



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS March 22, 2018

Viking RCMP

Cpl. Brad Mouland, Viking RCMP Detachment attended the meeting and reviewed the 2017 CompStat Report for the Viking Detachment.

Chip Seal Tender

Council accepted the bid received from West-Can Seal coating in the amount of \$442,734.50 (plus GST) for supply and application of Graded Aggregate Seal Coat and Other Work (Chip Seal).

Gravel Over Crush

Council approved the purchase of an additional 1,442.62 m³ of gravel from Mixcor, for a price of \$36,354 to be funded from reserve.

Camp Lake Campground – Contract for 2018 Host/Attendant

Council authorized entering into contract with Kim Williams to provide services of a Recreation Attendant/Host for Camp Lake Park 2018 season, with an option for a one year extension, for a total cost of \$2,715.00 per week, plus GST.

Community Sponsorship

Council deferred a decision on grant applications until Final Budget Deliberation at the April 30th Special Meeting and that a letter be sent to the urban municipalities requesting support for Beaver Municipal Solutions to indicate issues relative to community grant funding based on BMS dividend funding.

Clean Harbors – Application to Expand Cell

Clean Harbors proposal is to expand the existing facility to the NE of section 9-50-17-W4 for the construction of new Class 1 Landfill Cell (Cell 5). Clean Harbors has applied to Alberta Environment and Parks for an amendment to their existing approval for the company's Ryley Industrial Waste Management Facility, consisting of a Class I and Class II industrial landfill, and a hazardous waste/recyclable storage and processing facility. They have advertised their intent to amend their existing approval and any person who is directly affected by the application may submit a written statement of concern within 30 days (March 31, 2018) to Alberta Environment and Parks.

Council passed the following motion in regard to Clean Harbors Application:

- Council requested an extension with Alberta Environment regarding the application to a maximum of 120 days;
- Council encourages the Village of Ryley to engage an independent engineer to review the application,
- Council requests that Clean Harbors conduct an open public hearing;

- Council request that Clean Harbors treats the Village of Ryley and County residents in the same manner as they have treated municipalities and residents of other facilities nationwide.

Snow Clearing of Private Driveways

Council discussed the rates presently charged for snow clearing of private driveways and requested that the rates be reviewed for cost recovery and that the matter be brought back to a subsequent Council meeting.

Centennial Settler Award

Council approved a request from the Hillerud family for a Centennial Settler Award. Rural residents of Beaver County whose family has continuously owned and actively farmed land in the County for a minimum of 100 years are eligible for recognition.

Tofield/Ryley/Beaver Family Community Support Services Public at Large Member

Council approve the appointment of Carmen Nachtigall, as Beaver County Public at Large member to the Tofield/Ryley/Beaver Family Community Support Services (FCSS) Board, term expiring December 31, 2021.

Railway Crossings at Township Road 492

Council directed Administration to negotiate with CN Railways to have the crossing arms removed and the road closed at Township Road 492.

Road Maintenance Level of Service

Council adopted the amended the Road Maintenance Level of Service Policy. The amendment to the policy reflects the elimination of the shoulder pull crew for 2018 and having the oiling crew do approximately ten miles of shoulder pull/spot repairs in the fall time (to be determined), following completion of Terracem/Oiling Program. Council also authorized the addition of two more grader beats for the 2018 summer maintenance season using the construction graders previously used for shoulder pull construction (one year trial basis).

Road Approaches (Sale of Culverts)

Council adopted a revised Road Approaches Policy and Administrative Procedure to reflect the desire to sell culverts to the public, under certain conditions.

Youth Outstanding Achievement Policy

Council approved the amendments to the Youth Outstanding Achievement Support Policy and the Administrative Procedure Policy. The amendment is for eligibility. With the amendment students will be considered if they have *participated* in a provincial or national-level sports, recreation, or performing arts organization to represent Alberta or Canada at a provincial, national, and/or international competition.”

Rural Municipalities of Alberta Spring Convention – Resolution Session

Councillor Hrabec provided an update on the Resolution Session of the Rural Municipalities (RMA) of Alberta Spring Convention. He advised the Beaver County’s resolution - Exemption of Seniors Housing from Requirement to Pay Carbon Levy was passed by the members receiving support of 89%.

Beaver County 60th Anniversary

Beaver County will hold its 60th Anniversary celebrations on Wednesday, June 6th. Events details will be published on the County website, Facebook and Twitter once they are finalized.

Road Access

Councillor Bruce advised that a resident in his area has a quarter section that has no road access and is unable to sell the property until access is provided. The matter was deferred to the April 18, 2018, regular Council meeting.

Land – Lease Agreement

Council approved holding a public hearing regarding the extension of the lease of Plan 1670 TR, Lot R1.

Personnel – Union Contract

Council ratified the Collective Agreement for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 955 for the period of August 20, 2017 to August 19, 2019.

Personnel – Non-Union Cost of Living Adjustment Increase

Council approved Non-Union Cost of Living Adjustment increases of 0.5% on January 01, 2018 and 0.5% on January 01, 2019.

Working As A Retiree Policy

Council approved the Working As A Retiree Policy, addressing conditions which employees may return to work after retirement.

Retirement Allowance Policy

Council approved the Retirement Allowance Policy. Eligibility requirements include a minimum age of 55 years and completion of a minimum of 10 years of continuous service. The retirement allowance is \$500 per year to a maximum of \$15,000.

The next Committee of the Whole meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 4, 2018, starting at 8:30 am.

The next Regular Meeting of Council has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2018, starting at 8:30 am.

Special County Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, April 30, 2018, starting at 8:30 am.

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