



MINUTES

County Council
Regular Meeting

County of Grande Prairie No. 1

February 24, 2014 Council Meeting

Meeting Type : Regular Council Meeting

Date : Monday, February 24, 2014

Start time : 10:00 AM

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

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Present were:

1. Reeve

- Leanne Beaupre

2. Deputy Reeve

- Ross Sutherland

3. Council

- Corey Beck
- Daryl Beeston
- Harold Bulford
- Richard Harpe
- Peter Harris
- Brock Smith
- Bob Marshall

5. Directors

- Arlen Miller
- Herb Pfau - Acting CAO

6. Manager of Legislative Services

- Sheryle Runhart

7. Recording Secretary

- Amanda Oravec

8. Media

- Big Country - Ashley Lewis
- Free FM - Jeff Hensen
- Daily Herald Tribune - Jocelyn Turner

Absent:

Chief Administrative Officer

- Bill Rogan

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. with the singing of O'Canada.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution #CM20140224.1001

MOVED by H. BULFORD that the agenda for the February 24, 2014 Council Meeting (2014/02/24) be approved with the additions as presented.

Herb Pfau, Superintendent of Public Works, added an item on Spruce Villa Estates Water Issue to Unfinished Business (item 6.1) and asked that a time be set for their appointment. Reeve Beaupre responded that the appointment will be at 2:00 p.m.

Councillor Smith added an In Camera item on Land (item 10.1).

CARRIED

MINUTES APPROVAL

Resolution #CM20140224.1002

MOVED by P. HARRIS that the minutes for February 3, 2014 Council Meeting (2014/02/03) be approved with the changes as presented.

Councillor Sutherland commented that there was an error with the In Camera motion on Land.

CARRIED

**10:15 A.M. UPDATE ON
PHILIP J CURRIE
DINOSAUR MUSEUM AND
FUNDRAISING**

(DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS)
(Issue #20131108002)

Brian Brake, Executive Director, was present to provide an update on the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum Project and Fundraising.

Don Maisonneuve, Procurement Specialist, commented on the RFP done for the Dinosaur castings and installations. He noted that due to the value of the process it was posted on January 23 and closed February 14th. Of the 3 proposals received, one was non-compliant and one did not achieve the 70% score required. The County Evaluation Committee recommends awarding Phase 1 for \$6910.00 (excluding GST) for the casting as well as travel and per diem. Phases 2 and 3 will be awarded subject to Council approval. The Committee is

asking Council for a two part motion: 1) approve Phase 1 with Research Casting International; 2) approve Phase 2 and 3 with the approval from Council to continue working with this organization. They are requesting that all three Phases be completed by the same company to ensure consistency. Phase 2 and 3 will be completed as budget becomes available.

Councillor Harpe commented that originally Council didn't want all three Phases put together for the RFP and confirmed that the Committee cannot proceed with Phases 2 and 3 without written approval from Council. Mr. Maisonneuve responded that they are requesting a motion to award the RFP to Research Casting International for Phase 1 in the amount of \$6910.00 and also a secondary motion to engage the same company for Phases 2 and 3. Mr. Brake commented that the Committee would prepare a contract authorizing Research Casting International to proceed with Phase 1 and ensure that a clause was included that they cannot begin Phases 2 and 3 until sufficient funding is available. It was noted that all casting is to start no later than May 15th to ensure that everything would be completed before the December 2014 opening.

Reeve Beaupre commented that the displays are currently unfunded and inquired if Research Casting International will hold their quotes for 6 months as the opening date could potentially be pushed back. Mr. Brake responded that Research Casting International has committed to hold their prices for 6 months. Mr. Maisonneuve commented that the contract has already been done up with Section 5 noting that the price be held for a year. The contract is still pending approval from Council.

Chris King, Economic Development Officer, commented that the recommendation is to enter into a contract similar to the one we currently have with Reich + Petch so we have the right to negotiate for Phases 2 and 3. Phase 1 is currently in the contract, and it is at our discretion to approve the Phase 2 and 3. The County will have no obligation past Phase 1 with the current contract.

Resolution #CM20140224.1003

MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND that the County award the contract for Phase 1 of the castings and installation for the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum to Research Casting International in the amount of \$6910 (excluding GST) to come from the Naming/Sponsorship reserve.

CARRIED

Reeve Beaupre inquired about the per diem portion of the \$6910.00. Mr. Maisonneuve responded that only the travel and expenses will be paid and there will not be an actual per diem amount.

Mr. Brake provided an update on the Museum and fundraising:

- secured additional sponsorship funding in the amount of \$200,000 from Alliance Pipeline;
- expecting to obtain additional contributions from Seven Generations and EnCana as part of the sponsorship program;
- shortfall on displays, furniture and fixture, and signage is at \$4.55 million;
- sponsorship funding at \$354,232 that could be used to purchase items the Building Committee identifies as priority;
- "In discussion with County Staff, the following motion we feel is appropriate and we are seeking Council's approval today: to provide the Philip J Currie Dinosaur Museum Building Committee authority to spend funds, as they are raised from sponsorships, on items that the Committee identifies as priority and to do so as per County's purchasing policy."
- Mr. Brake noted that there are many items that need to be engaged to ensure that the building is completed by the December 1 deadline. The Building Committee is hoping to have Council allow them to pay for necessary items out of the sponsorship funding.
- Councillor Smith commented on the fixed price contract with PCL and that they need to stay on budget. Reeve Beaupre responded that the Building Committee is asking to use the sponsorship funding that is already secured for smaller items that are not in the PCL contract. Michele Hoerner, Accountant, noted that the contingency fund is at \$224,000 and has not been used for anything at this point;
- Councillor Harpe commented that he does not agree with the motion made by the Building Committee because it does not include the FF&E shortfall and it does not specify a limit for spending. He would like the motion to be changed to: "the Building Committee have authority to expend funds to a certain amount and allocated to items of FF&E only" and the Committee should have to come back to Council and ask for the items.

Resolution #CM20140224.1004

MOVED BY P. HARRIS to provide the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum Building Committee the authority to expend funds, as they are raised from sponsorships, on FF&E items that the Committee identifies as priority and to do so as per the County's purchasing policy.

Mrs. Hoerner commented that, as per previous discussion with CAO, Bill Rogan, Administration did not want to specify the FF&E items in the motion.

Councillor Marshall amended Councillor Harris' main motion by removing the the word "FF&E". Councillor Harris accepted the amendment as a Friendly Amendment.

MOVED BY B. MARSHALL to provide the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur

Museum Building Committee the authority to expend funds, as they are raised from sponsorships, on items that the Committee identifies as priority and to do so as per the County's purchasing policy.

Councillor Harpe amended Councillor Harris' main motion and Councillor Marshall's amendment by including the words "and to keep in consideration of the contractual obligations of the sponsors". Councillor Harris accepted the amendment as a Friendly Amendment.

MOVED BY R. HARPE to provide the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum Building Committee authority to spend funds, as they are raised from sponsorships, on items that the Committee identifies as priority and to do so as per County's purchasing policy and to keep in consideration of the contractual obligations of the sponsors.

Council voted on the amended amendment.

CARRIED

Update Continued:

- the 4th Dino Coin set is on sale and can be ordered from the Canadian Mint at \$30, there are still 1400 available;
- the Dino Bus sponsored by Hanson Ford has been ordered;
- hosting tours for Alliance Pipelines on March 17 and Seven Generations on February 27 and the companies will present their sponsorship cheques during the tours;
- CBC is planning a 1 hour documentary about the Dino Museum project and Muze Magazine will be doing a story as well;
- U of A will be hosting a Palaeo Dinner in Edmonton on March 14th and they will meet with Dr. Currie there;
- will also be having discussions with the Edmonton Airport authorities in regards to a 10 x 10 foot display at the airport;
- AB Woodworks will photograph the building and hire a writer for the case study which will be sent to 25,000 people in their database;
- Harley Davidson has confirmed their desire to be a sponsor by donating a 2014 motorcycle that will be converted into a "Dino Bike" by Chaotic Customs and autographed by Dan Aykroyd. There will be about 500 tickets raffled at \$100/ticket = \$50,000 (less expenses);
- there will also be an inaugural bike ride from the dealership to the museum site: Mr. Aykroyd will ride the Dino Bike and the rest of the celebrities will ride with the local riders on August 9th at noon. They are expecting between 400-1000 bikers to participate (there are 1900 Harley Davidson owners in the City and County alone).
- Councillor Smith inquired who would be in charge of the raffle. Mrs. Hoerner responded that the River of Death and Discovery Society will handle the raffle and they have hired a Raffle

Manager.

Mr. Brake provided highlights of the Grand Opening Activities planned for August 7-9, 2014. He commented that there are still more sponsorships to come and there will also be revenue generated from the August 7-9 events.

Mr. Brake concluded his presentation at 10:58 a.m.

**11:15 A.M. APPOINTMENT
OF THE NEW FIRE
GUARDIANS FOR THE
COUNTY OF GRANDE
PRAIRIE**

(DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS)

(Issue #20140203017)

Reeve Beaupre thanked Fire Chief Everett Cooke for hosting the Fire Fighter Graduation event as well as hosting all of the training that is necessary for the certifications. Fire Chief Cooke commented that he is proud to note that in all 5 County Fire Stations there are only three people who are not at the full certification.

Fire Guardians are responsible for assisting the County with issuing Fire Permits during fire season, as well as educating and informing residents on safe burning practices. The appointment of Fire Guardians is a requirement under the Forest & Prairie Protection Act (Section 4) and the County of Grande Prairie Fire Bylaw 2924. Fire Season starts on March 1st and the guardians work with ESRD on Fire Protection areas. All elected officials, CAOs, and Fire Chief Cooke are empowered as Fire Guardians. Fire Chief Cooke is requesting Council appoint the list of Fire Guardians that were attached to the agenda package.

Councillor Smith commented that Forestry usually issues the permits for his division and inquired if they will continue to do that. Fire Chief Cooke responded that there were residents that came forward from his division and volunteered for the Fire Guardians this year. Forestry is aware of the change, and they will continue do permits for Crown land. He further noted that there are 3 areas in County that are marked as Green/Forest Protection areas (north to Saddle Hills and west to the BC border) and Forestry addresses those areas. County Fire Guardians are not specific to a division and can be utilized in all areas if needed.

Fire Chief Cooke commented that the County uses the Dunes station to address those permits and they exercise their County Fire members more often than the newly hired Guardians.

Resolution #CM20140224.1005

MOVED BY H. BULFORD that Council appoint the newly appointed Fire Guardians as presented for March 1, 2014 to February 2015.

CARRIED

**10:45 A.M. MANDALAY
ESTATES RESIDENT
CONCERNS**

(DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS)
(Issue #20140213001)

Mandalay Estate Residence, Sheri and Vance Hulan, began their presentation at 11:10 a.m.

Mr. Pfau noted that correspondence was received from the residents of Mandalay Estates identifying concerns to access to the area. The north/south road allowance which provides access to Mandalay Estates was constructed by the County in 2001 as an emergency access/egress for Evergreen Park. As Council is aware, Public Works staff will be meeting with officials with Evergreen Park on March 4th to discuss issues of access/egress long term planning, security and many of the issues discussed in this letter received from the residents of the subdivision. Unfortunately these issues are not isolated to this road allowance.

Mrs. Vance provided an overview of the residents concerns over the last 10 years. She noted the following concerns:

- issues with speeding and traffic control;
- dumping;
- using their subdivision road as a secondary exit;
- road maintenance;
- and the noise and dust created from gravel trucks.

The residents of Mandalay Estates would like the gate closed to restrict the traffic flow as people speed through there. They also inquired if the signage be made more visible and note "Restricted Use" so the general public will know that it is a subdivision not an Evergreen Park road. They also inquired about the possibility of installing speed bumps to slow the traveling public down to a safe speed. The intersection at Township Road 704A is also very dangerous because there is not enough room for a vehicle to get around the intersection and there is no dedicated turning lanes there. The speed limit in that area is 100 km/h and the residents would like to see speed reduced and more signage installed warning of the approaching intersection. The residents also inquired if there could be a Public Service announcement done that lets people know where they can dump animal remains so they stop getting dumped in their subdivision.

Councillor Smith inquired how many residents live in Mandalay Estates. It was noted that there are three homes located in the subdivision and that there are gravel trucks traveling by their home because they are located just off Resources Road. Councillor Smith inquired if Public Works would be able to install speed bumps on their road. Reeve Beaupre noted that speed bumps have been discussed for other subdivisions and the main issue is with the snow removal. Mr. Pfau commented that we can look at the engineering of the intersection, meet with CN, and get the residents of Mandalay Estates engaged in the conversations with Evergreen Park to address the intersections.

Councillor Harpe inquired about the snow removal and the Enforcement presence in the subdivision. Mr. Pfau responded that the

road is plowed as often as it can be and Mr. Miller noted that both the County Peace Officers and RCMP patrol that area. Mr. Hulan responded that although they see the Enforcement presence during the day, the critical times are between 5:00-10:00 p.m. Mr. Miller noted that County Enforcement will look at increasing the patrols between 5:00-10:00 p.m.

Councillor Harpe commented that both Evergreen park and the County have been trying to grow activities at the park and therefore we need to have the second access available for emergency situations.

Resolution #CM20140224.1006

MOVED BY R. HARPE that Public Works look at a plan for a free flow second access to Evergreen Park and engage discussions between Evergreen Park and the residents of Mandalay Estates.

CARRIED

Reeve Beaupre thanked Mr. and Mrs. Hulan for their presentation. The delegates concluded their presentation and left the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Resolution #CM20140224.1007

MOVED BY B. SMITH that the meeting be recessed at 11:44 a.m. for a short break.

CARRIED

The meeting was reconvened at 11:51 a.m.

11:30 A.M. YEAR END REPORT

(DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS)
(Issue #20140206001)

Stu Rempel, Superintendent of Regional Enforcement Services, presented the Year End Report to Council from Regional Enforcement Services, RCMP Enhanced, RCMP Rural (Beaverlodge and Grande Prairie), and ALERT report. Superintendent Ray Noble, Officer in Charge, was also in attendance so he could answer any questions from Council.

Dave Campbell, Peace Officer, presented an overview of the Regional Enforcement Services Department Year End Report. Mr. Campbell discussed the following:

- Safety City courses;
- groundbreaking for the Dinosaur Museum;
- notable highlights;
- fully staffed for 2013 with all members back on duty now. Reeve Beaupre inquired if they anticipate a full compliment by the spring. Superintendent Rempel responded that they still need to assign the Parks Officer which will be done in the spring;
- Councillor Beeston commented on the overload charges and

inquired if the fine shows on the company profile. Superintendent Rempel responded that it does show on the company profile.

Superintendent Rempel commented on the SPCA Regional Pound. He noted that in 2013 there were 15,068 animals brought to the SPCA: 776 dogs, 13 other, 122 were euthanized, and 896 were transferred to SPCA for adoption. The Joint Agreement between the City and the County is moving forward and the SPCA and City have already signed the contract. The Poundkeeper has not been hired yet but they have shortlisted and will hire in the next couple weeks.

Corporal Myles Peckham presented the RCMP Enhanced Policing Year End Report. Cpl. Peckham discussed the following:

- the fine amount for no insurance increased;
- assisted Grande Prairie Rural and Beaverlodge RCMP detachments with over 70+ investigations (murder, suicides, fatal motor vehicle collisions, domestic disputes, and attending to alarms at businesses and residences);
- officers completed DARE training and there will courses done in many schools this year;
- The majority of the statistics provided were from speeding offenses. It was further noted that the RCMP trucks are getting new radar units installed on their vehicles to provide more accurate readings;
- The Report a Drug House line got three calls this year but one was from Grand Prairie, Texas;
- RCMP SAFE program: took pictures inside and outside of schools to show where the students should be evacuating to in the event of an emergency situation;
- Officers have been Involved in community events: Rural Crime Watch, Canada Day, as well as other special events (with Evergreen Park, Teepee Creek, and other conferences and musical events);
- Training: Carbine Firearm, Taser, and Operation Pipeline training which deals with traffic stops and signs to look for if someone is transporting illegal drugs or stolen property;
- Vandalism at Kleskun Hill Park: the RCMP tried to arrange a polygraph for the one individual, and they have engaged with FIS (forensic science) because they found one set of shoe prints. They may not identify a suspect at this stage but will report the final outcome to Council.

Reeve Beaupre commented on several incidents in the Dunes in regards to the discharge of firearms; she had called the RCMP a couple times to report and inquired if will there be an increased focus on the discharges in the Dunes this year. Cpl. Peckham responded that the Grande Prairie Rural Detachment is dispatched for the Dunes area. They have issues identifying where the shots are coming from. They have ensured that their staff are aware and have copies of the County Bylaw in regards to the Discharge of Firearms and the associated fines. Reeve Beaupre commented that there are specific

areas where people are firing and requested that there be an increased presence in those areas. Cpl. Peckham commented that the RCMP would like to do a news release for that and have it released in the Spring/Summer when the issues are more prevalent. They also want to do another news release about where people can legally discharge their firearms.

Staff Sergeant, Kelly Kokesch, presented the RCMP Rural / Beaverlodge Detachment Year End report. He noted that there was an increase in calls for service, assaults are also up, and 1314 tickets were issued from the rural members.

- Events: 1881 patrols.
- Integrated Traffic Unit focused on Highway #40 south of Grande Prairie;
- Fatalities;
- assisted with the Leonard Berry trail;
- special events;
- Inspector Andy Seidemann retired on January 2014. They have hired a supervisor for the Beaverlodge Detachment;
- the Horse Lake Enhanced position was terminated as per the Horse Lake First Nations request;
- Jetboat patrols.

Cpl. Dean Riou presented on Grande Prairie ALERT. Cpl. Riou noted that ALERT currently has a full compliment and are awaiting staffing action for a Civilian Member Analyst Position. He also commented on the following investigations that have taken place over the last 6 months:

- M6 Boys who were selling illegal drugs;
- "Kraslanding Missions" in Edson and Valleyview;
- short/concise Enforcement Projects resulting in 5 people being charged with trafficking;
- Belland et al: 4 people charged with CDSA offenses;
- Rozon et al: 2 people charged;
- Project Kwickhot: Sept 2013. 2 week project with 96 charges against 24 people, \$12,000 cash, \$65,000 in illegal drugs, and weapons were seized;
- Jan 2014: pound of cocaine seized in an ongoing investigation. Also a long-term project ongoing with trafficking and weapons.

Cpl. Riou presented the statistics for 2013.

- TOTAL Street Value of Drugs Seized : \$650,190
- Cash Seized: \$50,000 (approx);
- Offence Related Property Seized: \$80,000 (approx);
- Handguns Seized - 8 Handguns & 1 Silencer;
- Long Barrel Firearms Seized - 22;
- Body Armour Seized - 2 (New BACA Charges);
- Other Weapons : 20 (Brass Knuckles / Bear Spray / Machetes etc).

Cpl. Riou noted that ALERT focuses on organized crime groups; the majority of their investigations are regarding illegal drugs. He also noted that they work with GIS units to locate stolen property (holiday trailers, quads, etc).

Reeve Beaupre thanked Cpl. Riou for the ALERT presentation.

Spt. Noble discussed the Strategic Planning process, they have conducted interviews and provided all the necessary background information to set the goals and priorities for the year. They will come back in a month for a focus group and to get community input through telephone and internet surveys. They have already done a one year Performance Plan with priorities and completed member consultation.

Reeve Beaupre thanked Spt. Noble for attending and commenting on the Strategic Planning and Performance Plan.

The Enforcement presentations concluded at 12:35 p.m. and the Peace Officers and RCMP members left the meeting.

Resolution #CM20140224.1008

MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND that the meeting be recessed at 12:34 p.m until 2:00 p.m. for lunch.

CARRIED

The meeting was reconvened at 1:58 p.m.

**SPRUCE VILLA ESTATES
RESIDENTS**

(UNFINISHED BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140224001)

The item on Spruce Villa Estates resident concerns was added to the agenda by Mr. Pfau. Previously, there was a presentation from Spruce Villa Estates in July 2013 where Council decided to take no action on their requests for funding.

Mr. Pfau provided background information on the water issues in Spruce Villa Estates. Alberta Environment has requested that the co-op well system be brought up to standard. The well will be transferred to Foothills Mud and Fluid Management and Tim Reimann was present in Council to request that the County provide a back-up licensed well operator to take samples and provide chlorination until he is fully certified in May 2014 in the event that Mr. Blimke cannot fulfill his duties. The discussion is on whether Council will support Foothills Mud and Fluid Management when the sale takes place. The emergency back-up would be done as a full cost recovery for the County. It was noted that Aquatera and other companies in Beaverlodge provide the well services at a cost.

Councillor Harpe inquired if the County has the ability to provide the back-up being requested. Mr. Pfau responded that we may have to pay some overtime to the staff member but we can provide the back-up. Councillor Harpe inquired about the County's accountability if we do take on this back-up. Mr. Pfau responded that he cannot answer that because it is a private company going to another private company and is not a municipal service.

Mr. Reimann asked if Mr. Blimke could speak to the request from Spruce Villa Estates and apologized for his behaviour this morning. Reeve Beaupre reiterated numerous times throughout the presentation that the only issue that will be discussed today is for the emergency back-up and full cost recovery in the event that the County resolves to supplying a licensed well operator until May 2014. Mr. Blimke commented that Alberta Environment had concerns with Mr. Reimann taking over the company owned well because he isn't fully licensed until May and that he verbally guaranteed he would stay on as the operator until Mr. Reimann is certified.

Councillor Sutherland commented that he is not in favour of providing back-up support to Spruce Villa Estates because they have had a long time to sort out the issues and Mr. Blimke has already committed to running the well until Mr. Reimann is certified. The issue is between two private entities so Council should not get involved.

Councillor Smith inquired if Alberta Environment will approve the system if a member of the County staff is assigned as emergency back-up. Mr. Reimann responded that the upgrades will still need to be done (chlorine loop and fencing) but they are having a hard time collecting the money for the upgrades from the Spruce Villa Estates residents as they will not answer any calls from Mr. Reimann or Mr. Blimke. Reeve Beaupre inquired if Mr. Reimann and Mr. Blimke had engaged Aquatera or any other companies for their costs in regards to the well servicing. Mr. Reimann responded that they had not engaged any other companies because ESRD had directed them to come and ask the County for support.

Councillor Marshall inquired what back-up is required. Mr. Reimann responded that they will need daily chlorine and weekly bacterial samples as well as the submission of the samples to Alberta Environment. There was considerable discussion in regards to the sale of the water system as well as the email from Mr. Madden which Council was not aware of, and the information was not provided to them.

Resolution #CM20140224.1009

MOVED BY R. HARPE that the County provide emergency back-up water well chlorination and bacterial reports by a licensed and registered well operator for emergent or urgent issues only until the

end of May 31, 2014 at which time this agreement will become null and void. Mr. Blimke is to remain the primary licensed operator until such time that Tim Reimann with Foothills Mud and Fluid Management is a licensed operator. The services provided by the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 will be at full cost recovery and County Public Works will clarify with ESRD as to what their requirements are for the water system at Spruce Villa Estates and why they referred this Party to the County.

CARRIED

LETTER FROM MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION - TRAVIS - MJ

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140205004)

A letter from Minister of Transportation, Honourable Wayne Drysdale, was received with regards to the implementation of TRAVIS Multi-Jurisdiction (TRAVIS-MJ). Mr. Pfau commented that they are currently working on the numbers and a report from Deryle Penner, Resource Specialist, will be brought back to Council before April 1, 2014.

STUDY OF THE FORT-MCMURRAY-PEACE RIVER TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITY CORRIDOR (TUC) - INPUT REQUEST

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140205005)

The Fort McMurray-Peace River Transportation & Utility Corridor (TUC) has been retained to undertake the study on behalf of the Northern Alberta Development Council (NADC). The purpose of the letter is to request the County's support for the TUC project in principle. They are also seeking input from other key stakeholders, including affected Ministries of the provincial government, utilities, and industry representatives.

Resolution #CM20140224.1010

MOVED BY C. BECK that Council provide a supporting motion that our municipality support the concept of the Fort McMurray-Peace River Transportation and Utility Corridor, linking the two regions.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - RISING ABOVE MINISTRY

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140206002)

Megan Schur, Manager of Parks and Recreation, noted that the Rising Above Ministry is seeking sponsorship for their 6th Annual Gala Fundraiser which targets homeless and vulnerable populations. Council has not sponsored the event in the past.

Event Info:

Saturday, March 22, 2014
Holiday Inn at 6pm

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Hope Sponsors - \$1,000-\$5,000
Table Sponsors - \$350
Supporters - Silent Auction Items, Live Auction Donations, Door Prizes

Past Support:

This event has not been sponsored in the past.

Community Assistance:

As of Feb 10, 2014 there is \$27,510.00 remaining in community assistance.

Reeve Beaupre asked Kathleen Turner, FCSS Director, to comment on any work that she has done with the organization. Mrs. Turner responded that she is aware of some clients in the County that utilize their services especially for addiction issues. She commented that they are a very worthy organization because they help a lot of people in both the City and County of Grande Prairie.

Resolution #CM20140224.1011

MOVED BY C. BECK to sponsor the Rising Above Ministry event by providing a silent auction item up to \$150.00.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - FIREMAN'S BALL

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140210001)

Ms. Schur noted that the Bezanson Volunteer Fire Department Society is hosting its 9th Annual Fireman's Ball on April 12, 2014, and they are requesting sponsorship from the County.

Event Info:

Saturday, April 12, 2014

Dinner, silent and live auctions, prizes, raffles and dancing.

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Sponsorship opportunities range from \$5,000 to \$250 or less.

Past Support:

The County has supported this event in the past. In 2013, the County sponsored the event for \$5,000 from the Bezanson Volunteer Fire Department's operating budget. The County has also supported the Bezanson Volunteer Fire Department's rink project with capital assistance grants for the past three years. Administration considers this request suitable for the Community Assistance budget.

Community Assistance Fund:

As of Feb 10, 2014 there is \$27,510.00 remaining in Community Assistance.

Resolution #CM20140224.1012

MOVED BY B. SMITH that the County sponsor the 9th Annual Fireman's Ball in the amount of \$5000 to come from the Community Assistance fund.

CARRIED

2014 TAX SALE DATE

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140211001)

The request to set the 2014 tax sale date as November 21st, 2014 requires a Council motion for approval.

Resolution #CM20140224.1013

MOVED BY H. BULFORD to set the 2014 County tax sale date for November 21, 2014.

CARRIED

**POLICY B-23 -
CONTRACTOR/VISITOR
SIGN IN/SIGN OUT**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140211002)

Sheryle Runhart noted that although a sign-in protocol is currently being followed for County buildings, there is not a formal policy in place. Administration has drafted "Policy B-23 - Contractor/Visitor Sign In/Sign Out Policy" to govern visitors and term contractors within County owned buildings. This process will ensure the safety of our visitors and contractors as well as staff. As well, as ensuring no unauthorized persons are wandering through County owned buildings without permission to do so (this does not apply to public areas within these buildings).

This policy is also required to comply with the Regional Fire Services in the event of evacuation and their need to know who is still in the building in the event of an emergency. With the growth in the County of Grande Prairie we see more and more visitors and contractors entering and exiting County Buildings. Informally, the Administration Building and the Community Services Building have a sign in and sign out book already in place, and a procedure, but there is no formal policy in place to govern the process and procedures regarding our contractors and visitors. As well, as no means to ensure consistency.

Councillor Harpe commented on the Public accessing the Council Chambers at the CSB. Mr. Miller responded that, for Council meetings, we have limited visitors in the afternoon so we close the second door but he will make sure that the "Council Chambers" sign is moved to the front door for the afternoons.

Councillor Sutherland commented that he has received questions from his ratepayers in regards to the CSB main entry door and why it is always locked. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Turner commented that, for security reasons, the door is always locked because of the RCMP and Fire Services presence at the CSB. Reeve Beaupre commented that because of the storage of Enforcement evidence and Fire Services records the building must be secure.

Resolution #CM20140224.1014

MOVED BY B. MARSHALL that Council accept Policy B-23 Contractor/Visitor Sign In/Sign Out Policy as presented.

CARRIED

WEST COUNTY

Four Councillors (three members and an alternate) sit on the West

**REGIONAL LANDFILL
AUTHORITY - APPOINT
ALTERNATE MEMBER**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140211004)

County Regional Landfill Authority to give policy direction in the operation of the Regional landfill. The area Councillor, Richard Harpe, is automatically appointed as a member because the landfill is located within his Division.

At the October 28, 2013 Organizational Meeting Councillor Harpe, Beeston, Harris, and Marshall were appointed to the West County Regional Landfill Authority. It has been brought to the attention of Administration that the County has not appointed an alternate member for this Authority and that the Authority only consists of three members and one alternate member.

Resolution #CM20140224.1015

MOVED BY P. HARRIS that Councillor Bob Marshall be named as the alternate member for the West County Regional Landfill Authority.

CARRIED

**KLESKUN HILLS PARK
EQUIPMENT
RECOMMENDATION**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140218001)

Mr. Maisonneuve noted that a Request for Proposal (RFP) process was used due to the need for recommendations from proponents for the best technical specifications and value to meet the County's needs. The RFP was posted online with the Alberta Purchasing Connections (APC) to meet the threshold requirement for the New West Trade Partnership Agreement (NWPTA) on January 8th and closed January 31st, 2014. The County's Parks & Recreation Department requires the supply, delivery, site preparation and installation of playground equipment for the Kleskun Hill Park.

Bidders:

There were seven (7) proposals received and three (3) were non-compliant and did not meet the 70/100 or 70% evaluation requirement overall on point rated criteria. Blue Imp submitted 2 proposals, one of the two was non-compliant.

Blue Imp: Natural Theme = \$69,865.00 or \$868. Cost Per Point

Habitat Systems Inc: Natural Theme = \$69,562.00 or \$959. Cost Per Point

Playworks Natural Theme = \$69,999.53 or \$972. Cost Per Point

Recommendation:

Option 3: to award the RFP to Blue Imp: Natural Theme in the amount of \$69,865.00 and utilize the remaining funds from the \$75,000.00 budget to purchase additional items from Blue Imp.

Councillor Bulford commented that he was not part of the evaluation process but he did get to view all of the proposals. He is in favour of proceed with Option 3 and award the contract to Blue Imp.

Resolution #CM20140224.1016

MOVED BY H. BULFORD to approve option 3 and award the bid to Blue Imp in the amount of \$69,865.00 and to utilize the remaining funds from the \$75,000 budget to purchase additional items from Blue Imp.

Councillors Beck, Beeston, and Harris commented that Council should put the additional money back into the Community Assistance fund instead of purchasing additional equipment from Blue Imp.

DEFEATED

Resolution #CM20140224.1017

MOVED BY B. SMITH to award the bid to Blue Imp in the amount of \$69,865.00 and have the remainder of the funds from the \$75,000.00 budget go back into the Community Assistance Fund.

CARRIED

**MOLLY WELESKI -
PASSIONATE HEART
AWARD**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140218004)

Mrs. Turner noted that the 8th Annual Passionate Heart Awards were held on February 14th, 2014. The awards recognize workers in the Social Services who exemplify compassion and dedication to their clients and who give of themselves for the betterment of their community. Our Home Support Coordinator, Molly Weleski, was nominated by her co-workers and received an exceptional service award. Molly was in attendance at the meeting and showed her award to Council.

The Passionate Heart Awards are sponsored by the FCSS programs in the County, Beaverlodge, Wembley, Hythe, Sexsmith and City of Grande Prairie. This years awards luncheon was attend by approximately 140 people.

Reeve Beaupre extended congratulations to Mrs. Weleski on behalf of County Council for receiving the award, and thanked her for all of the hard work she does for the County.

**3 X HALF TON TRUCKS
RFP**

(NEW BUSINESS)
(Issue #20140219003)

Mr. Maisonneuve noted that Sonja Raven, Agricultural Fieldman, was unable to attend the meeting today. A Request for Proposal (RFP) process was used due to the need for recommendations from Proponents for the best technical specifications and value to meet the County's needs. The RFP was posted online with the Alberta Purchasing Connections (APC) to meet the threshold requirement for the New West Trade Partnership Agreement (NWPTA) on January 30th and closed February 14th, 2014. The County's Agricultural Department requires the supply and delivery of three (3) new 2014 half ton 4X4 trucks within the \$105,000 replacement budget for the current year.

Bidders:

There were two (2) proposals received and both were compliant.

Windsor Motors (Ford): \$30,641.25/each exclusive of GST x 3 = \$91,924 or \$948 Cost Per Point (97%)

Shaganappi (GM): \$35,496.76/each exclusive of GST x 3 = \$106,490 or \$1,210 Cost Per Point (88%)

Administration is recommending awarding the RFP to Windsor Motors (Ford) for the three Half Ton trucks.

Councillor Harris inquired about the other options noted in the issue summary. Mr. Miller responded that we cannot get the specified trucks from Windsor Motors (Ford) until May 2014 but we could purchase some vehicles they currently have on their lot but it would cost more because of the additional options (heated seats, etc). Shaganappi (GM) would be able to provide the trucks by the end of March.

Reeve Beaupre commented that her issue is that we are not getting the vehicles in a timely fashion and if the bidders cannot deliver by our specified date their proposal should be deemed non-compliant.

Resolution #CM20140224.1018

MOVED BY B. SMITH to table the RFP item for the three half ton trucks until Ms. Raven can attend the Council meeting and provide more information.

DEFEATED

Councillor Sutherland inquired if the three trucks are all crew cabs and whether the bidders will have to have the units delivered by March 31, 2014. Mr. Miller and Mr. Maisonneuve responded that they are all crew cab trucks and the RFP stated that the units had to be delivered by March 31, 2014.

Resolution #CM20140224.1019

MOVED BY R. SUTHERLAND to approve Option 1 and purchase the three Half Ton trucks from Windsor Motors (Ford) in the amount of \$91,924 (exclusive of GST).

There was discussion in regards to whether the half ton trucks were sufficient for the work that needed to be done.

CARRIED

**LETTER FROM ALBERTA
TRANSPORATION -
REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

A letter was received from Alberta Transportation Regional Director, Trent McLaughlin advising that staff from Alberta Transportation will be attending the upcoming AAMDC Conference in Edmonton to meet with

(INFORMATION ITEMS)
(Issue #20140214003)

municipal representatives interested in discussing their roadway and water/wastewater needs. Reeve Beaupre inquired who Council will be meeting with at AAMDC and whether it will be a roundtable meeting like in the past, or a meeting as a Council with Mr. McLaughlin. Mr. Pfau responded that the meeting will be with the Zone representatives and may not include meetings with the Ministers.

Resolution #CM20140224.1020

MOVED BY B. SMITH that Administration write a letter to Mr. McLaughlin thanking them for the invitation to meet, but advise that when issues arise they will be invited to come and speak to County Council directly.

CARRIED

ACTION LIST

(INFORMATION ITEMS)
(Issue #20140218019)

The action list up to an including February 3, 2014 was attached to the agenda package.

Mrs. Runhart inquired about the item brought up at the last Council meeting in regards to Councillor Harpe's application for the FCM Standing Issues Committee. Councillor Harpe commented that his application was withdrawn so a letter of support is not needed from Council.

LAND

(IN CAMERA)
(Issue #20140224002)

Resolution #CM20140224.1021

MOVED by D. BEESTON that the meeting go in to In-Camera, at 3:13 p.m., pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto, to discuss Privileged Information with regards to the Land.

CARRIED

Resolution #CM20140224.1022

MOVED by B. MARSHALL that the meeting come Out-of-Camera at 3:36 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution #CM20140224.1023

MOVED BY R. HARPE to proceed as per discussed on the In Camera items.

CARRIED

**COUNCILLOR,
COMMITTEE AND**

Councillor Smith attended the Executive Library Board meeting in Fahler and handed out information from the meeting. There is a

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proposal going to the Board to increase the Municipal Fee amount to \$5.50/person for the Peace Library System. The current Library Board fee is for books and they are proposing to take 0.50 from that fee to keep for operating costs which is a reasonable amount. The change will be implemented in 2015 and after 2016 they will raise the Municipal fee 5% per year and that will give the employees a COLA. With the noted changes they will be able to put \$30,000 back into the reserves. Councillor Harpe commented that he is in favour of the changes because it will help the PLS in the future.

Councillor Smith handed out copies of the Hythe Headliner as the front page displays the new fire truck that the County sponsored in the amount of \$140,000. The event took place on Family Day and Hythe is very proud of the fire truck.

Councillor Smith inquired how the South Peace Regional Archives tour was. Councillor Harris responded that the AGM is in March and that after the AGM he will submit the minutes as information to Council.

Councillor Smith inquired if there was a Council motion made for the Strategic Planning retreat in April and what the cost is. Mrs. Runhart responded that there was discussion but no motion was made and the cost will be around \$14,000. There was discussion in regards to when the last Strategic Planning retreat took place and the location. Councillor Smith commented that he will not be attending the Strategic Planning retreat in April.

Councillor Smith commented that the Dinosaur Committee is making a mistake by asking 1000 motorcycles to come for the Dino Bike Ride because if there is an incident it can turn the whole country against the Dinosaur Museum project. Reeve Beaupre commented that there are about 1900 Harley Davidson riders in the City and County alone. Councillor Sutherland asked for Mr. Miller's opinion on the Bike Ride. Mr. Miller responded that some bikers have come for the toy runs and there have been no issues so he believes the inaugural ride will be successful. Reeve Beaupre inquired if the bike ride could be made a Special Event so they will have to apply for a permit. Mr. Miller noted that the City of Grande Prairie Peace Officers and Sheriffs have Harley's so there will be a noticeable enforcement presence.

Councillor Beeston commented that he thinks the Dino Bike Ride is a very good idea and can generate a lot of revenue because there are lots of people with Harley's in the City and County.

Councillor Beeston inquired if Council could draft a letter to MLA Everett McDonald in regards to the completion of extending Highway #43 around the airport and complete the bypass. He had spoke to MLA McDonald and he has not received an official letter in his office requesting that the bypass be completed.

Resolution #CM20140224.1024

MOVED BY D. BEESTON that Council draft a letter to MLA Everett McDonald in regards to the completion of the Highway #43 west bypass and send a copy Premier Redford and MLA Wayne Drysdale.

CARRIED

Councillor Beeston attended the meeting with the Town of Beaverlodge. Reeve Beaupre commented that Mayor Leona Hanson is working with AHS and Alberta Infrastructure on the Health Complex issue.

Councillor Beeston attended the Brownlee Emerging Trends conference and noted that it was a really good seminar.

Councillor Beeston attended the AAMDC meeting in Rycroft and noted that he spoke to the Ministers there.

Councillor Beeston attended the Taste of the Peace event and noted that it was a very good opportunity to converse with officials from other municipalities.

Councillor Beeston attended the Growing the North Conference.

Resolution #CM20140224.1025

MOVED BY D. BEESTON that Administration write a letter of congratulations and thanks to the organizers of the Growing the North Conference for the Taste of Peace event and the Conference.

CARRIED

Councillor Beeston attended the RMRP seminar and commented that it would have been more beneficial to have that training within the first couple months of being elected.

Councillor Beeston attended the Fire Fighters Graduation and commented that it was a great evening and that he is impressed with the quality of our first class Fire Services staff in the County.

Councillor Beeston attended 4H events in Sexsmith for the Clairmont multi-club and commented that he is very impressed with the children in the County.

Councillor Harpe commented that Premier Alison Redford took a tour of the Ronning House and she commented that she would like to take it on as a project.

Councillor Harpe commented on beef and that the grain producers are in dire straights because of the increased base and interest rates for yields.

Councillor Beck attended the ASB meeting and commented that they discussed policy changes.

Councillor Beck attended the Building Expansion Committee and commented on the millwork issue. The contractor will correct the heights on the millwork for Council Chambers.

Councillor Beck met and had conversations with residents in Spruce Villa Estates.

Councillor Beck attended the Growing the North Conference and commented that the best part of the Conference was getting the ability to network with industry and municipal staff. He also commented that the Taste of the Peace event was great and very successful.

Councillor Beck attended the RMRF seminar and commented that it would've been more beneficial to have the seminar after they were elected.

Councillor Sutherland attended the ASB meeting.

Councillor Sutherland attended the Alberta Transportation "open house" and commented that Transportation did not discuss any projects. He was concerned that there was only one person from Alberta Transportation in attendance and no provincial politicians to discussed transportation issues.

Councillor Sutherland attended the meeting with the Beaverlodge Town Council.

Councillor Sutherland attended the AAMDC Zone meeting.

Councillor Sutherland attended the Taste of the Peace event and the Growing the North Conference and commented that it was a really good conference as it provides access to the other politicians as well as the MLA's, Ministers, and the Premier who were all in attendance.

Councillor Sutherland attended the Fire Fighter Graduation and commented that it was very well done.

Councillor Sutherland attended a Family Day celebration at Saskatoon Lake Hall with Councillor Marshall.

Councillor Marshall attended the ASB meeting.

Councillor Marshall attended the meeting with Beaverlodge Town Council.

Councillor Marshall attended the Alberta Transportation "open house" and commented that they did not answer any of the pertinent questions on projects for our region.

Councillor Marshall attended a Tourism Board meeting and commented that they want to send a survey to all members to provide feedback on the memberships.

Councillor Marshall attended the AAMDC Zone meeting.

Councillor Marshall attended the Taste of the Peace event.

Councillor Marshall attended a PAZA Board Meeting and commented that they are looking at a monitoring station for Weyerhaeuser because the current one is located in a dead zone and they want to move it to somewhere that can properly collect data.

Councillor Marshall attended the RMRF seminar and commented that the property assessment portion was very good.

Councillor Marshall attended Family Day celebrations at Saskatoon Lake Hall with Councillor Sutherland.

Councillor Harris attended the meeting with the Town of Beaverlodge Council.

Councillor Harris attended the Alberta Transportation "open house".

Resolution #CM20140224.1026

MOVED BY P. HARRIS to write a letter to Alberta Transportation regarding the "Albertans to Help Transportation Plan" meeting they hosted in regards to the future road system, advising them that an explanation of the process should have been more thorough in their agenda prior to the attendance of this meeting as Council's experience with this process was disappointing. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Minister of Transportation.

CARRIED

Councillor Harris attended the AAMDC Zone meeting.

Councillor Harris attended the Taste of the Peace event and the Growing the North Conference and commented that there were very relevant topics discussed.

Councillor Marshall commented that he has spoken to the teachers at Wembley Elementary School in regards to the Dinosaur Museum Groundbreaking shovel. He noted that the school would like a plaque outlining why the shovel was donated to the school.

Resolution #CM20140224.1027

MOVED BY B. MARSHALL that the County provide a plaque to accompany the shovel provided to Wembley Elementary School describing why the shovel from the Dinosaur Museum Groundbreaking ceremony was donated to them.

CARRIED

Councillor Bulford attended the ASB meeting.

Councillor Bulford attended the Brownlee course in Edmonton and commented that he was impressed by the content that was covered.

Councillor Bulford missed the AAMDC Zone meeting to attend the 8th Annual Passionate Heart Awards. He commented that the event was very good.

Councillor Bulford attended a Nitehawk Board of Directors meeting and commented that they are struggling to get a quorum for their meetings. He commented that they had a very good turnout on Family Day. Councillor Smith inquired about the budget. Councillor Bulford responded that they are not doing as good as last year because it depends on the amount of snow they get.

Councillor Bulford attended the Growing the North Conference and commented that the Col. Chris Hadfield presentation was very good.

Councillor Bulford attended the RMRF seminar and commented that the information covered was not as good as the Brownlee seminar.

Councillor Bulford attended the Fire Fighter Graduation and commented that it was a great event and a large graduating class.

Reeve Beaupre attended a roundtable discussion for the Northern Alberta Elected Leaders and MLA Wayne Drysdale wanted to establish priorities for our region. The majority of elected leaders in attendance were voicing concerns about Highway #88 and Highway #35. She commented that we need to speak to our neighbours and get our priorities set-up and agreed upon. There should be priorities set and

roads should be addressed. There was also a focus put on the realignment for the Dunvegan bridge.

Reeve Beaupre attended a conference call in regards to the spring resolutions at AAMDC. They would like to have discussions done on shadow populations. The meeting with Minister Frank Oberle did not occur and Horse Lake has already arranged a meeting with the Minister and the County was not invited to attend. We are trying to get a meeting with Minister Oberle arranged during the next AAMDC Conference.

Reeve Beaupre commented that Travel Alberta will be present during the Growing the North Conference and had asked that EDO, Chris King meet with them to market the Dinosaur Museum and other projects occurring in the County. She commented that there is an Open House tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. at Centre 2000 and Travel Alberta representatives will be in attendance. They are excited about the Dino Museum and will be marketing for 2015-2016.

Reeve Beaupre presented a set of Dinosaur coins to Col. Chris Hadfield.

Reeve Beaupre met with CAO, Bill Rogan and Councillor Beeston in regards to the logistics site. There was an ASP approved many years ago and now we are getting conflicting information on how to proceed. We have committed to meet with Minister Robin Campbell and need a motion in regards to the logistics site and the ASP.

Resolution #CM20140224.1028

MOVED BY B. MARSHALL to meet with Minister of ESRD Robin Campbell, Reeve Beaupre, CAO, Bill Rogan, and Councillor Beeston to discuss the presenting issue of the logistics site and the Area Structure Plan.

CARRIED

Reeve Beaupre attended the Fire Fighters Graduation.

Councillor Beeston received a phone call from the Teepee Creek Rodeo Association. They have spoke to the Canadian Air Force and they have committed to a fly-over for the 100th anniversary of the Teepee Creek Stampede. The Rodeo Association requires a letter from Council approving the fly-over because it will be below 500 feet.

Resolution #CM20140224.1029

MOVED BY D. BEESTON that Council approve the request for the Canadian Air Force to have a low fly-over at the 2014 Teepee Creek Stampede and provide a letter of support.

CARRIED

There was considerable discussion in regards to whether landowners would need to be given adequate notice of the fly-over in order to prepare their livestock.

Councillor Bulford left the meeting at 4:34 p.m.

Mr. Pfau noted that there is a Building Expansion Committee meeting tomorrow at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Pfau commented that Public Works has been working on addressing the drifting snow and the majority has been cleaned up.

Mr. Pfau noted that Council will require a motion for the Strategic Planning retreat soon. Reeve Beaupre inquired about the policy for Strategic Planning. Mrs. Runhart responded that this item will be brought back at the next Council meeting for discussion.

Mr. Pfau attended the Alberta Transportation "open house" and he commented that he will draft the letter to the Minister of Alberta Transportation.

Mr. Pfau commented that there will be no lane closures on Red Willow Bridge until June 16th. They will be re-decking and widening the bridge by about two meters because it is more of a repair instead of a full replacement.

Mr. Pfau noted that a meeting with MLA Wayne Drysdale, MP Chris Warkentin, and the Horse Lake Road Committee has been scheduled for March 7th.

Mr. Pfau commented that he will investigate what is being done for Highway #88. Reeve Beaupre responded that they are focusing on highway maintenance.

Councillor Harpe thanked Public Works for having the road clearing crews out on Family Day and getting all the roads cleared.

Mr. Miller commented on an advertisement in the County Connections in regards to the gym at the Sportsplex. The ad was run in error by Nustadia and Mr. Miller meeting with Ramona Rollins, General

Manager, and Jennifer Henderson, Administration & Scheduling Manager, in regards to marketing the Sportsplex.

Dale Van Volkingburgh, Acting Public Works Operations Manager, commented that the RFP's for equipment for crack sealing and line painting will be coming to Council soon and will be advertised within the next couple weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #CM20140224.1030
MOVED by P. HARRIS that the meeting adjourn at 4:41 p.m.

CARRIED

These minutes approved the _____ day of _____ 2014.

Reference # _____

REEVE

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR