



## Council Meeting



**November 21, 2023**

- Council undertook the scheduled Public Hearing and moved Second and Third Reading for Bylaw 2023-14, this being a bylaw for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw No. 2016-01 to redesignate portions of the subject lands from Agriculture General District, Speargrass Low Density Residential District, and Parks & Recreation District to Speargrass Special Medium Density Residential District, as shown on the attached Schedule 'A' of the agenda, forming part of this Bylaw.
- Council moved First Reading of Bylaw 2023-17, this being a bylaw for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw No. 2016-01 to redesignate  $\pm 0.10$  hectares ( $\pm 0.26$  acres) within SW-7-22-25-W4M, from Agricultural General District to Hamlet Commercial District as shown on the attached Schedule 'A' of the agenda, forming part of this Bylaw.
- Council moved that a Public Hearing for Bylaw 2023-17 be scheduled for December 19, 2023, at 9:00 AM in Wheatland County Council Chambers.
- Council moved First Reading of Bylaw 2023-20, this being a bylaw for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw No. 2016-01 to amend Specific Use Regulations and the Industrial Intensive District.
- Council moved that a Public Hearing of Bylaw 2023-20 be scheduled for December 19, 2023, at 9:00 AM in Wheatland County Council Chambers.
- Council moved First Reading of Bylaw 2023-24, this being a bylaw for the purpose of amending Land Use Bylaw No. 2016-01 to redesignate  $\pm 5.67$  hectares ( $\pm 14.00$  acres) within SE-18-24-25-W4M, from Agricultural General District to Rural Business District as shown on the attached Schedule 'A' of the agenda, forming part of this Bylaw.
- Council moved that a Public Hearing for Bylaw 2023-24 be scheduled for December 19, 2023, at 9:00 AM in Wheatland County Council Chambers.
- Council directed Administration to draft a resolution for RMA for a new Provincial Funding Model for Dissolution of Municipalities and a new dissolution process and bring it back for Council's consideration.
- Council accepted the Council Resolution Tracker dated November 21, 2023, as information.
- Council directed Administration to amend Legislative Policy Section 5.1 –Remuneration to reflect the first and second recommendations provided by the Council Remuneration Committee and to integrate a new procedure for Council approving appointment to boards and committees.
- Council directed Administration to revise Legislative Policy Section 5.1.1 -Elected Officials Remuneration for Council to submit timesheets and expense claims to a Council Meeting for acceptance as information.
- Council approved the Wheatland County Meeting/Event Calendar 2024, as presented.
- Council approved that the 2024 Wheatland County Open House Meeting be held on February 6, 2024, at the Cheadle Community Hall commencing at 7:00 P.M.
- Council deferred the November 28<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole to December 12, 2023, following MPC.
- Council provided to the Strathmore Handi-bus Association \$35,000.00 for 2024, with the understanding that a Memorandum of Understanding will not be signed at this time until further information is received regarding a reserve policy, ridership data, and an asset management strategy.

- Council directed Administration to draft a letter to the Strathmore Handi-bus Association requesting consideration of providing a reserve policy, ridership data specific to current Wheatland County residents, and an asset management strategy.
- Council directed Administration to transfer the remaining balance of \$2,964.54 from the inactive Seniors/Physically Challenged trust account to the Strathmore Handi-Bus and subsequently close the trust account.
- Council moved that the debenture be split between Carseland, Speargrass and Muirfield while Muirfield is utilizing the lagoon.
- Council directed Administration to add to set up a policy for debenture for infrastructure to a Committee of the Whole Meeting.
- Council approved funding up to a maximum of \$5,000, plus in-kind services, to support the 2023 Canadian Pacific and Kansas City (CPKC) Holiday Train Event in Gleichen on December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Council approved a refund of the 2023 Municipal Non-Residential Taxes in the amount of \$3,300.00 for Roll #3598100, pursuant to Section 347(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act.
- Council directed Administration to amend the Development Permit section of the Master Fee Schedule Bylaw to include a security deposit fee for dwellings within hamlets noted in the request for decision and residential communities.
- Council directed Administration to register directly with the Alberta Recycling Management Authority for Phase 1 of the Extended Producer Responsibility system.
- Council directed Administration to update the Snow Plowing policy, incorporating provisions County-supplied fee-for-service snow clearing at community centres owned and operated by nonprofit community associations within the County, and present the recommended updates to Council at a future Council meeting.
- Council directed Administration to include in the 2024 Capital Budget a capital project to install a streetlight on the south side of the Highway 24 and Speargrass Boulevard intersection, with a budget of \$36,600.
- Council approved First, Second, Third, and Final Reading of the Master Schedule of Fees Bylaw 2023-26.
- Council directed Administration to talk to Alberta Transportation and inquire on the steps going forward on the relocation of Highway 24 and if we can be of any service to them.
- The following motions arose from an in-camera session:
  - THAT Council accept the presented Telus Lease Agreement report as information.
  - THAT Council appoint Jason Wilson as a Wheatland County Member-at-Large for the Wheatland Housing Management Body Board for the 2023/2024 term, ending October 15, 2024.
  - THAT Deputy Reeve Klassen resign as a representative to the Agricultural Service Board.
  - THAT Wheatland County Council appoints Ryan Grier and Jason Wilson as a members-at-large on the Wheatland County Agricultural Service Board (ASB), for a term expiring October 31, 2026.
  - THAT Administration proceed to offer the landowner the compensation for lands at the intersection of Township Road 232 and Range Road 241A, as discussed in-camera.
  - THAT Council approve the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Agricultural Purchase Contract for the acquisition of the property legally described as the North Portion of SE-16-024-24 W4, encompassing an area of 72.1 acres.

- THAT Council approve changes to HR Policy 6.2.1 –Pay Structure, which includes a 2% Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) increase for all salary and hourly employees on the 2024 Pay Grid, effective January 1, 2024.
- THAT Council approve changes to HR Policy 6.4.1 –Organizational Chart and HR Policy 6.2.1 –Pay Structure (pay grid), which includes position title changes and a change of 1 seasonal position to a 1 full-time position. These changes will be effective January 1, 2024.

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