



Council Notes April 14, 2020

Cost Sharing for the Development of Undeveloped Road Allowance Rge Rd 25-5

Agenda Item 5.1.1; YouTube Livestream [30:00](#)

An owner/developer in Kneehill County applied for a cost-share road development agreement to access his subdivided parcel. At the time of the application Kneehill County policy allowed for consideration for cost sharing 50% of a road upgrade when a development permit was applied for. The owner/developer spent \$4540.61 to upgrade the road.

Decision:

Council approved 50% cost sharing in the amount of \$2,270.31 for the development of undeveloped road allowance Range Road 22-5, to access a sub-divided parcel situated out of SW-08-29-22-W4, with funds coming from the operating budget.

Road Closure at Horseshoe Canyon

Agenda Item 5.3.1; YouTube Livestream: [34:17](#)

Currently Kneehill County holds a 3.56-acre title to an area directly south of Horseshoe Canyon that has been fragmented by road plan 834 LK. This parcel contains portions of the parking lot and a small portion of the canyon itself. The portion of undeveloped Twp Rd 28-4 runs through the parking lot, the turn around, a portion of the canyon and some of the enhanced trail down to the base. Administration proposed to close and consolidate these roads so the land can be utilized more efficiently.

Decision:

Council directed administration to pursue the road closure and consolidation of a portion of Township Road 28-4, (an undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the south end of Horseshoe Canyon), and road plan 834 LK into descriptive plan 091 0342, Block 1, Lot 2.

Road Closure at Keiver's Lake

Agenda Item 5.3.2; YouTube Livestream: [38:54](#)

Currently Keiver's Lake Campground is comprised of two separate titles, and some improvements that sit in an undeveloped road allowance. Administration proposed that a portion of that road (Range Road 26-0) be closed so the entire campground can be consolidated into one title.

Decision:

Council directed administration to pursue the road closure and consolidation of a portion of Range Road 26-0, which is an undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the Keiver's Lake Campground.

Town of Drumheller & Kneehill County IDP Public Hearing

Agenda Item 5.3.3; YouTube Livestream: [45:42](#)

The next step in the Intermunicipal Development Plan process with the Town of Drumheller is to provide opportunity for public comments and feedback. The originally scheduled public hearing in Kneehill County was cancelled due to COVID-19, however, as the Town of Drumheller has adopted their IDP already, administration proposed to continue with a public hearing, allowing public participation by letter prior to noon on May 8, 2020 or via email or similar process during the meeting. All letters or emails received by the cutoff date will be read into the record for Council consideration. The public can then attend the hearing through the County's live stream on YouTube.

Decision:

Council scheduled the Public Hearing for the Town of Drumheller/Kneehill County IDP on May 12, 2020 at 10:00 am, and accepted administration's proposal to achieve public participation in the hearing through letters and emails.

Utility Penalty Deferral Program

Agenda Item 6.1; YouTube Livestream: [50:20](#)

Administration detailed a proposed deferment program for Kneehill County utility (garbage/water/sewer) bills. Through the program, no penalties or interest would be charged on unpaid utility bills from April 1- June 30, 2020, and no services would be cut off for non-payment during that time period either. Kneehill County will continue to bill for each cycle, so residents can choose to continue paying if they wish, and can keep track of their billing total. Penalties will be assessed on all unpaid utility balances on July 1, 2020.

Decision:

To offer relief during COVID-19, Council approved the Utility Payment Deferment program for the period of April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

Three Hills Funding Request

Agenda Item 8.1; YouTube Livestream: [55:37](#)

Kneehill County received a letter from the Town of Three Hills requesting \$200,000 in funding to assist with roof and exterior wall upgrades to the Three Hills Aquatic Centre. The County has previously provided one-time funding of \$200,000 for infrastructure projects to the Village of Linden, Village of Carbon, and the Town of Trochu.

Decision:

Council approved a grant of \$200,000 for the Town of Three Hills to be used for recreation facility upgrades.

Rocky View County Request for Comments

Agenda Item 8.2; YouTube Livestream: [58:15](#)

Rocky View County is considering an application to Municipal Affairs to change their municipal status from Municipal District to Specialized Municipality. As a specialized municipality, the County could create residential and business urban service delivery areas that are supported by different tax rates based on the services provided. This change would allow them to provide more geographically targeted services to residents and businesses.

Rocky View County is currently in the public engagement portion of this project and is requesting comments be submitted by May 4, 2020.

Decision:

Council directed administration to send a letter to Rocky View County, noting that Kneehill County has no concerns with their possible change in municipal classification.

Community Grants to Non Profit Organizations Round 1 2020

Agenda Item 8.3; YouTube Livestream: [1:16:13](#)

Kneehill County provides funding twice a year for non-profits organizations who meet policy eligibility requirements. The Community Grant application deadline for Round One was March 4, 2020. Administration reviewed and short listed the submitted applications and presented them for Council's consideration.

Decision:

Council approved Round One Community Grant funding to the following organizations:

- Three Hills Minor Baseball Association- \$2,000.00
- Kneehill Minor Hockey- \$2,732.00
- Three Hills Early Childhood Society- \$5,200.00

Cancellation of April 21, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Agenda Item 8.4; YouTube Livestream: [1:27:34](#)

Administration recommended cancelling the Committee of the Whole Meeting on April 21, 2020, as there were few agenda topics for this meeting, and no agenda items that were time sensitive. This would also assist COVID-19 response by further decreasing the number of Council gatherings.

Decision:

Council moves to cancel the Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for April 21, 2020.

Council and Committee Reports

Agenda Item 10.1; YouTube Livestream: [1:30:22](#)

Council and Committee reports include AGM minutes from Canadian Badlands.

Decision:

Council accepted the report as presented.

Closed Session

Agenda Item 12.0; YouTube Livestream: [1:33:10](#); [2:37:10](#)

FOIP Section 25- Legal

FOIP Section 16- Disclosure Harmful to Business Interest of Third Party

Motion from Closed Session:

Council approved the applicants request to submit a subdivision application in order to purchase his access and yard.

NEXT Council Meeting: April 28, 2020 at 8:30 am in Council Chambers
1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta.
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