



# County of Grande Prairie No. 1

## February 27, 2017 Council Meeting

Meeting Type : Regular Council Meeting

Date : Monday, February 27, 2017

Start time : 10:00 AM

Location : County of Grande Prairie No. 1 Administration Building

## Minutes

### ATTENDANCE

Present were:

#### 1. Reeve

- Leanne Beaupre

#### 2. Deputy Reeve

- Ross Sutherland

#### 3. Council

- Corey Beck
- Daryl Beeston
- Harold Bulford
- Peter Harris
- Bob Marshall
- Brock Smith
- Karen Rosvold

#### 5. Directors

- Arlen Miller
- Dawn Sauvé
- Dale Van Volkingburgh
- Nick Lapp

#### 6. Manager of Legislative Services

- Sheryle Runhart

#### 7. Recording Secretary

- Megan McCormick

Absent:

#### 4. Chief Administrative Officer

- Bill Rogan

**CALL TO ORDER  
AND QUORUM**

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

**Introduction of  
Debbi Ree-Galle -  
Systems  
Coordinator**

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170130003)

Natalia Madden, Manager of Information Systems, was present to introduce Debbi Ree-Galle as the Systems Coordinator. Ms. Ree-Galle is replacing Jesse Penner. Council welcomed Ms. Ree-Galle to the County of Grande Prairie.

**Information  
Systems Staff  
Recognitions**

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170130002)

Natalia Madden, Manager of Information Systems, was present to provide Council with the following staff recognitions:

- Stacey Dechief, Service Desk Technician completed the Essential Skills for Administrative Professionals;
- Glen Kilian, GIS Coordinator completed the Advanced Skills for Leadership;
- Erin Hogan, Information Technology Leader, Tracy Archibald, Business Solutions Leader, Glen Kilian, GIS Coordinator, Tracy Dawe, Safety Coordinator (HR), and Lisa Wanke, Planning Officer (Planning) completed the Change Management Certificate Program in accordance with Prosci methodologies and tools;
- Natalia Madden also completed the Change Management Certificate.

**ADOPTION OF  
AGENDA**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1001**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the agenda for the February 27, 2017 Council Meeting (2017/02/27) be approved with the following amendments:

- Correspondence from Alberta Transportation - Intersection of Hwy 43 and Hwy 43X (#20170225001).

**Carried**

**MINUTES  
APPROVAL**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1002**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that the minutes for January 23, 2017 - Regular Council Meeting (2017/01/23) be approved with the following corrections:

- Aquatera discussion; well water storage ponds should read raw water storage ponds.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1003**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the minutes for January 9, 2017 Regular Council Meeting (2017/01/09) be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1004**

**MOVED by D. BEESTON** that the minutes for February 6, 2017 Council Meeting (2017/02/06) be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1005**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the minutes for January 30, 2017 Council Meeting (2017/01/30) be approved as presented.

**Carried**

**10:10 a.m. -  
Highway to  
Mexico Project -  
Breathing Air  
Compressor**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20170214024)

A breathing air compressor unit from Regional Fire Services has been advertised for sale on the Alberta Fire Chiefs Association website for \$12,000 for several months. The County has received an offer of \$5,000 from Mr. Felix Seiler, from the Swan City Rotary, who is interested in purchasing the equipment in order to donate it to the Highway to Mexico project. Mr. Seiler said that this type of unit is in high demand in Mexico and will allow the local fire departments to fill their own oxygen tanks, saving a significant amount of money as they currently use dive shops at a high cost.

The compressor has been for sale for several months without any offers being received. The unit is in good shape, however was removed from the Bezanson Firehall and replaced with a larger capacity unit. Another local department had initially indicated an interest in purchasing the unit, however then declined when it was available for sale. The County of Grande Prairie has recently donated other fire gear to the Highway to Mexico Project and Mr. Seiler has indicated that they would have the capacity to transport this unit to Mexico on their upcoming trip.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1006**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** to donate the compressor directly to the Swan City Rotary for the Highway to Mexico Project.

**Carried**

**Appointment of  
2017 Fire  
Guardians**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170221005)

Fire Chief, Trevor Grant was present to request the Appointment of the 2017 Fire Guardians. The appointment of Fire Guardians is a requirement under the Forest & Prairie Protection Act and the County of Grande Prairie Fire Bylaw 2924. Forest & Prairie Protection Act : Section 4. Section (4.1) (4.3). The proposed Fire Guardians for 2017 are as follows:

Ray Korbett, Debbie Stallwood, Dan Verdun, Ken Atamanchuk, Trevor Grant, Russell Lochhead , Matt Bauer, Tracay Depew, Robyn English, Spencer Montgomery, Kimberly Sanford, Matthew Smith ,John Prankie, Thomas King, Alfred Golnick, Jamie Querin,Tyrel Johnson, Ron Kubbernus, Kevin Bonsan, Daniel Taks, Wayne Bekkerus, Dallas Pierson, John Moutray, Ellen Skinner, Julian Tanasichuk, Dan Mateev, Fred Hurlock , Jim LeGeyt, Doug Spry, Ian Hamilton, Vivian Brulotte, Debbie Lloyd, Kim White, Tracy Green, Deborah Durban, Brett Anderson, Cory Rigler ,Clark Peters, Dave Campbell, Johnathan Gerrits, Johnathon Matula, Katie Blakely, Kim Donecz, Kris Ferguson, Ryan Li, Shane Simms, Stuart Fry, Lesley Harms, and Wes Ducharme.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1007**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** to appoint Ray Korbett, Debbie Stallwood, Dan Verdun, Ken Atamanchuk, Trevor Grant , Russell Lochhead , Matt Bauer, Tracay Depew, Robyn English, Spencer Montgomery, Kimberly Sanford, Matthew Smith , John Prankie, Thomas King, Alfred Golnick, Jamie Querin, Tyrel Johnson, Ron Kubbernus, Kevin Bonsan, Daniel Taks, Wayne Bekkerus, Dallas Pierson, John Moutray, Ellen Skinner, Julian Tanasichuk, Dan Mateev, Fred Hurlock , Jim Le Geyt, Doug Spry, Ian Hamilton, Vivian Brulotte, Debbie Lloyd, Kim White, Tracy Green, Deborah Durban, Brett Anderson, Cory Rigler, Clark Peters, Dave Campbell, Johnathan Gerrits, Johnathon Matula, Katie Blakely, Kim Donecz, Kris Ferguson, Ryan Li, Shane Simms, Stuart Fry, Wes Ducharme , Lesley Harms as Fire Guardians for a term commencing March 1, 2017 until February 28, 2018.

**Carried**

**Fire Services'  
Mutual Aid  
Agreements  
information**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20161215001)

Further to Council Resolution CM20161003.1015, Council requested a chronological history of the Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Services since its inception. Information was presented verbally to Council on December 12, 2016, and Council requested a written summary. As per Council's request, a chronological history was provided of the Mutual Aid Agreements for County of Grande Prairie Regional Fire Service. The County of Grande Prairie does not currently have a mutual aid agreement with the City of Grande Prairie except through GPREP. The City of Grande Prairie Fire Department have said they are willing to come should they be called and there would be a cost associated. Arlen Miller, Director of Community Services, noted that there is a good working relationship between the two departments. There was discussion surrounding:

- Calling upon the City of Grande Prairie more quickly than waiting for GPREP to be activated would be a benefit of a mutual aid agreement;
- The County has agreements with other resources around the County;
- Regional collaboration and cooperation;
- Sexsmith Grain Bin Fire is the only recent event where GPREP was activated and the City of Grande Prairie responded.

**Bylaw  
2680-17-006 To  
Amend Bylaw  
2680-08-088 - Lot  
1, Plan 932 0528;  
Pt. SW  
6-71-6-W6M**

(BYLAWS)  
(Issue #20170213003)

Bylaw 2680-17-006 has been drafted to amend Bylaw 2680-08-088 which was passed on December 8, 2008 and requires a technical amendment to redesignate Lot 1, Plan 932 0528; Pt. SW 6-71-6-W6M from Country Residential (CR-5) to Country Industrial (CM). In 2008, a Land Use Bylaw amendment was applied for to redesignate Lot 1, Plan 932 0528; Pt SW-6-71-6-W6M from Country Residential (CR-5) to Rural Light Industrial (RM-1) to come into compliance with an enforcement issue. The application was brought forward at the November 3, 2008 public hearing. Administration requested that the public hearing be recessed to allow for re-advertising to revise the application from Country Residential (CR-5) District to Country Industrial (CM) District. The application was

re-advertised and then brought back to the December 8, 2008 public hearing. Following the public hearing, Bylaw 2680-08-088 was given First, Second, Third and Final readings.

During a recent review of the above noted file, it was discovered that the zoning designation on Bylaw 2680-08-088 was not changed to reflect the request to revise the redesignation to Country Industrial (CM) and was signed as Rural Light Industrial (RM-1). Bylaw 2680-17-006 has been drafted to correct the technical oversight and redesignate Lot 1, Plan 932 0528; Pt SW-6-71-6-W6M from Country Residential (CR-5) to Country Industrial (CM). The passing of Bylaw 2680-17-006 will also rescind Bylaw 2680-08-088.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1008**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-17-006 be read a first time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1009**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that Bylaw 2680-17-006 be read a second time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1010**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-17-006 be given consent for third and final reading.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1011**

**MOVED by D. BEESTON** that Bylaw 2680-17-006 to re-designate Lot 1, Plan 932 0528; PT SW-6-71-6-W6M from Country Residential (CR-5) to Country Industrial (CM) and to rescind Bylaw 2680-08-088 be read a third time and finally passed.

**Carried**

**Dimsdale  
Booster Station -  
Wembley Water  
West**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170120007)

Synergies were recognized with the need to build a booster station to get the water to Wembley and the need for a pump house and reservoir for the future Dimsdale Community Water System. Building one facility to perform two functions, one land purchase and a reservoir to accommodate the needs for supply at the same time will save costs associated with doing these projects separately. Council's input is requested regarding development of a booster station expansion and reservoir installation associated with the Wembley Water West project.

The County committed to over-sizing the transmission line from the City of Grande Prairie to Dimsdale from 400 mm to 450 mm. The cost of the over-sizing is estimated at \$850,000 and is to be borne by the County of Grande Prairie. This cost is supported by the CWWF grant at 50% therefore the County's financial commitment is \$425,000.

Water West Steering Committee met on January, 20, 2017. It was determined that it would be cost effective to build a booster station near Dimsdale rather than increase the pump capacity at the source or build one at Wembley. Synergies were recognized that one facility could perform two functions, one; to boost the water to Wembley and two; to be the pumphouse for Dimsdale and area.

With the synergies identified, the County can potentially use the CWWF grant monies allocated to upsize the needed booster station and build a reservoir to serve the people of Dimsdale in lieu of a dedicated main to the future site of the pump station and reservoir. CWWF grant covers 50% of building up to \$1.25 million. We are working with Alberta Transportation on the concept of utilizing the proposed booster station for pumping and reservoir capacity, they are reviewing the potential scope change. Should the Grant be available for the scope change, it's in the County's best interest to maximize the grant by upgrading the booster station and building a reservoir. It is worthy to note that by consolidating the infrastructure the land and building needed for our pumphouse and reservoir would be included in the Wembley water line west grant monies. Upon confirmation of the CWWF grant being eligible to cover the upgrade and reservoir, it is recommended to use the available grant monies to facilitate building both.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1012**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** **MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that should CWWF Grant Funding not be approved to approve the over-size transmission line, upgrade the booster station and acquire adequate land for expansion with a cap of \$1 million of County money, utilizing available CWWF grant funding with monies to come from Community Infrastructure Fund, and, that should CWWF Grant Funding be approved to approve the over-size transmission line, upgrade the booster station, build a 400m3 reservoir to support phase 1 and acquire adequate land for expansion for approximately 1.85 million without grant funding and \$925,000 utilizing available CWWF grant funding with monies to come from Community Infrastructure Fund.

**Carried**

**Sponsorship  
Request - Grande  
Peace Minor  
Midget AAA  
Storm  
Provincials**  
(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170202002)

The Grande Peace Storm are hosting the U16 Provincial Championship at the Crosslink County Sportsplex on March 23-26, 2017. They are seeking sponsorship to assist with referee wages, program costs, and other event fees. The Sportsplex is charging standard minor hockey rates for the ice time. There are several sponsorship options for program advertisements and gift card raffle draw donation. There is \$37,810.00 available in the Community Assistance grant budget for 2017.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1013**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that we support the Grande Peace Minor Midget AAA Storm Provincials in the form of a half page program advertisement in the amount of \$250 to come from the Community Assistance Grant.

**Carried**

**Paleo Gala 2017 -  
April 8, 2017**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170207004)

Save the Date invitation was sent from Ilaria Paparella on behalf of the Paleo Grads for the 14th Annual Paleo Gala on April 8, 2017 at the Faculty Club, University of Alberta. There are no conflicts at this time in Council's calendars. In the past the Reeve has attended. Reeve Beaupre noted that they raise money towards specific projects and the Philip J Currie Dinosaur Museum may be a project they would look at supporting in the future.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1014**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that Reeve Beaupre or alternate attend the Paleo Gala on April 8, 2017 at the Faculty Club, University of Alberta.

**Carried**

**Rising Above  
"Hope Lives"  
Banquet - April 8,  
2017**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170207005)

Correspondence was received from Pastor Mel Siggelkow, Executive Director for Rising Above offering two complimentary tickets to the 9th Annual Rising Above Ministries banquet on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at the Pomeroy Hotel. This event is a major fundraiser for this Ministry. An update on the new Rising above Park Campus (former Young Offenders Centre) will also be provided. A request to bring greetings has also been asked. This date conflicts with the 2017 Paleo Gala on April 8, 2017 at the University of Alberta.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1015**

**MOVED by D. BEESTON** that Reeve Beaupre and a guest, or alternate and a guest, attend the 9th Annual Rising Above Ministries Banquet at the Pomeroy Hotel on Saturday April 8, 2017.

**Carried**

**SUBDIVISION  
TIME EXTENSION  
REQUEST -  
SW-1-71-11-W6 -  
PLSUB20150672 -  
Cook, Clinton  
Larry**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170214004)

Approval is requested for a first subdivision time extension for file number PLSUB20150672. The applicant is requesting the subdivision endorsement time extension in order to fulfill the conditions of approval that applies to this subdivision application. Administration recommends that the subdivision endorsement time extension request be approved.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1016**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** to approve the subdivision time extension request for SW-1-71-11-W6M file number PLSUB20150672.

**Carried**

**The Supply &  
Installation of  
Road Pavement  
Crack-sealing &  
Road Pavement  
Markings  
Application  
Project**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170216006)

A request for Proposal was posted January 18, 2017 on the Alberta Purchasing Connections (APC) to meet the requirements of the New West Partnership Trade Agreement (NWPTA) and the County website for local services. As part of the 2017 budget, the County's Public Works Department requires a contractor to carry out "The Supply and Installation of Road Pavement Crack-sealing & Road Pavement Markings Application Project." The work is expected to take place between June 1 and August 15, 2017.

Submissions were received from 4 organizations and all submissions were evaluated by the County's Evaluation Team. Administration is

recommending to enter a contract with Alberta Parking Lot Services for the supply and installation of road pavement crack sealing and road pavement markings application at a cost of \$372,602 (excluding GST).

There was discussion surrounding:

- Sharing the contractor's contact information with Not-For-Profits looking to have the same work done in their parking lots in the vicinity of the work taking place;
- Quality of previously done work.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1017**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** to enter into a Contract with Alberta Parking Lot Services for the supply & installation of road pavement crack sealing and road pavement markings application Project at a cost of \$376,602.00 (excluding GST) for this Project from June 01, 2017 to August 15, 2017. Public Works' actual portion for this Project is \$373,722.00 and budget is \$375,000.00. Parks & Recreation's actual portion for this Project is \$2,880.00 and budget is \$40,000.00. This makes the combined actual totals: \$38,398.00 (excluding GST) under budget.

**Carried**

**11:00 a.m. -  
Aquatera**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20170221007)

**Resolution #CM20170227.1018**

**MOVED by D. BEESTON** that the meeting be recessed *11:02 a.m.*

**Carried**

The meeting was reconvened at *11:14 a.m.*

Bernd Manz, CEO of Aquatera, was in attendance to clarify previous discussion around Aquatera's proposed rates and to clarify any questions Council may have regarding Aquatera utilities. Mr. Manz noted the increased rates for Clairmont were primarily to recognize construction of the Clairmont Lagoon and connection to the sewer system. As construction has not occurred as quickly as initially thought, Aquatera has proposed an alternative fee structure that would see less increase in 2017 and more when the physical connection occurs in 2018. The tender for the project will be ready for April 1st and construction may begin this year, finishing in 2018.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1019**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that Bylaw 3057 be read a second time with the new schedule F2 to replace the schedule F2 currently in Bylaw 3057.

**Carried**

**B-11 Social  
Media Policy**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170221004)

The Social Media Policy was created in 2011 to ensure the use of social media occurs in an effective and secure manner in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Communications reviewed 33 similar policies as well incorporated recommendations from the AAMDC/AUMA. Directors and Managers reviewed and provided input as well. There was clarification provided that Councillors are still able to answer ratepayers questions through their personal facebook account.



**Resolution #CM20170227.1020**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** to accept Policy B-11 Social Media Policy as presented.

**Carried**

**Baseball  
Diamond  
Dugouts at  
County  
Sportsplex**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170214026)

The baseball ball diamond dug-out roofs at the Sportsplex field were damaged last summer due to the severe wind storm. Repairs are being arranged at this time and anticipated to cost approximately \$16,000., including materials, labour and engineering costs. In addition, benches for inside the dugouts are also required for the players, estimated to cost several thousand dollars. There was discussion surrounding:

- Due to savings in the Parks and Recreation Budget for crack sealing and electrical costs for the parks shop, this amount could come from their budget in 2017;
- The County's contribution to the baseball diamonds;
- Responsibility of the contractor who built the dugouts to ensure the quality of their work;
- The material is already ordered and on site. Mr. Linden intends to proceed with the project but due to the economy brought the ask before Council.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1021**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** to authorize the funds for the necessary work to come from the Community Services budget, from any savings throughout the year, and should there not be a savings identified, to be funded from the Municipal Reserve Fund.

Councillor Harris spoke against the motion. There was some discussion surrounding obtaining additional quotes for material and labour.

**Carried**

**2017 Spring  
Mayors Caucus**

(WORKSHOPS,  
CONFERENCES,  
SEMINARS)  
(Issue #20170217004)

The AUMA spring Mayors' Caucus is taking place March 7-8, 2017 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton. Given the importance of inter-municipal collaboration, AUMA has opened the first day, March 7, to municipal counties and districts to attend. This has not been budgeted for. There are no conflicts at this time with Council Calendars. Reeve Beaupre is not able to attend.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1022**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that the County send a representative to attend the March 7th session of the 2017 Spring Mayors' Caucus.

**Carried**

**Energizing the  
North**

(WORKSHOPS,  
CONFERENCES,  
SEMINARS)  
(Issue #20170221003)

Northern Alberta Development Council has invited the County to participate in Energizing the North, a seminar on alternative and renewable energies. Seminars will be offered in Athabasca on March 28, 2017 and in Peace River on March 30, 2017. The seminars will focus on the northern Alberta potential for geothermal, solar, biomass, and wind energy.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1023**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that any member of Council that wishes to attend may attend Energizing the North Conference in Peace River on March 30th, 2017.

**Carried**

**Correspondence from Minister of Transportation - February 10, 2017**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20170216005)

Correspondence was received from Minister of Transportation dated February 10, 2017 regarding the County's enquiry about the status of the development permit for the right-in right-out on Highway 43X at Range Road 62 and a follow-up to the meeting in Edmonton at the Fall 2016 AAMDC Convention. The request was denied due to the upgrades taking place on Highway 43X in 2017 and 2018.

**Correspondence from Alberta Transportation - Intersection of Hwy 43 and Hwy 43X**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20170225001)

The County has received correspondence from Minister Brian Mason, Minister of Transportation on February 2nd, with regards to Hwy #43 and Hwy #43X intersection. There was discussion surrounding:

- Details needed regarding the grade of the road at the proposed intersection;
- Original budget of 54 million without interchange, and 71 million with the interchange. The project was tendered at 35 million and could still be completed within the original budget of 54 million with an interchange;
- Other items included in the budget;
- No passing lane coming out of Grande Prairie going north in Phase 1;
- Open House held by Alberta Transportation in 2008 included an interchange, since the design change there has not been a public open house;
- West County Traffic Safety Coalition has asked to be kept informed as they would like to be part of the consultations;
- Concerns over the safety of the intersection.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1024**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting be recessed until 1:15 p.m.

**Carried**

The meeting was reconvened at *1:19 p.m.*

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councillor Smith attended and commented on:

- PLS Executive meeting in Fairview. Working on Year End now. Book borrowing jumped over 36% and they think it may be due to the downturn in the economy and free memberships. There is a surplus from the Indigenous Populations Grant that does not need to be returned;
- Growing the North Conference.

Councillor Rosvold attended and commented on:

- West County Traffic Safety Coalition Meeting. They are very concerned about interchange at Highway 43 and Highway 43X and would like to be involved in consultations;

- Reeves meeting with Deputy Premier Hoffman in Rycroft;
- Zone Meeting in Girouxville;
- Growing Rural Tourism;
- Emerging Trends in Edmonton;
- President's Awards Luncheon at GPRC.

Councillor Beck attended and commented on:

- Growing Rural Tourism Conference. Would like to encourage the County to look at smaller attractions rather than only large draws focused on by Economic Development;
- Emerging Trends in Edmonton. Importance of having the right policies in place to back up decisions made by Council and Administration;
- Off Site Levies. Can not place a levy on community facilities when they are owned and operated by a not for profit group.

Councillor Sutherland attended and commented on:

- FCSS Advisory Board Meeting;
- Microphones in Council Chambers. Would like to have IT Department look at the microphones on the administration table as the volume is low and it is difficult to hear the speakers;
- Water West Meeting Open House;
- AAMDC;
- Tri-Municipal Meeting;
- Taste of the Peace;
- Growing the North Conference.

### **In Camera - Legal**

(IN CAMERA)  
(Issue #20170217007)

#### **Resolution #CM20170227.1025**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that the meeting go in to In-Camera, at 1:45 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 In Camera - Legal.

**Carried**

#### **Resolution #CM20170227.1026**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that the meeting come out of In Camera at 2:46 p.m.

**Carried**

### **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councillor Beeston attended and commented on:

- Grande Prairie Sports Excellence Awards are taking place on March 10th;
- FCSS Board Meeting;
- Clairmont Ag Society Meeting. They are moving forward with plans and budgeting;

- MDP Review with Planning;
- Big Hearts for Big Kids;
- Growing the North;
- Rural Tourism;
- Emerging Trends in Edmonton;
- President's Awards Luncheon at GPRC;
- Aquatera Special Shareholders Meeting.

Councillor Bulford attended and commented on:

- Emerging Trends in Edmonton;
- Growing the North;
- Rural Tourism. Would like to see a group start a "Dinosaur Trail" from Drumheller to Tumbler Ridge.

Councillor Harris commented on:

- Congratulated Planning and Economic Development for the grant they received at Growing the North.

Councillor Marshall attended and commented on:

- WASP Open House. Had the best turnout at a meeting thus far;
- AAMDC;
- Passionate Heart Awards. Brought greetings from the County;
- Beaverlodge FCSS. Looking at changing some of the suites to assisted living;
- Emerging Trends;
- President's Awards Luncheon at GPRC;
- Taste of the Peace;
- Growing the North.

**Resolution #CM20170227.1027**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** to send a letter of thanks and congratulations to the organizing committees of the 2017 Growing the North Conference.

**Carried**

Reeve Beaupre attended and commented on:

- Grande Prairie Rural Tourism Association Meeting;
- Tri-Municipality Meeting;
- Alberta 55 Plus Curling Provincials. Brought greetings on behalf of the County;
- Met with representatives from Telus. They will be sending an ask as they would like the County to support fiber installations in the County;
- Awards Luncheon for Alumni Association at GPRC;
- Grande Prairie Optics has talked about the possibility of having Hythe be a pilot project for their fiber;
- Growing the North;
- Alberta Environment and Parks Phone Call;
- Had a conversation with Minister McQuaig -Boyd about not being able to meet with her. We have secured a meeting in April at her constituency office in Fairview.

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
REPORTS**

Dawn Sauv  commented on:

- Saddle Hills County is now part of the Occurrences System which tracks tickets for Enforcement Services;
- FOIP Training at Pomeroy Hotel hosted by Legislative Services took place February 22nd to 24th and was very well attended;
- Will be acting for Bill Rogan until March 9th.

Dale Van Volkingburgh commented on:

- Bonding of roads with industry and new requirement in place to have their bonding not affect roads in the future. They will need to inspect the roads they bond daily and will get a report card at the end of the year;
- Dust Control and phantom invoices;
- Regional Lift Station statements of concern from residents. There was a Public Meeting held on Tuesday with AEP, Aquatera, the County and Engineers where concerns were addressed. Hoping to have a report to take back from residents and if concerns are not withdrawn from residents it goes to an appeal board through AEP;
- Met with grader operators in regards to Public Works Committee and their requirements. Will be bringing that information back to the next Public Works Committee meeting;
- Red Willow Bridge lane closure will be a 4 to 6 week closure from July to August;
- Steaming and brushing program is going forward;
- Have unofficial pricing and it is slightly higher than estimate for divisional projects;
- Will provide an update on Seven Gens water sales at next Council Meeting;
- Informal request to AEP to lift restrictions to gravel access was declined. There still exists a clause that allows access in the case of an emergency;
- Will notify area Councillors of bonding routes.

Nick Lapp commented on:

- Received grant for \$120,000.00 for the Growth Strategy;
- Has been asked to be part of research panel with University of Alberta. Will be using case studies and look at areas in the County of Grande Prairie. We will receive a lot of data from this project;
- Working on Broadband Fiber Optics and will provide information at next the Council meeting.

Arlen Miller commented on:

- Attended an SPCA Executive Meeting where they asked for information on the historical relationship between the SPCA, the County and the City. The next committee meeting will be on April 6th;
- Submitted Fire Smart Application for Bear Creek. The application has been split into 3 program areas due to maximum funding amounts.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #CM20170227.1028**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting adjourn at 3:34 p.m.

**Carried**

**In Camera -**

Please see attached.

**Personnel**

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(Issue #20170214025)

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These minutes approved the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017.

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