

**COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 21, 2021**

Meeting Called to Order The County Council Meeting was called to order by Reeve, D. Gulayec at 10:04 a.m. on Wednesday April 21, 2021.

Attendance Present were:

D. Gulayec	S. Dary, CAO
M. Phillips	K. Kenney, Executive Assistant
D. Saskiw	
E. Yakemchuk	Press (by teleconference):
S. Odegard	News Advertiser - M. Pinon

Agenda The Agenda for the April 21, 2021 Council Meeting was presented for review and consideration, having the following additions be presented:

- o Minutes of the April 7, 2021 Special Meeting.
- o Gravel Storage re: West End.
- o Letter of Request re: Town of High River.
- o Traffic Sign Request re: RR 124 South of Hwy 29.
- o Tax Penalty Bylaw re: Update.
- o Hamlet of Derwent re: Drainage for RR 73.
- o Agricultural Chemical Disposal Sites.

There being no further additions; it was moved by:

R-120217 D. SASKIW

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

Motion Carried

Previous Minutes The minutes of the March 24, 2021 Regular Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, D. Gulayec asked for adoption.

R-120218 S. ODEGARD

That the minutes of the March 24, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

- Correspondence re: previous meeting.

Peace Officer Agreement Councillor, M. Phillips inquired on Peace Officer Services extending beyond the Hamlet of Willingdon; Administration shall investigate the same.

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

Bank Rec – March The Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending March 2021 indicating a bank balance of \$ 2, 468, 379.45 was presented for review and consideration.

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

R-120219 M. PHILLIPS

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

Motion Carried

C. McRae left the Council Chambers.

Two Hills Lions Club The CAO presented Council correspondence received from Two Hills Lions Club requesting a Letter of Support in their application to the Community Facility Enhancement Grant to assist with clubhouse renovations, new fairway and tee box mower and sprayer, and golf cart fleet upgrades.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120220 D. SASKIW

That the County of Two Hills provide a Letter of Support to the Two Hills Lions Club in their application to the Community Facility Enhancement grant.

Motion Carried

Alberta Donkey and Mule Club The County of Two Hills received correspondence from Alberta Donkey and Mule Club requesting to utilize the area known as Bodnar's Cabin and trails for a proposed May ride, having approached the Lac Santé Family Recreational Society for the same.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120221 E. YAKEMCHUK

That the County of Two Hills approve the trail ride proposed by the Alberta Donkey and Mule Club in May of 2021.

Motion Carried

Lac La Biche Reeve, D. Gulayec received invitation to the Healthier Communities Golf Tournament on Friday, July 9, 2021 at the Lac La Biche Golf and Country Club.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120222 S. ODEGARD

That available Council Members attend the Healthier Communities Golf Tournament on Friday, July 9, 2021 for future development of healthcare services and training opportunities.

Motion Carried

Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 41 The CAO informed Council that the Elk Island Separate Regional Division No. 41 would like to contract the services of the County of Two Hills to conduct the Separate School Election within the municipality.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120223 D. SASKIW

That the County of Two Hills enter into an Elections Agreement with Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 41, this 21st day of April.

Motion Carried

Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church of St. Mary (Szypenitz) The County of Two Hills received correspondence from the Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church of St. Mary (Szypenitz) requesting that portions of NW 22-55-13 W4 (E ½ North of Lake, Roll No. 496500) and NW 22-55-13 W4 (W ½ North of Lake, Roll No. 496400), all those portions assessed as farmland, be tax exempt.

Council having discussed this item; it was tabled for further information.

Pt. SW 15-54-7 W4 The CAO informed Council that Pt. SW 15-54-7 W4 (Plan 6526KS; Lot 1) remains in tax arrears, totaling \$21,228.10 to date; and, requests Council to consider, as per the authority under Section 347(1)(a)(b) of the *Municipal Government Act*, to cancel the remaining tax and penalty.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120224 **M. PHILLIPS**

That Administration investigate brownfield properties.

Motion Carried

SW 18-54-10 W4
(Plan 758EO;
Block 2; Lot 13)

The CAO informed Council that SW 18-54-10 W4 (Plan 758EO; Block 2; Lot 13) remains in tax arrears, totaling \$783.31 to date; and, requests Council to consider, as per the authority under Section 347(1)(a)(b) of the *Municipal Government Act*, to cancel the remaining tax and penalty.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120225 **M. PHILLIPS**

That Administration investigate brownfield properties.

Motion Carried

Seniors Week

The CAO informed Council that Seniors' Week is June 7 – 13, 2021.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120226 **S. ODEGARD**

That the County of Two Hills proclaim June 7 – 13, 2021 as Seniors' Week.

Motion Carried

Delegation(s)
11:00 a.m.
re: Accurate
Assessment

Messrs. Sean Cosens, Farmland Assessment Specialist and Kent Smith, Industrial Assessor of Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. were invited into the Council Chambers to discuss 2020 Assessment.

On conclusion of discussion, Messrs. Sean Cosens and Kent Smith thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

Ukrainian Greek
Orthodox Church
of St. Mary
(Szypenitz)

The CAO placed Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church of St. Mary (Szypenitz) tax exemption request on the table for discussion.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120227 **D. SASKIW**

That the County of Two Hills under the authority of Section 347(b) of the *Municipal Government Act* cancel the tax assessed as farmland on NW 22-55-14 W4 (Roll No. 496400 and 496500) being the Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church of St. Mary (Szypenitz) lands.

Motion Carried

Property Inspection

The CAO informed Council at the April 7, 2021 Public Works Department Head meeting, it was resolved that the land of Lot 1, Block 3, Plan 1442EO and the storage shed of Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 1442EO, located in the Town of Two Hills be purchased for the appraised value of \$160,000, having an Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) preformed prior to purchase.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120228 **S. ODEGARD**

That the land of Lot 1, Block 3, Plan 1442EO and the storage shed of Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 1442EO, located in the Town of Two Hills be purchased for up to \$160,000, having the ESA complete.

Motion Carried

Traffic Sign
Request re: RR 123
and TWP 564

The CAO informed Council at the April 7, 2021 Public Works Department Head meeting correspondence was received from the landowner of SW 14-56-12 W4, requesting traffic control signage at the intersection of RR 123 and TWP 564; it was resolved that the Public Works Department place yield signs at the intersection of RR 123 and TWP 564.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120229 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the Public Works Department place yield signs at the intersection of RR 123 and TWP 564.

Motion Carried

Paving Request re:
Lac Santé Shores

The CAO informed Council at the April 7, 2021 Public Works Department Head meeting, it was resolved that the County of Two Hills apply MG30 on RR 114 for half a mile. Also, it was resolved that the County of Two Hills investigate and discuss the placement of coldmix on RR 115 and TWP 562 – 2 miles and east of Hwy 36 to RR 115 – 3 miles.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120230 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County of Two Hills apply in 2021 MG30 on RR 114 for half a mile.

Motion Carried

R-120231 **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County of Two Hills investigate and discuss the placement of coldmix on RR 115 and TWP 562 – 2 miles and east of Hwy 36 to RR 115 – 3 miles.

Motion Carried

Previous Minutes

The minutes of the April 7, 2021 Special Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, D. Gulayec asked for adoption.

R-120232 **S. ODEGARD**

That the minutes of the April 7, 2021 Special Council Meeting be approved.

Motion Carried

Gravel Storage re:
West End

The CAO informed Council that at the April 7, 2021 Public Works Department Head meeting stockpiling gravel throughout the County was discussed, having no formal resolution; and, that stockpiling gravel in the west end of the municipality has been identified as a priority in the County of Two Hills Strategic Plan.

Council having discussed this item; it was tabled for further information.

Town of High
River

The County of Two Hills received correspondence from the Town of High River requesting municipal participation in the public consultation of the 1976 Coal Development Policy and for a Letter of Support be forwarded to Premier Kenney and Minister Savage requesting that all exploration activities on the Eastern Slopes of the Rockies be ceased, pending the outcome of a meaningful public consultation process.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120233 **S. ODEGARD**

That the County of Two Hills accept the correspondence from the Town of High River as information.

Motion Carried

Traffic Sign Request re: RR 124 South of Hwy 29 The County of Two Hills received correspondence from the Landowner of NE 20-55-12 W4 requesting for no truck, local traffic only signage, speed bumps and reduced speed zone – limiting traffic to 30-40 kms/hour.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120234 D. SASKIW

That 40km/hour speed signs be posted on RR 124 South of Hwy 29 for 1/2 – mile.

Motion Carried

Bylaw No. 03-2021 The CAO informed Council of Bylaw No. 03-2021, being the Penalties for Unpaid Taxes, that repeals and replaces Bylaw No. 2-2007 Penalties for Unpaid Taxes.

Council having discussed this item; it was tabled for further information.

Derwent Drainage Reeve, D. Gulayec informed the Committee that in the Hamlet of Derwent a portion of RR 73 requires a straight-face curving gutter for flood mitigation.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120235 M. PHILLIPS

That a straight-face curving gutter be installed along a portion of RR 73, in the Hamlet of Derwent.

Motion Carried

Recess

R-120236 D. SASKIW

That the meeting be recessed – time 12:40 p.m.

Motion Carried

The meeting reconvened at 1:27 p.m., having all Councillors in attendance.

Agricultural Chemical Disposal Sites Reeve, D. Gulayec placed the collection of agricultural chemical disposal sites on the table for discussion.

Council having discussed this item; it was accepted as information.

Committees of Council Councillor, D. Saskiw provided updates on Two Hills Family and Community Services, Eagle Hill Foundation, Northern Lights Library System and the Two Hills Regional Waste Management Commission Committees.

Councillor, S. Odegard provided an update on the HUB Committee.

Councillor, M. Phillips provided an update on the ALUS Committee.

ESC Report B. Straty, Essential Service Coordinator entered the Council Chambers to present the Essential Services Report.

On conclusion of the report, B. Straty left the Council Chambers.

Delegation(s) 2:00 p.m. re: RCMP 2021 Policing Priorities Sgt. Robert Daisley, Detachment Commander of the Two Hills RCMP was invited into the Council Chambers to discuss 2021 Policing Priorities, having Rural Crime being top priority.

On conclusion of discussion, Sgt. Robert Daisley Cosens thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

R. Hennig entered the Council Chambers.

Gravel Storage re: West End The CAO placed Gravel Storage re: West End on the table for discussion.
Council having discussed this item; Council shall forward the same to the Two Hills Regional Waste Management Commission.

Bridge File 1292 The CAO informed Council that the tender for Bridge File 1292 closed on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., having tenders higher than expected. The CAO has contacted Alberta Transportation for further options.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

R-120237 S. ODEGARD

That Administration investigate further options of BF 1292.

Motion Carried

R. Hennig left the Council Chambers.

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

Bylaw No. 03-2021 The CAO placed Bylaw No. 03-2021 Unpaid Tax Penalties on the table for discussion.

Council having reviewed and discussed Bylaw No. 03-2021; it was moved by:

R-120238 S. ODEGARD

That Bylaw No. 03-2021 be given first reading this 21st day of April, 2021.

Motion Carried

R-120239 D. SASKIW

That Bylaw No. 03-2021 be given second reading this 21st day of April, 2021.

Motion Carried

R-120240 M. PHILLIPS

That authority to proceed with third and final reading of Bylaw No. 03-2021 be given this 21st day of April, 2021.

Motion Unanimously Carried

R-120241 E. YAKEMCHUK

That Bylaw No. 03-2021 be given third and final reading this 21st day of April, 2021.

Motion Carried

C. McRae left the Council Chambers.

Correspondence & Information Items

- Romanian Holy Cross Church Malin re: MOST Grant Funding Thank you.
- Ukrainian Catholic Parish of Derwent (Descent of the Holy Spirit) re: MOST Grant Funding Thank you.
- Smoky Lake County re: City of Edmonton Heritage River Designation.
- Town of Morinville re: Town of Morinville Support for RCMP.

- RMA:
 - Contact Newsletters – March 1 & 26; and April 1 & 9, 2021.

- Member Bulletins:
 - 2021-03-22 | Provide Feedback on Pollinator Habitat in Alberta.
 - 2021-03-22 | Environmental Farm Plan Habitat Management Workshops.
 - 2021-03-25 | Agriculture Climate Solution Program Information Sessions.
 - 2021-03-30 | Transforming Alberta' Environmental Regulatory System

Presentation Materials Now Available.

- 2021-03-30 | Coal Policy Engagement Survey Now Available.
- 2021-03-31 | All-Terrain Crane Pilot Project Update Webinar.
- 2021-04-07 | RhPAP Community Engagement Information Session.
- 2021-04-07 | AER Adds Unpaid Municipal Taxes as Risk Factor in Approving Energy Licences
- 2021-04-08 | Comprehensive Emergency Management Program.
- 2021-04-08 | RMA Joins the Alberta Rural Connectivity Coalition.

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

R-120242 S. ODEGARD

That the next regular Council Meeting and Department Head Meeting be Call of the Chair.

Motion Carried

B. Straty, Essential Service Coordinator entered the Council Chambers.

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

R-120243 E. YAKEMCHUK

That Council meet in closed-session as per Division 2, Section 16(a)(ii) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act re: Financial with all members in attendance – time 3:40 p.m.

Motion Carried

B. Straty left the Council Chambers.

K. Kenney left the Council Chambers.

R-120244 D. SASKIW

That Council revert back to the regular public meeting with all members in attendance – time 4:36 p.m.

Motion Carried

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

R-120245 S. ODEGARD

That the meeting be adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Motion Carried

REEVE

CAO