Smoky Lake County
Meeting Agenda
County Council Budget Meeting
November 17 , 2026 - 09:00 AM
In Person - Council Chambers
4612 - McDougall Drive, Smoky Lake, Alberta
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1. CALLED TO ORDER
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
3. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

   3.1 2014 Freightliner M2: Engine 459 Pump Rebuild

   3.2 Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) Funding Application

   3.3 Budget Preparation

4. NEXT MEETINGS

   4.1 Monday, November 30, 2026, Regular County Council meeting at 9:00 a.m.

   4.2 Wednesday December 16, 2026, Regular County Council meeting at 9:00 a.m.

5. IN CAMERA

   5.1 Closed Session - Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (ATIA),

   Pursuant to Section 29: Advice from Officials

6. ADJOURNMENT

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2026 **Agenda Item:**#3.1

Topic: 2014 Freight-liner M2: Unit 459 Pump Rebuild

Presented By: Director of County Services/Fire Chief

Recommendation(s):

1. **That Smoky Lake County Council approve the 20214 Freightliner M2 Unit 459 pump rebuild be completed by Commercial Truck Equipment Co. to not exceed the amount of $30,000.00 with funds allocated from the 2026 Smoky Lake County Regional Fire Rescue Services capital reserves.**

Background:

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1900: Standard for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicles, Automotive Fire Apparatus, Wildland Fire Apparatus, and Automotive Ambulances establishes the performance requirements for firefighting apparatus pumps. The requirements specify that the pump for structural firefighting must operate at 100% of its rated capacity (1,050 GPM) at 150 PSI for a continuous period of 20 minutes without an increase in engine RPM exceeding 10%.

On October 15, Engine 459, underwent a pump performance test and failed to meet the required NFPA performance standard. Following the unsuccessful test, the emergency vehicle technician from Commercial Truck Equipment Co. conducted a visual inspection of the pump using a camera. The inspection identified damage to the pump shaft and impellers and recommended that a complete pump rebuild was required to meet the NFPA 1900 standard.

Maintaining compliance with NFPA 1900 standards is essential to supporting the municipality's fire protection ratings established by Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS), which includes the Dwelling Protection Grade and Public Fire Protection Classification. Furthermore, is necessary for the municipality to remain eligible to participate in the Alberta Wildfire Urban Interface Contract for Service Program.

Smoky Lake County Regional Fire Rescue Services staff consulted with Commercial Truck Equipment Co. and obtained a quote in the amount of $26,455.81 for the pump rebuild. The quote is based on the damage identified during the preliminary camera inspection. Commercial Truck Equipment Co. has advised that additional expenses may be identified once the pump is disassembled and an inspection is completed. However, the total repair cost is expected not to exceed $30,000.00

Benefits: Maintains the Fire Underwriters Survey fire protection rating for the municipalities.
Disadvantages: If not repaired the municipalities fire protection rating will decrease and increase insurance rates for the residents.
Alternatives: Purchase a dedicated water tender for the fire department to eliminate any foreign bodies entering the fire pumps.
Financial Implications: $30,000.00 from the Smoky Lake County Regional Fire Rescue Services Capital Reserve
Legislation: N/A
Intergovernmental: Smoky Lake County Region Fire Rescue Services Bylaw
Strategic Alignment: Strengthen Asset Sustainability and Capital Asset Replacement
Enclosure(s):
Enclosure #1 – Commercial Truck Equipment Co.

Signature of the CAO: _____ **Date:** _____

COMMERCIAL
TRUCK EQUIPMENT CO.

November 12, 2026

Spencer (smoky lake)
Quotation #:10-26-2026

As per request here is an estimate for water pump rebuild on unit 459

- Removal of components.
- Disassembly of pump.
- Inspect if there is additional damage.
- Rebuild and test.

This is the estimate for this repair $26,455.81.

This is just an estimate and possible subject to change. Lead time when approved is 10-15 business days

Please call if you have any questions.
Regards,

Dan Criss
Lead EVT
Commercial Truck Equipment Co.

Unless stated otherwise:

- Taxes not included
- Quotation is valid for 30 days

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2026 **Agenda Item:** #3.2
Topic: STIP Funding Application
Presented By: Chyenne Shaw, Chief Administrative Officer, Nicole Cherniwchan, Director of Corporate Services and Kyle Winterbottom, Director of Infrastructure.

Recommendation:
THAT Smoky Lake County Council authorize Associated Engineering (AE) to prepare and submit applications to the Government of Alberta under the 2027 Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) – Local Road Bridge Program for Bridge Files 00849 and 01603;
AND THAT Council approve and allocate a municipal contribution equal to 25% of eligible project costs, currently estimated at a combined $1,601,500 , for inclusion in the County's 2027 capital financial planning, conditional upon provincial funding approval;
AND FURTHER THAT Administration be directed to return to Council with confirmed project scopes, grant awards, updated estimates and any additional financial requirements before construction contracts are awarded.

Background:
Associated Engineering's bridge inspection findings and the County's 2026 bridge priority listing identify four bridges requiring significant repair, rehabilitation or replacement. The projects are proposed for the November 30, 2026 STIP application deadline for the 2027 program year.

BF 00849 – Waskatenau Creek (NW 33-58-19-W4M): A 2025 low-rating notification identified deteriorated corbels and pier movement. AE's March 31, 2026 inspection again rated pier corbels at 2, documenting a south corbel approximately 80% rotted. Engineering recommends high-priority replacement of deteriorated corbels and caps, continued inspections and assessment of replacement options.

BF 01603 – Range Road 193, approximately 1 km north of Highway 28: The structure has deteriorated despite 2018 emergency repairs and prior STIP applications. It was fully closed to traffic in April 2026. AE's September 2026 funding memorandum reports a superstructure rating of 1 and recommends replacement as the preferred long-term option. Closure imposes detours and impacts residents, agricultural operations and emergency access.

These applications seek outside funding for high-priority infrastructure deficiencies. Approval to apply does not authorize construction or remove the requirement for interim inspection, posting, lane restrictions or bridge closures.

Benefits:
Improves public safety by addressing documented structural deficiencies and washout damage; supports reliable access for residents, agriculture, school transportation and emergency responders; reduces the long-term exposure associated with aging or closed bridges; and leverages potential 75% provincial contributions toward eligible costs.

Disadvantages:

The County must contribute 25% of eligible costs and bear ineligible expenses and any cost overruns. Funding is competitive and not guaranteed. Multiple concurrent bridge projects may place pressure on the County's capital program, staff capacity and construction scheduling.

Alternatives

1. Submit two applications or prioritize projects for staged delivery, reducing near-term financial exposure but potentially extending safety restrictions and closures.
2. Defer applications to a later intake, with risk of further deterioration, higher costs and continued travel disruptions.
3. Undertake works using County funding alone, subject to separate engineering and budget authorization.

Financial Implications:

AE's five-year bridge program priority list provides the following planning estimates. Actual project costs, eligible amounts and grant contributions will be confirmed through application review, design and procurement.

Bridge File	Estimated Project Cost	Province (75%)	County (25%)
00849	$3,018,000	$2,263,500	$754,500
01603	$3,388,000	$2,541,000	$847,000
TOTAL	**$6,406,000**	**$4,804,500**	**$1,601,500**

The estimated combined project cost is $6,406,000; the potential provincial contribution is $4,804,500, and the County's estimated 25% contribution is $1,601,500 . The proposed commitment is subject to grant approval and final eligible costs.

Legislation:

Municipal Government Act (Alberta): Council is responsible for municipal financial decisions, budgets and public infrastructure. Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) – Local Road Bridge Program guidelines: approved eligible project costs are generally shared 75% provincial / 25% municipal; the province determines project and cost eligibility. Road approaches, GST and certain administrative or other costs may be ineligible.

Intergovernmental:

Applications are submitted to Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors. The 2027 application deadline is November 30, 2026. STIP approvals are subject to provincial assessment, program criteria and available funding. Associated Engineering will coordinate technical application materials on behalf of the County.

Strategic Alignment:

Priority 3 – Asset Management and Infrastructure Sustainability: plan for, prioritize and invest in critical transportation assets. Priority 2 – Service Delivery and Community Wellbeing: maintain safe, dependable access for rural residents and services. Priority 4 – Economic Development and Financial Sustainability: pursue external funding and manage long-term capital obligations.

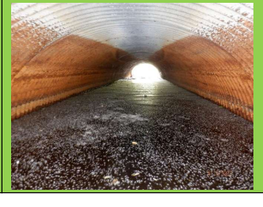
Enclosure(s):

1. AE – 2027 Smoky Lake County Bridge Program Fees and Five-Year Budget Summary.

2. Bridge Priority List

Signature of the CAO: _____

Smoky Lake County Priority List

Priority	Priority Year	Bridge File #	Photo	Location Description	Low Element Rating	Description	Sufficiency Rating/ Structural Rating	Investigations/Inspections/Design Status	Rehab/Repair Strategy	Estimated Construction or Maintenance Costs	Recommended Strategy Cost
0.1	**2026**	**74017**		SE 25-58-17-W4M Township Road 584 West of Range Road 170	"3" - Downstream Scour Protection "3" - Scour/Erosion **"2" - Bank Stability**	2120 mm Round Structural Plate Culvert x 45.1 m invert length near Smoky Lake	41.7% / 44.4% (11-Feb-2021)	- Assessment Completed in 2023 - Self-funded **- Rehabilitation completed in 2026**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $225,000** **Engineering: $50,000**	**$275,000**
0.2	**2026**	**75780**		NW 1-59-13-W4M Range Road 133 North of Township Rd. 590	**"3" - Curbs/Median** **"3" - Bridgerail** **"3" - Bridgerail Posts Coating** **"2" - Girders**	8.5m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Vilna	58.6% / **33.3**% (19-Jun-2025)	- Timber Coring completed Aug 2010 'Timber Coring completed 2022 - Assessment Completed 2023 - STIP application submitted in 2023 - STIP funding approved 2023 **- Rehabilitation completed in 2026**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $163,800** **Engineering: $60,000** **Costs Based on 2023 Assessment**	**$223,800**
0.3	**2026**	**01772**		NW 22-58-15-W4M Range Road 153 South of Township Rd. 584	**"2" - Bridge Rail** **"2" - Bridge Rail Posts** **"3" - Bridge Rail/Posts Coating** **"2" - Piles** **"3" - Bracing/Struts/Sheathing**	6.1 m PG girder bridge with a treated timber substructure near Bellis	39.6% / **22.2%** (26-Mar-2026)	- Preliminary Design completed in April 2016 - STIP application submitted in 2018, 2020 & 2021 denied - Timber Coring completed in 2024 - Assessment completed in 2024 - STIP application submitted in 2024 **- Design completed 2026** **- Repair in 2027**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $1,300,000** **Engineering: $150,000** Costs based on 2024 assessment	**$1,400,000**
0.4	**2026**	**06788**		SW 36-58-15 W4M Township Road 585A Range Road 151	**"3" - Weir (N in 2026)** **"2" - Roof** **"2" - sidewall** **"2" - circumferential seams** **"3" - Waterway adequacy**	1600 mm MP culvert by 17 m invert length near Redclay	22.5% / **22.2%** (27-Apr-2026)	- Assessment Completed 2021 - STIP application submitted in 2024 **- Design completed 2026** **- Replace in 2027**	Replacement	**Construction: $465,096** **Engineering: $57,904** Costs based on 2022 Assessment Report (Replacement)	**$523,000**
0.5	**2027**	**06872**		SE 28-59-16-W4M Range Road 163 South of Township Rd. 594	**"2" - Sub Deck/Deck Underside** **"3" - Wearing Surface/Deck Top** **"3" - Deck Rideability** **"3" - Bearing Seats/Caps/Corbels** **"3" - Abutment Stability** **"2" - Piles**	8.5m TT stringer bridge with treated substructure near Smoky Lake	52.1% / **38.9**% (17-Jun-2026)	- Timber Coring completed Aug 2010 - Timber Coring completed Februrary 2020 - Assessment completed in 2025 - STIP application submitted in 2025 **- STIP funding received in June 2026** **- Replace 2027/2028**	Replacement	**Construction: $676,500** **Engineering: $135,700** Costs based on 2025 assessment **Approved STIP funding: $759,000**	**$1,012,000**
0.6	**2027**	**76438**		SW 4-25-24-W4M Twp Rd 25 Range Rd 25	**"2" -Roof** **"3" - Waterway Adequacy**	1829 x 1118 mm arch pipe near Smoky Lake	35.8% / **22.2%** (27-Feb-2025)	- Assessment completed in 2025 - STIP application submitted in 2025 **- STIP funding received in June 2026** **- Replace 2027/2028**	Replacement	**Construction: $326,500** **Engineering: $205,500** Costs based on 2025 assessment **Approved STIP funding: $399,000**	**$532,000**

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1	**2026**	**00849**		NW 33-58-19-W4M Township Rd. 585A East of Highway 831	**"3" - Approach Bump** **"3" - Wearing Surface/Deck Top** **"3" - Deck Rideability** **"2" - Bearing Seats/Caps/Corbels** **"3" - Piles** **"2" - Pier Stability** **Single Lane Closure**	8.5 m - 13.7 m - 8.5 m RB girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Waskatenau	45.5% / **33.3**% (5-May-2026)	- Timber Coring completed 2010 - Timber Coring completed 2019 - Assessment letter updated 2019 - Assessment updated 2025 - STIP application submitted in 2023, 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026** **- Major Bridge Replacement in 2027/2028**	Replacement	**Construction: $2,204,000** **Engineering: $814,000** Costs based on 2025 updated Assessment Report with escalation	**$3,018,000**
2	**2026**	**01603**		SW 22-59-19-W4M Range Road 193 North of Highway 28	**"3" - Guardrail** **"2" - Deck Top** **"1" - Deck Joints** **"3" - Curbs/Median** **"3" - Bridge Rail Posts** **"2" - Girders** **Full Closure in 2026**	8.5 - 8.5 - 8.5 m HC girder bridge with a treated timber substructure near Waskatenau	58.1% / **27.8**% (26-Mar-2026)	- Rehabilitation Tender prepared in 2013 - Due to lack of funding, tender shelved - STIP application submitted 2017 & 2018 & 2019 denied - Emergency Repairs completed May 2018 - STIP application submitted in 2024, 2025 denied **- Girder Inspection, Coring Insepction, & Assessment completed in 2024** **- Assessment updated in 2024** **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026** **- Replacement 2027/2028**	Replacement	**Construction: $2,598,000** **Engineering: $790,000** Costs based on 2024 Assessment Report with escalation	**$3,388,000**
3	**2026**	**74018**		NW 30-58-16-W4M Range Road 170 North of Township Rd. 584A	**"3" - Wingwalls** **"2" - Abut Piles** **"3" - Abutment Stability** **Single Lane Closure**	6.1 m PG girder bridge with a treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	55.6% / **38.9**% (31-Mar-2026)	- Due to lack of funding, tender shelved - STIP application submitted 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 & 2022 denied Level 2 Inspection Completed in 2022 - STIP application submitted 2023, 2024, 2025 denied - Assessment completed in 2025 **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026**	Replacement	**Construction: $872,000** **Engineering: $385,000** Costs based on 2025 Assessment Report with escalation	**$1,257,000**
4	**2026**	**00490**		NW 6-59-15-W4M White Earth Creek Twp Rd 590A	**"3" - Sway Bracings** **"3" - Portals** **Posted loading**	5-span Through Truss near Bellis	28.0%/ **38.9**% (18-Aug-2022)	- Assessment completed in 2024 - STIP application submitted in 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026** **- Repair 2027/2028**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $709,000** **Engineering: $340,000** Costs based on 2024 Assessment Report with escalation	**$1,049,000**
5	**2026**	**07814**		NW 34-59-16-W4M Range Road 163 South of Township Rd. 600	**"2" - Bearing Seats/Caps/Corbels** **Recommended load posting**	6.1m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Edwand	58.1% / **33.3**% (27-Apr-2026)	- Timber coring inspection completed 2020 - Assessment completed 2022 - STIP application submitted in 2022 denied - STIP application submitted in 2023 denied - STIP application submitted in 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted 2026** **- Rehabilitation 2027**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $156,000** **Engineering: $76,000** Costs based on 2022 Assessment Report with escalation	**$232,000**
6	**2027**	**70734**		SW 30-60-16-W4M TWP 604 East of RR 170	**"3" - Bracing/Struts/Sheating** **"2" - Piles (N in 2025)** **2026 Washout at both approaches**	6.1 m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	60.0% / **38.9**% (04-Jun-2025)	Note: Bridge closed in 2020 for emergency approach work - Completed coring in 2024 - Assessment completed in 2025 - STIP application submitted in 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted 2026** **- Repair 2027+**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $398,000** **Engineering: $185,000** Costs based on 2025 Assessment Report with escalation	**$583,000**

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7	**2027**	**70923**		NW 20-59-15-W4M Range Road 155 North of Highway 28	**"3" - Bridge Rail Posts** **"3" - Wingwalls** **"2" - Piles** **"3" - Abutment Stability (N in 2026)** **Posted loading**	6.1 m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Bellis	58.7% / **38.9**% (27-Apr-2026)	- Timber Coring completed in 2010 - Timber Coring completed in 2019 - Assessment completed 2019 - STIP application submitted 2021 & 2022 denied - STIP application submitted in 2023 denied - Assessment updated in 2025 - STIP application submitted in 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted 2026** **- Repair 2028+**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $294,000** **Engineering: $148,000** Costs based on 2025 Assessment Report with escalation	**$442,000**
8	**2027**	**09975**		NE 31-58-19 W4M Township Road 585A East of Range Road 195A	**Roof - "2" (N in 2026)** **Sidewall - "3" (N in 2026)**	2 - 1220 mm DIA CSP culverts with 24m and 15.2 m invert lengths near Waskatenau	31.0% / **22.2**% (31-Mar-2026)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date **- Assessment 2027** - Construction 2027+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
9	**2027**	**72828**		NW 13-60-13-W4M Range Road 131 North of Township Rd. 602	**"2" - Abut Piles** **"3" - Bracing/Struts/Sheathing** **Posted loading**	6.1 m PG girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Vilna	58.9% / **38.9**% (27-Apr-2026)	- Timber Coring Completed in 2010 - Timber Coring Completed in 2019 - Assessment completed 2019 - STIP application submitted 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 denied - Assessment updated in 2025 **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026** **- Repair 2027+**	Rehabilitation	**Construction: $263,000** **Engineering : $140,000** Costs based on 2025 Assessment Report with escalation	**$403,000**
10	**2027**	**00781**		SW 26-58-17-W4M Range Road 172 North of Township Rd. 584	**"3" - Roof (N in 2026)** **"3" - Sidewall (N in 2026)** **"2" - Longitudinal Seams (N in 2026), increased by "1" because of struts**	2489 x 1753 mm CSP culvert x 24.4 m invert length near Smoky Lake	45.4% / **33.3**% (27-Apr-2026)	- Assessment completed 2021 - STIP application submitted in 2021, 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP appliction to be submitted in 2026** **- Replace 2027+**	Replacement	**Construction: $1,070,000**** **Engineering: $340,000** Costs based on 2022 Assessment Report with escalation (trenchless install)	**$1,444,000**
11	**2028**	**13745**		SW 27-59-16-W4M Township Road 594 West of Range Road 163	**Piles - "2"** **Dead End Road to field**	6.1 m PG girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	48.0% / **38.9**% (28-Apr-2026)	**- Assessment completed in 2026** **- STIP to be submitted in 2026**		**Construction: $** **Engineering: $**	
12	**2028**	**08908**		SW 18-59-17-W4M Township Rd. 592 East of Range Road 180	**"3" - Roof** **"3" - Sidewall (N in 2022)**	1 - 1676 mm Dia CSP culvert	45.3%/ **33.3%** (08-Jun-2022)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date **- Assessment 2027** - Construction 2027+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	

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13	**2028**	**70497**		NW 24-60-19-W4M Range Road 191 North of Township Rd. 591	**"3" - Backwalls** **"3" - Piles** **"3" - Abutment stability** **"3" - Abut Pile Cap**	4.9m TT bridge with treated timber substructure	65.4% / **38.9**% (31-Mar-2026)	- Assessment Completed 2023 - STIP application submitted in 2023, 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026** **- Replace 2027+**	Replacement	**Construction: $913,000** **Engineering: $463,000** Costs based on 2023 Assessment Report with escalation	**$1,376,000**
14	**2028**	**08907**		SW 18- 59-17-W4M Range Road 180 South of Hwy 28	"4" - Waterway Adequacy	1-1524 diam CSP Culvert near Warspite	47.1%/ **33.3%** (08-Jun-2022)	**- Assessment completed in 2026** **- STIP to be submitted in 2026**		**Construction: $** **Engineering: $**	
15	**2028**	**07798**		NE 29-59-17-W4M Range Road 174 North of Township Rd. 594	**"3" - Bridge Rail Post** **"3" - Piles**	6.1-6.1m PG girder bridge with a treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	53.1% / **38.9**% (17-Mar-2023)	- Cored in 2023 **- Assessment completed in 2026** **- STIP application to be submitted 2026**		**Construction: $** **Engineering: $**	
16	**2029**	**75968**		NE 25-61-18 W4M Township Rd. 61 Range Road 18	**"3" - Roof** **Dead End Road**	1 - 1829 x 1118 mm Dia CSP culvert	42.4%/ **33.3**% (10-Jun-2022)	- Although the roof has a 3 rating, the pipe is 40 years old and stable, no maintenance required - No Engineering Work Completed to Date **- Assessment 2027** - Construction 2027+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
17	**2029**	**08030**		SW 5-60-17-W4M Township Rd. 600 West of Range Road 175	**"3" - Backwalls/Breastwalls** **"3" - Piles**	6.1-8.5-6.1 HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	59.3% / **38.9**% (15-May-2025)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
18	**2029**	**70165**		SE 33-58-15-W4M Range Road 154 North of Township Rd. 585	**"3" - Sidewall (N in 2026)**	2-1200 mm CSP culverts near Bellis	47% / **33.3%** (28-Apr-2026)	**- Assessment completed in 2026** **- STIP application to be submitted in 2026**		**Construction: $** **Engineering: $**	

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19	**2029**	**76437**		SE 25-58-19-W4M Victoria Trail East of Highway 831	**"3" - Longitudinal Seams** **"3" - Sidewall**	2314 x 2552 mm CSP culvert x 29.3 m invert length near Waskatenau	42.5% / **33.3**% (19-Jun-2025)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
20	**2029**	**09915**		SW 33-59-16-W4M Range Road 164 South of Township Road 595A	**"3" - Curbs/Median** **"3" - Caps**	6.1-8.5-6.1 HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	52.8% / **38.9**% (27-Apr-2026)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
21	**2030**	**13805**		SW 17-60-16-W4M Township Road 602 East of Range Road 165	**"3" - Guardrail** **"3" - Piles**	10.1 m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	60.2% / **38.9**% (21-May-2025)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date **-Coring 2027** - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
22	**2030**	**70918**		SW 17-61-17-W4M Township Rd. 612 East of Range Road 175	**"3" - Roof** **"3" - Sidewall**	1 - 1829 mm Dia and 1 - 900 mm Dia CSP culverts near Smoky Lake	53.3%/ 44.4% (10-June-2022)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	Replacement	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
23	**2030**	**79073**		SW 11-59-13-W4M Range Road 132 North of Township Rd. 590	**"3" - Bearing Cap** "5" - Piles **Dead End to field**	8.5 m PA girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Vilna	58.2%/ 44.4% (08-June-2022)	- Assessment Completed in 2008 - Timber Coring completed 2020 - Assessment completed 2021 - STIP application submitted in 2024, 2025 denied **- STIP application to be submitted 2026** **- Repair 2027+**	Replacement	**Construction: $1,031,000**** **Engineering: $425,000** Costs based on 2021 Assessment Report with escalation	**$1,456,000**
24	**2030**	**80908**		NW 7-59-13-W4M Stony Creek North of Township Rd. 592	**"3" - Girders** **Dead End to field**	10.1m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Vilna	63.5%/ 44.4% (19-Jun-2025)	- No Engineering Work Completed to Date - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	

Smoky Lake County Priority List

Priority	Priority Year	Bridge File #	Photo	Location Description	Low Element Rating	Description	Sufficiency Rating/ Structural Rating	Investigations/Inspections/Design Status	Rehab/Repair Strategy	Estimated Construction or Maintenance Costs	Recommended Strategy Cost
25	**2030**	**75613**		SE 13-60-13-4 Township Rd. 602 West of Range Road 130	**"3" - Piles** **"3" - Wingwalls** **"3" - Bearing Seats/Caps/Corbels**	6.1 m HC girder bridge with treated timber substructure near Smoky Lake	60.7% / 50.0% (27-Apr-2026)	- Timber coring completed in 2024 - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	
26	**2031**	**75612**		NW 27-60-16-4 Range Road 163 South of Township Rd. 610	**"3" - Bridge Guardrails**	6.1m HC girder bridge	70.7% / 61.1% (09-Jun-2022)	**- Complete timber coring (dewatering req.)** - Assessment 2027+ - Construction 2028+	To Be Determined	**Assessment: $11,600** **Construction: TBD** **Engineering: TBD**	

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY 2027 BRIDGE PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY

Last Modified 2026-11-01

1 2027 INSPECTIONS

Type	Season	Number	Unit Cost	Engineering	Total	AT Share	County Share
Level 1	Spring/Fall	46	$ 400	$ 18,400	$ 18,400		$ 18,400
Level 2	Spring/Fall	3	$ 3,700	$ 11,100	$ 11,100		$ 11,100

SUMMARY TOTAL INSPECTIONS	Engineering	Total Cost	AT Share	County Share
	$ 29,500	$ 29,500	$ -	$ 29,500

2 2027 ENGINEERING ASSESSMENTS

	Season	Engineering	Total	AT Share	County Share
BF 09975	Summer/Fall	$ 12,000	$ 12,000		$ 12,000
BF 79429	Summer/Fall	$ 12,000	$ 12,000		$ 12,000
BF 08908	Summer/Fall	$ 12,000	$ 12,000		$ 12,000
BF 75968	Summer/Fall	$ 12,000	$ 12,000		$ 12,000

SUMMARY TOTAL ENGINEERING ASSESSMENTS	Engineering	Total Cost	AT Share	County Share
	$ 48,000	$ 48,000	$ -	$ 48,000

3 2027 BRIDGE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

	Engineering	Total	AT Share	County Share
Bridge Advisory Services	$ 34,000	$ 34,000		$ 34,000

SUMMARY TOTAL BRIDGE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	Engineering	Total Cost	AT Share	County Share
	$ 34,000	$ 34,000	$ -	$ 34,000

2027 BRIDGE PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY

	Construction	Engineering	Total Cost	Total AT Share	Total County Share
1 2027 INSPECTIONS		$ 29,500	$ 29,500	$ -	$ 29,500
2 2027 ENGINEERING ASSESSMENTS		$ 48,000	$ 48,000	$ -	$ 48,000
3 2027 BRIDGE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT		$ 34,000	$ 34,000	$ -	$ 34,000

TOTAL 2027 BUDGET SUMMARY	Construction	Engineering	Total Cost	Total AT Share	Total County Share
	$ -	$ 111,500	$ 111,500	$ -	$ 111,500

Smoky Lake County - 5 year budget
According to 2026 Priority Listing

Cost Based on Assessment
Not Assessed - Placeholder Budget $500k/culvert, $1.5M/bridge

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Bridge	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
BF00849	$3,018,000.00				
BF01603	$3,388,000.00				
BF74018		$1,257,000.00			
BF00490		$1,049,000.00			
BF07814	$232,000.00				
BF70734	$583,000.00				
BF70923		$442,000.00			
BF09975		$500,000.00			
BF72828		$403,000.00			
BF00781		$1,444,000.00			
BF13745			$1,500,000.00		
BF08908			$500,000.00		
BF70497			$1,376,000.00		
BF08907			$500,000.00		
BF07798			$1,500,000.00		
BF75968				$500,000.00	
BF08030				$1,500,000.00	
BF70165				$500,000.00	
BF76437				$500,000.00	
BF09915				$1,500,000.00	
BF13805					$1,500,000.00
BF70918					$500,000.00
BF79073					$1,456,000.00
BF80908					$1,500,000.00
BF75613					$1,500,000.00
BF75612					$1,500,000.00
Bridge Program Eng	$115,000.00	$117,500.00	$120,000.00	$122,500.00	$123,000.00
Total 100% Cost	$7,336,000.00	$5,212,500.00	$5,496,000.00	$4,622,500.00	$8,079,000.00

Request for Discussion

Meeting Date: November 17, 2026 **Agenda Item:** #3.3
Topic: Budget Preparation
Presented By: Nicole Cherniwchan, Director of Corporate Services

That Smoky Lake County discuss the operating and capital priorities and provide direction to administration on how to prioritize the municipal operating and capital budgets.

Background:

Council governs the municipality by setting priorities, policies/bylaws and budgets. The municipal budget enables administration to fulfil the goals and priorities set by council.

In accordance with the Municipal Government Act, municipalities must prepare annual operating and capital budget as well as a three-year operating plan and a five-year capital plan.

It is typical that interim budgets are prepared in the year prior to the budget year. The interim budgets are then updated once assessment values and grant funding is determined, typically in the first quarter of the budget year.

Benefits:

The budget is important for the following reasons:

- It sets funding priorities, allocating limited tax dollars, grant funding and user fees to meet the goals of council;
- Funds essential services such as roads, water and wastewater systems, protective services etc.;
- Provides accountability to the residents by showing them how public funds will be used;
- Supports long-term financial stability by balancing current service needs with future service needs and infrastructure replacement;
- Guides decision making by helping evaluate trade-offs between service levels, tax rates, funding capital and operating requirements and prioritizing capital purchases; and
- Ensures legal compliance.

Disadvantages:

Once a budget is approved changing priorities becomes more difficult. Occasionally there are unforeseen circumstances that were not anticipated which can require budget amendments reducing funding available for other priorities.

There is rarely enough funding to meet every community need and every council priority. Difficult decisions often have to be made to balance service levels, capital requirements and tax impacts.

Financial Implications:

The budget guides organizational financial decisions.

Legislation:

- Municipal Government Act - Part 8 Financial Administration

Request for Discussion

Intergovernmental: N/A

Strategic Alignment:

Budget preparation directly relates to Strategic Priority 4 – Economic Development & Financial Sustainability. However, budget funding is required to meet all of the strategic priorities.

Enclosure(s):

1. none

Signature of the CAO: _____