



# County of Grande Prairie No. 1

## May 15, 2017 Council Meeting

Meeting Type : Regular Council Meeting

Date : Monday, May 15, 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
- Harold Bulford
- Peter Harris
- Bob Marshall
- Brock Smith
- Karen Rosvold

#### 4. Chief Administrative Officer

- Bill Rogan

#### 5. Directors

- Arlen Miller
- Dale Van Volkingburgh
- Dan Sieben, Acting Director of Corporate Services
- Nick Lapp

#### 7. Recording Secretary

- Megan McCormick
- Shannon Baird

Absent:

#### 3. Council

- Daryl Beeston

## 6. Manager of Legislative Services

- Sheryle Runhart

### CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with the singing of O'Canada.

### Grade 5/6 Class from Bezanson School - Observing a Council Meeting

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170503002)

The Grade 5/6 Class from Bezanson School, with Teacher Holly Galbraith, were in attendance to observe the process of a County Council Meeting. Reeve Beaupre welcomed the students to the Council meeting.

### Introducing Simon Bossen - Temporary Planning Intern

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170508002)

Nick Lapp, Director of Planning and Development, introduced Simon Bossen, the temporary Planning Intern. Simon did an exceptional job last summer with the Planning Department and they are very glad to have him come back for another summer. Simon will be with the County until September 1st before he returns to school in the fall. Council welcomed Simon back to the County.

### Introduction of Seasonal Customer Service Rep (CSB) - Rooke Idell

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170510001)

Arlen Miller, Director of Community Services, introduced Rooke Idell, the seasonal Customer Service Representative at the Community Services Building. Rooke will be working at the County until the end of August when she will return to her studies at GPRC. Council welcomed Rooke to the County. Her first day at the Community Services Building was May, 2, 2017 and she'll be working with us until the end of August, when she returns to her studies.

### Introduction of Lawrence MacNeill - Assessment Summer Student

(RECOGNITIONS AND  
INTRODUCTIONS)  
(Issue #20170510006)

Barry Donovan, Chief Assessor, introduced Lawrence MacNeill to Council. Lawrence was raised in the City of Grande Prairie and has worked at the County of Grande Prairie for 5 summer seasons as a mower operator for the Agriculture department. Lawrence hopes to one day have a full time career within the County's Assessment department. He is currently working towards his Alberta Assessor's Accreditation and looks forward to learning about assessment from the experienced staff within the County. Council welcomed Lawrence to the County.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### **Resolution #CM20170515.1001**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the agenda for the May 15, 2017 Council Meeting (2017/05/15) be approved with the following additions:

- Item 20.1 - In Camera - Legal.

Carried

**MINUTES  
APPROVAL**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1002**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the minutes for April 24, 2017 Council Meeting (2017/04/24) be approved as presented.

Carried

**BYLAW 3063/  
ROAD CLOSURE/  
ROAD PLAN  
3206CL PT.  
NW-36-71-8-W6/  
BEAIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATED  
LTD./DENNIS &  
DEBORAH LANDIS  
(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170504003)**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1003**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to close a portion of Road Plan 3206CL, within NW-36-71-8-W6M, to be closed and consolidated.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:08 a.m.

Carried

The purpose of the proposed road closure is to allow that portion of Road Plan 3206CL, within NW-36-71-8-W6, to be closed and consolidated. Road Plan 3206CL is located in Councillor District 4, 1-mile south of Saskatoon Lake, adjacent to Township Road 715A. Bylaw 3063 to close the remainder of Road Plan 3206CL was initiated by the Public Works department at the County of Grande Prairie. The majority of Road Plan 3206CL was previously closed, leaving the 0.298 acres located within NW-36-71-8-W6.

County staff circulated the above noted application and no concerns were received from adjacent landowners or agencies. However, both ATCO Electric and TELUS will require a Right of Way Agreement within the Road Plan, once it is closed. Should this bylaw receive First Reading, it will then be forwarded to Alberta Transportation for Ministerial Approval. Upon receiving Ministerial approval, Bylaw 3063 will be brought back to Council for Second, Third and Final Reading. It is recommended that Council give Bylaw 3063 First Reading.

Bruce Tatrie from Beairsto and Associates was present to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1004**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:10 a.m.

Carried

**Resolution #CM20170515.1005**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 3063 - Road Closure - Road Plan 3206CL PT.NW-36-71-8-W6M be read a first time.

Carried

**BYLAW  
2680-17-012/ PLAN**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1006**

**MOVED by C. BECK** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT.NW-26-74-13-W6M from an

**0928658; BLOCK  
1; LOT 2; PT.  
NW-26-74-13-W6/  
BEIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATES  
ENGINEERING  
LTD./ BROCK SIPE  
& SHERYL  
PATTERSON/ FILE  
NO.  
PLLUB20170079**

(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170504004)

Agricultural (AG) District to an Intensive Recreation (IR) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:12 a.m.

**Carried**

Yasmin Aidun, Planner, noted the purpose of the application is to allow for recreational development, and would facilitate the development of one new lot for this use. The Land Use Bylaw designates a commercial recreation facility, community hall, park, indoor or outdoor recreation facility and utilities as permitted uses under the Intensive Recreation District, if they meet the district requirements including setbacks from property lines and water bodies. The current landowner intends to use the proposed parcel to park their recreational trailer, however as the zoning stays with the land, the permitted uses outlined above must be considered.

The land uses in the area consists of predominantly Agricultural (AG) with a few Country Residential (CR-5) Districts and an Intensive Recreation (IR) District. The policies set forth in Section 6.0 of the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) are most applicable. The application is consistent with the MDP. No concerns, subject to standard comments were received from commenting agencies. No comments were received from adjacent landowners. Atco Electric will require an easement for their existing powerline. Alberta Environment noted the dugout is close to the creek and may be connected to it via porous ground materials and care would need to be taken to ensure that the creek is not adversely impacted. It is recommended that the rezoning application be approved.

Bruce Tatrie from Beirsto and Associates was present to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1007**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:19 a.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1008**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that Bylaw 2680-17-012 to re-designate PT.NW-26-74-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to an Intensive Recreation (IR) district to be read a first time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1009**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that Bylaw 2680-17-012 be read a second time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1010**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-17-012 be given consent for third and final reading.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1011**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-17-012 to re-designate PT.NW-26-74-13-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to an Intensive Recreation District be read a third time and finally passed.

**Carried**

**BYLAW  
2680-17-013/ PT.  
NW-2-73-12-W6/  
BEAIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATES  
ENGINEERING  
LTD./ BRENDA &  
BRUCE REIMER/  
FILE NO.  
PLLUB20170102  
(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170503005)**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1012**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT.NW-2-73-12-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:21 a.m.

**Carried**

Jeremy Dela Cruz, Planner, noted the purpose of the application is to allow for country residential development, and would facilitate the development of two new lots for this use. There are currently no lots subdivided out of the quarter section. The land uses in the area are predominately agricultural with an adjacent country residential lot in the area. Administration does not anticipate any land use conflict to arise from this application. There is some existing pipeline infrastructure adjacent to the proposed rezoning application. The level 1 lines require a setback distance equal to the pipeline right of way.

The Municipal Development Plan, the policies set forth in section 6.0 are most applicable. Lot 1 exceeds the recommended size for Country Residential District but a case can be made due to its existing infrastructure and minimizing the impact of the amount of farmland being taken out of the quarter. No concerns, subject to standard comments were received from commenting agencies. No comments were received from adjacent landowners. Administration is recommending that the rezoning application be approved.

Bruce Tatrie from Beairsto and Associates and Mr. Bruce Reimer were present to speak to the application.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1013**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:24 a.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1014**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that Bylaw 2680-17-013 to re-designate PT.NW-2-73-12-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1015**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that Bylaw 2680-17-013 be read a second time.

Carried

**Resolution #CM20170515.1016**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that Bylaw 2680-17-013 be given consent for third and final reading.

Carried

**Resolution #CM20170515.1017**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-17-013 to re-designate PT.NW-2-73-12-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District be read a third time and finally passed.

Carried

**BYLAW  
2680-17-014/ PT.  
NW-14-74-9-W6/  
BEAIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATES  
ENGINEERING  
LTD./ CATHERINE  
& RUSSELL  
CHRISTENSON/  
FILE NO.  
PLLUB20170111  
(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170503009)**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1018**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT.NW-14-74-9-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:26 a.m.

Carried

Jeremy Dela Cruz, Planner, noted the purpose of the application is to allow for country residential development, and would facilitate the development of one new lot for this use. There is currently one lot subdivided out of the quarter section, plus the remaining balance of the quarter. The site has been given a Farmland Assessment Rating ranges from 53-57%. Although a case can be made for rezoning approval is due to the existing infrastructure. The applicant describes the topography of the land to be mixed with the characteristics being an open field. The adjacent land uses to the proposed rezoning application are Agricultural and Country Residential Districts. Administration does not anticipate any land use conflict to arise from this application.

In the context of the Municipal Development Plan, the policies set forth in section 6.0 are most applicable. This is larger than the recommended size for Country Residential size. A case can be made due to the pre-existing site conditions. No concerns, subject to standard comments were received from commenting agencies. No comments were received from adjacent landowners. Administration is recommending that the rezoning application is approved.

Bruce Tatrie from Beirsto and Associates was present to speak to the application. He noted the shape of the lot is unique because they wanted to preserve as much farmland as possible and to encompass the existing dugout.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1019**

**MOVED by C. BECK** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m.

Carried

**Resolution #CM20170515.1020**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that Bylaw 2680-17-014 to re-designate PT.NW-14-74-9-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1021**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that Bylaw 2680-17-014 be read a second time.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1022**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that Bylaw 2680-17-014 be given consent for third and final reading.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1023**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that Bylaw 2680-17-014 to re-designate PT.NW-14-74-9-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District be read a third time and finally passed.

**Carried**

**BYLAW  
2680-17-015/  
PT.SW-36-73-5-W6/  
BEAIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATES  
ENGINEERING  
LTD./ JOSEF &  
ANGELICA  
KNOBLOCH/ FILE  
NO.  
PLLUB20170056  
(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170504002)**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1024**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT.SW-36-73-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:33 a.m.

**Carried**

Jeremy Dela Cruz, Planner, noted this application was previously brought forward to Council in June of 2016 and did not receive first reading, which deems the application refused. The applicants have returned to Council with a smaller lot configuration. The application is proposing country residential development, and would facilitate the development of one new lot for this use. There is currently one lot subdivided out of the quarter section, plus the remaining balance of the quarter. The adjacent land uses are predominately a mix of agricultural land and country residential lots scattered throughout the area. Administration does not anticipate any land use conflict to arise from this application.

The application was circulated to adjacent landowners and three letters of concern were received. The concerns the landowners had outlined were water supply, sewage capacity, increase traffic onto Range Road 51, cost of dust control, potential to an increase in crime. No concerns, subject to standard comments from commenting agencies. Administration is recommending that the rezoning application be approved.

Bruce Tatrie from Beairsto and Associates was present to speak to the

application. He noted the applications have made the lot significantly smaller to address concerns from last application.

Councillor Beck noted he understands the neighbor's concerns but does not see any issues in regards to zoning. Councillor Bulford is not in support of the rezoning due to the farmland assessment rating given the property.

It was noted by Public Works that the road is in the long term transportation plan for hard road surfacing.

Councillor Marshall is not in support of the application as it is located on prime agricultural land.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1025**

**MOVED by C. BECK** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 10:41 a.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1026**

**MOVED by C.BECK** that Bylaw 2680-17-015 to re-designate PT.SW-36-73-5-W6M from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) district to be read a first time.

**Defeated**

**BYLAW  
2680-17-016/ PLAN  
0425407; BLOCK  
1; LOT1; PT.  
SE-11-73-7-W6/  
BEAIRSTO &  
ASSOCIATES  
ENGINEERING  
LTD./ AAIMS  
STORAGE LTD./  
FILE NO.  
PLLUB20170087  
(PUBLIC HEARINGS)  
(Issue #20170508009)**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1027**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that a Public Hearing be held to hear comments regarding the application to re-designate PT.SE-11-73-7-W6M from a Country Residential (CR-5) District to a Rural Light Industrial (RM-1) District.

The Public Hearing commenced at 10:42 a.m.

**Carried**

Jeremy Dela Cruz, Planner, noted the purpose of the application is to propose industrial development. There is currently a country residential lot adjacent to the proposed rezoning application as well as the remaining balance of the quarter. Administration is recommending refusal of the rezoning application as Administration does not support scattered industrial development unless there are valid planning principles to support isolated industrial development. The application is 4.5 miles from the Approved Emmerson Trail Area Structure Plan which proposes industrial development. Draft Northwest Clairmont Area Structure Plan which also proposes mostly industrial development is 4 miles away from the application. Administration recommends that the applicant relocate to one of the local Industrial Park due to its close proximity.

Distance from pavement is always a question with industrial development.



Industrial uses usually have larger impact on County roads, subject to road bans. Administration recommends that Industrial development be on pavement, if not adjacent to it. The applicant is over a half mile from the nearest pavement. Administration would see an increase in maintenance to the road due to increase in traffic and would be up to the applicant to improve the road at their cost. In the context of the Municipal Development Plan, the rezoning application does not comply with future land use and the policies set forth in Section 6.0. The application is inconsistent with the MDP.

No concerns, subject to standard comments were received from commenting agencies. Administration received one letter of concern from adjacent landowners.

Bruce Tatrie and Lorne Larochelle, owner of AAIMS, were present to speak to the application. Mr. Larochelle noted that they have been on the property for four years, first as renters, and now as owners. They purchased the lot under the premise they would be able to continue to operate their rental business. Mr. Larochelle would like to be in compliance, however, is not able to relocate his business to an industrial park at this time due to economic constraints.

Mr. David Thomas was present to speak to the application. He has worked at AAIMS Logistics for the past two years. He noted there are no residents between the Emerson Trail and the yard so trucks are not going past any residents and that they do not use jake brakes on the road. Operating out of this facility has allowed them to keep overhead low and grow slightly to keep area employees working.

Gary Buyer, an adjacent landowner, was present to speak to the application. He noted that AAIMS has been a good neighbor, but he is concerned with the industrial rezoning as it could set a precedent for industrial lots in the area.

Jim Polasak was present to speak to the application. Mr. Polasak is opposed to the application as he believes that commercial operations should be in industrial areas.

Greg Sears, an adjacent landowner, was present to speak to the application. He noted he does not have any concerns with the present operation as they have been good neighbors, however, does not support the rezoning as it could set a precedent for industrial lots in the area.

Councillors Marshall, Beck, Rosvold, and Sutherland were not in support of the application as the application is not consistent with the MDP and could create conflict related to land use in the future.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1028**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** that the meeting come out of Public Hearing at 11:13 a.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1029**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that Bylaw 2680-17-016 to re-designate PT.SE-11-73-7-W6M from a Country Residential (CR-5) District to a Rural Light Industrial (RM-1) district to be read a first time.

**Defeated**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1030**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** that the meeting be recessed 11:13 a.m.

**Carried**

The meeting was reconvened at 11:22 a.m.

**2017 Operating Assistance Grants**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170418015)

Rikki Christie, Recreation Program Coordinator, was present to provide Recreation Board recommendations for Operating Assistance funding.

**Beaverlodge-Elmworth-Huallen:**

|  |  |          |
|--|--|----------|
| Beaverlodge Area Cultural Centre         | General operations                     | \$5,000  |
| Beaverlodge Boys and Girls Camp Society  | Additional funding for kitchen project | \$5,000  |
| Beaverlodge Day Care Society             | Transportation and activity costs      | \$5,000  |
| Beaverlodge Hidden Potential Society     | General operations                     | \$1,000  |
| Beaverlodge Senior Citizen's Association | General operations                     | \$3,000  |
| Red Willow Wilderness Camp               | General operations                     | \$4,000  |
| South Peace Centennial Museum            | Install grill and ceiling light        | \$2,100  |
|  | Total:                                 | \$25,100 |

This recreation board was under-subscribed by \$1,700. **A motion was made by Councillor Marshall to carry the \$1,700 over to the 2018 Beaverlodge-Elmworth-Huallen Rec Board.**

**Clairmont-Bezanson:**

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|--|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Bezanson Agricultural Society              | Administrative support              | \$3,038  |
| Bezanson Brown Bears/Junior Forest Wardens | Supplies                            | \$3,000  |
| Bezanson Community Groups                  | Website development                 | \$5,000  |
| Bezanson School                            | Missoula Children's Theatre Program | \$5,000  |
| Clairmont and Area Senior Citizens Club    | General operations                  | \$5,000  |
| Clairmont Participarent                    | Purchase musical intruments         | \$5,000  |
| Crystal Creek Recreation Society           | Purchase tables and chairs          | \$5,000  |
| Kleskun Hill Museum Society                | Fund a summer student position      | \$5,000  |
|  | Total                               | \$36,038 |

**Grande Prairie Area:**

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|---|-------------------------------|----------|
| Camp Tamarack                                     | Adventure Park staff training | \$4,250  |
| Friends of the Grande Prairie Boys' Choir         | General operations            | \$4,250  |
| Game Country Archers                              | Rental fees                   | \$2,100  |
| Grande Prairie Children's Festival                | Event funding                 | \$4,250  |
| Grande Prairie Curling Centre                     | Install lockers               | \$4,230  |
| Grande Prairie Gymnastics                         | Special needs programming     | \$4,250  |
| Grande Prairie Piranhas Swim Club                 | Pool rental for swim meet     | \$4,250  |
| Troyanda Society of Ukranian Culture and Heritage | Dance instructor fees         | \$4,250  |
| Wapiti Nordic Ski Club                            | Programming                   | \$4,250  |
|   | Total                         | \$36,080 |

**Hythe-Demmitt-Valhalla Rec Board:**

|                                |  |          |
|--------------------------------|--|----------|
| Borderline Cultural Foundation | General operations                       | \$3,720  |
| Homestead Hall                 | Install outdoor volleyball stand and net | \$2,000  |
| Hythe Athletic Association     | General operations                       | \$5,000  |
| Hythe Curling Rink             | Facility improvements                    | \$2,850  |
| Hythe Public Library           | Upgrade computers                        | \$1,500  |
| Hythe Rec Society              | General operations                       | \$2,850  |
| Spring Lake Ski Hill           | General operations                       | \$2,350  |
| Valhalla Community School      | Swimming lessons                         | \$1,000  |
| Valhalla Rec Society           | General operations                       | \$5,000  |
|                                | Total                                    | \$26,270 |

**Sexsmith-La Glace-Teepee Creek:**

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| La Glace Ceramics                        | Supplies   | \$500    |
| La Glace Gardeners                       | Supplies   | \$500    |
| La Glace School                          | Swimming lessons                                   | \$5,000  |
| La Glace School - Grade 5/6              | Field trip to Edmonton                             | \$1,500  |
| Robert Zahara School                     | Swimming lessons                                   | \$5,000  |
| Sexsmith Seniors Association             | General operations                                 | \$2,000  |
| Sexsmith Minor Soccer Association        | New soccer nets                                    | \$3,348  |
| Sexsmith Secondary School                | Purchase five canoes for outdoor education program | \$2,500  |
| Sexsmith Tumbling Club                   | General operations                                 | \$2,500  |
| Sexsmith Wellness Coalition              | General operations                                 | \$1,000  |
| St Mary's Catholic School                | Swimming lessons                                   | \$5,000  |
| Steel Wheel Craft and Historical Society | General operations                                 | \$1,000  |
| Sunset Homes Tenants Association         | General operating                                  | \$2,000  |
|  | Total  | \$31,848 |

**Wembley-Dimsdale-Saskatoon Lake:**

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|---|--|----------|
| Grandview Hutterite Colony                              | Swimming lessons                               | \$700    |
| Dimsdale Recreation Society                             | General operations                             | \$3,380  |
| Wembley Parks and Recreation                            | Fitness and sports equipment                   | \$3,380  |
| Peace Country Offroad Racing                            | General operations                             | \$3,380  |
| Saskatoon Lake Ag Society                               | General operations                             | \$3,380  |
| Silver and Gold Club                                    | Replace furniture                              | \$3,380  |
| Wembley Elementary                                      | Swimming lessons                               | \$3,380  |
| Wembley Girl Guides                                     | General operating                              | \$3,380  |
| Wembley & District Arts, Culture and Historical Society | Repair and restore St. Alban's Anglican Church | \$3,380  |
|   | Total  | \$27,740 |

**Resolution #CM20170515.1031**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** to approve the recommendations for the 2017 Recreation Board Operating Assistance Grants as presented.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1032**

**MOVED by K. ROSVOLD** to approve Councillor Marshall's motion to carry \$1,700 over to the 2018 Beaverlodge-Elmworth-Hualien Recreation Board.

**Carried**

**2017 Cemetery Improvement Grants**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170418016)

Rikki Christie, Recreation Program Coordinator, was present to review the 2017 Cemetery Improvement grants applications received. The County of Grande Prairie provides funding to local groups for improvements to cemeteries through the Cemetery Improvement Grant program. This year, the County received applications from 11 cemetery groups. There is \$30,000 budgeted for the grant program. The total amount requested is \$54,104.65, which is \$24,104.65 over budget. This is the second year the Cemetery Improvement Grant has been oversubscribed.

Below is the list of applicants with some possible funding options:

| Cemetery Name | Project  | Amount Requested | Option 1 At 100% of ask | Option 2 At 60% of ask | Option 3 Even sp of funds (\$30,000) |
|---------------|--|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Beaverlodge   | Clearing of fallen trees, shelter belt replacement | \$5,000          | \$5,000                 | \$3,000                | \$2,727.2                            |

|                             |   |                                      |                    |                    |                  |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Emerson Trail               | Planting spruce trees around perimeter of cemetery                              | \$4,700                              | \$4,700            | \$2,820            | \$2,727.2        |
| Glen Leslie                 | Install provincial historical signage   | \$7,175 (max ask allowed is \$5,000) | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| Halcourt                    | Level headstones, replace headstones, landscaping                               | \$5,000                              | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| Hythe                       | Signage and memorial benches  | \$5,095 (max ask is \$5,000)         | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| La Glace Mennonite Brothern | Leavel headstones, pour footings  | \$4,500                              | \$4,500            | \$2,700            | \$2,727.2        |
| Northfield                  | Columbarium - will apply for funding each year until there is enough to install | \$5,000                              | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| Riverview                   | Landscaping and fencing   | \$5,000                              | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| St Patrick's                | Install gates   | \$5,134.65 (max is \$5,000)          | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| Teepee Creek                | Columbarium   | \$5,000                              | \$5,000            | \$3,000            | \$2,727.2        |
| Valhalla                    | Haul in top soil, purchase gravel   | \$2,500                              | \$2,500            | \$1,500            | \$2,727.2        |
|                             | <b>Total:</b>   | <b>\$54,104.65</b>                   | <b>\$51,700.00</b> | <b>\$31,020.00</b> | <b>\$29,999.</b> |
|                             | Difference from \$30,000.00 budgeted  | \$24,104.65 over                     | \$21,700 over      | \$1,020.00 over    | \$.03 unc over   |

There was some discussion about the possibility of cutting costs for some

of the requests by using divisional supply of gravel, engaging Bear Creek Funeral Home to level headstones, the clearing of fallen trees by volunteers, increasing the grant in the future, and the good work the volunteers do maintaining the cemeteries. If Council chooses to fund the full amounts there will be funds available in the grant line.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1033**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** to fund the Cemetery Improvement Grant applicants in the full amount requested (up to \$5,000) for a total of \$51,700 with \$30,000 to come from the Cemetery Improvement Reserve and the remaining \$21,700 from the Grants Reserve.

Reeve Beaupre spoke against the motion and noted if Council wishes to exceed the aloted budget there should be a discussion.

**Carried**

**SUBDIVISION  
TIME EXTENSION  
REQUEST -  
NW-8-74-4-W6 -  
PLSUB20160134 -  
William and  
Barbara Duncan**  
(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170505001)

Approval is requested for a first time extension approval for file PLSUB20160134. 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.

**SUBDIVISION  
TIME EXTENSION  
REQUEST -  
NE-16-72-6-W6 -  
PLSUB20160041 -  
Garth and Julie  
Lawrance**  
(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170505002)

Approval is requested for a first time extension approval for file PLSUB20160041. 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.

**SUBDIVISION  
TIME EXTENSION  
REQUEST -  
SW-23-72-6-W6M -  
PLSUB20150061 -  
1279501 Alberta  
Ltd.**  
(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170505003)

Approval is requested for a second time extension approval for file PLSUB20150061. 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 #CM20170515.1034**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** to accept the subdivision time extension requests in items 11.3, 11.2, and 11.3 with the correction on item 11.4 for the legal land description to read NE-16-71-5-W6M.

**Carried**

**Add Kleskun Hill  
Museum Society  
as ANI**  
(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170508008)

The Kleskun Hill Museum Society has requested to join the County Insurance Program as an Additional Named Insured. Administration is recommending that the Kleskun Hill Museum Society be accepted as an Additional Named Insured.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1035**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** to accept the Kleskun Hill Museum Society as an Additional Named Insured.

**Carried**

**Seniors Week Proclamation**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170509002)

Seniors Week is held annually during the first full week of June. This year Seniors Week is from June 5th -11th and Administration is requesting that the County proclaim that week as Seniors Week in the County of Grande Prairie.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1036**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** to proclaim June 5-11, 2017 as Seniors Week in the County of Grande Prairie.

**Carried**

**Spring Ridge Water Interest**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170421010)

**Resolution #CM20170515.1037**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** that item 11.8 be moved to 2 p.m. this afternoon.

**Carried**

**Cheerleading Room Construction - Crosslink County Sportsplex**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170509014)

General Manager of the Sportsplex, Ramona Rollins, has received a proposal from Adrenaline Athletics, requesting space to operate a recreational and competitive cheerleading club at the Crosslink County Sportsplex. The operator is willing to sign a five year lease including the use of an office in the main reception area and provide \$18,000 worth of custom flooring. A 19 x 48 ft room could be constructed on the field house upper viewing mezzanine to accommodate this request at a cost of \$36,250. At an initial monthly rental rate of \$1,500, the room construction would be paid for in 24 months. Beyond this, the lease would bring an additional \$54,000 in revenue to the Sportsplex over the remaining three years of the term. Funds for construction could be accessed from the Sportsplex Building Maintenance Reserve currently projected to be \$425,984 at the end of 2017.

All Star Cheerleading is one of the fastest growing sports in North America, and has recently been recognized as a national sport with the possibility of being included in future Olympics. Adrenaline Athletics' goal is to provide the Grande Prairie region with additional cheerleading instruction and training capacity for up to 200 children ages four years and up. An investment by the County in the proposed room construction would provide additional programming opportunities for the Sportsplex now and in the future.

Additional considerations:

- There will still be sufficient room to host two separate birthday parties in the remaining mezzanine area;
- The proposed renovation meets safety and fire codes for the mezzanine space. It will have a "crash bar" on the door which will



allow access to the room at all times, and an escape route through to the emergency exit stairs at the end of the mezzanine / new room;

- Current HVAC systems in the fieldhouse should be sufficient to meet the requirements of the new room as there will be no roof;
- Would bring increased day time preschool programming traffic to the Sportsplex in addition to evenings and weekends; also offer programming twelve months of the year;
- If the operator discontinued, the space could be rented out as a meeting / multipurpose room or host group exercise classes to meet current demand;
- Three quotes were solicited;
- The preferred builder (HWD Construction) has completed other Sportsplex renovations and is available to commence work in June 2017 which meets the operator's timeline to commit to the lease.

Reeve Beaupre noted that she would like the floor considered a leasehold improvement and that should the lease not be renewed it would stay with the facility.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1038**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** to approve the transfer of \$36,250 from the Sportsplex Building Maintenance Reserve to build a cheerleading room at the Sportsplex conditional to a signed lease agreement with Adrenaline Athletics and condition that leasehold improvement remain with the building upon termination of the lease.

**Carried**

**Beaverlodge  
Victim Services  
Unit Society Golf  
Tournament Fund  
Raiser**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170508003)

The annual Beaverlodge Victim Services and RCMP fun Golf Tournament Fundraiser is set to go Friday June 9th, 2017 at Pipestone Golf Course. Individual or team entries are welcome. Council may choose to provide a silent auction item and / or register players using the Council Initiatives budget. The golf tournament is Beaverlodge Victim Services main fundraising event and also provides an excellent opportunity for the community to meet Beaverlodge Victim Services staff and volunteers, as well as members of the local RCMP detachments.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1039**

**MOVED by B. MARSHALL** to register players and provide a silent auction for the Beaverlodge Victim Services and RCMP FUN Golf Tournament Fundraiser on June 9, 2017 at Pipestone Creek Golf Course.

**Carried**

**Proclamation -  
Stompede Week -  
May 30 - June 4,  
2017**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170504001)

As in in the past, the Stompede Committee is requesting for County Council to proclaim May 30h through June 4, 2017 as Stompede Week in the County of Grande Prairie. A request was made to have the Reeve read the Proclamation at the May 30th Bust Out BBQ & Media Conference being held at the Revolution Place Parking Lot at 11:30 a.m.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1040**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** that the County of Grande Prairie proclaims the week of May 30 to June 4, 2017 at Stompede Week.

**Carried**

**The Northwest Species at Risk Committee**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170510013)

The Northwest Species at Risk Committee; comprising of Councillors from Mackenzie County, County of Northern Lights, Town of High Level, Town of Rainbow Lake and Clear Hills County would like to invite all local stakeholders and NAEL municipal members to our Open House event on Wednesday May 24, 2017 in High Level.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1041**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** to send a representative from the County of Grande Prairie to the Northwest Species at Risk Committee Open House on May 24th in High Level and to cover per diem and travel.

**Carried**

**Strategic Priorities Chart**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170503004)

Council was presented with the Strategic Priorities Chart they completed earlier in the year. The Strategic Priorities Chart is presented to Council quarterly with updates. It was noted that some of the projects considered a "next" priority could now be moved to a "now" priority.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1042**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** to accept the Strategic Priorities Chart for information and make the necessary changes as discussed.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1043**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting be recessed *12:11 p.m.*

**Carried**

The meeting was reconvened at *1:01 p.m.*

**1:00 p.m. - Evergreen Park Update**

(DELEGATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20170417001)

Dan Gorman, Rob Clayton, and Bridget Hennigar were present to provide Council with an update on Evergreen Park's activities and budget. The updates included the following:

- Over 1200 events during the 2016 year;
- Attendance in 2016 at various events was over 400,000;
- 2016 Community Support Supper served 1000 people;
- Looking to expand Community Support Supper further and include bus service to and from Wembley, Beaverlodge, Hythe and La Glace;
- Fundraising events at Evergreen Park included Hangar Dance in support of STARS, Big Hearts for Big Kids, Canadian Cancer Society Relay for Life, the Philip J Currie Dinosaur Museum Amber Ball, GPRC President's Ball, and the Festival of Trees which have raised over \$1.5 million dollars for charities;
- Review of the Statement of Operations for 2016;
- Review of 2016 debt repayment and capital investment;
- Review of the 2017 Operating Budget to date;
- Strategic Plan for 2017 including Clarkson Hall renovations and future plans, Pines Restaurant and Casino, Entrec growth, Arena

growth, sponsorship and naming right increase, campground growth, and expense management focus;

- By the fall of 2017 a "User Group Infrastructure and Maintenance Support Fee system" will be implemented;
- Community and Economic Benefits Study;
- There was some discussion about providing the same presentation to the City of Grande Prairie and outlining the economic impact events at Evergreen Park have for the City of Grande Prairie.

Council thanked Evergreen Park for attending and providing an update.

**1:30 p.m. -  
Aquatera Update**

(DELEGATIONS AND  
APPOINTMENTS)  
(Issue #20170503001)

Aquatera CEO Bernd Manz, and Chief Operating Officer, Jeff Johnson were present to provide an update Council. Aquatera updated County Council on the following:

Clairmont Lagoon Discharge:

- Still finalizing right of ways;
- Alberta Environment raised some concerns that delayed the tender process;
- Aquatera learned that the engineering company had been sold and staff working on the file left. With that turnover there has been delays and at present the consultant's commitment is to have it ready before the end of May;
- This is a high priority project for Aquatera and they have been pushing to get it tendered. Reeve Beaupre noted that these delays have caused an issue for the County in being able to market to developers as there are comments that they will not commit until the infrastructure is built;
- It was noted that if Aquatera believed it was feasible to switch firms at this point, they would have done so;
- As far as projects going into construction this is the highest priority project.

Hawker Water Transmission Line:

- There has been some delay with this project related to maintaining chlorine residual, which at present has no defined demand on it. The current thinking is that it would require a re-chlorination point including a booster station. This will cost as additional \$600,000;
- The alignments have all been finalized;
- The developer has not entered into a developers agreement with the County for the water line. Planning and Development is currently working with him to get this done. The developer has indicated he would like to move this project forward;
- Aquatera has yet to receive any details on the booster station and have requested them many times.

Water to Wembley:

- The project is proceeding and there has been discussion about potential take off and storage at Dimsdale, and whether this would

- occur with the initial project or at a later date;
- Continuing to work with Wembley on the project and whether or not they will become a shareholder;
- Have applied for an extension for the Provincial grant;
- Council inquired when Aquatera expects to be putting shovels in the ground for this project. Aquatera noted that Alberta Environment is requiring reclamation program for directional drills which has never happened before; this will cost the project 10 to 13 weeks, but they still expect to have the project completed in October of 2018. The project likely will not get to tender until July.

**Mercer Hill Reservoir:**

- This project is tender ready and Aquatera is working with County on potential funding. A Funding Agreement is being drafted right now and is expected to be finalized by the end of May. The project may then go out to tender;
- The developer still has some work to do with the County and Aquatera on this project in regards to funding, work on the sewer and a Developer's Agreement;

**Clairmont Regional Lift Station/Trunks:**

- This project is tender ready and Aquatera is working with the County on potential funding. Have had discussion about a three party type of agreement including the County, Aquatera, and developers.

**Spring Ridge  
Water Interest**

(NEW BUSINESS)  
(Issue #20170421010)

Several residents in the Spring Ridge subdivision area have expressed interest in obtaining water from the transmission line that will result from the Wembley Water West project. Typically these requests are presented to Council through a petition. Bill Rogan noted that up to this point there has not been a lot of time spent to work out how the Dimsdale area might be serviced by this project. Requests such as these are typically done through local improvement, but that is not always the case. Administration has some very high level numbers on what the potential costs are depending on the water supply models. Further development for cost recovery options would need to be addressed based on the model chosen.

**There was discussion surrounding:**

- Aquatera has advised that they do not have an agreement with Wembley and have come to the conclusion that Aquatera will own the water line;
- The booster station or pump out station location has yet to be determined. It was noted there can be more than one pump house;
- Questions about whether there will be the ability to hook up to the transmission line;
- Ratepayers need to be aware of the costs to them before making any commitment.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1044**

**MOVED by R. SUTHERLAND** to set up a meeting at the Dimsdale Hall and invite residents that may be interested in Municipal Water Services and provide an estimate of costs and options.

**Carried**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1045**

**MOVED by H. BULFORD** that the meeting be recessed at 2:40 p.m.

**Carried**

The meeting reconvened at 2:52 p.m.

**Letter from  
Municipal Affairs  
re MSI Funding  
Continuation**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20170508004)

A letter was received from Municipal Affairs stating that Municipalities will continue to receive Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) funding for the next two years, while the government talks about the future of the program and ways it can support priority infrastructure in Alberta's communities. In order to continue the flow of funding, an amending MSI Memorandum of Agreement will be sent to the Chief Administrative Officer formally extending the program.

**Volunteer Services  
Bureau Thank You**

(INFORMATION ITEMS)  
(Issue #20170502016)

The County of Grande Prairie received a thank you letter from the Grande Prairie Volunteer Services Bureau for their support of the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon and the Leaders of Tomorrow Awards. Without the support of the County of Grande Prairie and the County of Grande Prairie FCSS this event would be greatly diminished; the GP Volunteer Services Bureau are grateful for the County's commitment to the volunteer community.

**COUNCIL  
MEMBER  
REPORTS**

Councillor Smith attended and commented on:

- Peace Library Annual meeting. There are currently 39 members and had a clean audit that was approved by the board. The grant for First Nations in 2017 is \$250,000.

Councillor Rosvold attended and commenting on:

- Met with industry people;
- Attended a provincial conference hosted in Valhalla for charter school boards in Alberta;
- Had some questions from residents regarding the opening of the new Grande Spirit lodge in Clairmont.

Councillor Beck attended and commented on:

- Grande Spirit Building Committee meeting. Waiting on certification of elevators and can then commission the building. May 26th is the next Management meeting;
- Will set up a tour of the building for Council;
- June 3rd a golf tournament is being held for Grande Spirit and they are looking for a swag bag from the County. It will be held at the Morning View Golf Course and the cost is \$100 per person to register.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1046**

**MOVED BY C. BECK** that the County of Grande Prairie provide a swag bag of up to \$150 for the Grande Spirit Golf Tournament on June 3, 2017 at Morning View Golf Course.

**Carried**

- friends of foundation for Grande Spirit will be having a garage sale on June 22 , 23 & 25 and are looking for anything the county could contribute;
- Will be attending the RCMP Strategy meeting on May 25th in Reeve Beaupre's place.

Councillor Sutherland attended and commented on:

- WASP Meeting;
- Long Term Planning meeting at Evergreen Park;
- Dinosaur Museum meeting. The AGM will take place on June 7th and he is looking for a Council member to attend and assist at the meeting. Reeve Beaupre and Councillor Marshall volunteered to attend;
- Transportation Master Plan meeting.

Councillor Bulford commented on:

- Thanked Amanda Westwater, Dale Van Volkingburgh, and Reeve Beaupre for assisting with the tour for the Bezanson class in attendance today;
- There will be a Grande Spirit tour June 5-11th during Seniors Week.

Councillor Harris attended and commented on:

- Dinosaur Museum meeting. Noted they are close to having an Executive Director hired.

Councillor Marshall attended and commented on:

- WASP meeting. They will be having an Open House June 13th at the Rec Centre and will send out info for Council calendars;
- Encana conference call to provide an update in Councillor Marshall's division;
- Water North Coalition meeting in Cold Lake. Once minutes are released Councillor Marshall will share with Council. A membership fee of \$100 has been suggested. Council was supportive of this increase in membership fees;
- Transportation Master plan meeting;
- PAZA conference call;
- Kind Heart award for his area.

Reeve Beaupre attended and commented on:

- Meeting with GPRT regarding information on SIP grants;
- Meeting with Wapiti Corridor Society to discuss land use changes;

- Met with KELT Resources on confusion over land use maps.

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
REPORTS**

Bill Rogan:

- Nothing to report.

Dale Van Volkingburgh:

- Gravel crushing finished in Wapiti Pit and working in Metcalf Pit;
- Pre-Construction meetings. Richmond Avenue job are wanting to move in next week. Will have meeting to try and initiate that job at the end of this week;
- No change to Road Bans as of this morning. Checking everyday to update;
- Transportation Master Plan meeting;
- Four Mile Corner, Seven Gens are drawing water from that pit again;
- NJPA and pricing for equipment;
- Councillor Rosvold inquired about STIP grants. Administration had not heard, but Reeve Beaupre noted she had been told a letter was in the mail.

Dan Sieben:

- Community Grants Reserve has \$300,000.00 available at the end of 2017;
- Online Camping Reservation System went up on Tuesday and had \$12,000 worth of reservations that day.

Arlen Miller:

- Firefighters, including the Fire Chief, participated in Walk a Mile in her Shoes event;
- RCMP Strategic Planning Session, please send any thoughts and Mr. Miller will bring them to the meeting;
- Cheerleading Room, Adrenaline Athletics understands that the flooring would stay should she leave, however is asking for consideration that she may take the flooring with her if the Sportsplex is unable to accommodate space needs after 5 years.

**Resolution #CM20170515.1047**

**MOVED by B. SMITH** to amend his previous motion regarding Adrenaline Athletics to state that the flooring would stay with the building if the leasee was to leave before the end of the term of the lease, and after the five years if the County is not able to provide adequate space the leasee may take the floor with her to another location.

**Carried**

**In Camera - Legal**

(IN CAMERA)  
(Issue #20170523002)

**Resolution #CM20170515.1048**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting go in to In-Camera, at 3:42 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 #CM20170515.1049**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting come out of In Camera at 4:01 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #CM20170515.1050**

**MOVED by P. HARRIS** that the meeting adjourn at 4:02 p.m.

**Carried**

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

Reference # \_\_\_\_\_

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REEVE

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR