

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 JANUARY 14, 2013
10:00 a.m.

PRESENT	<p>CHAIRMAN L. BEAUPRE</p> <p>COUNCILLORS H. BULFORD L. DUECK M. ECKSTROM P. JACOBS B. SMITH S. NELSON R. SUTHERLAND</p> <p>ABSENT R. HARPE</p> <p>LEGISLATIVE SERVICES MANAGER SHIRLEY FELDBERG</p> <p>COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR W. A. (BILL) ROGAN</p> <p>SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HERB PFAU</p> <p>DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ARLEN MILLER</p> <p>RECORDING SECRETARY AMANDA ORAVEC</p>
MEDIA	<p>AARON HINKS DAILY HERALD TRIBUNE BRAD WISKER BIG COUNTRY FM SARA WARR FREE FM</p>
CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O Canada.
ADDITIONS TO AGENDA AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the Agenda be adopted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-25-13</p>
INTRODUCTION: LARRY SMITH – MECHANIC	<p>Herb Pfau, Superintendent of Public Works, introduced Ken Osborne, Shop Manager, who introduced the new mechanic for Public Works, Larry Smith.</p> <p>Council welcomed Larry to the County of Grande Prairie.</p>
BUDGET MINUTES: DECEMBER 5, 2012 DECEMBER 6, 2012	Changes to December 5 minutes, add Councillor Nelsons name and correct error in amount proposed to the Dino ball from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

	<p><u>MOVED BY L. DUECK</u> the budget minutes of December 5 and 6, 2012 be approved with the noted amendments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-26-13</p>
<p>PUBLIC HEARING: PT. SW 18-73-5-W6M AG TO RM-DC (FILE PLLUN20120687)</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY H. BULFORD</u> that a Public Hearing to be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate part of SW 18-73-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Rural Industrial- Direct Control (RM-DC) District.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-27-13</p> <p>The Public Hearing commenced at 10:05 a.m.</p> <p>Matt Konowalchuk, Intermediate Planner, discussed that the purpose of this application is to facilitate the development of one new lot for industrial use. This lot is the first parcel out of the quarter, and has a Farmland Assessment rating of approximately 53-59%.</p> <p>In the context of the Municipal Development Plan (MDP), the policies set forth in section 8.3 are most applicable; this application is generally consistent with the requirements of the MDP. In order to be consistent with section 8.3(a), Township Road 732 should be paved as a subdivision condition. The area has been identified as Rural/Urban fringe.</p> <p>The proposed lot is identified as industrial use in the Future Land Use Areas (Map 6) in the MDP. The proposed parcel is adjacent to the Emerson Trail Area Structure Plan (ASP). The Emerson Trail ASP encourages industrial uses that are characteristic of the proposed parcel. Access to the proposed lot and balance is via Township Road 732.</p> <p>The application was circulated to County Public Works who stated that ten meters road widening on the south and west boundaries as well as 10m x10m corner cut off along the SE corner of the quarter section will need to be done. In the future Township Road 732 will require 1.5 miles of paving between the proposed parcel and Highway 2. The application has been circulated to adjacent landowners and no comments were received.</p> <p>Pembina Pipeline Corporation stated that there can be no permanent structures, digging or other construction on these right-of-ways.</p> <p>Alberta Environment commented that as long as proper precautions are taken and the Water Act is followed, they have no concerns about this proposal at the time.</p> <p>The Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) has determined that other wells are located in the area; these wells are licensed as sweet or have an ERCB Level 1 sour designation and meet the recommended setback distance requirement of 100m... ERCB has determined</p>

that these pipelines are licensed as sweet or have an ERCB Level 1 sour designation. For these types of pipelines, there is no regulated setback distance however, the right-of-way must be observed.

The Engineering Design Department of ATCO Gas has reviewed the above named plan and has no objections subject to the following conditions:

1. ATCO Gas' existing Right-of-Way or other land rights shall be carried forward and registered on any newly created lots. Any work of any nature whatsoever (i.e. grading, paving, stockpiling, landscaping, berms, etc) affecting the surface of ATCO Gas' Right-of-Way must first receive prior written consent from ATCO Gas' Land Administration Department (780-420-8012).
2. There is an existing ATCO Gas facility in this area. If it should be necessary to lower, relocate or make any alterations to the existing pipelines and/or appurtenances due to this project, contact Dylan Nissen at 780-508-4880. When required, contact should be provided prior to your construction to enable an adequate and timely response by ATCO Gas.
3. Please contact Alberta One-Call (at 1-800-242-3447) to have the gas lines located at least 48 hours prior to excavation,
4. Maintain a 0.3m vertical clearance and a 1.0m horizontal clearance between ATCO Gas' distribution gas lines and your facilities.
5. Clearance requirements from ATCO Gas' pipelines for trees are as follows:
 - Minimum of 1 meter from the tree spade (hand expose the pipeline)
 - If work must be carried out on a line with trees above it, the trees must be removed
 - To minimize damage, root bails should clear the buried pipeline by 1.2 meters
 - Shrubs may be planted in gas Right-of-Ways, but trees are not permitted to be planted on gas Right of-Ways.
 - Maintain a minimum clearance of 1.2 meters from planted trees, prior written consent should be obtained through ATCO Gas' Land Administration Department.

Chris Balderston, Balderson Capital Corp., noted that the parcel will be sold to Petro Gas who is currently renting some of the land from Predator Oil. There will be approximately 5-10 trucks a day that go in and out each day. Petro Gas is looking to own the Industrial Designation area; this would allow them to expand the site and allow the County to have direct control and have them complete the proper road work. Mr. Balderston wanted to rezone to CR-5 land use for the remaining quarter section but cannot because the oil and industry is already there.

Councillor Smith commented on the large size of the parcel and inquired about road paving. Bruce Bearsto, Bearsto, Lehnors, Ketchum, noted that they are not sure who would be doing the road paving and other associated road work, but he believes that Petro Gas should be the ones to put in the additional work.

Councillor Smith commented that Pembina Pipeline has very onerous conditions. Mr. Bearsto responded that they have said that they have rights to have the right away.

Councillor Nelson posed questions to Mr. Balderston in regards to the guaranteed purchase of the proposed rezoned lot by Predator Oil. Mr. Balserston responded that it would be Petro Gas that will own the lot; currently they are renting from Predator Oil but they would like to buy the entire site.

Councillor Nelson expressed concerns because this deal and others are pushing more industry into acreages. She further noted that the truck volume going to the site is greatly underestimated; the heavy trucks will be using Mercer Hill from the South and Range Road 54 from the North. Councillor Nelson would like to have truck traffic counts done prior to the re-designation being completed.

Reeve Beaupre noted that this is strictly a re-zoning issue and this will be on the existing land. Councillor Nelson commented that she is against re-zoning the 53.67 acres because there will be more industrial development within the County of Grande Prairie and she thinks there is enough development done already. Mr. Balderston noted that the development has already been approved by the County of Grande Prairie; and that he just wants the rezoning done so the people using the land currently will become the owners of the land they are using. Furthermore, this will make the zoning correct for the area.

Councillor Eckstrom inquired whether the existing operation in this area is an oil company that is currently pumping. Mr. Balderston responded that there are tanks on pipelines there that they pump out from time to time. Councillor Eckstrom noted that this had not been approved by Council, as this is part of the oil and gas requests and they are not approved at Council. Herb Pfau, Superintendent of Public Works, noted that we have provincially approved areas for pipelines. Councillor Eckstrom commented that this is beyond Council's control, that she has an issue with the area becoming industrial, and she is opposed to more development on Agricultural farmland because it is prime AG land that will yield good crops; she is opposed to the entire operation and re-designation.

Mr. Balderston noted that this situation is no different from when the Encana Corp. plant was constructed and zoned further east.

Reeve Beaupre inquired about the large size of the rezoning. Mr. Balderston responded that the oil company had asked for 53.67 acres or under for the sale and re-designation as they are looking to expand the current operation. Reeve Beaupre commented that she appreciates the anticipation to have the onus shifted onto Petro Gas. Mr. Balderston inquired whether Council would be more apt to approve the application if the sale and re-designation was 20 acres instead of 53.67 acres. Reeve Beaupre commented that she believes the County would have to re-advertise the application for public hearing.

Councillor Nelson commented that Mr. Balderston had been in previously to get Council approval for subdividing on this quarter and he was advised to move further North away from the dugout.

Councillor Sutherland posed a question about the use of the pipeline and whether they acquire the oil from other companies as well. The Engineer for Predator Oil answered yes to the question.

Reeve Beaupre posed a question to Administration in regards to re-advertising if the application was changed to 20 acres instead of 53.67 acres. John Simpson, Director of Planning, noted that because we are still in a Public Hearing we do not need to advertise, Council can discuss out of Public Hearing how to proceed.

Adjacent landowner, Neil Withers, whose quarter section is located South of the planned site, commented that the only concern expressed from himself and other adjacent landowners is that they do not want the area becoming heavily industrial; they don't want a huge expansion to occur. Other neighbours in that area have children and horses, and they do not want increased traffic and more expansion. He also noted that selling the land to Petro Gas does not change anything; they just don't want it to get larger. Further he believes it will be good to have the road fixed. Reeve Beaupre noted that the zoning change will allow Council to put on conditions and the only future issues will be with further subdivision and building.

Mr. Beairsto noted that if Council wants to approve the change in zoning to 20 acres the application can be brought back.

Kirby, Land Manager for Predator Oil spoke to special conditions and inquired whether they would be on current or future development. It was noted that the conditions will only be on future development.

Councillor Nelson inquired when the area will become subdivided. Reeve Beaupre responded that the subdivision will be the next step and conditions come with the subdivision. Councillor Nelson expressed that she has an issue if the oil company decides not to buy the

	<p>property after the zoning change.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> to recess the Public Hearing and table the application pending reconfiguration of the size of the parcel (February 5 will be the next Public Hearing).</p> <p>Councillor Nelson amended the motion to have the applicant provide proof that Predator Oil will be buying the land. Mr. Balderston noted that he can bring in the email correspondence he has received.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom noted that the recess motion is to change the size of proposed lot, the value of the land, and the impact on the residents and it was not accepted a friendly amendment. Councillor Nelson withdrew the motion.</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland spoke about an example of another pipeline that was not approved by Council and there are currently issues with the amount of truck volume that accesses the pipeline.</p> <p>Mr. Simpson commented that should the zoning go forward, it will be Direct Control and Council will have full control of what is approved for that parcel. Mr. Balderston and Reeve Beaupre echoed Mr. Simpson's comments that Council will have full control and will have more options available if the land use zone is changed.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that the ERCB is the one with complete control, not Council.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson spoke against Councillor Eckstrom's motion because it is moving forward with approving the further industry into residential areas and residents having been saying that they want less industry. Furthermore, there is no proof that the oil company is going to buy the land.</p> <p>Council returned to Councillor Eckstrom's motion.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION DEFEATED 01-28-13</p>
	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:44 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-29-13</p>
<p>BYLAW 2680-13-002 PT. SW 18-73-5-W6M AG TO RM-DC</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> that Bylaw 2680-13-002 to re-designate part of SW 18-73-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Rural Industrial- Direct Control (RM-DC) District to be read a first time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-30-13</p>

	<p><u>MOVED BY L. DUECK</u> that Bylaw 2680-13-002 be read a second time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION DEFEATED 01-31-13</p>
<p>RECESS</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND</u> to recess for 5 minutes at 10:45 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-32-13</p>
<p>RECONVENE</p>	<p>Reeve Beaupre left the meeting at 10:50 a.m. to attend Memorial Services. Councillor Sutherland resumed the meeting as Chairman.</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland called the meeting back to order at 10:54 a.m.</p>
<p>COUNTY FIRE CHIEF EVERETT COOKE AND CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE FIRE CHIEF DAN LEMIEUX, CO-HOSTING THE 2014 ALBERTA FIRE CHIEF ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Council asked Mr. Beairsto to allow Item 7a) to be presented prior commencing the remainder of the Public Hearings. Mr. Beairsto allowed the item to be moved forward.</p> <p>Everett Cooke, Fire Chief, began his presentation at 10:55 a.m. and introduced Fire Chief for the City of Grande Prairie, Dan Lemieux, President of the Grande Prairie Firefighters Association Todd Russell, and Senior County Firefighter Robert Campbell. Mr. Cooke discussed the joint bid to have the 2014 Alberta Fire Chiefs Association (AFCA) Conference held in Grande Prairie from June 7-11th, 2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 450 active members: volunteer, fulltime and composite; • Conferences are usually in Red Deer and Edmonton; • Used to train new members and have a trade show. <p>City of Grande Prairie and County of Grande Prairie Fire Services had come together to send in a bid. Both Fire Departments were very successful at the 2012 Conference in getting a resolution passed. The AFCA came in the summer to review the location, there were also numerous conference calls and emails. On December 19 2012 the bid was successfully accepted.</p> <p>It was noted that the City and County Fire Services will partner in hosting the event. There will be a Golf Tourney June 7, June 8-9 there will be sessions at the TEC Centre and then June 10-11 will be at the Pomeroy Hotel (used to be GP Inn).</p> <p>Mr. Cooke noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a tremendous opportunity for the region; • It is very big revenue source; • The AFCA was very impressed with the TEC Centre; • Very confident that the GP Region will attract a

	<p>good amount of attendees.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson inquired whether there is an opportunity for the public to attend the trade show. Mr. Cooke noted there are some opportunities for public participation, and Mr. Lemieux noted that the trade show should be open to the public.</p> <p>Councillor Jacobs encouraged them to contact the Grande Prairie Tourism board as they will do up welcome packages for the incoming firefighters and include discounts for businesses in the area.</p> <p>Councillors Jacobs, Eckstrom, and Dueck congratulated Fire Services for receiving the 2014 bid and also commented positively on the joint efforts from the City and County Fire Departments.</p> <p>The presentation concluded at 11:02 a.m. and Mr. Cooke, Mr. Lemieux, Mr. Russell, and Mr. Campbell were thanked for their presentation.</p>
<p>PUBLIC HEARING: PT. NW 34-72-6-W6M AG TO CR-5</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY L. DUECK</u> that a Public Hearing to be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate part of NW 34-72-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a County Residential (CR-5) District.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-33-12</p> <p>The Public Hearing commenced at 11:03 a.m.</p> <p>Matt Konowalchuk, Intermediate Planner, noted that the purpose of this application is to facilitate the development of one new lot for country residential use. The proposed lot is the third parcel out of the quarter, and has a Farmland Assessment rating of approximately 44%. In the context of the Municipal Development Plan (MDP), the policies set forth in section 7.3 are most applicable. The application is consistent with the MDP. Access to the proposed lot is via Township Road 730.</p> <p>The application was circulated to County Public Works who stated that five meters road widening will need to be completed on the north and west boundaries of the proposed lot.</p> <p>The Energy Resources Conservation Board had determined other wells are located in the area; these wells are licensed as sweet or have an ERCB Level 1 sour designation and meet the recommended setback distance requirement of 100m... ERCB determined that these pipelines are licensed as sweet or have an ERCB Level 1 sour designation. For these types of pipelines, there is no regulated setback distance however, the right-of-way must be observed.</p> <p>Alberta Environment commented that If wetlands are present, development should not occur so that there is no</p>

	<p>adverse effect to these water bodies.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson noted that she received a telephone call from owner, and that she supports the subdivision. There was discussion in regards to why the applicant did not extend the re-zoning further South on her property. Councillor Eckstrom commented that she is in favour of application as infrastructure is there.</p>
	<p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> that the meeting come out of Public hearing at 11:09 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-34-13</p>
<p>BYLAW 2680-13-003 PT. NW 34-72-6-W6M AG TO CR-5</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> that Bylaw 2680-13-003 to re-designate part of NW 34-72-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District to be read a first time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-35-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that Bylaw 2680-12-048 be read a second time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-36-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY L. DUECK</u> that consent to be given for third and final reading of Bylaw 2680-12-048.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 01-37-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> that Bylaw 2680-13-003 to re-designate part of NW 34-72-6-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District be read a third time and finally passed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-38-13</p>
<p>PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD CLOSURE AND CONSOLIDATION- LOTS 1 AND 4, PLAN 8120642; AND LOT 2A, PLAN 1122840- PT. SW 30-72-04-W6M</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY L. DUECK</u> that a Public Hearing to be held to hear comments regarding the application for the road closure and consolidation of Lots 1 and 4, and Lot 2A in part of SW 30-72-04-W6M.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-39-13</p> <p>The Public Hearing commenced at 11:10 a.m.</p> <p>All lots are located within part of SW 30-72-04-W6M. Future access for Lot 1 and Lot 4 will be a joint access off of Range Road 50. The existing approach is off of Township Road 742. No concerns were received.</p> <p>Administration recommended that a Public Hearing commence and Council approve first reading so the application can be sent to Alberta Transportation for approval.</p> <p>Considerable discussion ensued in regards to lot</p>

	<p>approaches and who will be constructing them.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson expressed her concern with future landowners and whether they will be responsible for the approaches.</p>
	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 11:18 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-40-13</p>
<p>BYLAW 2973 – PORTION OF ROAD PLAN 8120642 PT. SW 30-72-4-W6M</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that Bylaw 2973 for the purpose of closing a portion of the road and consolidation of Lots 1, 4, and 2A in part of SW 30-72-4-W6M be read a first time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-41-13</p>
<p>WILD PINK YONDER: ALBERTA CANCER FOUNDATION</p>	<p>Rusty and Jane Hurl began their presentation at 11:19 a.m. Mrs. Hurl noted that in 2006 both herself and her stepdaughter were diagnosed with Breast Cancer; she has beat the cancer, but her step daughter passed away from the illness. Because of this, Mrs. Hurl and her son, Rusty, decided they wanted to fundraise in order to provide more support to Breast Cancer research. Over the past four years they have raised over \$440,000.00 through the “Wild Pink Yonder” Campaign.</p> <p>A video was played that showcased the pink covered wagon and horseback riders who have travelled over 400 miles stopped in 23 towns. The Wild Pink Yonder encourages small towns to fundraise and show their supports for Breast Cancer research. The town that raises the most money is awarded the honour of being labelled the “Pinkest Little Town in the West” and they win a free concert and party. They outlined various different ideas that towns have come up with to raise money (dying hair pink, shaving heads, pink bake sales, etc.).</p> <p>The Wild Pink Yonder will be coming to the County of Grande Prairie in August 2013. They will going through Hythe, Beaverlodge, Wembley, Clairmont, Sexsmith, and Teepee Creek on their horses and wagon.</p> <p>Their reason for coming to the meeting today was they were hoping that Council will be interested in helping by supplying an area that the riders can camp and have horses stay at when coming through Clairmont. They also wanted Council to encourage Public support and advertisement to their Divisions within the County. The Hurl’s provided information packages and video to members of Council.</p> <p>Councillor Jacobs inquired whether they will be doing presentations to other Councils in each community. Rusty responded that they are going to each community separately, and that they had visited Hythe earlier that morning. He is hoping that the different communities will</p>

	<p>compete with one another as well as providing help to the volunteers. When the horses and riders are going between towns they will be on back road routes and will not occupy the main roads (due to traffic safety).</p> <p>Councillor Jacobs inquired how many horses are anticipated to participate in the event. Rusty responded that they are anticipating 30 riders, 4 wagons, and 34-35 horses if everyone is present. He noted that ideally the riders would like to have a stall for their horses, but he has informed the riders that they may not have stalls (electric fencing will be set up if needed). Councillor Jacobs commented that Evergreen Park may be very useful for housing the horses, and Beaverlodge also has an AG facility that could be used.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson congratulated Mrs. Hurl on the events and the campaign and inquired what portion of the funds raised goes to the Alberta Cancer Foundation. Mrs. Hurl responded that all riders must raise at least \$200 for each day they are riding and all of that money goes directly to cancer research. \$50/day for registration is kept for food/accommodation. All the money from the communities that is raised is not tax receipt-able; all of the funds raised are pooled together, then expenses are taken out and the rest is donated to the Alberta Cancer Foundation.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson inquired whether Council can get a copy of their financials from the previous year. Rusty responded that they can supply a copy shortly as they are currently being processed.</p> <p>Bill Rogan, CAO, commented that Administration and Council would engage community members for more participation and then contact the Wild Pink Yonder back to let them know whether they are officially participating.</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland thanked them for their presentation and they left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.</p>
<p>CAPITAL ASSISTANCE GRANT APPROVAL 2013</p>	<p>Megan Schur, Manager of Parks and Recreation provided a list of 47 groups that are to receive a total of \$1.3 million in funding from the Recreation and Culture Capital Assistance Grant. The noted grants were recommended by the Capital Assistance Committee and were approved in the 2013 budget.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that Council approves the recommendations from the Capital Assistance Committee as outlined.</p> <p>Councillor Dueck inquired when the cheques will be going out. Ms. Schur advised they will be done in June 2013 but if there is an urgent need they can be sent out earlier once approved by Finance and the CAO.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-42-13</p>

<p>2012 RECREATION AND CULTURE GRANTS – UPDATE ON ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMPLIANCE</p>	<p>As per section 2J of the Conditional Grant Assistance, grant recipients were to submit an Acknowledgement of Compliance by December 31, 2012. As of January 7, 2013 there were 8 groups that had sent in the required documentation.</p> <p>Special Requests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bezanson AG Society (extension until January 2013) • Five Mile Community AG Society (partially spent, carry over \$10,000 to 2013) • Glenn Leslie Church Preservation Group (extension due to inability to complete work in 2012) • Peace Centennial Museum & Interpretive Centre (requesting re-purposing unused \$1,354.86 to apply to grain elevator project) • Valhalla Recreation Centre (extension to May 2013) • GP Ski Club/Nitehawk Recreation Area (in discussion about the \$30,000.00 grant that extended over 3 years) <p>No response/continuing to follow up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaverlodge Day Care Society • EMS • Sexsmith & District AG Society • Wembley & District AG Society • Wolverines Wheelchair Sports Association <p>Councillor Nelson noticed that some groups have been successful in future grants (Wembley/Sexsmith AG Societies) but have not been compliant with the 2012 grant request stipulations; what should be done for these situations? Ms. Schur responded that in the event they are continuing to be non-compliant, Parks and Recreation would like to have a review done on their funding prior more cheques being given for grants.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMTIH</u> to approve option 3 and permit groups to carry over and re-purpose funds while administration follows up.</p> <p>Councillor Jacobs noted that the name should be "South Peace Centennial Museum & Interpretive Centre".</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-43-13</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> to change the Capitol Policy to reflect that all applicants provide a minimum of two quotes with each application, also note if applicants have not completed past projects.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-44-13</p>
<p>PHILLIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION SITE PREPARATION FUNDING</p>	<p>Reeve Beaupre returned to the meeting at 11:58 a.m.</p> <p>Bill Rogan noted that Council had made a motion at the 2013 Budget meeting that Finance brings forward recommendations for funding an additional \$500,000.00</p>

	<p>for Site work. Should Council want to provide the additional funding for the Site work, it can come from the Municipal Infrastructure Reserve.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired how much grant funding will still be available if the site preparation is funded. Noreen Vavrek, Director of Finance, responded that it is \$2.1 million and the balance in the reserve would be \$1.6 million in the reserve after the \$500,000 is taken out.</p> <p>It was noted that the \$500,000 (if funded) would be included in the Capital contributions to the museum.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that Brian Brake, Executive Director of the Phillip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum, was supposed to approach construction companies and obtain quotes for the spot construction and inquired whether he had done that yet. Bill Rogan responded that we are not sure if he has done it yet.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre noted that there is approximately \$300,000 per year put into the CAP reserve and inquired how much has already been allocated. It was noted that \$150,000 was used for the Sportsplex, \$50,000 for High Speed Towers.</p> <p>MOVED BY L. BEAUPRE to support \$500,000.00 from the Municipal Infrastructure Reserve for site construction at the Phillip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-45-13</p>
<p>TERMS OF REFERENCE- PHILIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE</p>	<p>At the December 17, 2012 Council meeting Council had discussed the construction of the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum and the formation of a Construction Committee and a Terms of Reference to define the purpose and structure of the committee/project.</p> <p>The Philip J. Currie Dino Museum Construction Committee will consist of: 4 members of Council, 1 representative from the City of Grande Prairie, and 1 representative from the Town of Wembley, as well as consultants and staff members. Quorum would be 4 voting members.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether the voting member's main function is to vote as a building committee on change orders, etc. Bill Rogan responded that is correct, they will vote as a whole on construction matters.</p> <p>Councillor Sutherland noted that the Committee is designed this way so Council has control over everything. He did not include names as the election is coming up and some Councillors may not continue to sit on various committees.</p> <p>Councillor Jacobs inquired who the Secretary will be for this committee. Mr. Brake had previously advised that he will supply someone (Dawn) from his office to be the</p>

	<p>Secretary.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY B. SMITH</u> to approve the Terms of Reference and to have Executive Director of the Phillip J. Currie Museum, Brian Brake, report to Council once a month and have the all the minutes of meetings to be included in Council agendas added to the terms.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-46-13</p>
RECESS	<p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> to recess for lunch at 12:07 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-47-13</p>
RECONVENE	<p>Reconvened at 1:32 p.m. with Reeve Beaupre in Chair.</p>
TERMS OF REFERENCE CONTINUED	<p>Discussion continued in regards to members that will be on the Terms of Reference for the Dino Construction Committee.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY P. JACOBS</u> to have four Council appointees, Councillor Sutherland (Chair), Councillor Dueck, Reeve Beaupre, and Councillor Bulford assigned to the Dino Construction Committee.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-48-13</p>
SUBDIVISION TIME EXTENSION REQUEST	<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 requests be approved in order to fulfill the conditions of approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dorothy Rycroft c/o Bob Rycroft; PT SW 03-74-03-W6M, Div. 9; January 7, 2014, second time extension, File 10GP72 (10194). <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-49-13</p>
WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND OTHER EVENTS	<p>a) 2013 Alberta Congress Board Conference: held in October 2013 in Jasper, AB. This Conference conflicts with ARPA and Netspeed 2013.</p> <p>Bill Rogan commented that Council has had representation at this Conference for the past couple years.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY P. JACOBS</u> that any Council wishing to attend may attend.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-50-13</p>
INFORMATION ITEMS	<p>Mr. Pfau noted that a few months ago Council had requested a safety assessment for the Highway 43 and Range Road 132 intersection. Alberta Transportation has responded to the request and noted that an assessment will be done and findings will be available in spring 2013.</p>

	<p>Reeve Beaupre inquired about the request for signalization at Highway 2 and 100 Street in Clairmont that was discussed at the November 5, 2012 Council meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Nelson inquired about the reduction of the speed limit to 80 km/hour as this was supposed to have happened and has not. Mr. Pfau responded that he has not received any notice from AB Transportation that it has been done, but he will follow up on the request.</p>
<p>SPIRIT OF THE PIONEER CONCEPT</p>	<p>The County Advisory Branding Committee recommends approval of the brand concept outlined. The “Spirit of the Pioneer” Concept was presented to Council via speaker phone by Bruce Schollie of the Focus Design Group.</p> <p>Mr. Schollie noted that in order to create new branding for the County they wanted to research what the County’s strongest attributes and features were. Focus Design Group consulted with the Branding Committee and County staff as well as hosting a focus group with the general public which did not yield a very good turnout; there was also an area for online comments. They also consulted with stakeholders from the region for their input (i.e. Peace Wapiti School Board).</p> <p>Proposed Brand Position Direction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spirit that built and is building a successful County; • highlights culture of leadership, overcoming challenges, cooperation, innovation, and success; • unique because of its future orientation; • people are “all in”, not just here to make money but want to create opportunities; • fits rural nature but implies dynamic growth and change; • spirit is as compelling today as it was in the past. <p>Brand Position: The County of Grande Prairie inspired by the spirit of the pioneer, is driven by ambition and hard work, creating a culture of opportunity and success—our legacy for today and into the future.</p> <p>Brand Promise: The spirit of the pioneer in the County of Grande Prairie will inspire you to move forward and build opportunity for yourself, your family and community—today and into the future.</p> <p>Focus Design Group and the County Advisory Branding Committee would like to have the Concept, Position, and Promise approved today at Council. The next steps would be forming a visual identity (logo, tagline, stationary, vehicle graphics), brand tools (brand blueprint, templates, communication plan), and launching the brand (educate and equip staff).</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired whether the Brand Position includes references to the past. Mr. Schollie responded that typically when communities do not have much else</p>

going for them in the present they fall back on the past. There is currently so much more going on that the County of Grande Prairie can base its brand on instead of referring to the past.

Reeve Beaupre noted that although she agrees somewhat with Mr. Schollie, there are ratepayers that Council hears from on a regular basis who have been here for generations; if we were to move ahead there may be complaints for the non-acknowledgement of the past. Mr. Schollie commented that the issue was raised at the focus groups, but there was more focus on the hardworking and creativity now instead of in the past. Spirit of the Pioneer honours the past legacy of people who had built the County. Reeve Beaupre also inquired whether they had spoken with anyone from the Agricultural community. Mr. Schollie responded that he spoke to Mac Erno, the Executive Director of Grande Prairie Tourism, the CEO of The Grande Prairie Chamber of Commerce, someone from First Nations, MLA Everett McDonald, Grande Prairie Centre for Research and Innovation, Executive Director of The Phillip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum Brian Brake, and Mayor of the City of Grande Prairie, Bill Given.

Reeve Beaupre expressed her concerns in regards to contact with the AG Community as Mac Erno and the other people that he spoke to are not necessarily part of the agricultural community. Mr. Schollie responded that they hosted an open house and people could have come to discuss any issues. It was well advertised so they could get lots of different input from various groups but there was not a very good turnout.

Councillor Smith inquired how many people attended the open house and how many comments were received online. Mr. Schollie responded that 16 staff attended the staff session, at the public session there were 4 people from the general public, 73 people responded to the web survey, and there were 11 telephone consultations and personal responses that have all been followed up on.

Reeve Beaupre commented that in regards to the 73 online surveys, were they asked where they were from and what sector they worked in. Mr. Schollie responded that the survey asked where they lived (in City of Grande Prairie, the County of Grande Prairie, or one of the hamlets). Reeve Beaupre inquired why residents from the City of Grande Prairie were providing input for a County brand. Mr. Schollie noted that Focus did not target people from the City for participation but the web survey was an open opportunity for anyone to complete the survey. There are people who live in the County and work in the City and vice versa.

Councillor Nelson inquired whether the "Spirit of the Pioneer" concept has been used in other municipalities. Mr. Schollie responded that they did research to ensure

	<p>that the concept has not been used or overused and it has not been used in any Canadian Municipalities.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre inquired how they're are going to differentiate between the City and County of Grande Prairie and maintain individual recognition. Mr. Schollie responded that they wanted to speak with Mayor Givens to ensure that there is differentiation; the City of Grande Prairie is not using this concept in their new branding.</p> <p>Walter Paszkowski, Economic Development Officer, made comments in regards to the proposed branding. He noted that he really likes the Spirit of the Pioneer concept but believes there needs to be something within the branding that showcases the bright future ahead because of the pioneering past within the County of Grande Prairie.</p> <p><u>MOVED BY S. NELSON</u> to accept Option 1 and approve the Spirit of the Pioneer brand position, promise, and concept.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that he thinks that Mr. Schollie should speak to County of Grande Prairie residents more because he has not done the proper research. Mr. Schollie noted that there are not very many people who are making themselves available for these sessions and open houses; they gave multiple opportunities for residents within the County to voice their input but people did not come.</p> <p>Lesley Nielsen-Bjerke, Communications Coordinator, commented that the open house and input sessions were heavily advertised for public consultation. Reeve Beaupre noted that for the next open houses we can create target groups (i.e. Agriculture), and ask them for input.</p> <p>Councillors Nelson and Sutherland suggested that the brand consultants can go to the General Meetings at the Sexsmith Seed Cleaning plant, Wembley Seed Cleaning, and to Beef farmers and discuss if there are issues with the proposed brand concept. They can also engage the AG Societies within the County to provide input.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that Council will need to see the consultation process expanded when the visual portion is proposed as they need to ensure the proper due diligence is done.</p> <p>Council returned to Councillor Nelson's motion.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-51-13</p>
<p>IN CAMERA</p>	<p><u>MOVED BY M. ECKSTROM</u> that the meeting go In Camera at 2:36 p.m. to discuss:</p> <p>a) 2013 Farm Family</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-52-13</p>

<p>OUT OF IN CAMERA</p>	<p>MOVED BY B. SMITH that the meeting come out of In Camera at 2:54 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-53-13</p> <p>MOTION BY S. NELSON that Council nominate the 2013 Farm Family as was discussed In Camera.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED 01-54-13</p>
<p>COUNTY ANNEXATION</p>	<p>Mediation discussions will start next week. On Wednesday there will be a meeting with Municipal Affairs, the City of Grande Prairie and the County of Grande Prairie. Thursday morning of this week (January 17, 2013) the County Council will meet with the Mediator in Council Chambers. The City of Grande Prairie group will meet with the Mediator on Wednesday night (January 16, 2013).</p> <p>Full day of Mediation scheduled for February 19, 2013, other meetings are to be decided after that date.</p> <p>Bill Rogan noted there was a FAQ's document being sent by Lesley to all of Council.</p> <p>Councillor Smith commented that we are asking for \$23,600,000.00 and the City has agreed to pay \$3.8 million. He thinks that some of our requests are too much, and some issues should be thrown out when having discussions with the mediator. There was discussion in regards to the amount of time for repayment from the City (10 or 5 years). Mr. Simpson noted that typically the repayment is over a 5 year period; however, the County's position was to expand the amount of time given the large geographic area being proposed.</p> <p>Mr. Simpson discussed the mediation process: 1) have not reached an agreement between the City and County; 2) Need to go to mediation; 3) if no agreement is reached at the mediation they will bring everything forward in front of the board again. Bill Rogan further noted that we may reach consensus on some issues but not all, and then it will need to be resubmitted if they cannot agree.</p> <p>Councillor Eckstrom inquired about bussing with the city once the annexation goes through. Reeve Beaupre noted that it will affect 70 kids and if the families want to keep their kids in the Peace Wapiti School Board System they would have to drive them out of the annexed area into the County and they can get on the bus there or drive them to school.</p> <p>Arlen Miller left the meeting at 3:10 p.m.</p> <p>Reeve Beaupre commented that Council will need to make sure we know what we can negotiate on prior mediation.</p>

	<p>Councillor Nelson inquired about the Rural Addressing system and whether it will be a cost that the City will have to incur. Bill Rogan posed the same question to Mr. Pfau in Public Works, once the annexation goes through will the rural addressing remain the same? Mr. Pfau responded that there is no Area Structure Plan to change it; the back end should change to the city. Bill Rogan noted that we will need to figure this out because if they remove it, the County has already paid for it and now will need to recoup the funds somehow.</p>
	<p><u>COUNCILLOR REPORTS</u></p>
BRANDING COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the Branding Committee meeting.</p>
BUILDING EXPANSION COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the Building Expansion Committee meeting.</p>
STARS HANGAR DANCE	<p>Councillor Sutherland attended the STARS Hangar Dance and noted they raised \$350,000.00.</p>
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Municipal Planning Committee meeting.</p>
BUILDING EXPANSION COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Building Expansion Committee meeting.</p>
BRANDING COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Branding Committee meeting.</p>
GRANDE PRAIRIE REGION TOURISM ASSOCIATION	<p>Councillor Jacobs attended the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association meeting. She noted that County Administration needs to send a letter to the Tourism Association advising that she is appointed to the Committee and that anyone can be alternate. She commented that Wendy Kempert could be the alternate.</p>
CONOCO PHILLIPS: SOUR GAS WELL	<p>Councillor Jacobs noted that there is a ConocoPhillips 25,000m³ dugout and people are worried about the sour gas well that is upwind of Katherine Estates.</p>
RETIRED COUNCILLORS POLICY	<p>Councillor Jacobs inquired about the policy for recognizing retiring Councillors. Administration will bring the policy in.</p>
THANK YOU TO COUNTY STAFF AND COUNCILLORS	<p>Councillor Nelson had nothing to report. She thanked the Staff from the County and Councillors for all the support that has been provided to her.</p>
HAGEN TANK	<p>Councillor Smith noted that the Hagen tank is down.</p>
MEETING WITH ENCANA	<p>Councillors Smith and Dueck met with Encana. They noted there is a \$15 million plan to build a plant in either Councillor Smith's or Dueck's Division; there are no deals made with oil companies yet. Mr. Simpson explained the development process. He suggested talking to the area councillors and noted it would be to Encana's benefit to do door knocking and discuss with people in the area what to expect; also suggested having an open house.</p>
BUILDING EXPANSION COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Bulford attended the Building Expansion Committee meeting and noted that they have picked the new colours.</p>
BRANDING COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Bulford attended the Branding Committee meeting.</p>
BUILDING EXPANSION COMMITTEE MEETING	<p>Councillor Dueck attended the Building Expansion Committee meeting and commented that Workun Garrick came up with some colours for them to pick from.</p>

BRANDING COMMITTEE MEETING	Councillor Dueck attended the Branding Committee meeting.
BUILDING EXPANSION COMMITTEE MEETING	Councillor Eckstrom attended the Building Expansion Committee meeting.
BRANDING COMMITTEE MEETING	Councillor Eckstrom attended the Branding Committee meeting.
SEXSMITH AND AREA COMMUNITY CENTRE	Councillor Eckstrom attended a meeting at the Sexsmith and Area Community Centre and noted they discussed rentals and janitorial issues. They are not sure how to expend the Casino money. Councillor Eckstrom has encouraged them to apply for grants for a kitchen at the Community Centre.
WILD PINK YONDER	<p>Councillor Eckstrom commented on the Wild Pink Yonder presentation and she thinks it will be great for the County of Grande Prairie. She inquired whether we can advertise in newsletters and on the website. Bill Rogan responded that if there is interest we can definitely support the campaign, but we need community participation first. They are anticipating that each hamlet will do their own advertising and fundraising commitments.</p> <p>Councillor Smith suggested that Council provide meals for the rider for the 4-5 days, but we will need to see the financial statements first.</p>
MEETING WITH MINISTER GEORGE VANDERBERG	Reeve Beaupre, Councillors Eckstrom and Harpe, Bill Rogan, and Arlen Miller met with the Associate Minister for Seniors. They had a discussion and toured the Sportsplex; spoke to the initiative for Seniors. Asked him about the grants for municipalities for Affordable Housing and he was unaware of the grant money available.
ATTENDANCE AT THE GROWING THE NORTH CONFERENCE 2013	It was confirmed that MLA McDonald, MLA Drysdale, Minister Ambrose, and the Energy Minister Ken Hughes will be attending the Growing the North Conference.
IN HOUSE ORGAN DONATION CAMPAIGN	Councillor Nelson commented on whether Council would like to have an in house campaign for Organ Donation and Transplants as The Donor's Organization will be coming to the County of Grande Prairie. Bill Rogan commented that there is currently an Organ Donor week. Councillor Nelson would like Administration to look into Organ Donation and what can be done.
BILL ROGAN, CAO	Bill Rogan had nothing to add.
HERB PFAU, PUBLIC WORKS	Mr. Pfau noted that the roads are in reasonably good shape. He will be on holidays after this week and Steve Madden will be covering for him in Council. He asked Councillors Jacobs and Dueck to stay behind after the meeting as there are issues in their divisions that need to be discussed.
RIG DRILLING AND USE OF RANGE ROAD 91	Councillor Jacobs posed a question about which roads are supposed to be used for trucks that come to the rig drilling location; she has noticed them on Range Road 91 going East. There was a large logging trailer trying to come from the South and make a left turn, he would have hit cars if they were coming. Encana is the one drilling and they told truckers to not use the road they should be using.

