



Council Notes June 14, 2022

Public Hearing Bylaw 1856- Road Closure

Agenda Item 3.1 YouTube Livestream: [1:55:10](#)

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. Council gave first reading to the Bylaw at the May 24 Council Meeting. The next step was to hold a Public Hearing to allow for comments and feedback.

Decision:

No verbal or written comments or concerns regarding Bylaw 1856 were received at the Public Hearing.

Bylaw 1857 Redesignation from Ag to Light Industrial

Agenda Item 5.1.1; YouTube Livestream: [28:32](#)

When Ext Capital Inc. purchased the parcel located at SE 22-30-25 W4 in February of 2022, they were under the impression that the lands were already zoned for commercial or industrial use. (The site is located approximately 2.5 miles SE of the Village of Linden, accessed via Range Road 25-2). The applicants currently store their business products (concrete forms) in one bay and are looking to lease the other three bays to other businesses for warehousing purposes, which requires them to redesignate the land from Ag to Light Industrial District.

Decision:

Council moved first reading of proposed Bylaw 1857, redesignating a portion of SE-22-30-25-W4 from Agriculture District to Light Industrial District, and scheduled a Public Hearing for the Bylaw on July 19 at 9:00 am.

Appointment of Fire Guardians, Amendment

Agenda Item 5.3.1; YouTube Livestream: [32:51](#)

The Forest and Prairie Protection Act requires Council to appoint sufficient Fire Guardians to enforce the Act within the boundaries of a municipal district. Fire Guardians were previously appointed for the Three Hills Fire Department in February of 2022; however, an amendment is needed.

Decision:

Council appointed the following Fire Guardians for the issuance of Fire Permits to March 31, 2023: Ken Cinnamon, Murray Fenton, and Brandon Rempel (Three Hills Fire Department).

Three Hills Thrashers Junior Hockey Club Funding Request

Agenda Item 7.1; YouTube Livestream: [36:55](#)

Administration received a request for sponsorship from the Three Hills Thrashers Junior Hockey Club. Kneehill County has supported the Club in the past, under Council Policy 15-7, Recreation, Community, Arts & Cultural Events.

Decision:

Council provided support to the Three Hills Thrashers Junior "B" Hockey Club with a sponsorship of \$500.00.

Medical Recruitment and Retention Task Force Terms of Reference

Agenda Item 7.2; YouTube Livestream: [39:08](#)

The municipalities of Kneehill County, Three Hills, Trochu, Acme, Carbon, and Linden currently collaborate on the recruitment of doctors and other medical staff through the Doctor Recruitment and Retention Task Force, focused on the Three Hills Medical Clinic. At the request of its municipal members, the Kneehill Regional Partnership (KRP) undertook a review of the Task Force Terms of Reference and is suggesting the Task Force expand its focus beyond the Three Hills Medical Clinic and define its own scope regarding medical services. The draft Terms of Reference also creates an annual funding component that didn't exist previously. The KRP incorporated feedback received from each municipality on the original draft agreement and is now presenting an [updated agreement](#) for Council's approval.

Decision:

Council requested the Kneehill Regional Partnership make further amendments to the Doctor Recruitment and Retention Task Force Terms of Reference. (Specifically, the quorum and termination clauses.)

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2022 Draft Strategic Plan

Agenda Item 7.3; YouTube Livestream: [2:06:14](#)

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. Council's feedback has been incorporated into the proposed final plan, along with some design suggestions to improve the document's readability and layout.

Decision:

Council adopted the 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan as presented.

Bill 21 Red Tape Reduction Act

Agenda Item 7.4; YouTube Livestream: [2:10:00](#)

On May 31st the Red Tape Reduction Act received royal assent, making several amendments to the Municipal Government Act and the Local Authorities Elections Act to streamline regulations and speed up approval and decision timelines. [View the changes in the Council Package.](#)

Decision:

Council accepted the report on Bill 21 – Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act 2022 for information, as presented.

Council & Committee Reports

Agenda Item 9.0; YouTube Livestream: [2:16:16](#)

Council and Committee Reports include Division 1 Report, Ag Service Board, and a verbal report on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference.

Decision:

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

Closed Session

Agenda Item 11.0; YouTube Livestream: [2:31:30](#)

Council moved the meeting into Closed Session.

- Personnel (FOIP Section 17 & Section 19)
- Third Party Business (Section 16)

NEXT Council Meeting: June 28, 2022, at 8:30 am in Council Chambers
1600, 2nd Street NE, Three Hills, Alberta.
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