



## Council Notes May 24, 2022

### Delegation: Kneehill Regional Family and Community Services

*Agenda Item 3.1, 8.1; YouTube Livestream: [20:32](#); [2:40:01](#)*

Kneehill Regional FCSS presented Council with highlights from their annual report from 2021, an organizational update and a summary of social well-being trends in the Kneehill area. [View the presentation in the Council Package.](#)

**Decision:**

Council received the Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services presentation for information.

### Delegation: Strategic Steps—Strategic Plan

*Agenda Item 3.2, 7.2; YouTube Livestream: [50:23](#); [2:37:29](#)*

Kneehill County Council recently participated in a Strategic Planning session, which included in-depth discussions on the County's mission, vision, and values to develop the County's future strategic priorities and goals. Two versions of a draft plan were provided by [Strategic Steps at the April 26 Council meeting](#). Council's feedback has been incorporated into the proposed final plan, along with draft graphic design. While the content is accurate, Council had some suggestions to improve the readability and layout of the plan.

**Decision:**

Council directed administration to continue working with the facilitator to complete the 2022–25 Strategic Plan.

### Delegation: Accurate Assessment

*Agenda Item 3.3, 8.2; YouTube Livestream: [1:23:55](#); [2:41:32](#)*

Delegations from Accurate Assessment provided Council with an overview of the County's assessment, previous year comparisons and information on Residential, Non-Residential, Farmland, Linear, and Designated Industrial Properties (DIP), including updates on DIP taxation and initiatives following the Assessment Model Review in October of 2020. [View the presentation in the Council Package.](#)

**Decision:**

Council received the Accurate Assessment presentation for information.

### Three Hills Cruise Water Truck Request

*Agenda Item 4.1; YouTube Livestream: [43:29](#)*

Kneehill County received a request from the Three Hills Cruise Committee to supply a water truck, operator and 60,000L of water to fill plastic barriers for the planned drag races at the Three Hills airport, as the usual trucks the Cruise Committee uses are unavailable this year.

**Decision:**

Council approved the request from the Three Hills Cruise Committee to supply a County water truck, operator and water to fill plastic barriers for the planned drag races June 4-5 at the Three Hills airport.

### Road Closure- Undeveloped Road Allowance

*Agenda Item 5.1.1; YouTube Livestream: [1:00:33](#)*

Karl and Bobbie Bray-Westermann would like to build an accessory building west of their existing yard site. Due to the odd shape of their land, the flattest and most developable area is within the undeveloped road allowance directly north of their acreage (Ptn. NW 21-30-26 W4 Plan 931 0847 Block A). The applicants have approached the County to close this road allowance so they can purchase and consolidate it into their existing acreage, and then proceed with building the accessory building in that location.

**Decision:**

Council gave First Reading of Bylaw 1856 (for the road closure of a portion of undeveloped road allowance between the south half of 28-30-26 W4 and north of the portion of NW 21-30-26 W4) and scheduled a Public Hearing for the Bylaw on June 14, 2022, at 10 am.

## Encroachment Agreement Plan

Agenda Item 5.1.2; YouTube Livestream: [1:07:19](#)

Karl and Bobbie Bray-Westermann have applied to close the adjacent undeveloped road allowance north of their property to build an accessory building. (Item 5.1.1). Due to the potential length of this process, the applicants have asked to place a temporary accessory building on the undeveloped road allowance in the meantime, until the road closure is completed. An encroachment agreement with Kneehill County would allow them to place their accessory building there and once the road is closed, the encroachment agreement could be removed.

### **Decision:**

Council authorized administration to enter into encroachment agreement with the landowners of Plan 931 0847 Block A for the development of a temporary accessory building within the undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the north property line.

## Horseshoe Canyon Pilot Branding Program

Agenda Item 5.2.1; YouTube Livestream: [2:13:30](#)

One of the first strategies recommended by the Horseshoe Canyon Focus Group in April 2021 was “to develop a compelling brand and logo to use in all aspects of Canyon promotions and operations and sell merchandise on-site.” Branding recommendations were presented to Council at the [May 17, 2022, Committee of the Whole Meeting](#). Administration has since incorporated Council’s feedback for potential materials (t-shirts) and if approved, the branding initiative will be implemented for 2022 with a report brought back to Council at the end of the season.

### **Decision:**

Council approved the presented Horseshoe Canyon branded materials for sale by staff or by third party operators as a pilot branding program for 2022.

## Marigold Library Agreement and Schedule C

Agenda Item 7.1; YouTube Livestream: [2:22:25](#)

Kneehill County has been a member of the Marigold Library System since 2006, allowing residents in the County to access library services free of charge at any Marigold Library in the region--Acme, Linden, Carbon, Three Hills and Trochu, with a book pick up/drop off in Torrington.

Marigold has forwarded Kneehill County a newly revised Marigold Agreement, including an updated Schedule “C” outlining the per capita levy rate for municipalities to continue their membership—an increase from \$10.74 to \$10.85 in 2023 and \$10.96 in 2024. Both the revised Marigold Agreement and Schedule “C” need to be signed and sent to Marigold before September 30, 2022.

### **Decision:**

Council directed administration to bring back more information regarding the Marigold Library system.

## Council & Committee Reports

Agenda Item 9.0; YouTube Livestream: [2:42:32](#)

Council and Committee reports included Community Futures Wildrose.

### **Decision:**

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

NEXT Council Meeting: June 14, 2022, at 8:30 am in Council Chambers  
1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta.  
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