

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



An Initiative Designed to Keep YOU Better Informed of Council Decisions and Initiatives

October 21, 2019

Organizational Meeting – The County held the annual organizational meeting where Division 3 Councillor Leanne Beaupre was re-acclaimed as Reeve and Division 6 Councillor Peter Harris was appointed as Deputy Reeve. For details, visit Latest News at www.countygp.ab.ca.

A complete list of committee appointments will be available by October 22 at www.countygp.ab.ca/committees.

Bear Creek Folk Festival Funding Request – Sarah Card, producer for the Bear Creek Folk Festival, provided Council with an update on this year's event and requested that the County continue as a festival sponsor in 2020 at the \$25,000 level. Despite poor weather conditions during the festival, strong ticket presales benefitted the event, which saw more than 5,000 attendees each day. Council deferred the request to 2020 interim budget deliberations.

Advocacy Priorities – Council confirmed their strategic priorities for provincial advocacy, which include transportation infrastructure on Highways 40, 43 and 43X, resources to prevent and reduce rural crime, replacement of the Beaverlodge Hospital, and others.

Speed Limit Reduction – Council directed Administration to request that Alberta Transportation reduce the speed limit on a section of Highway 674 in the Hamlet of Teepee Creek from 100 km/hr to 60 km/hr to accommodate the development of a general store. This would further extend the existing 60km/hr speed zone in the Hamlet to the west.

Development Permit Request – Council approved a development permit for Tervita Corporation to add a butane storage tank to an existing petro-chemical facility located 9.66 km southwest of the Hamlet of La Glace, adjacent to Range Road 85 and Highway 672, subject to six conditions.

Policies – Council approved a revised policy L14 Compensation in Extraordinary Circumstances. The policy was updated to reflect the approved changes to compensation for volunteer firefighters during deployment, as well as updated definitions regarding overtime compensation.

Council approved a revised policy C12 Disposal of Surplus Assets and Goods. The policy, which provides direction regarding the proper disposal of County Assets, was updated with more up-to-date information about the disposal of assets.

Tender Award – Council awarded a tender for the purchase of an excavator to Finning Canada for \$435,041. Funds will come from the Replacement Reserve Fund.

Public Hearings – Council held a public hearing for Bylaw 2680-19-046 to redesignate 3.24 acres of land, located 8 km northeast of the Town of Sexsmith, adjacent to Range Road 53 from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for the subdivision of one lot for residential use. Council gave the bylaw three readings.

Council held a public hearing for Bylaw 2680-19-048 to redesignate 7.64 acres of land located about 7.24 km east of the Town of Beaverlodge, adjacent to Range Road 93 from an Agricultural (AG) District to a

Harold Bulford
Division 1
C 780-876-9009
E hbulford@countygp.ab.ca

Daryl Beeston
Division 2
C 780-933-3464
E dbeeston@countygp.ab.ca

Leanne Beaupre
Division 3
C 780-814-3121
E lbeaupre@countygp.ab.ca

Ross Sutherland
Division 4
C 780-512-5385
E rsutherland@countygp.ab.ca

Bob Marshall
Division 5
C 780-933-2053
E bmarshall@countygp.ab.ca

Peter Harris
Division 6
C 780-933-3074
E pharris@countygp.ab.ca

Linda Waddy
Division 7
C 780-897-5609
E lwaddy@countygp.ab.ca

Karen Rosvold
Division 8
C 780-831-0902
E krosvold@countygp.ab.ca

Corey Beck
Division 9
C 780-831-6394
E cbeck@countygp.ab.ca

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



An Initiative Designed to Keep YOU Better Informed of Council Decisions and Initiatives

Country Residential (CR-5) District to allow for a boundary adjustment to the existing lot located on the quarter section. Council gave the bylaw three readings.

Council held a public hearing for Bylaw 2680-19-049 to redesignate 9.98 acres of land located 12 km east of the Town of Beaverlodge, adjacent to Range Road 91 from a Country Residential (CR-5) District to Agricultural (AG) District to consolidate the land into the remainder of the quarter section. Council gave the bylaw three readings.

Council held a public hearing for Bylaw 2680-19-050 to redesignate 26.65 acres of land located 5.63 km southeast of the Hamlet of Bezanson, adjacent to Range Road 30 from an Agricultural (AG) District to a Country Residential (CR-5) District to facilitate the subdivision of one lot for an existing residential use. Council gave the bylaw three readings.

Council held a public hearing for Bylaw 2680-19-051 to redesignate 16.21 acres of land located within the Hamlet of Clairmont, adjacent to Township Road 724 from an Agricultural (AG) District to Rural Medium Industrial (RM-2) District to allow for the subdivision of five lots for rural medium industrial use. Council gave the bylaw three readings.

Proclamations and Ceremonies – Council proclaimed October 28 to November 3, 2019 as Home Support Appreciation Week in the County of Grande Prairie.

Council proclaimed November 2019 as Family Violence Prevention Month in the County of Grande Prairie. Deputy Reeve Harris or an alternate Councillor will read the proclamation before the Grande Prairie

Storm Junior A Hockey Team game on November 1, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Revolution Place.

Council proclaimed November 20, 2019 as National Child Day in the County of Grande Prairie. Reeve Beaupre or an alternate Councillor will read the Proclamation on November 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sexmith Civic Center.

Councillors will participate in Remembrance Day Ceremonies on November 11, 2019 in Beaverlodge, Grande Prairie at Revolution Place and Army and Navy, as well as Hythe, Sexsmith, and Wembley.

Media Training – Council will attend media training on November 19, 2019 in Council Chambers.

Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee Coordinator – Council approved renewing the Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee (GPRRC) Coordinator for an additional year, 2020, for \$23,707. Funds will come from the Parks and Recreation operating budget. This role supports the work of the GPRRC, as recommended by the 2016 Grande Prairie Area Joint Recreation Master Plan.

Staff Introductions – Council welcomed Mary Kukulski to the County into the temporary role of Legislative Services Assistant.

Next Regular Council Meeting will take place on November 4, 2019.

Harold Bulford
Division 1
C 780-876-9009
E hbulford@
countygp.ab.ca

Daryl Beeston
Division 2
C 780-933-3464
E dbeeston@
countygp.ab.ca

Leanne Beaupre
Division 3
C 780-814-3121
E lbeaupre@
countygp.ab.ca

Ross Sutherland
Division 4
C 780-512-5385
E rsutherland@
countygp.ab.ca

Bob Marshall
Division 5
C 780-933-2053
E bmarshall@
countygp.ab.ca

Peter Harris
Division 6
C 780-933-3074
E pharris@
countygp.ab.ca

Linda Waddy
Division 7
C 780-897-5609
E lwaddy@
countygp.ab.ca

Karen Rosvold
Division 8
C 780-831-0902
E krosvold@
countygp.ab.ca

Corey Beck
Division 9
C 780-831-6394
E cbeck@
countygp.ab.ca