

Council Notes January 11, 2022

Delegation: Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services

Agenda Item 3.1 & 9.1; YouTube Livestream: 20:15; 2:23:39

Delegation Kneehill Regional FCSS presented Council with a background of the organization, including Provincial FCSS regulations, municipal partners, strategic plan, and programs & services provided to local communities. View the presentation in the Council package.

Decision:

Council received the presentation for information.

Delegation: Junior Achievement Southern Alberta

Agenda Item 3.2 & 9.2; YouTube Livestream: 1:52:46; 2:25:09

Delegation Junior Achievement Southern Alberta provided Council with a 2021 summary and an overview of the workforce readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy programs they offer for children grades 4-12 at schools within Kneehill County. More information on the Junior Achievement program is available in the Council Package or visit jasab.ca.

Decision:

Council approved renewing Kneehill County's sponsorship to the Junior Achievement program in the amount of \$3,000 per year, for a period of 3 years.

Agricultural Fieldman Appointment

Agenda Item 5.2.1; YouTube Livestream: 47:00

The Agricultural Fieldman position is required under the Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Act. In the past, the Manager of Parks and Ag Services has been appointed by Council to the Ag Fieldman role.

Decision

Council appointed Shelby Sherwick as Agricultural Fieldman for Kneehill County.

RCMP Retroactive Payment Clarification

Agenda Item 7.1; YouTube Livestream: 50:32

The RCMP has entered into a collective bargaining agreement (CBA) with the Federal Government. Part of that agreement includes retroactive salary coverage for up to five years, however, how those payments will be funded has not been specified. As partial funders of policing services, there is concern that these additional costs may be imposed on municipalities. MP Martin Shields is writing a letter to the Minister of Public Safety and President of Treasury Board for further clarification regarding where this funding will come from and has asked municipalities to provide letters of support to strengthen this request.

Decision:

Council moved to provide a letter of support to MP Martin Shields for use in seeking clarification regarding retroactive RCMP payments from the Minister of Public Safety and President of the Treasury Board.

Opportunity to meet with Minister of Municipal Affairs

Agenda Item 7.2; YouTube Livestream: <u>56:05</u>

Municipal Affairs has invited any municipality that wishes to meet with the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs at the upcoming spring Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) conference to submit a request no later than January 24th, 2022. As the Minister generally receives more requests than can be accommodated, and as there are no pressing, specific issues to present at this time, administration is recommending Council decline the invitation.

Decision:

Council declined the opportunity to formally meet with the Minister of Municipal Affairs at the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Spring Convention

Council & Committee Reports

Agenda Item 10.0; YouTube Livestream: <u>1:16:20</u>; <u>1:17:48</u>

Council and Committee Reports included verbal reports on Aqua 7 Water Commission and the Drumheller & District Solid Waste Association.

Decision:

Council received the Council and Committee Reports for information as presented.

NEXT Council Meeting: February 8, 2022, at 8:30 am in Council Chambers 1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta. Agendas are available at www.kneehillcounty.com