

Council Highlights



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November 4, 2013

Weyerhaeuser Secures Naming Rights for Sportsplex Lobby –

Council announced that Weyerhaeuser secured the naming rights to the lobby at the County of Grande Prairie Sportsplex. See news release, “Weyerhaeuser Secures Naming at County Sportsplex.”

Council writes letter to Premier, Municipal Affairs Minister and Local MLA’s in Opposition of Bill 28 –

Council passed a motion to write a letter to the Premier, Minister of Municipal Affairs and local MLA’s outlining the County’s concerns with Bill 28. The County will ask to be included in the consultation process and provide background information on the County’s current regional planning processes which have proven to be very effective and efficient. Council will lobby for the legislation to focus on the Capital Region rather than all Alberta municipalities. On October 28, 2013, Bill 28 received first reading in the Alberta Legislature. Introduced as the *Modernizing Regional Governance Act*, it involves amendments to the *Municipal Government Act*. If proclaimed, it will formally legislate the Capital Region Board and enable the creation of other growth-management boards in Alberta.

Awarding of Tender – The contract for gravel crushing and stockpiling in the Wapiti and Metcalf Pits was awarded to Westridge Rock Ventures Ltd. for their bid of \$788,150.00.

Wapiti River Water Management Plan (WRWMP) – Council made a motion of interest to support a funding application to the Regional Collaboration Program (RCP) and for the County to become a managing partner of the grant if funding is received from RCP. The WRWMP Steering Committee is developing a plan that will ensure reliable water quality and quantity for local communities, while protecting the aquatic ecosystem.

National Child Day – Council endorsed the Northwest Alberta Children’s Charter and proclaimed November 20th as National Child Day. The Charter highlights the fundamental rights of children and will raise awareness of children’s needs in our communities.

Curbside Recycling – Administration was directed to bring forward recommendations to extend curbside recycling to rural estate residences in the County.

New Employee – Council welcomed RCMP Constable Gabrielle Martin to the County’s Enhanced RCMP team. The County is the only municipality in Alberta to fund three RCMP positions in an integrated service.

Next Council meeting is November 26, 2013. These meetings will be held in the EOC in the Community Services Building until further notice.

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