



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS MARCH 15, 2017

James Mills – West-Can Seal Coating Inc.

James Mills, West-Can Seal Coating Inc. attended the meeting to highlight the products that are supplied by West-Can Coating Inc. and to explain the pricing that was submitted in their tender for Beaver County 2017 Graded Aggregate Seal Coat and Other Work.

Viking RCMP Detachment – Cpl. Brad Mouland

Cpl. Brad Mouland, Viking RCMP Detachment, attended the meeting and provided Council with a 2016 Year End Crime Statistics Report.

2017 Municipal Budget

Administration provided an update regarding the audit of 2016 financial year and the progress on the 2017 Municipal Budget.

2017 Capital Purchases – Water Truck

Council authorized administration to tender for the purchase of a water truck prior to final budget approval.

2017 Oil Base Dust Suppressant – Supply and Delivery

Council accepted the lowest bid received from Read on Roads in the amount of \$0.587/L (plus GST) for supply and delivery of Oil Based Dust Suppressant for 2017 for a total cost of \$197,232.00.

2017 Graded Aggregate Seal Coat and Other Work Contract

Council accepted the bid received from ANT Construction in the amount of \$859,984.00 (plus GST) for supply and application of Graded Aggregate Seal Coat and Other Work (Chip Seal).

Road Construction – Councillor Collison

Councillor Collison expressed concern that the County needs to be constructing more roads. A contractor would be required for construction of the roads as the County does not have the required equipment.

Application for Property Tax Exemption – Sherwood Park Fish and Game Association

Council approved a partial tax exemption for the Sherwood Park Fish & Game Association for tax years 2017, 2018, and 2019 as follows, based on the valuation model of agricultural use value rather than the legislated valuation model of market value.

- Roll #200152002 – vacant land assessed at agricultural use value

- Roll #200161029 – vacant land assessed at agricultural use value
- Roll #200161038 – vacant land assessed at agricultural use value
- Roll #200222027 – vacant land assessed at agricultural use value
- Roll #200224006 – vacant land assessed at agricultural use value
- Roll #200213009 – assessed as improved with structures, and land assessed partially at market value and partially at agricultural use value

Bylaw 17-1046 – Application to Amend MDP and LUB – Plan 3808 TR, Block 1, Lot 5 in SW 15-51-19-W4

Council gave First Reading to Bylaw 17-1046 to amend the Municipal Development Plan 98-800 and the Land Use Bylaw 98-801 to allow one additional parcel to be subdivided (for a total of seven (7) parcels) in Plan 3808 TR, Block 1, Lot 5 in the SW 15-51-19-W4. A public hearing will be held at the Council meeting on April 24, 2017.

Funding Request – 2017 University of Alberta

Council approved funding of \$63,336 to the University of Alberta, Augustana Faculty, for a 2017 research project ‘*Ecological Sustainability in Rural Landscapes*’.

Seed Cleaning Plant Memorandum of Understanding

Council approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the Beaver County Seed Cleaning Cooperative Ltd. for a one year term and \$30,000 annual operating grant.

Sponsorship and Grant Requests

Council approved the following funding requests:

- a) Capital grant to Holden Agricultural Society for \$5,600.
- b) Capital grant to Bruce Sports & Stampede Association for \$4,975.
- c) Capital grant to Cloverlodge Stampede Association for \$2,000.
- d) Capital grant to Katchemut Creek Family Horse Club for \$5,000.
- e) Capital grant to Tofield Agricultural Society for \$31,000.
- f) Capital grant to Beaver Emergency Medical Services for \$17,272.50.
- g) Operating grant to Village of Holden (Reach) for \$3,494.17 in 2017 and \$3,494.17 in 2018.
- h) Sponsorship to Holden Junior Cattle Show for \$2000.
- i) Sponsorship to the 2017 Alberta Centre for Sustainable Rural Communities Conference for \$5000.

Battle River REA Correspondence Regarding Fortis Application

Council will register a letter of concern with the Alberta Utilities Commission regarding Proceedings 22164 – Fortis in regard to their recent application to the Alberta Utilities Board for approval to confirm boundaries in Municipal Franchise Areas.

Walk for Values Day

Council proclaimed April 24, 2017 as *Walk for Values Day* in Beaver County.

2017 Municipal Election

Council decided upon the following issues regarding the 2017 municipal election:

1. Council appointed the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer as Returning Officer for the 2017 municipal election.
2. Council authorized administration to execute an agreement between Beaver County and the Elk Island Catholic Separate Regional Division for election services for the 2017 school board election.
3. The hours of Nomination Day and the location at which nomination papers are to be filed for the 2017 municipal election remain as legislated in the Act.
4. Council will not provide for a by-election in the event of the death of a candidate during the 2017 municipal election.
5. Council will not provide for rotational ballots for the 2017 municipal election.
6. An Advance Vote will be held for the 2017 municipal election.
7. Beaver County will provide for voting by special ballot during the 2017 municipal election, and that applications for special ballots be made in writing, via fax, or in person, and that applications for special ballots be accepted and received by the Returning Officer until 4:30 pm, Friday, October 13, 2017.
8. Council will not provide for incapacitated elector votes during the 2017 municipal election.
9. Council will not establish institutional voting stations for the 2017 municipal election.

Road Closure Application – Plan 778 EO in NW 30-48-17-W4

Council passed a motion to close Road Plan 778 EO in NW 30-48-17-W4.

Capital Projects Criteria – Proposed Policy Amendment

Council approved the amended *Capital Projects Criteria Policy*.

The next Committee of the Whole meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 5, 2017, starting at 9:30 am.

The next Regular Council meeting has been scheduled for Monday, April 24, 2017, starting at 9:30 am.

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