CAP-1183: Resort-Paving Program	\$ 162,319

Carried.

Forum for Young Albertans

449-09: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County donate in the amount of **\$100.00** to Amy Maddex, student, H.A. Kostash School to attend the Forum for Young Albertans.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: 2009 MSI Allocation

450-09: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Honourable Ray Danyluk, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs, dated April 9, 2009 in regards to the 2009 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) allocation in the amount of \$629,833, which includes capital project funding of \$417,258, and conditional operating funding of \$212,575.

Carried.

Information Releases

451-09: Bobocel

That the Information Releases, dated April 2009, be filed for Information.

Carried.

Reading File

No correspondence in the Reading File.

Bills & Accounts:

452-09: Cholak

That all the Bills and Accounts approved for payment, including the bills and accounts recommended for payment by the Natural Gas Council, including transfers to the Payroll Account be filed for information:

April 16, 2009		
Batch #	Cheque Numbers	Total of Batch
20298	23263 to 23282	\$ 23,617.65
20327	23283 to 23318	\$ 394,671.68
20336	23319 to 23323	\$ 7,683.59
20345	23324 to 23366	\$ 86,979.70
20367	23367 to 23379	\$ 143,177.00
20370	23380 to 23394	\$ 9,132.97
20373	23395	\$ 174,000.00
20384	23396	\$ 12,523.01
20417	23397 to 23450	\$ 212,743.72
Total		\$ 1,064,529.32

Carried.

County Council Meetings

453-09: Coady

That the next **County Council Meetings** be scheduled for Thursday, **May 14, 2009**; Thursday, **June 18, 2009**; Tuesday, **July 28, 2009**; and Thursday, **August 20, 2009** at 9:00 a.m. to be held at the County Council Chambers; and that the **County Council Departmental Operations Meetings** be scheduled for Tuesday, **April 21 2009**; Monday, **June 15, 2009**; and Thursday, **August 6, 2009** at 1:00 p.m. to be held at the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

454-09: Bobocel

That this meeting be adjourned, time 4:15 p.m.

Carried.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER