

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Minutes of the **County Council meeting** held on Thursday, **March 17, 2011** at 9:05 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

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

		<u>A T T E N D A N C E</u>
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councilors(s)</u>	<u>Thursday, March 17, 2011</u>
1	Dareld Cholak	Present
2	Ron Bobocel	Present
3	Rick Cherniwchan	Present
4	Lori Danyluk	Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Present
C.A.O.	Cory Ollikka	Present
Asst CAO/R.S	Lydia Cielin	Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present

2 Members of the Public in attendance.

2. Agenda:

Agenda

393-11: Bobocel

That the Agenda for Thursday, March 17, 2011 County Council meeting, be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

Minutes of February 17, 2011 - County Council Meeting

394-11: Danyluk

That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Thursday, February 17, 2011 be adopted.

Carried.

Minutes of March 2, 2011 – Committee of the Whole Meeting for the Purpose of Planning

395-11: Orichowski

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting for the Purpose of Planning held on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 be adopted.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 9:10 a.m.

4. Request For Decision(s):

2011 Public Sale of Land: County Owned

Lot 18, Block 1, Plan 1055 CL – Hamlet of Spedden

396-11: Cherniwchan

That Smoky Lake County accept the bid from Natasha Sharron in the amount of \$3,000.00 plus G.S.T. for “the 2011 public land for sale” of property Lot 18, Block 1, Plan 1955CL – Hamlet of Spedden, Roll # 22010118, subject to conditions that property is sold “as is”, permanent improvement(s) must be assessed at no less than \$50,000.00 value within two (2) years and title to parcel will only be transferred upon confirmation by the County Assessor of improvement(s) assessed value.

Carried.

Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 1055 CL – Hamlet of Spedden

397-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County accept the bid from Sheila Laflamme Sharron in the amount of \$1,905.00 plus G.S.T. for “the 2011 public land for sale” of property Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 1955CL – Hamlet of Spedden, Roll # 22010103, subject to conditions that property is sold “as is”, permanent improvement(s) must be assessed at no less than \$50,000.00 value within two (2) years and title to parcel will only be transferred upon confirmation by the County Assessor of improvement(s) assessed value.

Carried.

Lot 13, Block 4, Plan 314HW – Hamlet of Warspite

398-11: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County accept the bid from Natasha Sharron in the amount of \$4,000.00 plus G.S.T. for “the 2011 public land for sale” of property Lot 13, Block 4, Plan 314HW – Hamlet of Warspite, Roll # 40300413, subject to conditions that property is sold “as is”, removal or demolition at the expense of the purchaser, permanent improvement(s) must be assessed at no less than \$50,000.00 value within two (2) years and title to parcel will only be transferred upon confirmation by the County Assessor of improvement(s) assessed value.

Carried.

SE 03-62-13-W4

399-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County decline the bids received for “the 2011 public land for sale” of property SE 03-62-13-W4, 102.01 Acres, Roll # 13620310.

Carried.

Public Hearing: Bylaw 1216-10

400-11: Cholak That the County Council Meeting be recessed for the Public Hearing, time 9:15 a.m.

Carried.

Public Hearing opened @ 9:15 a.m.

The Reeve Dareld Cholak called the Public Hearing to Order at 9:15 a.m. in the presence of all the Council members, the Chief Administrative Officer, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/ Recording Secretary, and Finance Manager.

Public Hearing:

Bylaw No. 1216-10: Develop and adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan.

General public: 18 members of the public in attendance for the Public Hearing.

Responses

The Reeve reported that no verbal response or written response had been received to the proposed Bylaw.

Bylaw 1216-10: was given first given first reading on December 17, 2010 to **authorize Smoky Lake County to develop and adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan.**

General Public

Against the Bylaw(s):

Comments for Clarification:

- Sub-dividing land around the lake? Allowing lots more than 2 acre to be sub-divided.

Planning Manager - Reply: Any area around the lake is still subject to the rules in the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan. No further restrictions would be place around that lake. The only time special consideration or further detail would have to be supplied is if the land would be re-zoned to a Multi-lot residential then the rules of the Area Structure Plan would have to be applied as to size restrictions or regulations.

Reeve - Reply: Yes! It is allowable to sub-divide 1 – 10 acre parcels. The land classification now is zoned as Agricultural and would have to be re-zoned to Multi-lot Country residential or Conservation classification. This involves a public process and a public hearing will be held. Each case is dealt with on an individual basis.

General Public

Comment for Clarification:

- Previous developments – are they grandfathered in?

Reeve – Reply: There is no wording stating a Grandfather Clause – but current development stays the same until a change is requested.

Example: Outdoor outhouses currently in place currently stays the same until changed. When a new structure is to be built – then it is in accordance to new regulations.

General Public

For the Bylaw(s):

Comments for Clarification:

- The understanding is that there is room to develop Multi-lot Country Residential lots of condos or towns houses if they had their own water supply and sewer systems. So someone could come and develop and would allow a great density of people to live in a Cluster area that would not have a huge environmental impact on the area. Structure Plan indicates develop resources that would not have an impact the lake because the lake is at it maximum development. Is this something that Council would be looking at?

Reeve - Reply: People can apply for anything they want. Then it comes to the Municipal Planning Commission and conditions will adhere to in accordance with the Area Structure Plan, Land Use Bylaw, and the Municipal Development Plan. The rules provide options for Multi-lot Country Residential or Conservation which is what you are referring to where the piece of property will be 50% is reserve and they can have the density and have to provide water and sewer. This will then go through a process where a Public Hearing is held for the opportunity for the Public to speak for or against specific issues. It is difficult to explain because we do not know what the plan will be. But the Area Structure Plan rules would have to be adhered to.

Planning Manager - Reply: Right now there is no Area Structure Plan for Mons Lake and it is very difficult for the Municipal Planning Commission to be able to set strict standards or rules. The Area Structure Plan will be a very useful document to help guide the decision makers and what rules the applicants to live by.

Jane Dauphinee, Planner, Municipal Planning Services (Alberta) Ltd. entered the Council Chambers, time 9:25 a.m.

General Public

Comments for Clarification:

- It is frightening to read when a Multi-lot Country Residential lots clustered in a small area and how many people will be accessing the trails and the lake – and that this would even be considered.

Planning Manager - Reply: You were provided today copies of the proposed Area Structure Plan – but there is another larger background document, to difficult to make copies for everyone, that is support document which is available on the web-site which has the research to help support and identify the challenges the lake has.

Municipal Planning Services - Reply: The proposed Area Structure Plan has no land designated for Multi-lot Country Residential or for the Cluster Country Residential development in this plan at all. In terms of future development this doesn't designate area for future Multi-lot Country Residential – only indicates the Multi-lot Country Residential that are already built now. This is very restrictive plan for additional Multi-lot Country Residential development within the Mons Lake Area. Provided a brief overview of the environmental sensitivity of the area.

County – Reply: Proposed development within an area of land already re-districted is a Development Permit process which is advertised in the newspaper for comment or appeal. Land to be re-zoned or reclassified this is a Bylaw process – a much broader process that involves a public process and a public hearing to be held.

Planning Manager – Comment: Provided the process involved in for the sub-division application as per the County's Land Use Bylaw.

Municipal Planning Services - Comment: Indicated on the map the designated areas within Mons Lake Area.

Rebuttals:

The Reeve asked if any further issues or concerns and any further rebuttals for or against **Bylaw 1216-10: to develop and adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan.**

- No rebuttals.

Jane Dauphinee, Planner, Municipal Planning Services (Alberta) Ltd. stated that there is an error on the Environmental Sensitivity Map within the high environmental areas highlighted and the correction will be made.

401-11: Danyluk

That County Council make the recommendation for Bylaw 1216-10: to develop and adopt a Mons Lake Structure Plan to proceed with second and third reading; and that Municipal Planning Services (Alberta) Ltd. incorporate the map corrections.

Carried.

402-11: Bobocel

That the Public Hearing be adjourned, time 9:35 a.m.

Carried.

403-11: Cholak That the County Council Meeting be reconvened, time 9:35 a.m.

Carried.

4. Request For Decision(s):

Bylaw No. 1216-10: To develop and adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan

404-11: Danyluk

That **Bylaw No. 1216-10:** authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan, as amended, be given **SECOND READING.**

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Chernichwan that **Bylaw No. 1216-10:** authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to adopt a Mons Lake Area Structure Plan, as amended, be given **THIRD and FINAL READING** and that the Reeve and the Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to fix their signatures to all necessary documents and that the corporate seal also be fastened where it is deemed to be necessary.

Carried.

Jane Dauphinee, Planner, Municipal Planning Services (Alberta) Ltd. left the Council Chambers, time 9:40 a.m.

Encroachment Agreement – Moroz

Lot 11, Block 1, Plan 912 2788 – Hanmore Lake

405-11: Danyluk

That Smoky Lake County enter into an Encroachment Agreement with Adrian Moroz for the existing Accessory Building on Lot 11, Block 1, Plan 912 2788 – Hanmore Lake.

Carried.

Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager left the Council Chambers, time 9:45 a.m.

Policy Statement No. 01-36-01: Expenses and Contributions to Political Functions

406-11: Bobocel

That **Policy Statement No. 01-36-01** entitled " Expenses and Contributions to Political Functions", be adopted:

Purpose:	To set clear and uniform parameters regarding political contributions and expenses for participation in political functions for the interaction with Federal and Provincial registered parties, constituency associations and candidates.
Policy Statement and Guidelines:	
<p>1. OBJECTIVE:</p> <p>1.1 Smoky Lake County recognizes that there is legislation that restricts the County from funding Political campaigns or contributing to political fundraisers.</p> <p>1.2 Smoky Lake County also recognizes that attendance by Councillors and senior Administration at Federal and Provincial political events and fundraisers is part of local government duties and benefits the County.</p> <p>1.3 Smoky Lake County will review and approve all requests for attendance of and support for political party or candidate – related events.</p>	

2. STATEMENTS:

- 2.1 The interaction with officials of various governments and political parties is to insure the promotion of Smoky Lake County's interests. It is customary business practice to maintain cordial, harmonious relations with official governments and political parties at various levels. Although the County encourages such relations, it is absolutely essential to comply with legislation and preserve the integrity and the appearance of integrity of both Smoky Lake County and its representatives as well as the officials of governments and political parties.
- 2.2 This policy is intended to provide guidance in determining what expenses incurred in attending Federal and Provincial political events will be costs reimbursed by the County and what are to be personal expenses that will not be reimbursed by the County.

3. RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

3.1 Federal Political Events:

The *Federal Elections Act*, as amended, provides that no person or entity other than an individual who is a citizen or permanent resident shall make a contribution to a registered party, a registered association, a candidate, a leadership contestant, or a nomination contestant.

A municipality, being a corporation, is an ineligible contributor and cannot make contributions. Accordingly, any tickets, registration fees or donations to any federal registered party, registered association, a candidate, a leadership contestant or a nomination contestant are personal expenses of a member of Council.

3.2 Provincial Political Events:

The *Provincial Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act*, as amended, provides that a municipality is a prohibited corporation and may not make any contributions to a registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate.

A "contribution" means any money or real or personal property that is provided:

- 3.2.1 to a political party, constituency association or candidate, or
- 3.2.2 for the benefit of a political party, constituency association or candidate with it's or the candidate's consent,
- without compensation from that political party, constituency association or candidate.

4. PROCEDURES:

Smoky Lake County officials may attend political functions and be compensated for expenses incurred therefore in accordance with applicable legislation.

4.1 Business Meetings:

Meetings with the Prime Minister, MP's, Premier, Federal or Provincial Cabinet Ministers, or MLA's, call by or arranged by either the politician or the County, wherein governance matters relating to the County, either directly or indirectly, are discussed:

- 4.1.1 In such instances the costs of the meeting, hall rental, registrations, meals, etc. shall be treated as business expenses of the meeting and are reimbursable in accordance with County expenses protocol.

Example: Luncheon Meetings with Minister, MLA Breakfast, etc.

4.2 **Fundraisers:**

A “Fundraising Function” includes any social function held for the purpose of raising funds for a registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate by whom or on whose behalf the function is held. Any contribution to a registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate as determined below is a personal expense of a Councillor. Any amount deemed to be allowed for expenses as determined below may be reimbursed in accordance with County expenses protocol.

If an individual is charged by the sale of tickets or otherwise charged for attending a fundraising function held by or on behalf of a registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate, then for the purpose of complying with legislation.

4.2.1 If the individual charge is \$50.00 or less, it shall not be considered as a contribution unless the person who pays the charge specifically requests that the charge be considered as a contribution, in which case one-half (½) of the amount shall be allowed for expenses and one-half (½) of the amount shall be considered as a contribution to the registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate, as the case may be.

4.2.2 If the individual charge is more that \$50.00, \$25.00 shall be allowed for expenses and the balance shall be considered as a contribution to the registered party, registered constituency association or registered candidate, as the case may be.

Examples: Premier’s Dinner, Constituency Golf Tournaments, Constituency Bar-B-Q (not held for charity) etc.

4.3 The County shall not reimburse for annual membership fees for a political party or a constituency association of that party, or for a general collection of money solicited at a meeting held on behalf or in relation to the affairs or a registered candidate, registered party or registered constituency association.

Carried.

Bylaw No. 1222-11: Bellis Sewer System

407-11: Orichowski

That **Bylaw No. 1222-11:** authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to levy a service charge against properties in reference to Bylaw No. 666 – Hamlet of Bellis Sewer System, be given **FIRST READING.**

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Bobocel that **Bylaw No. 1222-11:** authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to levy a service charge against properties in reference to Bylaw No. 666 – Hamlet of Bellis Sewer System, be given the **SECOND READING.**

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Danyluk that **Bylaw No. 1222-11**: authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to levy a service charge against properties in reference to Bylaw No. 666 – Hamlet of Bellis Sewer System, be given **PERMISSION** for **THIRD AND FINAL READING**.

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Danyluk that **Bylaw No. 1222-11**: authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to levy a service charge against properties in reference to Bylaw No. 666 – Hamlet of Bellis Sewer System, be given the **THIRD and FINAL READING** and that the Reeve and the Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to fix their signatures to all necessary documents and that the corporate seal also be fastened where it is deemed to be necessary.

Carried.

John Malysh, Natural Gas Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 10:00 a.m.

Tracy Rosichuk, Tax/Accounting Clerk entered the Council Chambers, time 10:05 a.m.

7. Delegation:

Joly, McCarthy & Dion

Present before County Council at 10:05 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. was Barb McCarthy, CA Chartered Accountant, Joly, McCarthy & Dion to review the Smoky Lake Consolidated Financial Statement and the Smoky Lake Gas Utility Financial Statement for December 31, 2010 year-end.

2010 Year-end Financial Statements

408-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County Council adopt the audited Smoky Lake County Gas Utility Financial Statement, as amended for December 31, 2010 year-end, as prepared by Joly, McCarthy & Dion.

Carried.

John Malysh, Natural Gas Manager left the Council Chambers, time 10:20 a.m.

Surplus: Transfer

409-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County transfer the 2010 surplus in the amount of \$462,000.00 into the 2011 Operating Budget.

Carried.

410-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County Council adopt the audited Smoky Lake County Consolidated Financial Statements for December 31, 2010 year-end, as prepared by Joly, McCarthy & Dion.

Carried.

Tracy Rosichuk, Tax/Accounting Clerk left the Council Chambers, time 10:40 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 February 18, 2011 to March 16, 2011.

Legislative / Governance:

- Letter received from Bernice Macyk, Municipal Administrator, Village of Waskatenau, dated March 8, 2011 – Re: Enhanced Policing.
- Letter received from Earla Wagar, Interim CAO, Village of Vilna, dated February 21, 2011 – Re: Enhanced Policing.

Administrative:

- The 50th Anniversary plans are well under way. All departments are preparing for their roles. We have a summary for this meeting: Smoky Lake County – 50th Anniversary Celebration: Checklist – Progress Report as of March 17, 2011 and the Event Program for April 29, 2011.
- Attended Corridor AGM and met with Corridor Staff regarding proposed tower sites. We are close to arriving on final locations. The next step will be to secure the preferred sites. County staff are prepared to assist Corridor with this next step as well.

Financial:

- Letter received from Marg Leathem, Director, Campus Alberta Connections: Government of Alberta – Advanced Education and Technology, dated February 28, 2011 – Re: Smoky Lake County Community Learning Network – Grants Program. Chief Administrative Officer did submit the agreement on March 14, 2011.
- Letter received from Honourable Luke Ouellette, Minister of Transportation, dated March 7, 2011 – Re: 2011 Transportation Grants Programs.
- Letter received from Honourable Hector Goudreau, Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated March 9, 2011 – Re: MSI Capital Threshold percent funding.

Human Resources:

- Conducted second round of interviews for vacant Assistant Ag Fieldman position. We have offered the job to one candidate. Awaiting a reply at time of writing this report.

Community:

- Letter received from Walter Wasyliv, Bellis Resident, dated February 10, 2011 – Re: Request for road closure and use of Bellis Ballgrounds for Family Reunion.

Enhanced Policing Program

Executive Session

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| 411-11: Orichowski | That County Council go into an Executive Session to discuss a legal issue, time 10:50 a.m. | Carried. |
| 412-11: Cherniwchan | That County Council go out of an Executive Session, time 11:10 a.m. | Carried. |
| 413-11: Bobocel | That Smoky Lake County pursue an agreement for an Enhanced Policing Program with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police “K” Division for a three-year period not to exceed \$30,000.00 per year. | Carried. |

414-11: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County approve the provision to offer the opportunity for the Urban Municipalities who wish to participate in the Enhanced Policing Program based on the principles of the Trider Formula.

Carried.

Village of Waskatenau: Enhanced Policing Program

415-11: Orichowski That the letter received from Bernice Macyk, Municipal Administrator, Village of Waskatenau, dated March 8, 2011 in regards to rescinding its motion to participate in a Joint Enhanced Policing Program, be filed for information.

Carried.

Village of Vilna: Enhanced Policing Program

416-11: Danylak That the letter received from Earla Wagar, Interim CAO, Village of Vilna, dated February 21, 2011 indicating the participation in a Joint Enhanced Policing Program is deferred until 2010 Financial Audit is completed, be filed for information.

Carried.

Community Learning Council

417-11: Bobocel That County Council approve the action by the Chief Administrative Officer on behalf of Smoky Lake County, as the legal host, executing the Grant Agreement in the amount of \$18,750.00 with Alberta Advanced Education and Technology for the 2011 Community Adult Learning Program Grant funds as follows: Rural Innovation and Access Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00 and the one-time bridge funding in the amount of \$3,750.00 to consolidate Rural Innovation and Access with the base operating program in 2012 for the Smoky Lake County Community Learning Council.

Carried.

Alberta Transportation

418-11: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the grant funding for the following 2011 Transportation Grant Programs: **Basic Municipal Transportation Grant (BMTG)** in the amount of \$457,250.00 for the following:

- \$14,733 – Street Improvement based on \$60.00 per capita and the population of the eligible hamlets in the County.
- \$ 442,517 – Rural Transportation; and

Federal Gas Tax Fund (FGTF) in the amount of \$151,363.00; as per letter received from Honourable Luke Ouellette, Minister of Transportation, Alberta Transportation, dated March 7, 2011.

Carried.

2011 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Program

419-11: Danyluk That the letter received from Honourable Hector Goudreau, Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated March 9, 2011 in regards to the 2011 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Program – minimum capital project threshold will be lowered from 10 to 5 per cent of annual funding, be filed for information.

Carried.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager and Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman entered the Council Chambers, time 11:20 a.m.

Walter Wasyliw: Request Road Closure

420-11: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County approve a temporary road closure of 50th Avenue just north of the hall between 50th and 51st Street in the Hamlet of Bellis to accommodate the Sperizon and Cherniwchan Family Re-union at the Bellis Ballgrounds this summer, as per letter received from Walter Wasyliw, dated February 10, 2011.

Carried.

Financial Update:

As annexed to the minutes:

↪ Financial Statement for the Month: No statement this month.

Action List:

↪ **Action List:**

- **County Council Meeting: February 17, 2011.**

421-11: Bobocel That the updated report for the period of February 18, 2011 to March 16, 2011 by the Chief Administrative Officer, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

9. Public Question and Answer Period:

11:40 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Hank Holowaychuk Comment: Invitation to the Smoky Lake Fire Department Shona Bishop Memorial Bonspiel on April 1, 2011 at the Smoky Lake Curling Rink at 6:30 p.m.

5. Issues for Information:

Management Reports

Public Works Department

Request for Proposal: Project C1112

422-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County proceed with the Request For Proposal for the Construction Project C1112: RR 141 between Twp 583 – 584 – one mile and for Twp 575A – 580A – 0.75 mile, once all easements are signed.

Carried.

Public Works: Rock Truck

Tenders

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Yellow Tractor: Moxy - 2011	\$ 388,306.00
Alta Construction Equipment: Hydrema - 2010	\$ 344,864.00
Finning: Cat – 2011	\$ 416,588.00
Finning: Cat – 2010	\$ 386,200.00
Strongco: Volvo -2011	\$ 382,000.00
Brant Tractor: John Deer – 2009	\$ 385,000.00
Brant Tractor: John Deer – 2011	\$ 435,000.00
Hammer: TA300 Terex – 2011	\$ 348,716.65

423-11: Danyluk That County Council approve the action taken by the Chief Administrative Officer for the purchase from Strongco, Edmonton, a 2011 Volvo Rock Truck not to exceed the amount of **\$382,000.00** bid price.

Carried.

Public Works: Scissorneck Lowboy Tenders

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Summit Trailer: Arnes	\$ 92,000.00
Manac: Gerry's	\$ 92,400.00
Hayworth: K-Line	\$ 90,705.00
Edmonton Trailer: Stellar	\$ 102,040.00
Edmonton Trailer: Doepker	\$ 92,265.00
Diamond International: EZ-2-Load	\$ 84,800.00

424-11: Bobocel That County Council approve the action taken by the Chief Administrative Officer for the purchase from Manac, Edmonton, a Gerry's brand trailer – 2011 Scissorneck Lowboy not to exceed the amount of **\$92,400.00** bid price.

Carried.

Beaver County: Public Works Review Discussion

The discussion in reference to Beaver County – Public Works Departmental Review to be addressed at a future meeting.

Industry Liaison Meeting

425-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County schedule an Industry Liaison Meeting with the Oil Companies on April 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. to be held in the Council Chambers.

Carried.

426-11: Danyluk That the management reports received for the period of February 10, 2011 to March 9, 2011 from Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager; Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Road Foreman; Dave Kully, Public Works Shop Foreman; Ed English, Peace Officer; Twila Bauman, Planning and Communications Manager; and Trevor Tychkowsky, Safety Officer, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager and Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman left the Council Chambers, time 12:05 p.m.

Meeting Recessed

Meeting recessed for Lunch, time 12:05 p.m.

Meeting Reconvene

The meeting reconvened on a call to order by Reeve Dareld Cholak at 1:00 p.m. in the presence of all Council members, and the Chief Administrative Officer, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Recording Secretary and the Finance Manager.

One member of the public in attendance.

5. Issues for Information:

Finance Manager’s Report

Brenda Adamson, Finance Manager provided an updated Finance report for the period of February 9, 2011 to March 9, 2011.

Property Tax Levy: Penalty Cancellation

427-11: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County cancel the November 2, 2010 penalties for Tax Roll Account Number 14591510 in the amount of \$92.03.

Carried.

County Council Budget Meeting

428-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County schedule a County Council Budget Meeting on April 12, 2011 to be held in the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable: Outstanding Invoice

429-11: Cherniwchan That Smoky Lake County write-off the amount of \$281.45 in charges and penalties in regards to Accounts Receivable Account Number 2025; and that the customer be required to pay for all future services in advance.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable: Outstanding Invoice

430-11: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County write-off the amount of \$332.46 in charges and penalties in regards to Accounts Receivable Account Number 1980; and that the customer be required to pay for all future services in advance.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable: Outstanding Invoice

431-11: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County write-off the amount of \$232.85 in charges and penalties in regards to Accounts Receivable Account Number 1646; and that the customer be required to pay for all future services in advance.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable: Outstanding Invoice

432-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County write-off the amount of \$1,578.45 in charges and penalties in regards to Accounts Receivable Account Number 2702; and that the customer be required to pay for all future services in advance.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable: Outstanding Invoice

433-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County write-off the amount of \$591.65 in charges and penalties in regards to Accounts Receivable Account Number 2701; and that the customer be required to pay for all future services in advance.

Carried.

434-11: Bobocel That the Finance Manager’s Report received by Brenda Adamson for the period of February 9, 2011 to March 9, 2011 , be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Reeve’s Report

Reeve Dareld Cholak presented the following report:

- Thank you Council for nominating me to the Corridor Communications Inc. Board - elected for a three-year term.
- Had a number of meetings in regards to the project to secure in the County.
- March 4, 2011 in Athabasca: Met with Chairperson from Alberta Health Services: 1. Discussed the possibility of Corridor entering into an agreement with Alberta Health Services in regards to the tower usage. 2. Provided an overview to what transpired in the County in long-term care and all Health Care Services.
- Smoky Lake County will work together with the Smoky Lake Foundation to address Health Care Services in the County.
- Issues will be addressed during the Committee Task Force and Board reporting.

435-11: Danyluk That the Reeve’s report received, be accepted.

Carried.

Committee Task Forces and Boards: Reports

Alberta Care

- No report.

Alberta HUB

- Looking at moving office to St. Paul.
- Plans involve possibility hiring a Manager.
- Looking at increasing Per capital funding.
- Meeting with Rural Secretariat - Re: Educational Awareness of what we are getting from different areas, i.e., HUB etc. and also what our communities are missing. Information will be compiled and provided back to the members.

Community Futures Corporation: St. Paul / Smoky Lake Region

- In the process of scheduling a meeting for Policy Development. Tentatively set of April 7, 2011.
- Next meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2011 in Smoky Lake.
- Western Diversification has some questions in regards to the Strategic Plan.

Corridor Communications Incorporated

- March 16, 2011: Open House in Spedden.
- Smoky Lake Open House will be held in the next few months.
- Flyer Release: Corridor Communication Inc. Wireless 4G Network – High speed Internet and Phone Services in Rural Albertans.
- Agreements with Industry Canada have been finalized – Corridor can proceed with 213 towers in the Province.

436-11: Danyluk That the Flyer received from Corridor Communications Incorporated Wireless entitled, “4G Network brings reliable High Speed Internet and Phone Services to Rural Albertans”, be filed for information.

Carried.

Doctor Retention & Recruitment Committee

- Correspondence: **Best Doctors Canada.**

437-11: Bobocel That the letter received from Dianne Carmichael, President, Best Doctors Canada in regards to Membership for Best Doctors, be filed for information.

Carried.

Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission

- Meeting scheduled for March 25, 2011 in St. Paul.

Family Community Support Services Committee

- No report.

Family-School Liaison Committee

- Case load increase due to the awareness of the Coordinator’s presence in the schools.
- Undertaking Professional Development Courses.
- Introducing more Dare-to-Care Programs such as Bullying, Peer Pressure, Racism, etc. starting April 18, 2011.
- Next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Fire and Rescue Committee

Vilna:

- No report.

Waskatenau:

- No report.

Smoky Lake:

- No report.

Government Liaison Committee

- AAMD&C Reeves and Mayors Meeting: March 20, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in Salon 4.
- Convention Meeting with Alberta Transportation is on March 21, 2011 at 3:30 p.m.

Highway 28/63 Regional Water Group Steering Committee

- Meeting scheduled for March 30, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Smoky Lake.

In-House Safety Committee

- Next Meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2011.

Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) Committee

- Minutes: December 20, 2010.
- Minutes: November 4, 2010.
- 2011 Budget – Review.
- Next meeting scheduled for April 18, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

438-11: Cholak That Smoky Lake County budget for the 2011 Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) not to exceed the amount of **\$32,500.00**.

Carried.

Municipal Planning Commission

- No report.

North East Muni-Corr Ltd.

- No report.

Policy Committee

- No report.

R.C.M.P. Liaison Committee

- Smoky Lake Detachment: Stg. Steve Smith.

Risk Pro Control Management Committee

- **Minutes:** Added Named Insured:
 - **Community and School Association:** January 3, 2011.

Smoky Lake Agricultural Society

- Raffle taken over by the Community and School Association.
- Manager hired Kelly Dombowsky.

Smoky Lake Foundation

- ASHCA Convention: Funding increase 2.5% for the next five years.
- Lodge Tour: March 18, 2011.
- Lodges and Self-Contained Units: Almost at 100% Occupancy.

Smoky Lake Heritage Board

- No Minutes.

Joint Municipalities

- Next meeting scheduled for Monday, March 28, 2011 hosted by Smoky Lake County in the Hamlet of Spedden.

439-11: Danyluk

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

Carried.

6. Correspondence:

440-11: Orichowski

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

- a. AAMD&C Tradeshow:
 - Alberta Mobility – March 21, 2011.
- b. District Highlights - February 16, 2011:
 - District 5 Meeting Camrose Regional Exhibition – January 31, 2011.
- c. Contact Newsletter:
 - February 16, 2011.
- d. District Highlights - February 23, 2011:
 - District 2 meeting Sheraton Cavalier, Calgary – February 11, 2011.
- e. Member Bulletin – February 23, 2011:
 - Revised Model Process Released for Subdivision Approval and Private Sewage.
- f. Member Bulletin – February 23, 2011:
 - Government Announces New Regulatory Body for Upstream Oil and Gas Development.
- g. Contact Newsletter:
 - February 23, 2011.
- h. Lorraine Megella, Executive Assistant, County of Lethbridge, dated February 25, 2011:
 - AAMD&C Mayors'/Reeves' Meeting – March 21, 2011.
- i. Member Bulletin – February 25, 2011:
 - Rural Perspectives on Budget 2011.
- j. News Release – February 25, 2011:
 - AAMD&C Pleased with 2011 Budget Impact on Rural Municipalities.
- k. Contact Newsletter:
 - March 2, 2011.
- l. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - AAMD&C Submits Position on the Release of Municipal Audit Management Letters.
- m. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - Alberta Land Stewardship Amendment Act Introduced in Legislature.
- n. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - Call for Input: Navigable Water Regulation on Minor Works.
- o. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - Just the Basics: Understanding the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement (CETA).
- p. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - Off-Road Fuel Rebates No Longer Available.

- q. Member Bulletin – March 2, 2011:
 - Spring 2011 Convention Fast Approaching.

Carried.

North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

441-11: Cherniwchan That the letter received from Dr. Les Gammie, President, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Society, dated February 7, 2011 in regards to a Survey Questionnaire for the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance, be filed for information.

Carried.

Highway 28/63 Regional Water

442-11: Danyluk That a copy of the letter received from Charles Newell, Chair, Highway 28/63 Water Steering Committee, dated February 7, 2011 written to the Honourable Luke Ouellette, Minister of Transportation in regards to the Highway 28/63 Regional Water System Phases, be filed for information.

Carried.

Highway 28/63 Regional Water

443-11: Orichowski That a copy of the letter received from Charles Newell, Chair, Highway 28/63 Water Steering Committee, dated February 7, 2011 written to Mr. Don McGeachy, Chair, Capital Region Northeast Water Services Commission in regards to the Highway 28/63 Regional Water System Phase 2 Funding, be filed for information.

Carried.

Vitalize 2011 Conference

444-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County advertise in the Smoky Lake County Grapevine for Community awareness the Vitalize 2011 Conference: Provincial Voluntary Sector on June 14 and 15, 2011 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton.

Carried.

Smoky Lake & District Chamber of Commerce

445-11: Orichowski That the correspondence received on February 25, 2011 from Leesa Jones, Smoky Lake & District Chamber of Commerce in regards to Birthday Town Alberta, a new tourism initiative, be filed for information.

Carried.

Village of Vilna

446-11: Cherniwchan That the letter received from Donald Romanko, Mayor, Village of Vilna, dated February 21, 2011 in regards to County Support, be filed for information.

Carried.

Sustainable Resource Development

Grazing Lease No. GRL 39326

447-11: Bobocel That the c.c. letter received from Connie Gagne, Disposition Section, Government of Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, dated February 22, 2011 in regards to Grazing Lease No. GRL 39326 for Neil Anderson: Share All Farms Ltd. and Fenham Cattle Company Ltd. for 900 AUM's of Grazing annually be renewed to September 30, 2013, be filed for information.

Carried.

North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

448-11: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County take no action with regards to contributing per capita to support to the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance operations.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Youth Centre Program

449-11: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County donate to the Smoky Lake Youth Centre Program in the amount of **\$3,500.00** to support the Youth Centre program and funds to be allocated from the 2011 FCSS Budget.

Carried.

Cooperative Youth Leadership Program

450-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County advertise in the Smoky Lake County Grapevine for Community awareness the Alberta Community and Co-operative Association – Co-operative Youth Leadership Program 2011.

Carried.

Distinguished Artist Awards

451-11: Danyluk That the correspondence received for the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Distinguished Artist Awards Foundation and the City of St. Albert on April 9, 2011 at The Enjoy Centre in St. Albert, be filed for information.

Carried.

Bill 10: Alberta Land Stewardship

452-11: Orichowski That the correspondence received from Morris Seiferling, Stewardship Commissioner, Land Use Secretariat, Alberta Government, dated March 1, 2011 in regards to Bill 10 – the Alberta Land Stewardship Amendment Act, be filed for information.

Carried.

Seniors' Week 2011

453-11: Cholak That the Smoky Lake County proclaim Seniors' Week 2011 from June 6 to 12, 2011, "Vibrant Leaders in the Community" in honour of the past, present and future contributions of the seniors in our community and throughout Alberta.

Carried.

Smoky Lake FCSS Volunteer Appreciation

454-11: Bobocel That the County Council and Administration who can attend – attend the Smoky Lake FCSS Volunteer Appreciation Recognition Night on April 9, 2011 at the Smoky Lake Complex at 5:30 p.m. in Smoky Lake.

Carried.

2011 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Program

455-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the 2011 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Program of the grant allocation for Capital Project funding in the amount of \$1,038,449.00 and Conditional Operating in the amount of \$213,280.00 for a total of **\$1,251,729.00**, as per letter received from Honourable Hector Goudreau, Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated March 1, 2011.

Carried.

Letters: Victoria Settlement District

456-11: Orichowski That the letters received in regards to the Victoria Settlement District and concerns expressed in reference to a Gravel Pit Operations, as follows:

- February 19, 2011: Save the Blog.
- February 19, 2011: Globe and Mail.
- February 19, 2011: Karen and Peter Sonnenberg.
- February 19, 2011: Edward and Stephanie Hayman.
- February 19, 2011: Glenn Cameron.
- February 19, 2011: Trevor Harrison.
- February 19, 2011: Judith Boyle.
- February 19, 2011: Helen Boritch.
- February 19, 2011: Mary Wright.
- February 19, 2011: Alan and Dana Boyle.
- February 19, 2011: Tony Carr.
- February 20, 2011: Timothy Hartnagel.
- February 20, 2011: Edmonton Journal.
- February 21, 2011: Kevin Haggerty.
- February 21, 2011: Jana Grekul.
- February 21, 2011: Emma Wilkins.
- February 21, 2011: Al Kalantar.
- February 22, 2011: Vita Yakovleva.
- February 28, 2011: Oliver Seward.
- February 28, 2011: Donald Mayne
- March 1, 2011: John Towers.
- March 1, 2011: Paul Cowan.

be filed for information.

Carried.

Thank You: Summary Listing

457-11: Danyluk That Smoky Lake County file for information the March 2011 Summary Listing of Thank You received from organizations extending appreciation of support:

- Malysh Family.
- Rural Crime Watch.
- Smoky Lake Grade 5 Class.

Carried.

Information Releases

458-11: Cherniwchan That the Information Releases for the Month of March 2011, be filed for Information.

Carried.

Reading File

No correspondences in the Reading File.

Bills & Accounts:

459-11: Bobocel 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:

Batch #	Cheque Numbers	Total of Batch
23614	28026 to 28081	\$ 433,443.89
23642	28082 to 28086	\$ 4,418.41
23645	28087 to 28124	\$ 34,715.77
23664	28125 to 28154	\$ 98,996.12
23670	28155 to 28167	\$ 163,967.29
23692	28168 to 28223	\$ 104,269.28
Total Cheques		\$ 839,810.76
Direct Debit Register		
23674	Bank of Canada	\$ 2,750.00
23675	Smoky Lake County	\$ 66,161.32
23676	Smoky Lake County	\$ 145,846.87
Total Direct Debits		\$ 214,758.19
Grand Total Bills and Accounts		\$ 1,054,568.95

Carried.

County Council Meetings

460-11: Cholak That the next **County Council Meetings** be scheduled for Thursday, **April 21, 2011**; Thursday, **May 26, 2011**; and Thursday, **June 23, 2011** at 9:00 a.m. to be held at the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

461-11: Cholak That this meeting be adjourned, time 2:45 p.m.

Carried.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER