



# MINUTES

County Council  
Regular Meeting

## County of Grande Prairie No. 1

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### August 19, 2013 Council Meeting

Meeting Type : Regular Council Meeting

Date : Monday, August 19, 2013

Start time : 10:00 AM

Location : County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Community Services Building

## MINUTES

### ATTENDANCE

Present were:

#### 1. Reeve

- Leanne Beaupre

#### 2. Deputy Reeve

- Ross Sutherland

#### 3. Council

- Brock Smith
- Harold Bulford
- Lois Dueck
- Pat Jacobs
- Richard Harpe
- Sharon Nelson

#### 4. Chief Administrative Officer

- Bill Rogan

#### 5. Directors

- Arlen Miller
- Herb Pfau
- John Simpson

#### 6. Manager of Legislative Services

- Sheryle Runhart

#### 7. Recording Secretary

- Amanda Oravec

**8. Media**

- Daily Herald Tribune - Jocelyn Turner
- Big Country - Brad Whisker

Absent:

**Council**

- Mary Ann Eckstrom

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O'Canada.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1001**

**MOVED by S. NELSON** to approve agenda for meeting August 19, 2013 Council Meeting (2013/08/19) with additions as presented:

- Councillor Smith added an In Camera item;
- Councillor Nelson added Trading Development Credits (TDC's) to New Business (item 6.5).

**CARRIED**

**LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PLAN  
074 0567; PT.  
SW-5-74-7-W6M - CR-5  
TO IR - BEAIRSTO,  
LEHNERS,  
KETCHUM/BAER (FILE  
PLLUB20130273) BYLAW  
2680-13-025**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130812001)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1002**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 074 0567 Pt. SW-5-74-7-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Intensive Recreation (IR) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at *10:03 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

Matt Konowalchuk, Intermediate Planner, noted that the purpose of the application is to allow for intensive recreation development, and would facilitate the development of one new lot for intensive recreation (church) use. It is the second parcel on the quarter section, and the first parcel from Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 074 0567. The application to amend the County Land Use Bylaw will re-designate approximately 4.05 hectares (10 acres).

Comments were received from Alberta Environment and Alberta Transportation. Administration is recommending approval of the application.

Councillor Harpe commented that the area in discussion is located West of Buffalo Lake Hall and not Teepee Creek Hall.

Bruce Beairsto, Beairsto, Lehnors, Ketchum, noted that the re-designation is for building a church and the building design is being worked on. Mr. Baer spoke regarding this application. There was no one from the audience to speak to the application. The applicant, Mr. Baer was in attendance.

Councillor Smith inquired about the condition of the pavement on Range Road 70 and whether pavement will be required and how many people would be coming to the church. Mr. Baer responded that there will not be a lot of traffic going to the church as they are a small community. Reeve Beaupre inquired about the size of the congregation. Mr. Baer responded that there are currently 60-65 people. Councillor Nelson inquired about the denomination. Mr. Baer responded that they are Conservative Mennonites.

Reeve Beaupre posed a question to Public Works in regards to the condition of the road and what will need to be done. Herb Pfau responded that the current paving policy is 500 consistently and it is not currently a very busy road.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1003**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at *10:09 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1004**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that Bylaw 2680-13-025 to re-designate Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 074 0567; Pt. SW-5-74-7-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to an Intensive Recreation (IR) District to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1005**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that Bylaw 2680-13-025 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1006**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-13-025 be given consent for third and final reading.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1007**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Bylaw 2680-13-025 to re-designate Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 074 0567; Pt. SW-5-74-7-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to an Intensive Recreation (IR) District be

read a third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**PT. SW-23-74-5-W6M -  
AG TO CR-5 - BEAIRSTO,  
LEHNERS,  
KETCHUM/INTERACTIVE  
INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS  
INC. (PLLUB20130298)  
BYLAW 2680-13-030**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130812002)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1008**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate Pt. SW-23-74-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at *10:10 a.m.*.

**CARRIED**

Mr. Konowalchuk noted that this application is to amend the County Land Use Bylaw by redesignating approximately 5.07 hectares (12.53 acres) of part of SW-23-74-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for subdivision of one lot for residential use and 0.18 hectares (0.44 acres) for the purpose of a stub road.

No comments were received and Administration is recommending approval of the application. There was no one in the gallery to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1009**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at *10:12 a.m.*.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1010**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Bylaw 2680-13-030 to re-designate Pt. SW-23-74-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1011**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Bylaw 2680-13-030 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1012**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-13-030 be given consent for third and final reading.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1013**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Bylaw 2680-13-030 to re-designate Pt. SW-23-74-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) district be read a third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**PT. NE-3-75-13-W6M - AG  
TO CR-5 - BEAIRSTO,  
LEHNERS,  
KETCHUM/POCOCK  
(FILE PLLUB20130358)  
BYLAW 2680-13-031**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130812003)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1014**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT. NE-3-75-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at *10:13 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

Mr. Konowalchuk noted that this application is to amend the County Land Use Bylaw by redesignating approximately 6.10 hectares (15.07 acres) of part of NE-3-75-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for subdivision of one lot for residential use.

A comment was received from Alberta Transportation. Administration is recommending approval of the application. There was no one in the gallery to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1015**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at *10:16 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1016**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** that Bylaw 2680-13-031 to re-designate PT. NE-3-75-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1017**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-13-031 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1018**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Bylaw 2680-13-031 be given consent for third and final reading.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1019**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Bylaw 2680-13-031 to re-designate PT. NE-3-75-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District be read a third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**PT. SE-15-73-6-W6M - AG  
TO RM-2 - BEAIRSTO,  
LEHNERS,  
KETCHUM/BALDERSTON  
(FILE PLLUB20130281)  
BYLAW 2680-13-032**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130812004)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1020**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT. SE-15-73-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) and an Intensive Recreation (IR) District. The Public Hearing commenced at *10:17 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

Mr. Konowalchuk noted that this application is to amend the County Land Use Bylaw by redesignating approximately 14.55 hectares (36.03 acres) from Agricultural (AG) District to Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) District and approximately 0.81 hectares (2 acres) from Agricultural (AG) District to Intensive Recreation (IR) from part of SE-15-73-6-W6M to allow for subdivision of 3 lots for industrial use and 1 lot for intensive recreational use as an expansion of the cemetery on the adjacent quarter section.

The four proposed lots would be the second to fifth parcel out of the quarter section, with a Farmland Assessment Rating between 46-63% which is indicative of better agricultural land. Mr. Beairsto and Mr. Balderston were present to answer any questions from Council in regards to the application.

There were comments received from Alberta Transportation, Alberta Energy Regulator, CNRL, and Alberta Environment. Administration recommends approval of this application. There was no one from gallery to speak to the application.

Councillor Nelson commented that she has discussed the Municipal Reserve and the expansion of cemetery with Mr. Balderston.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1021**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at *10:22 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1022**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Bylaw 2680-13-032 to

re-designate PT. SE-15-73-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) and Intensive Recreation (IR) District to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1023**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-13-032 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1024**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Bylaw 2680-13-032 be given consent for third and final reading.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1025**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-13-032 to re-designate PT. SE-15-73-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) and an Intensive Recreation (IR) District be read a third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**PT. SE-34-72-4-W6M - AG TO CR-5 - BEAIRSTO, LEHNERS, KETCHUM/ BALDERSTON (FILE PLLUB20130386) BYLAW 2680-13-028**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130813001)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1026**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT. SE-34-72-4-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at *10:22 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

Application to amend the County Land Use Bylaw by redesignating approximately 11.82 hectares (29.21 acres) from Agricultural (AG) District to Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for subdivision of three residential uses and 0.73 hectares (1.80 acres) for the purpose of a stub road of part of SE-34-72-4-W6M. Lot 1 has a Farmland Assessment Rating of 59% and is indicative of better agricultural land.

Comments were received from CNRL. Administration recommends approval of the application. Mr. Beairsto commented on sewage disposal and Mr. Balderston were present to answer any questions from Council in regards to the application.

Councillor Bulford noted that some neighbours have concerns with the rezoning as some residences to the east have had to re-drill wells for access to water. The property is located on the north side

of Kleskun Hills. He also noted that there are also lots of noxious weeds growing on the land. Councillor Bulford is also concerned about the condition of the roads (Range Road 44 and Range Road 45). He concluded that he is not in favour of rezoning.

Councillor Nelson commented that she is not in favour of the rezoning as the area is good agricultural land (59%) and should be utilized as such. Councillor Harpe also commented on the rating and that the area is good agricultural land.

Councillor Dueck inquired if there had been tests done in regards to water access. Reeve Beaupre responded that testing is not required until the 5th parcel is created on the quarter. Councillor Bulford noted that there are currently five residences to the East and one to the North that are having issues with accessing well water.

Mr. Bearisto noted that the Alberta Government had said the wells can be done up to 5 lots, they have no choice of sewage disposal. Mr. Balderston commented that the only way to keep the area as agricultural land is to keep it as cattle grazing. If it were a cattle operation it will use more water than a family would be using; he has no other options available to him.

There was no one from the gallery to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1027**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:35 a.m.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1028**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that Bylaw 2860-13-028 to re-designate PT. SE-34-72-4-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1029**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that Bylaw 2680-13-028 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1030**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that Bylaw 2680-13-028 be given consent for third and final reading.



**DEFEATED**

**PT. NE-30-74-3-W6M - AG  
TO CR-5 - BEAIRSTO,  
LEHNERS,  
KETCHUM/MCQUAIG  
(FILE PLLUB20130363)  
BYLAW 2680-13-029**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20130813003)

**Resolution #CM20130819.1031**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT. NE-30-74-3-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential District.

The Public Hearing commenced at *10:36 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

Mr. Konowalchuk noted that this application is to amend the County Land Use Bylaw by redesignating approximately 10.02 hectares (25.21 acres) of part of NE-30-74-3-W6M from Agricultural (AG) District to Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for subdivision of one lot for residential use.

There was a comment received from Alberta Environment: "...appears to be a watercourse and possibly a wetland within the parcel". Administration recommends approval of the application. Mr. Beairsto and Mr. McQuaig were in attendance to answer any questions from Council.

Mr. Beairsto commented that they are going to subdivide around existing infrastructure. The home, shop, fence, and sewage are already located there. Reeve Beaupre inquired about the location of the well site. Mr. Beairsto responded that the well is located in the corner of the lot. Mr. McQuaig had no additional comments and there was no one from the gallery to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1032**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at *10:40 a.m.*

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1033**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-13-029 to re-designate PT. NE-30-74-3-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1034**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that Bylaw 2680-13-029 be read a second time.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1035**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Bylaw 2680-13-029 be given consent for third and final reading.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1036**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Bylaw 2680-13-029 to re-designate PT. NE-30-74-3-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District be read a third time and finally passed.

**CARRIED**

**OPERATING  
ASSISTANCE GRANT -  
CONTRIBUTION TO  
SCHOOLS**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130725001)

The following is a summary of the amount of money distributed to schools by County Recreation Boards through the Operating Assistance Grant Program. Schools received money for swimming lessons, sports clubs and field trips. Council requested that this summary be brought forward for information purposes.

2009 - \$44,422.00 of \$173,967.00 = 26%  
2010 - \$39,894.00 of \$173,967.00 = 23%  
2011 - \$46,096.00 of \$173,967.00 = 26%  
2012 - \$21,852.00 of \$173,967.00 = 13%  
2013 - \$31,959.00 of \$184,111.00 = 17%

Consistently, the Sexsmith/La Glace Rec Board distributes the most money to school groups and the Grande Prairie Recreation Board distributes the least. Council had asked Ms. Schur to come back in and report on the Operating Assistance Grants.

Councillor Nelson commented on the decrease in percentages from year to year. Councillor Dueck posed a question to Councillor Harpe in regards to the asks that are received from schools. Councillor Harpe responded that the types of applications vary but the schools getting funds remained the same. He noted that the applications he receives are much different than the ones from Hythe (for example). All schools ask for the same amount but what they receive is dependent on the amount of students at the school. Councillor Smith commented that the Province should be funding schools not the individual municipalities.

Reeve Beaupre commented that school groups are given opportunities to raise more money for their programs by participating in the Roadside Cleanup and Weed Warriors programs hosted by the County. Councillor Sutherland inquired if the participation in certain programs (Roadside Clean-up, etc.) is consistent throughout the County or if it is more concentrated in certain areas. CAO Rogan responded that the bulk is done in the Clairmont area and Sonja Raven and Steve Madden could

likely provide a list of the groups who participate in their programs. He also noted that Parks and Recreation have an agreement with some schools in Beaverlodge who receive funding to maintain the campgrounds.

Councillor Nelson commented that this information can be taken to Council's future discussions with Peace Wapiti District School Board

Considerable discussion ensued in regards to bussing, swimming lessons, and other programs that are funded by the Operating Assistance Grant from the County.

Councillor Sutherland also commented on the County having to fund Provincial initiatives such as school programs and playground equipment. Reeve Beaupre noted that she had received requests for chairs and AV equipment and they were deferred to the Operating Assistance Fund.

## INFORMATION

### **Resolution #CM20130819.1037**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** to accept the report as information.

## CARRIED

### **2013 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - UPDATE ON PROGRESS**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130814003)

Bill Rogan, CAO, updated Council on the progress made in regards to the 2013 Municipal Elections. At the August 12th Council Meeting, Shirley Feldberg was appointed as Returning Officer. Council had requested an update on the progress and polling stations of the 2013 Municipal Elections.

Polling Station Workers: Ad drafted and will run August 16 and 23.

Nomination Day Ad: Ad drafted and will run September 6, 13 and 20.

#### Polling Stations:

Past elections it has been generally accepted that two (2) polling stations have been confirmed and are available in each Division, with the exception of one year, when there were 3 established in Division 9.

#### Polling Stations Booked:

Division 1 : Bezanson Community Centre, Crystal Creek Hall;

Division 2 : Clairmont United Church, pending –Community Church or Senior’s Centre;

Division 3 : Peace Wapiti School Board, TEC Centre;

Division 4 : Dimsdale Hall, Lake Saskatoon Community Hall;

Division 5 : Beaverlodge Community Centre, pending-  
Beaverlodge Anglican Church;

Division 6 : pending- Hinton and Rio Grande Community Halls;

Division 7 : Homestead Hall;

Division 8 : pending Valhalla Rec Centre, LaGlace Community Centre;

Division 9 : Teepee Creek Hall, Sexsmith Civic Centre.

The number of polling stations required in each Division will be dependent on any acclaimed Council members/Divisions.

Training for Election Workers:

Training will be provided by Transitional Solutions Inc. and has been scheduled for October 9, 2013.

Payment of Election Workers:

Proposed rate of remuneration for election workers:

Deputy Returning Officers: \$250.00 per day / \$125.00 per half day;

Mileage: .60 per kilometer;

Cell Phone: \$5.00 Per call or payment of phone card if more than one call required.

Breakdown of Election Worker Days:

Training Session October 9, 2013 ½ day.

Election Day October 21, 2013 1 day.

Reeve Beaupre inquired if the locations are firm or if they could be changed. Bill Rogan, CAO, responded that they can still be discussed and that we have had 3 stations in one Division in the past (Division 9), and the amount of stations depends on whether we think they need additional polls.

Considerable discussion ensued in regards to the locations of polling stations.

- Reeve Beaupre noted she would like to have a station at Five Mile Hall instead of the TEC Centre;
- Councillor Harpe would like to have one at the Valhalla Community Centre, La Glace Community Centre and Homestead Hall;
- Councillor Nelson would like a station at the County Administration Building instead of the Clairmont United Church where you can vote for any Division and at the Clairmont Senior's Centre; Bill commented that there is going to be limited parking at the County Admin building as there is still construction;
- Councillor Smith would like a station in Demmit, Hythe, Goodfare, and Lymburn and commented that the residents in Councillor Dueck's Division should be able to vote at the Goodfare location;
- Councillor Jacobs commented that there should be stations at Albright Hall, Lake Saskatoon Hall, and the Beaverlodge Church;
- Councillor Sutherland commented that he would like to share

the Lake Saskatoon Hall station with Councillor Jacobs and would like to share the Peace Wapiti School Board station with Reeve Beaupre;

- Councillor Bulford would like to share the Five Mile Hall station with Reeve Beaupre;
- Councillor Dueck would like to share the Beaverlodge Church station with Councillor Jacobs;
- Councillor Jacobs would like to share Beaverlodge Church with Councillor Dueck and share Lake Saskatoon Hall and St. Johns Church with Councillor Sutherland;
- Reeve Beaupre would like to share Five Mile Hall with Councillor Bulford and PWSB with Councillor Sutherland.

Councillor Nelson inquired about the date, time, and location of the advanced polls. Bill responded that there will be an advanced poll at held at the County Public Works office October 19, 2013 and advised that mail-in voting cannot be done.

Councillor Harpe commented that Councillor Eckstrom should have input on the polling stations for her Division and that she may want to add one in Bad Heart.

#### **Resolution #CM20130819.1038**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that Council accept the proposed wages, polling stations, and rates for election workers; and that advanced polls are held at Albright Hall (for the West County) and the County Public Works building two weeks prior Election Day on October 5, 2013.

**CARRIED**

#### **100TH ANNIVERSARY GRANT DRAFT POLICY**

(NEW BUSINESS)

(Issue #20130628003)

Megan Schur, Manager of Parks and Recreation, noted that Council wanted to provide funding for communities celebrating their 100th Anniversary through a unique grant program. This program contemplates providing a maximum of \$25,000.00 per community to fund a commemorative capital item or celebration. Intake for this program would be concurrent with the Capital Assistance Grant in order to budget accordingly during fall budget time.

In determining what constitutes an eligible community, administration created the following definition: A Community includes cities, towns, villages, hamlets or localized residential area with a minimum of five households or a school or church. Applicants can form a group specifically to complete this project, or an existing not for profit can do this project on behalf of the community. They must provide evidence that the community is in support of the project (letters of support from various agencies). This does not propose being a matching grant - we do not require

that they raise 50% of the project costs, however we ask that applicants provide evidence that there is other fundraising and/or volunteer labour going into the project.

It is outlined that this grant is not intended to be used on critical infrastructure - by this we mean that we don't want groups to use this funding to replace roofs, pumps, etc. instead of spending it on something commemorative.

Councillor Nelson commented that she likes what is being done for this grant and inquired if areas like Rio Grande Rodeo should be included. Ms. Schur responded that the grant would focus more on the community of Rio Grande (as well as other smaller Hamlets like Huallen) and it would not necessarily go towards the Rodeo Association alone.

There was discussion in regards to the City of Grande Prairie's 100th Anniversary Celebration in 2014.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1039**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that Policy K-2 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

Ms. Schur commented on the Seven Generations Charity Golf Tournament request from the August 12, 2013 Council meeting and inquired if Council would like them to make an appointment and present at a Council meeting or if there were certain questions that she could take to them and then provide the answers back to Council. Bill responded that Council would like to know how much of the sponsorships are being donated to QEII and how much goes toward the event. Ms. Schur noted that she will get the answer and bring back the information to Council.

**JOINT FACILITIES USE  
AND CONTRACT  
OPERATING  
AGREEMENT AMENDING  
AGREEMENT**

(NEW BUSINESS)

(Issue #20130813004)

Herb Pfau, Superintendent of Public Works, noted that the Regional Landfill Authority met on Wednesday, August 7, 2013 and reviewed the "Amending Agreement". This amendment would extend the existing agreement for a three year term commencing January 1, 2013 and in effect to December 31, 2016.

The noted changes are to the Contract Operator Fees and to the Reserve Payment. The Authority passed a motion unanimously to accept the proposed "Amending Agreement". The existing operating agreement with Tervita Corporation concluded December 31, 2012. During the proposed three year agreement Authority members have passed a motion to hire a consultant to

complete a cost analysis to review variations of the operations of the landfill site.

Councillor Harpe noted that the previous agreement terminated as of July 1, 2012. The Authority settled on 3 year contract with Tervita. The County will be paying \$11.59 + 3% this year and there will be a new fee schedule for 2014 and 2015. He further noted that \$60,000 went into budget to complete a cost analysis on what it costs to bury a ton of garbage. He phoned other landfills and no one has an actual number. It can be between \$64/ton and \$45/ton. Beginning January of 2014 Tervita will pay us for the first 50,000 tons and we will now get paid \$0.25/ton and for anything more than 50,000 tons the cost is \$0.50/ton. We have paved road for 2 miles and have also paved the access road.

Reeve Beaupre inquired if there were two operations: one landfill and one "landfarm" for contaminated soils. Councillor Harpe responded that there are operations and Tervita is the South commercial one.

Councillor Smith inquired how much money the County is going to lose. Councillor Harpe responded that we are paying more for the services and that the Authority negotiated with Tervita. Bill Rogan, CAO, commented that the County had an agreement with the previous company, CCS, which has now become Tervita.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1040**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** that this item be tabled and brought back with financial information after lunch break.

**TABLED**

**WEST GRANDE PRAIRIE  
COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
AUTHORITY  
AGREEMENT**

(NEW BUSINESS)

(Issue #20130813002)

The Regional Landfill Authority met on Wednesday, August 7th and reviewed the attached "Amending Agreement". The amendment to the agreement is the following:

**"3 (f) Five of the members of the Authority constitute a quorum and those members may be representatives from any of the participating municipalities"**

The motion to accept the amendment was passed unanimously. This change to the agreement will not change the way the Authority has operated in the past. The change was required to ensure the Authority was operating as per agreement. Each partner municipality will be required to pass as motion to accept this amending agreement.

Mr. Pfau noted that the Authority has always had an issue with

getting a quorum for voting. Reeve Beaupre commented that they will need to amend their bylaws as well.

This item will be brought back for further discussion after lunch as well with the Joint Facilities Use and Contract Operating Agreement.

**HONOUREE FOR THE  
DISTINCTION AWARDS  
2013 - GTEC**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130814002)

GTEC (Government Technology Exhibition and Conference) is a unique platform that attracts both the government and private sector communities for learning and professional development, as well as invaluable networking. GTEC attracts over 7,000 participants, renowned speakers, and exhibitors from across Canada on an annual basis. Event takes place in Ottawa, October 7 - 10 , 2013.

As part of GTEC, and for the past 20 years, the Distinction Awards have recognized and rewarded public sector individuals and teams who have achieved excellence in the implementation of IT/M within the Canadian government. Each year, the Distinction Awards judging committee conducts an extensive evaluation of hundreds of nominated projects submitted by Federal, Provincial and Municipal government teams.

In 2013 the GTEC committee received over 91 nominations for the Distinction Awards, and the Honourees Selection Committee faced an extremely difficult task in selecting the 39 honourees. One of the County's projects: Broadband Challenges in Rural Areas (Local Towers) is one of those 39 honourees.

The Medalist Selection Committee, comprised of senior representatives from the private and public sector IT/M communities, will begin review of the honouree nominations and select the award winners. The winners will be announced only during the Distinction Awards Gala on Monday, October 7th, 2013 at the Ottawa Convention Centre, Ontario. Up to 3 medals per category may be awarded: One (1) per Federal, Provincial and Municipal grouping" (there are 6 categories).

Councillor Nelson commented that this is newsworthy and speaks to very good work and visioning done within the County.

**INFORMATION**

**TRADING  
DEVELOPMENT  
CREDITS (TDCS)**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130819001)

Councillor Nelson commented that making money is in the developing of land and her main concern is the loss of agricultural land. At the CPAA (Community Planners Association of Alberta) Conference there was discussion about Trading Development Credits.



**Resolution #CM20130819.1041**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** to have someone come to a future Council meeting to explain the TDC process to Council and any ratepayers in attendance and also have them comment on Environmental Credits and Easements.

**CARRIED**

**2013 WATER WEEK  
NORTH 'TAP INTO  
LEARNING'**

(WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES,  
SEMINARS)

(Issue #20130808001)

This conference will provide Northern Alberta communities in the water treatment, wastewater treatment, water distribution, and wastewater collection industry an opportunity for education and networking.

- Workshops & Technical Sessions
- Site tours
- Trade Show
- 1/2 day workshop for CAO's, Council Members & Water Owners

This Conference is being held September 25 - 27, 2013 at the Holiday Inn, Grande Prairie.

This conference conflicts with the following:

- Rural Libraries Conference, September 26 & 27, 2013 in Grande Prairie; and
- The Alberta Forest Products Conference, September 25-27, 2013 at the Jasper Park Lodge.

Mr. Pfau commented that members from the County staff will be attending the Conference if Steve Madden, Environmental Manager, cannot attend.

**INFORMATION**

**CREATING RURAL  
CONNECTIONS**

(WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES,  
SEMINARS)

(Issue #20130808005)

Alberta Rural Development Network (ARDN) is being held Monday, October 7, 2013 at the Executive Royal Inn, in Leduc from 12:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. ARDN is a not-for-profit partnership of Alberta's 21 public universities, colleges, and technical institutes working together to enhance the quality of life in rural Alberta.

This Conference conflicts with a Regular Council meeting on October 7, 2013.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1042**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** for No Action.

**CARRIED****MONTHLY STATEMENT**

A report of monthly cash flows, investments, accounts paid and

**FOR JUNE 2013**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)

(Issue #20130814001)

year to date financial transactions versus budget. Report is submitted monthly for Council's information.

**INFORMATION**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1043**

**MOVED BY L. DUECK** that Council accept the monthly statement for June 2013 as information.

**CARRIED**

**EOC - TV / MONITOR**

(ADDENDUM)

(Issue #20130816001)

As per Council's recent request for an additional screen / monitor to be installed in the EOC room located at the Community Services Building the following cost estimate is presented for Council's approval:

LED TV 65" to 70" Basic model	\$2500
Labor	\$500
Cables	\$500
Contingency	\$500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4000</b>

Bill Rogan, CAO, noted that Council had discussion after the last MPC meeting in regards to the screen. He referred to the re-configuration done for the today's Council meeting and inquired if they are satisfied with what has been done or whether they would like to incur the costs of installing a larger screen.

Mr. Pfau noted that it will only be a 70 inch TV and it will not be as readable as the current screen. Reeve Beaupre commented that the configuration will work and the current TV screens that are in the EOC can be turned on.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1044**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** for No Action.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1045**

**MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND** that the meeting be recessed at 11:51 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. for lunch.

**CARRIED**

The meeting was reconvened at 1:28 p.m.

**JOINT FACILITIES USE AND CONTRACT**

Steve Madden, Environmental Manager, was present to answer question from Council in regards to the Joint Facilities Use and

**OPERATING  
AGREEMENT AMENDING  
AGREEMENT**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130813004)

**Contract Operating Amending Agreement.**

Councillor Smith inquired about financials. Mr. Madden responded that the money balances: the cost for 2013 will be \$11.94; 2014 will be \$20.00/ton and 20 cents on each ton of earth hauled to Tervita. In 2015 we will get 50 cents per ton for each ton of earth hauled. He does not have the direct figures from finance as the spreadsheet has not been updated yet. Councillor Smith commented that Council has to see the figures prior making a decision on signing the contract.

Councillor Harpe reiterated the figures that he provided earlier in the meeting. Tervita are paying rental for the scaling right now and everything belongs to the Regional Landfill. The cost of the landfill has gone up. He also noted that there is a 6-month "out-clause" with the amended agreement and we can end the agreement before the three year term is up. He concluded that \$30/ton is a reasonable cost.

Mr. Pfau commented that our costs are close to \$30/ton maybe a bit over and this includes the recycling costs too. If we take it back over, it will cost more to run it. He is in favour of amending and signing the contract and believes this was the best deal that the Board could offer.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1046**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** to accept the proposed "Amending Agreement" for the Joint Facilities Use and contract Operating Agreement for the West Grande Prairie county Solid Waste Authority.

Councillor Nelson requested a recorded vote.

Councillor Smith commented that if this motion passes we still don't have any financial information available to us.

**Votes:**

**In Favour:** Ross Sutherland, Lois Dueck, Pat Jacobs, Richard Harpe

**Opposed:** Leanne Beaupre, Brock Smith, Harold Bulford, Sharon Nelson

**Absent:** Mary Ann Eckstrom

**DEFEATED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1047**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** to table Councillor Harpe's motion until there are more financials available and clarity is provided on the agreement and what it means to the County in regards to contribution.

**DEFEATED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1048**

**MOVED BY P. JACOBS** that Council sign an extension of the expired contract for 18 months at the present rate until we can get the actual figures.

There was considerable discussion in regards to the associated costs and whether municipal partners are in favour of signing the contract.

Councillor Jacobs withdrew her motion.

**WITHDRAWN**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1049**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** to have the item brought back on the Council agenda for the first meeting in September.

Reeve Beaupre commented that the motion could not be made because it was too similar to the one made by Councillor Nelson that was defeated. Councillor Smith challenged the Reeve.

Mr. Madden noted that if Council could delay the item until September 9th he would be able to have the financial information available. Councillor Harpe commented that the Authority wants the agreement signed ASAP but he is OK with deferring the item until September.

Council voted on the motion.

**CARRIED**

**WEST GRANDE PRAIRIE  
COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
AUTHORITY  
AGREEMENT**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20130813002)

Mr. Madden commented that the Authority would like to change the amount of voting member to five to assist in the quorum as before it said there has to be a member from every area. This amendment would make it easier to vote and hold meetings. Currently every partner has one member and the County has three members.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1050**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** to accept the proposed "Amending Agreement" to say five members for the quorum for the West

Grande Prairie Solid Waste Authority.

Councillor Harpe noted that the Authority has had to conference call other members who could not attend to ensure that they are ok with the agreement and to keep them informed.

Councillor Nelson inquired how often the Authority meets and was worried about inadequate representation and inquired whether they can send alternates. She also inquired if representation has been a problem in the past for voting. Mr. Madden responded that they have 4 meetings a year and the Board approves them at the beginning of the year; he noted no issues with attendance overall, but when it comes to making larger decisions the quorum was not always able to attend.

Council returned to motion.

**CARRIED**

**COUNCILLOR,  
COMMITTEE AND  
DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Councillor Dueck had nothing to report.

Councillor Bulford attended a meeting with the Department of Transportation in regards to the intersection at Highway 43 and Township Road 733. They are asking for input on whether to close the intersection, realign the intersection, or do other improvements. Mr. Pfau noted that he has put together a report on the options and it will be on agenda shortly. Reeve Beaupre commented on a letter she received from the Minister of Transportation with respect to this intersection.

Councillor Smith attended the parade in Hythe.

Councillor Smith commented on the Medical Student Tour with the Doctor Recruitment and Retention program. He noted that the current residents have refused to go on the tour and the medical students (6) will go on the tour. The bus, gas, and driver were all donated for this tour.

Councillor Smith commented that at the Hythe Fair Ramona Rollins, General Manager of the Sportsplex, was handing out passes for the Sportplex (10 day and 20 day passes); Councillor Smith would like six of the 20 day passes for the medical students.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1051**

**MOVED BY B. SMITH** that Council approve giving six 20 day passes for the Sportsplex to the medical students.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Nelson attended the Communities in Bloom judging in Clairmont and commented that the community was grateful to the County for keeping the area clean and mowed.

Councillor Nelson attended a Rural Physician Improvement meeting and noted that everyone needs to be on the same page with messaging in respects to Beaverlodge as there was no representation from the Town at the meeting.

Considerable discussion ensued in regards to the Family Care Clinic and the Beaverlodge Hospital.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1052**

**MOVED BY S. NELSON** that the Family Care Clinic and Beaverlodge Hospital discussion be put on a future agenda and invite Honourable Wayne Drysdale and the Minister of Health to attend the discussion on the West County issue.

Councillor Jacobs commented that assumptions about the Beaverlodge Hospital were based on the Needs Assessment that was done and she has tried to have the need for the building upgrades addressed but they are not being addressed.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Smith commented that Alberta Health Services will have an exit interview for Dr. Dressler done. He also noted that the RCAP convention has been delayed to February.

Councillor Nelson noted that there was a very good discussion about the FCC in Clairmont and that Dr. Lewis thought the Sexsmith Clinic was a perfect model of what works. Dr. Lewis had also commented that young doctors do not have the same philosophy of doctoring as the older ones that are currently practicing within the County.

Councillor Harpe attended the Building Expansion Committee Meeting. He commented on the Administration building renovations and referred to the 3 offices in the reception area that the staff there will be moving shortly as they do not currently have access to an emergency exit.

Councillor Harpe noted that on Range Road 100 North of Valhalla, there are a lot of motorists that are going 100-120 km/h and asked that Arlen Miller, Director of Community Services,

have County Enforcement officers target the area more frequently.

Councillor Nelson inquired when Council will be able to see the new colour scheme for Council Chambers. Mr. Pfau responded that by Monday we will have an addendum to Council Chambers. There was a motion made from the BEC to lighten up the brown colours so they will have more colours brought to Council.

Councillor Jacobs had nothing to report.

Councillor Sutherland attended the CNRL cheque presentation.

Councillor Sutherland attended the Regional Landfill meeting.

Councillor Sutherland attended the AAMDC Zone Meeting in Fort Vermillion.

Reeve Beaupre noted that she has been approached by the Facility Manager, Terry Dueck, in regard to the signs on Highway 668 denoting where the South Fire Hall is located. Alberta Transportation has requested that the signs put up by the County be removed. Mr. Pfau responded that he will have to investigate the signage issue; his understanding is that at one time we had the fire entry signs put up without a permit, they may have reapplied and did not get approval. He further noted that we did get approval for the smaller signs with the picture of the fire engines.

**Resolution #CM20130819.1053**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** that Public Works rectify the situation with Alberta Transportation and review the signage on Highway 668 for the County's South Fire Hall.

Councillor Dueck commented on the signage that has been put up without Alberta Transportation's approval that has not been removed. Bill commented that big billboards are private property and they are located on Alberta Transportation's right-of-way's. He further noted that the signage can potentially be moved to the County MR.

**CARRIED**

Reeve Beaupre commented that she met with Mayor Hanson for discussions on the salt shed in Beaverlodge and that Council was in favour with moving ahead and expanding the footprint on airport property. Bill noted that Mr. Pfau will be bringing a report back to Council in regards to the salt shed.

Reeve Beaupre attended the 10 year Anniversary for the Youth Emergency Shelter and noted that there are electrical problems in the homes that are managed by Grande Spirit Foundation and owned by the City. The homes are currently vacant due to the electrical problems. Councillor Harpe commented that the Province made an offer to the City: if the City turns over the land to the Province, they will pay for the demolition.

Bill Rogan, CAO, had nothing to report.

Mr. Pfau commented that Public Works needs drier weather to complete all of the scheduled grading.

Councillor Smith inquired about the progress with paving. Mr. Pfau responded that the paving is progressing well and they are currently in Teepee Creek completing the base work then they will move to Emerson Trail. Furthermore, everything has been started but the Oatway Road (Range Road 54). Reeve Beaupre commented on the carryover project for Township Road 704 which was included in the same project as Carriage Lane. Mr. Pfau commented that Carriage Lane will need to be ground and re-paved.

Councillor Nelson inquired about the progress on Countyview Estates. Mr. Pfau responded that the project is subject to approval at the 2014 budget. There were 3 phases, two are done but the third is up for Council's consideration.

John Simpson, Director of Planning and Development, had nothing to report.

Mr. Miller had nothing to report.

## LAND DISCUSSION

(IN CAMERA)

(Issue #20130730002)

### **Resolution #CM20130819.1054**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that the meeting go in to In-Camera, at 2:41 p.m., pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto, to discuss Privileged Information with regards to the Land Discussion.

**CARRIED**

### **Resolution #CM20130819.1055**

**MOVED by R. HARPE** that the meeting come out of In Camera at 3:27 p.m.

**CARRIED**



**Resolution #CM20130819.1056**

**MOVED BY R. HARPE** to accept the Annexation Negotiation Final Report as presented by Planning and Development and have it submitted to the Municipal Government Board.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1057**

**MOVED BY H. BULFORD** that the County arrange a Forum on September 10, 2013 to inform ratepayers on process and procedure going forward with the Annexation with the City of Grande Prairie, and have the final position paper brought back on the August 26, 2013 Council agenda.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #CM20130819.1058**

**MOVED by P. JACOBS** that the meeting adjourn at 3:31 p.m.

**CARRIED**

These minutes approved the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013.

Reference # \_\_\_\_\_

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR