



## Council Notes April 12, 2022

### Policy 13-4, Dust Control

*Agenda Item 4.1; YouTube Livestream: [22:26](#)*

Kneehill County Dust Suppression Policy 13-4 regulates the processes and procedures for the application of County supplied dust control products within Kneehill County. Revisions to the policy reflect current processes, including the removal of the residential dust control rebate and allowing industrial, commercial, and ag operations to apply for dust suppression under the program.

**Decision:**

Council approved Policy 13-4, Dust Suppression, as presented.

### Dust Suppression Rates

*Agenda Item 4.2; YouTube Livestream: [36:22](#)*

Kneehill County Dust Suppression Policy 13-4 sets the rates for spec crude and calcium applications based on product costs in March of the current year. Product cost changes for calcium chloride were minimal so that rate will remain the same in 2022; rates for spec crude will come to Council for approval once they are received.

**Decision:**

Council approved the Dust Suppression rates as presented & directed staff to amend the Master Rates Bylaw to include these rates.

- Full Calcium Chloride (2 applications): 10.47/metre
- Top Spray Calcium (1 application): 5.24/metre.

### Bylaw 1853- Request to Amend Land Use Bylaw

*Agenda Item 5.1.1; YouTube Livestream: [41:31](#)*

An application has been received for a micropower generation and cryptocurrency mining facility located on SE-32-26-W4, two kilometres SW of Torrington. The application requires the land be redesignated from Ag District to Light Industrial District and is considered a discretionary use (subject to conditions.)

**Decision:**

Council moved first reading of proposed Bylaw 1853, redesignating a portion of SE-28-32-26-W4 from Agriculture District to Light Industrial District, and scheduled a Public Hearing for the Bylaw on **May 10, 2022, at 10:00 am.**

### Municipal Pest and Weed Agreements

*Agenda Item 5.2.1; YouTube Livestream: [47:50](#)*

Kneehill County currently enters into Weed & Pest agreements with neighboring municipalities for the purpose of providing weed and pest inspection services. Traditionally, these agreements are brought to Council for renewal and approval as needed. Administration is recommending Council grant authority for staff to renew these agreements instead, to streamline and expedite the process.

**Decision:**

Council authorized administration to renew Weed and Pest Agreements with neighbouring municipalities.

### Trochu Ag Society Sponsorship Request

*Agenda Item 7.1; YouTube Livestream: [52:49](#)*

Administration received a request from the Trochu and District Ag Society to sponsor their Rodeo Weekend event, happening June 24-25 in Trochu. Kneehill County has not sponsored this event in the past but has funds available in the Recreation, Community, Arts and Cultural Events budget.

**Decision:**

Council provided sponsorship to the Trochu and District Agricultural Society in the amount of \$250.00 for a panel advertisement at the Trochu and District Agricultural Society 2022 Junior Rodeo.

## 2022 Parade Season

*Agenda Item 7.2; YouTube Livestream: [56:45](#)*

With COVID-19 restrictions lifted, local towns and villages are planning and hosting parade events again, which Council participated in prior to the pandemic.

Scheduled local parades for 2022:

- Linden- Saturday, June 4
- Carbon- Saturday, June 11
- Acme- Saturday, June 18
- Trochu- Friday, July 1
- Three Hills- Saturday, July 1

**Decision:**

Council received the 2022 Parade Season Report for information.

## Cancellation of the April 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting

*Agenda Item 7.3; YouTube Livestream: [59:41](#)*

As there were no agenda topics scheduled for the COW meeting on April 19, 2022, Administration recommended that the meeting date be cancelled.

**Decision:**

Council cancelled the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

## Community Grants Round One 2022

*Agenda Item 7.4; YouTube Livestream: [1:14:52](#)*

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 2, 2022.

**Decision:**

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

- Silver Willows Senior Citizens Society - \$300
- Trochu Valley Historical Society - \$3,650
- Wimborne Community Centre- \$2,500
- Carbon Legion 161- \$4,500.

## BCOMM Update

*Agenda Item 7.5; YouTube Livestream: [1:30:44](#)*

BCOMM first presented to Council at the December 14, 2021, Council meeting, requesting permission to build towers alongside Kneehill County infrastructure. At that time, Council requested additional information regarding the proposal, however, BCOMM has since advised administration that Kneehill County's locations are no longer required and have withdrawn their request.

**Decision:**

Council received the update on BCOMM for information.

## Council & Committee Reports

Agenda Item 9.0; YouTube Livestream: [1:32:56](#)

Council and Committee Reports include the Economic Developers of Alberta Conference.

Congratulations to Kneehill County's Economic Development Officer, Jacqueline Buchanan, recipient of the Mentee of the Year Award. This award is given in recognition of those who've made significant contributions to the ongoing work of the Economic Developers of Alberta, participating in the Mentorship program, and supporting its success.



*Pictured: Kneehill County Councillor Faye McGhee, Kneehill County Economic Development Officer Jacqueline Buchanan, Kneehill County Councillor Wade Christie.*

### **Decision:**

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

## Closed Session

Agenda Item 11.0; YouTube Livestream: [1:40:43](#)

Council moved the Meeting into Closed Session (Third Party Business Interest, Section 16 & 25, FOIPP).

NEXT Council Meeting: April 26, 2022, at 8:30 am in Council Chambers  
1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta.  
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