

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE NO. 1
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
HELD AT COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE NO. 1
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2013
10:00 a.m.

PRESENT	<p>CHAIRMAN L. BEAUPRE</p> <p>COUNCILLORS H. BULFORD M. ECKSTROM P. JACOBS B. SMITH R. SUTHERLAND S. NELSON</p> <p>ABSENT R. HARPE L. DUECK</p> <p>COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR W. A. (BILL) ROGAN</p> <p>LEGISLATIVE SERVICES MANAGER SHIRLEY FELDBERG</p> <p>SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HERB PFAU</p> <p>DIRECTOR OF PLANNING JOHN SIMPSON</p> <p>RECORDING SECRETARY AMANDA ORAVEC</p>
MEDIA	<p>AARON HINKS JUSTIN PAROHL JEFF HENSON</p> <p>DAILY HERALD TRIBUNE BIG COUNTRY FM FREE FM</p>
CALL TO ORDER	<p>The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O Canada. Reeve Beaupre noted that slideshow playing during O Canada showcased the Photo Contest winners for 2012.</p>
ADDITIONS TO AGENDA AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the Agenda be adopted with the addendum and additions as amended.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-76-13</p>
MLA EVERETT MCDONALD CHEQUE PRESENTATION	<p>Presentation began at 10:02 a.m. The County of Grande Prairie and the West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill Authority are the recipients of Tire Marshalling Area Grants, the funding for which is provided through Alberta's tire recycling program.</p> <p>a) The County is receiving \$30,000 for completing the resurfacing of the tire bays at the Clairmont Centre for Recycling and Waste Management.</p> <p>b) The authority is receiving \$26,692 for completion of the</p>

	<p>modification of a ramp at the regional landfill that provides access to the tire collection area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blaine Kyle, Vice-Chair of the West Grande Prairie County Regional Landfill Authority, will be accepting the cheque on the behalf of the authority;• Representing the Alberta Recycling Management Authority (Alberta Recycling) will be Helen Rice who is on the Authority's Board of Directors. <p>MLA McDonald thanked Council for applying for the projects/grants; this program is 10 years old.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that the Landfill works very hard to ensure everything is done properly, she is very happy to see the funds coming back to the County. Photos were taken with Reeve Beaupre, MLA McDonald, Mr. Kyle, and Helen Rice.</p>
<p>MINUTES APPROVAL: JANUARY 7, 14, 21, 2013</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the minutes from the January 7, 2013 Council meeting be approved as circulated.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-77-13</p> <p>January 14, 2013 errors and omissions:</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland noted a correction on page 25 of the attachment package in regards to a question Predator Oil; it should note that they answered Yes. Also, on page 33 of the attachments there is no reference to voting member numbers for the Dinosaur Committee Terms of Reference; it needs to be noted that there are four voting members from County Council.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2013 Council meeting with the noted amendments.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson also noted corrections for the January 14, 2013 Council minutes. On page 24 of the attachments it should be noted as truck traffic coming from Mercer Hill from the South and Range Road 54 from the North. She also noted that the last paragraph on page 23 of the attachments requires clarification of which company currently owns and is renting the land.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> that the January 14, 2013 Council minutes be tabled pending clarification through a review of the audio tape.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-78-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the minutes from the January 21, 2013 Council minutes be approved with noted corrections.</p>

	<p>Councillor Nelson noted that on page 38 of the attachments there should be a change of the date for the closing of Land Stewardship Grants from February 21, 2013 to February 1, 2013.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-79-13</p>
<p>GRANDE PRAIRIE ROTARY CLUBS- 2015 SPECIAL OLYMPICS</p>	<p>Grande Prairie Rotary Clubs Presidents Frank Daskewich, Holly Sorgen, and Lorraine Gabriel began the presentation at 10:17 a.m.</p> <p>The Grande Prairie Rotary Clubs requested a letter of support from Council for their bid for the 2015 Winter Special Olympics to be held in Grande Prairie.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether there were any financial implications to applying for the opportunity to host the 2015 Special Olympics. Mr. Daskewich responded that there are financial implications; 1/3 of their funding is raised through registration, 1/3 is obtained from Alberta Gaming, and 1/3 of funding is for Gifts in Kind (providing venues for Skiing, Snowshoeing, etc). The Grande Prairie Rotary Clubs would also like to ask for a member to sit on their organizing committee.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether the Rotary Clubs have spoken to the City of Grande Prairie yet. Mr. Daskewich responded that they are part of a Community Development Committee with the City; they also have a meeting with the MD of Greenview shortly.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired how many days the event will run. Mr. Daskewich responded that the event is 3 days, and is typically held during the third or fourth week in February. It was also asked when the Rotary Clubs will know if they have received the successful bid. Mr. Daskewich responded that they were approached to put in the bid, timelines for responses are getting shorter, and they are waiting for the Rotary Clubs to apply. Ms. Sorgen noted that they hope to have all of the necessary information for the bid submitted by Feb 15th, 2013.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether there is going to be a monetary legacy remaining or if they are planning on breaking even. Mr. Daskewich responded that they will likely break-even; they are hoping for a surplus but it probably won't happen. In previous games we have held, there is usually one host city not a district and they manage the funds and the legacy stays in one region.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson inquired who is funding the costs of preparing the bid for the 2015 Special Olympics. Ms. Sorgen responded that the Rotary Clubs in the Grande Prairie Region are splitting the costs of preparing the bid (Swan City Rotary Club, Rotary Club of Grande Prairie, Sunrise Rotary Club, After Five Rotary Club, and Rotaract Club).</p>

	<p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired whether it would be the Winter or Summer Olympics. Mr. Daskewich responded that it will be the Winter Olympics.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> that the County write a letter of support for the Rotary Clubs bid for the 2015 Winter Special Olympics and upon successful allocation of the bid, a member be appointed to the Committee for the 2015 Winter Special Olympics.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-80-13</p> <p>The presentation concluded at 10:26 a.m. and the representatives left the meeting.</p>
<p>SPEED REDUCTION- CLAIRMONT AREA ON HIGHWAY #2</p>	<p>Public Works has commented on the "draft" speed reduction signage with our local and Peace River Alberta Transportation offices. Currently these options are being reviewed by Alberta Transportation's main office in Edmonton.</p> <p>Herb Pfau, Superintendent of Public Works, noted that we are very close on getting the signalization completed; it is on the regional list for Alberta Transportation, it is now just a matter of getting the request processed.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that the Regional Director has been asked to come in and present to Council. Mr. Pfau responded that he will be attending a Council meeting in March 2013 to present (March 4th or March 11th).</p> <p>Councillor Nelson inquired whether there has been any traffic counts done on peak hours at the second entry. Mr. Pfau responded that the safety assessment did not focus as much on this. Councillor Nelson expressed concerns as Clairmont has grown and when the Clairmont Heights ASP begins there will only be one access available.</p> <p>Councillor Smith noted that when Alberta Transportation's comments come back on the Clairmont Heights ASP they will have addressed the issues Councillor Nelson was referring to. Mr. Pfau noted that the County can do the necessary work on the Mercer Hill road, but it will be about \$6 million to change the intersection over and then it will be difficult to determine who needs to pay for the construction. Mr. Pfau further noted that Council can lobby to get the overpasses at Range Road 55 and Range Road 63 completed by Alberta Transportation.</p> <p>Considerable discussion ensued in regards to comments from Alberta Transportation and the stacking of vehicles.</p>

	<p><u>MOVED BY P. JACOBS</u> that correspondence be forwarded to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure expressing concern for the lack of vision in their planning based on growth and type of traffic with copies being sent to MLA's.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-81-13</p>
<p>BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION POLICY</p>	<p>Bill Rogan, CAO, provided background information on the policy and noted that the County has very different boards and all with different compensation. The Finance Department has suggested that a policy be created that establishes a consistent rate for public board members for per diems and for travel.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether the policy has ever been reviewed before. Bill Rogan responded that it has not been reviewed before; some boards have been around for a long time, others (CARB, LARB) used to be mainly comprised of Council members but now are mainly comprised of other public board members.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom commented that they have struggled as a Council to have people sitting on the different boards; therefore she would like to see the rate be the same as Councillors.</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland commented on the Regional Landfill Board and the Library Board. He also echoed Councillor Eckstrom's comments in regards to the trouble with recruiting members to various boards and noted that he is in favour of having a consistent rate.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> to have Administration bring back the Board Member Compensation Policy to Council reflecting a consistent rate for all established boards that have members away from Council.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-82-13</p>
<p>SPECIAL NEEDS SNOWPLOWING</p>	<p>Kathleen Turner, Director of FCSS, presented the Special Needs Snowplowing request for 713071 Range Road 90.</p> <p>The family, common law man and wife, and 21 years old special needs son, live on an acreage west of Wembley. The son is severely autistic, with other behavioral/emotional conditions and poor health.</p> <p>The father does have some means of keeping the driveway clear and is able to manage under most circumstances. However if there are heavy snows and winds the driveway seals in solid and he is unable to budge it. This is when he would require help to make sure passage was possible. From time to time the son does require emergency care, whether they are taking him or ambulance is attending. A doctor's note confirming this information is on file.</p>

	<p>Public Works advises that the driveway is accessible; there will be a discussion between FCSS and Public Works when the special requests for plowing are required.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> to approve the Special Needs Snowplowing when requested.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-83-13</p>
<p>SUBDIVISION TIME EXTENSION REQUESTS</p>	<p>John Simpson, Director of Planning, spoke to the time extension request.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the following subdivision time extension request be approved in order to fulfill the conditions of approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Edward and Catharyne Stauffer; SW 09-74-05-W6M, Div. 9; February 12, 2014, third and final time extension, File 09GP101 (07509). <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-84-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY H. BULFORD</u> that the following subdivision time extension request be approved in order to fulfill the conditions of approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Hugo Bertozzi Professional Corp.; Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 962 2668; PT. SW-10-71-6-W6M, Div. 3; February 9, 2014, second time extension, File 10GP82 (10180). <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-85-13</p>
<p>DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR PT. SW-08-75-7-W6M</p>	<p>Matt Konowalchuk, Intermediate Planner, presented the Development Permit Application for an Accessory Building (42' x 60' = 2520 sq.ft.). The proposed structure is a pole shed used for dry storage on an existing parking lot.</p> <p>Comments from County staff: The Land Use Bylaw designates this parcel as a Rural Industrial - Direct Control (RM-DC) District. This is a use allowed under the RM-DC zoning as a discretionary use.</p> <p>Administration recommends approval of the application, subject to the following condition(s):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The site is developed as per the site plan submitted. 2) The development conforms to the district requirements of the Industrial - Direct Control (RM-DC) District. 3) A Roadside Development Permit being obtained from Alberta Transportation. 4) All outdoor lighting shall be located and arranged so that no direct rays of light are directed at any adjoining properties, interfere with the use and enjoyment of neighboring lands, or interfere with the effectiveness of any traffic control device. Outdoor site lighting fixtures

	<p>shall be installed with the light directed and deflected away from public roads. These lighting fixtures shall not be more than 9.0 meters above finished grade.</p> <p>5) Fuel and Storage Tank(s) are subject to approval and licensing from the Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired why the condition for keeping the building material onsite was not included as the condition is typically added to other development permits.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> for approval of the development permit application with the addition of the sixth standard condition for containing material onsite.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-86-13</p>
<p>COUNCIL MEETING/ MPC MEETINGS LOCATION DURING RENOVATIONS</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom commented on the option of using the Sportsplex and the TEC Centre and noted that the TEC Centre would be a better solution because the room at the Sportsplex is right at the entrance of the building.</p> <p>Councillor Smith suggested using the Emergency Operations Centre meeting room at the County Community Services Building.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson commented that she agrees with Councillor Smith's suggestion to use the EOC, because if Council has to rent another facility for meetings it will be more costly to the ratepayers.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that she had discussed the alternate locations at the Building Expansion Committee meetings, and it was concluded that they will need to ensure the meeting area has a reliable internet source.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> that Council meetings will be held at the EOC meeting room during Chamber renovations, and that Administration books days and the facility is set up to accommodate by April 1, 2013 for Council and MPC needs. Also have the dates inputted into Council calendars.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-87-13</p>
<p>AQUATERA BOARD OF DIRECTORS RE- APPOINTMENT AND TERMS</p>	<p>Bill Rogan inquired whether Council is happy with the current members on the Aquatera Board of Directors.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that Aquatera has not responded to the letter that was sent from the County Council in regards to the installation of the second water meter, therefore we shouldn't respond to them until they provide a response.</p>

	<p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> to table this request until indication from the Aquatera Board has been received with respect to the County request.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-88-13</p>
<p>BEAR HILL RODEO GROUNDS- PEACE COUNTRY OFF ROAD RACING ASSOCIATION</p>	<p>Megan Schur, Manager of Parks and Recreation, discussed that the Peace Country Off Road Racing Association (PCORA) would like to use the Bear Hill Rodeo grounds for mud racing and mud-bogging events. They need to find a new location and they have sent a request to Parks and Recreation to use the grounds semi-permanently. It was noted that the area would be fenced off, but the PCORA would not do reclamation each year.</p> <p>Bill Rogan provided background on the past uses of the grounds (chuck wagon racing etc.). He further noted that there are people living across the road from the rodeo grounds, therefore Ms. Schur and the PCORA would have to ensure that neighbours were asked about this and then the County can hypothetically sign a one year term with PCORA.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that this area has a very strong emotional attachment, this has been a community place since it was settled; you need to get community feedback.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> to approve option 3 to direct Administration to gather public feedback and report back to Council.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that we need to see how successful the events were in Teepee Creek before making a definite decision. Councillor Eckstrom noted that she believes it has been a very successful event in Teepee Creek but agrees with Councillor Smith that we need public feedback.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson expressed concerns with the quads, noting that by introducing more quads and people to this remote area Council will be encouraging more quading on this land. Councillor Nelson also inquired why Teepee Creek is not encouraging PCORA to come back; if the community wanted them there, the event would continue to be held there.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that there will need to be a Special Events Permit completed and approved before any events can be hosted at the rodeo grounds.</p> <p>Council returned to the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-89-13</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired how Administration is going to ensure that the public is involved in providing feedback</p>

	<p>for the proposed use of the rodeo grounds. Bill Rogan responded that Administration will circulate a letter to the neighbours and let them know what has been proposed and ask them for feedback. Reeve Beaupre noted that the proposed use of the grounds will be released to the public and anyone can comment on it; Administration needs to have a policy done up in relation to these situations.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> to have Administration create and bring back a policy to Council in relation to the use of Municipal Reserve lands.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-90-13</p>
<p>COUNTY PICTORIAL BOOK</p>	<p>Walter Paszkowski, Economic Development Officer, and Carla McLeod, Economic Development Coordinator, presented to Council.</p> <p>Mr. Paszkowski noted that at the last Pictorial Book Committee meeting the committee recommended that the following items be brought forward to a Council meeting for consideration of the entire Council.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Book Content<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Product of the photos of the County photo contests• Additional photos including such items as important people, other municipalities, groups of people, historic pictures, scenes outside of the County, etc.2) When should the book be released?3) Will the book be for sale as well as used for gifts and appreciation?4) Books Content – 120 pages, 212 pages, 220 pages? <p>Staff has engaged in discussion with a professional producer who has experience in the development of such a piece of material. This person would be part of one of the bidders.</p> <p>Question for Council: In order to expedite the process would there be value in staff developing a draft for the committee to work from for the next meeting?</p> <p>Economic Development is asking for direction from Council.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that the original intent of the pictorial book was to showcase the photo contest winners over the last 10 years. Council would be able to present the book to visiting dignitaries, give them away at conventions, etc.; this can give appreciation to the people who have taken the photos.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom noted that she agrees with Reeve Beaupre, the intent was to create a book that showcases</p>

the County. However she commented that she believes there should be an opportunity for people from the general public to buy these books and put them on their coffee tables. She wanted to ensure the direction was right prior the Pictorial Book Committee moving forward.

Councillor Jacobs noted her concerns that the whole County is not represented in these photos; there is only representation by people who submitted their photos for the photo contest.

Councillor Smith commented that he believes the whole County should be represented and there should be a caption of where they were taken, as well as recognition for the photographer.

Councillor Nelson commented that one problem with the photo contest is that representation is not County-wide, and the County will not be able to showcase all of the different categories in 126 pages (wildlife, nature, structure, etc.).

MOVED BY B. SMITH to give direction to Pictorial Book Committee to showcase all the divisions within the County of Grande Prairie in the Pictorial Book.

Councillor Eckstrom posed questions for Administration in regards to having enough photos to showcase the whole County and whether Council wants to see individual divisions highlighted, or a book of the whole County together.

Mr. Paszkowski commented that he keeps a record of the entrants who submit photos for the photo contest and they were asked where the picture is located but not all entrants know the exact location where the picture was taken. There are some photos that are over 10 years old now and the photographers may not remember where they took the pictures.

Reeve Beaupre commented that if the Committee cannot locate a photo that is definitely from each division, they will need to research and find photos that will showcase all the divisions within the County.

Council returned to the motion.

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Councillor Eckstrom inquired when the book should be released and whether there is an importance on the timing of release for Council.

Councillor Smith commented the book should be released on the grand opening of Council Chamber renovations (November 2013). He also noted that he would like to see the quotes and budget for the book prior to finalization and approval.

	<p>Councillor Eckstrom commented that Mr. Paszkowski had noted that there is some seed money to help the Committee get started on the book. Bill Rogan noted that the budget for the book will have to be inputted into the Spring Budget.</p> <p>Mr. Paszkowski noted that they had selected 240 pictures to start the process with, but it will now take additional time to locate where the pictures were taken.</p> <p>The presentation concluded and Mr. Paszkowski and Mrs. McLeod left the meeting at 11:46 a.m.</p>
<p>WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS</p>	<p>Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Event- Feb. 28, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • local event; • Sheryle Runhart to input event into calendars for Council to accept or decline. <p>15th Annual Swan Festival Opening Evening- Apr. 20, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has sponsored this event in the past, have also provided a silent auction item. <p><u>MOVED BY P. JACOBS</u> to donate \$1500.00, as per budget, to the 15th Annual Swan Festival and a silent auction item up to a value of \$150.00.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-92-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> to send a copy of this letter to the Branding Consultant care of the Branding Committee in regards to information on sustainability of the Swans.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-93-13</p>
<p>INFORMATION ITEMS</p>	<p>1. Human Resources Report;</p> <p>Charlotte Bierman, Human Resources Coordinator, presented the report which outlined the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2012 Internal Safety Audit Results; • Health & Safety Training: incidents up but probably due to the process of reporting being done; • Health & Wellness Benefit: usage increased to 89%; • Employee Engagement Survey: 84% response <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether the results were from all County of Grande Prairie departments. Ms. Bierman responded that the results were from all fulltime and fulltime seasonal departments, but not necessarily the Paid-On-Call Fire staff as a separate survey was done with that group earlier.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson commented that she was very pleased when she reviewed the report, and noted that it shows</p>

	<p>how good the County is because of their staffing. She also commented positively on the reporting of the near misses because staff are not afraid to report incidents to the Safety Auditor. Councillor Nelson extended thanks to all of the County staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment and Retention: turnover rates; • Demographics: employees at the County are getting older; succession planning, filling vacancies. <p>Ms. Bierman noted that it is because of the increase in staffing that it seems like rates of incidents are increasing.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that she is more concerned with the loss time incidents. Councillor Sutherland inquired if there is anything in our vision outlining Zero Loss Time Incidents. Bill Rogan responded that zero loss time has not been formally written but is always in our vision for the future. However, we need to be careful with the wording because there is a risk of having the reporting of the near misses from staff decrease if they think they will get in trouble for reporting.</p> <p>Ms. Bierman concluded her presentation at 12:01 p.m. and left the meeting.</p>
<p>RECESS</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> to recess for lunch at 12:01 p.m. and reconvene at 1:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-94-13</p>
<p>RECONVENE</p>	<p>The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.</p>
<p>INFORMATION ITEMS</p>	<p>2. Wapiti River – Terms of Reference Public Consultation- Open House February 11, 2013;</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom requested that the Open House be inputted into Council calendars.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that there was discussion at the most recent Wapiti Corridor Planning meeting about wanting to have representation at the open house. She also inquired whether any legislative changes, if made, will be coming back to Council and other municipalities for approval.</p> <p>Bill Rogan commented that Steve Madden, Environmental manager, would have to address that question. He noted that the Scoping Study was intended to see what information is out there now. Reeve Beaupre expressed concerns in regards to the wording and language used in the advertisement for the hearings.</p> <p>Mr. Madden was called into the meeting to address queries on this item.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre asked Mr. Madden whether the outcomes of the scoping study will be proposed to the</p>

Provincial government as legislative policies, and if the policies will come back to Council first prior sending to government.

Mr. Madden responded that the scoping study was intended to dig into research material to provide recommendations on information gaps and where to have additional plans done. The study focused on different groups and research papers to show if there are gaps in research. The Open House is the public consultation portion and will combine with the Scoping study to create the Terms of Reference; then it will be taken to the Provincial government, not necessarily driving policy changes.

Mr. Madden noted that they are gathering interest groups to address the specific issues at the public consultation.

Councillor Nelson commented that the biggest problem is that people are combining the Open House and the scoping study together but they are actually separate events. She also noted that the Wapiti Corridor Planning Society had not participated in the last open house/meeting.

Mr. Madden responded that Jim Hammond is part of the Wapiti Corridor Planning Society and he has been aware of the open houses. Further, the scoping study is not making any decisions, it is the background information. Reeve Beaupre commented that if Mr. Madden is not receiving the information they need for the study or open house, he will have to go to Jim Hammond or Jerry Bauer and request the information.

3. Wapiti River Scoping Study- SDM Workshop;

- 20-25 people will be at the workshop, County will have approximately 4 seats confirmed; want to put Councillors names on and have alternates as well (Reeve Beaupre, Councillor Nelson, and 2 members from staff and Administration);

MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM to put forward the names for the Scoping study workshop, two from Council and two from Administration.

MOTION CARRIED 02-95-13

4. Correspondence from AHS Emergency medical Services and AHS North Zone; background information that was shared when AHS came to Council and updated.

Councillor Nelson voiced concern with the Air Ambulance service, she spoke to a doctor and he said there was no consultation with physicians in regards to the closure.

Reeve Beaupre noted that she is confident they have

made changes to the movement of patients on the ground ambulance, there is a 17 minute difference in the time it takes to get to the University of Alberta Hospital.

Councillor Smith commented that after the discussion with AHS he feels better about the Air Ambulance situation because they are doing whatever they can to do.

Councillor Eckstrom commented that Minister Drysdale noted the Regional Hospital in Grande Prairie will be doing more surgeries now therefore less transportation to Edmonton will be required.

5. News Release: Diamond Jubilee Medal Ceremony;

Reeve Beaupre congratulated all recipients of the Diamond Jubilee Medal. She commented that she was not impressed with the outline of the presentations having it spread across a couple days and also that Council did not get an invitation to be there.

Councillor Nelson noted that she agrees with Reeve Beaupre, the Ceremony was well done but the standard comments from recipients was "who nominated me" and "why am I here" therefore it was disorganized in that respect. There was also no recognition of the County of Grande Prairie, she thinks there should be a response back from the County of Grande Prairie because there were many people that live in the County and there was no recognition.

Councillor Nelson further noted that she was not asked to participate in the ceremony even after she said she was there on behalf of the County of Grande Prairie. Bill Rogan provided background on the presentation of awards, he noted that it was a Chris Warkentin/City of Grande Prairie hosted event.

Councillor Jacobs commented that she thinks it is very unfortunate that this happened and the County was not represented at the ceremony.

MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM to send a letter of concern to MP Chris Warkentin's office in regards to the lack of recognition of the County of Grande Prairie at the Diamond Jubilee medal Ceremony.

MOTION CARRIED 02-96-13

6. Superintendent Rempel & Fire Chief Cooke
Honoured with the Diamond Jubilee;

7. Correspondence from Minister of Municipal Affairs,
Honourable Doug Griffiths;

8. Correspondence from Denis Lebel, P.C., M.P.;

	<p><u>MOTION BY H. BULFORD</u> to send a response letter back outlining the County's views on a long term Federal Infrastructure program.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-97-13</p> <p>9. Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum- Special Meeting Minutes January 22, 2013.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that the minutes should be noted as "draft" on the agenda and not presented to Council until they have been approved.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom commented on the timelines for drafting and approval of minutes. Councillor Smith commented that he likes being kept up to date with the minutes, as long as the minutes are stamped as "draft" until approval.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that the minutes are currently in draft form, at the next meeting they will need to be approved.</p> <p>Bill Rogan confirmed that Administration will need to ensure that the minutes are stamped as "draft" until approval is given at the following meeting.</p>
<p>ADDENDUM</p>	<p>Update on FCM's Infrastructure Campaign. Included comments on the Infrastructure Challenge.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that we need to ensure that the Great Canadian Infrastructure Challenge addresses our needs as well as the needs of neighbouring municipalities.</p>
	<p><u>COUNCILLOR REPORTS</u></p>
<p>SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION DINOSAUR MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom attended the special construction meeting for the Dinosaur Museum. She noted that there is a partial basement under the structure and they will need to ensure that adequate storage is addressed in the initial building.</p>
<p>ASB CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom attended the ASB Conference in Edmonton. She also did tours of different municipal Chambers to research different electronic systems that are used with Councillors Smith and Bulford, and Reeve Beaupre. Toured Spruce Grove, City of Edmonton, and St. Albert.</p>
<p>DR. DAVID LEONARD</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom attended the media event for Dr. David Leonard held in Council Chambers.</p>
<p>PICTORIAL BOOK COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom attended the Pictorial Book Committee meeting.</p>

TOUR OF CITY OF GP CHAMBERS	Councillor Eckstrom toured the City of Grande Prairie Council Chambers with Councillor Bulford, Reeve Beaupre, and staff in attendance.
STEWARDS IN MOTION	Councillor Eckstrom attended the Stewards in Motion Regional Event.
AAMD&C ZONE MEETING	<p>Councillor Eckstrom attended the AAMD&C Zone meeting at the MD of Big Lakes.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> to send a letter to the MD of Big Lakes thanking them for hosting the meeting and their hospitality.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-98-13</p>
MEMORIAL FOR ED CZERNIAWSKY	Councillor Eckstrom attended the Memorial Service for previous Councillor Ed Czerniawsky.
NEW MINISTER OF ADVANCED EDUCATION	Councillor Eckstrom noted that there is a new Minister of Advanced Education, Thomas Lukaszuk. He is also the Deputy Premier.
PUBLIC MEETING IN TEEPEE CREEK	<p>Councillor Eckstrom noted that she received a request from a ratepayer in her division to have a public meeting in Teepee Creek. Discussion items will include paving in Teepee Creek and Fire Hall renovations. Councillor Eckstrom asked Administration to determine what the agenda will be.</p> <p><u>MOVE BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that Administration set up a time for a public meeting/open house in Teepee Creek to bring residents up to date on the projects for this year and use staff resources to do so.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-99-13</p>
SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION DINOSAUR MEETING	Councillor Bulford attended the Special Construction meeting for the Dinosaur Museum Foundation.
ASB CONFERENCE	Councillor Bulford attended the ASB Conference in Edmonton. He also did tours of different municipal Chambers to research different systems that are used with Councillors Smith and Eckstrom, and Reeve Beaupre. Toured Spruce Grove, City of Edmonton, and St. Albert.
DR. DAVID LEONARD	Councillor Bulford attended the media event for Dr. Leonard held in Council Chambers.
PHOTO CONTEST	Councillor Bulford attended the 2012 County Photo Contest held at the TEC Centre. He commented that it was very helpful that information was provided on how to take interesting pictures.
DINOSAUR INTERIOR	Councillor Bulford attended the opening of Expression of Interest for the interior design of the Dino Museum.
STEWARDS IN MOTION	Councillor Bulford attended the Stewards in Motion Regional event.

<p>AAMD&C ZONE MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Bulford attended the AAMD&C Zone meeting at the MD of Big Lakes.</p>
<p>TOUR OF CITY OF GP CHAMBERS</p>	<p>Councillor Bulford toured the City of Grande Prairie Council Chambers with Councillor Eckstrom, Reeve Beaupre and staff in attendance.</p>
<p>LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS FOR AARON PECK</p>	<p>Councillor Bulford commented that his neighbour, Aaron Peck, has won an International Dog Sled race in Wyoming.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY H. BULFORD</u> to send a letter of congratulation to Aaron Peck on his accomplishments on the International Dog Sled Derby.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-100-13</p>
<p>SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION DINOSAUR MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Smith attended the Special Construction meeting for the Dinosaur Museum Foundation. He inquired when Brian Brake, Executive Director, would be coming into Council to present as he was to come once a month to report updates.</p>
<p>AAMD&C ZONE MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Smith attended the AAMD&C Zone Meeting at the MD of Big Lakes. He noted that the Transportation report was very discouraging and that no pavement rehabilitation will be done this year.</p>
<p>SPRING LAKES SKI HILL</p>	<p>Councillor Smith noted that the Spring Lakes Ski Hill opened to the public last week.</p>
<p>DR. DAVID LEONARD</p>	<p>Councillor Smith attended the media event for Dr. Leonard held in Council Chambers.</p>
<p>SEXSMITH SEED CLEANING PLANT MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Nelson attended the Sexsmith Seed Cleaning Plant meeting. She noted that they had purchased a tractor in October, assumed it had gone through the appropriate testing but it had not; the company took the tractor back and they will pursue purchase of another tractor elsewhere.</p> <p>It was also noted that they held their AGM and Councillor Nelson has copies of the financial reports.</p>
<p>PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE</p>	<p>Councillor Nelson commented that Pursuit of Excellence had sent a letter to Councillors as an informal request for \$10,000 in support from the County. Currently the City of Grande Prairie supports \$10,000 so they are asking for the County to contribute too as they want to expand their scope and potentially change the structure of their committee.</p>
<p>DR. DAVID LEONARD</p>	<p>Councillor Nelson attended the media event for Dr. David Leonard held in Council Chambers.</p>
<p>STEWARDS IN MOTION</p>	<p>Councillor Nelson attended the Stewards in Motion Regional event.</p>

<p>PHOTO CONTEST</p>	<p>Councillor Nelson attended the 2012 County Photo Contest held at the TEC Centre.</p>
<p>ASB CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the ASB Conference in Edmonton. She noted that she has a copy of the Conference program for ASB and that it was one of the better conferences she has been to.</p> <p>She extended thanks to the County ASB staff that participated in putting on the conference.</p>
<p>DR. DAVID LEONARD</p>	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Dr. Leonard media event held in Council Chambers.</p>
<p>PICTORIAL BOOK COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Pictorial Book Committee Meeting.</p>
<p>STEWARDS IN MOTION</p>	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Stewards in Motion Regional event. She commented that Jill has done an excellent job for the Beaverlodge River and that Council should invite Kathy from New Generations to come to a Council meeting and provide an update.</p>
<p>LETTER TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION RE: ROAD PROBLEMS ON HIGHWAY 43</p>	<p>Councillor Eckstrom commented on the Transportation presentation at the AAMD&C Zone meeting and that we need to have the rehabilitation done to Highway 43 as the road coming west from Bezanson is terrible.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that Alberta Transportation or Public Works needs to put up signs noting the bumps and pot holes in the road. Councillor Jacobs also expressed her concerns with big trucks losing their loads due to the pot holes and bumps.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> to send a letter to the Minister of Transportation targeting the two locations in regards to safety concerns and funding for rehabilitation (Highway 43 from Wembley to Grande Prairie and Highway 43 from Bezanson to Grande Prairie).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-101-13</p>
<p>MEMORIAL CEREMONY</p>	<p>Councillor Jacobs extended thanks to Councillor Eckstrom and her husband Darwin for attending the memorial service for retired Councillor Ed Czerniawsky.</p>
<p>DINOSAUR MEETINGS (SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION AND REGULAR MEETING)</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the Special Construction Dinosaur meeting and the Dinosaur Building Committee meeting. He noted that the RFP's have been sent out and there should be 25 to 40 bids coming in by February 14 and 21st.</p>
<p>ASB CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the ASB Conference in Edmonton. He noted that the speakers were very good; India will be main exporter of beef soon; there is a noticeable difference in the resolutions brought forward by the Northern and Southern areas.</p>

	<p>He also spoke about seed cleaning and extended thanks to the ASB representatives that were in Edmonton.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> to send a letter to the County AG Department congratulating them on a successful conference and thanking them for all their work on behalf of the North Peace Zone.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-102-13</p>
<p>DR. DAVID LEONARD</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the media event for Dr. Leonard held in Council Chambers and commented that it was a very good presentation.</p>
<p>FARMTECH 2013</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended FarmTech 2013 held in Edmonton. He noted there were approximately 1700 delegates and it was a very good atmosphere. He noted there was lots of discussion on chemicals and seeds and that there are more young people attending the conferences now (35 and under).</p>
<p>AAMD&C ZONE MEETING</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the AAMD&C Zone meeting and commented that he was not impressed by the Alberta Transportation representatives who were present at the meeting.</p>
<p>CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BALL</p>	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the Chamber of Commerce Ball.</p>
<p>THANK YOU LETTER TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR COUNCIL CHAMBER TOURS</p>	<p>Reeve Beaupre commented that thank you letter should be sent out to the municipalities that conducted the Council Chamber tours.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> to send thank you letters to all municipalities who let Council tour their Chambers and thanking the staff who conducted the tours in the City of Grande Prairie, City of Edmonton, City of St. Albert, and the City of Spruce Grove.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-103-13</p>
<p>PHOTO CONTEST</p>	<p>Reeve Beaupre attended the 2012 County Photo Contest held at the TEC Centre. She noted that next year (2014) will be the 10 year anniversary of the photo contest and they will be expanding the photo contest and next year to include a "Business" category. It was noted that 66 photographers contributed photos for the contest this year.</p>
<p>WAPITI CORRIDOR MEETING</p>	<p>Reeve Beaupre attended the Wapiti Corridor meeting. She noted that there was discussion on open houses and information that has been received and they are getting very close to completion. John Simpson, Planning, commented that the plan will hopefully be done by the end of Spring. The Wapiti Corridor AGM will be held in</p>

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EVERGREEN PARK MEETING	<p>Reeve Beaupre attended a meeting at Evergreen Park. She noted that their AGM will be held on March 25, 2013.</p> <p>She discussed the January 30, 2013 presentation that spoke about biomasses; how they are instrumental in getting them running; and funding that has been committed. There is one that is up and running in Camrose, looks like a silo but it is used to store solids to create the heat for buildings.</p> <p>Evergreen Park is looking at using biomass to cut down on the buildings utilities.</p>
MEETING WITH WEYERHAEUSER	<p>Reeve Beaupre attended the meeting with Weyerhaeuser. They spoke to operations and noted that power generation is a large part of their business and they are making the money from power generation and biomass.</p>
BILL ROGAN, CAO	<p>Bill Rogan had nothing to add.</p>
HERB PFAU, PUBLIC WORKS	<p>Mr. Pfau had nothing to add.</p>
JOHN SIMPSON, PLANNING	<p>Mr. Simpson noted that by the end of March they will bring a presentation back to Council on the multi-modal site. The tenders for the Dino Construction should be back around February 21st, and they will come to Council on March 11th to present. He has also sent out tenders for the last areas in the Sportsplex (multi-purpose room, etc). Mr. Simpson extended thanks to Lesley Nielsen-Bjerke for the website pictures and updates on the Sportsplex.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired into the 10 second showers at the Sportsplex. Mr. Simpson inquired into this issue and noted that he had not received any complaints.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether there is an area for people to comment on issues with the Sportsplex Bill Rogan responded that some comments have been reported on the Twitter page. Mr. Simpson commented that he is ensuring that deficiencies are being addressed.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired about tournament seating for the hockey rinks noting that if there is a large tournament (for example AAA Bantam) there will not be enough seating. She also inquired who tournament organizers would have to speak to in order to obtain additional seating.</p> <p>Mr. Simpson responded that currently there are very few bleachers, the Sportsplex will buy more eventually and have them set up between the Fieldhouse and hockey rinks. In order to obtain additional seating the organizers would need to speak to Nustadia.</p>

<p>RECESS</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the meeting recess for a short break at 3:07 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-104-13</p>
<p>IN CAMERA</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> that the meeting go In Camera at 3:14 p.m. to discuss:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) Personnel Item</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-105-13</p>
<p>OUT OF IN CAMERA</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY P. JACOBS</u> that the meeting come out of In Camera at 4:08 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-106-13</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> that the meeting adjourn at 4:08 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 02-107-13</p>
<p>These Minutes Approved this ____ Day of _____ 2013. Reference # _____</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">_____ REEVE</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR</p>