



## Council Notes September 14, 2021

### Cancellation of the September Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

*Agenda Item 5.1.1; YouTube Livestream: [36:04](#)*

As no applications were received by the deadline to be considered by the Commission, administration is recommending the September 23, 2021, MPC meeting be cancelled.

**Decision:**

Council cancelled the Municipal Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for September 23, 2021 and rescheduled the next MPC meeting for October 14, 2021.

### Withdrawal of Redesignation

*Agenda Item 5.1.2; YouTube Livestream: [38:14](#)*

Kneehill County received an application to redesignate a portion of NE 21-33-26 W4, Plan 141 2515, Block 2, Lot 1 from the Agriculture District to Light Industrial District, for the purpose of developing a cannabis micro cultivation and micro processing facility. The applicant has now requested to withdraw this application.

**Decision:**

Council cancelled the Public Hearing for Bylaw 1844, scheduled for September 14, 2021, at 10 am, as per the request of the applicant. [Public Hearing Notice](#)

### Bylaw 1800, Proposed Traffic Bylaw

*Agenda Item 5.4.1; YouTube Livestream: [43:06](#)*

This bylaw regulates traffic for public safety purposes on Kneehill County roads. Amendments to the Bylaw cover Road Protection, Weight Restrictions and Road Bans, a change to the speed limits in Hamlets (From 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr), Parking, Signage, Sidewalks, Road Use Agreements, Off-Highway Vehicles, and penalties. [View a summary here.](#)

**Decision:**

Council approved third reading to pass Bylaw 1800, Traffic Control, as presented.

### Pine Cliff Energy Ltd. Tax Deferral Agreement Request

*Agenda Item 6.1; YouTube Livestream: [51:36](#)*

Pine Cliff Energy Ltd. approached Kneehill County regarding a Tax Deferral Payment Agreement payment schedule for their outstanding 2021 taxes. Pine Cliff was previously approved for Tax Deferral Payment Agreements in 2019 and 2020.

**Decision:**

Council agreed to enter into a Tax Deferral Payment Agreement with Pine Cliff Energy Ltd. for the payment of 2021 taxes over a 6-month payment plan, from October 31, 2021, to March 31, 2022, with no penalties to be assessed.

### Policy 6-1, Community Business Investment Partnership Grant Policy

*Agenda Item 8.1; YouTube Livestream: [57:35](#)*

Community Futures Wild Rose has partnered with Kneehill County to invest in community businesses with up to \$10,000 in funding. Through this partnership, the County is offering to pay the interest on completed loans. Policy 6-1, Community Business Investment Partnership (CBIP) Grant Policy, sets guidelines for the County's CBIP loan interest reimbursement and outlines the terms of the partnership with Community Futures.

**Decision:**

Council approves Policy 6-1, Community Business Investment Partnership (CBIP) Grant.

## Bylaw 1846- Procedural Bylaw

Agenda Item 8.2; YouTube Livestream: [1:05:51](#)

Kneehill County's Procedural Bylaw was reviewed by Administration and Council at the June 15th, Committee of the Whole Meeting, and first reading was given to the Bylaw at the August 17, 2021, Regular Council meeting. The Bylaw regulates proceedings for Council & Committee meetings, updated to include live-streaming Committee of the Whole (COW) meetings and publishing COW packages online. [View the RFD for a full list of changes to the Bylaw.](#)

### Decision:

Council gave 2nd & 3rd reading to pass Bylaw 1846, Procedural Bylaw.

## Increasing Knowledge Sharing among Regulators of Cannabis Production Facilities

Agenda Item 8.3; YouTube Livestream: [27:27](#)

At the August 17, 2021, Council Meeting, Council directed Administration to initiate a conversation with RMA and FCM to lobby for more access to information relevant to cannabis production within municipalities. Two primary issues were noted-- the limited access to information municipalities have to enforce local land-use regulations, and the lack of effective compliance monitoring and reporting to municipalities of previously approved sites to grow cannabis.

### Decision:

Council moved to forward resolutions to Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA), advocating that municipalities be given continuous access to info on cannabis production sites to verify compliance & prevent non-compliance among registered cannabis producers.

## RCMP Meeting at RMA

Agenda Item 8.4; YouTube Livestream: [1:45:21](#)

Kneehill County has been invited to meet with the RCMP (K Division) at the upcoming RMA conference. At this time, administration is not aware of any outstanding or new issues that the County would like to discuss with the RCMP.

### Decision:

Council accepted the RCMP meeting invitation at the RMA Convention for information, as presented.

## Bylaw 1847- Texas Gates

Agenda Item 8.5; YouTube Livestream: [1:48:51](#)

A County resident is requesting to install two Texas Gates on either end of Kneehill County's black trail road allowance, Range Road 23-3, north of Township Road 31-0, to allow for grazing. As per Policy 13-29, Texas Gate, it states that Council needs to approve this request through Bylaw.

### Decision:

Council approved temporary Texas Gates to be placed north of Twp Rd 31-0 on Rge Rd 23-3, (approx. 20 metres from intersection), and north of Twp Rd 31-0 on Rge RD 23-3 (approx. one mile) and directed administration to work with the applicant for the 2021 grazing period. Council also directed administration to review the Texas Gate Policy and bring it back to a future Council meeting for consideration.

## Council and Committee Reports

Agenda Item 10.0; YouTube Livestream: [2:24:40](#)

Council and Committee reports includes a verbal report from Deputy Reeve Mcghee on the Canadian Badlands and the dissolution of the committee, and a verbal report from Councillor King on the Three Hills Community Discovery Night.

### Decision:

Council received the Council and Committee Reports for information.

## Closed Session

Agenda Item 12.0; YouTube Livestream: [2:37:05](#)

Council moved the meeting into Closed Session (FOIP, Section 17 Personnel)

NEXT Council Meeting: September 28, 2021, at 8:30 am in Council Chambers  
1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta.

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