



**COUNCIL
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 19, 2018**

Shawn O'Shea – Beaver County Beaver Control Contractor

Shawn O'Shea, Beaver County Beaver Control Contractor, attended the meeting and provided Council with an overview of the 2018 season and suggestions for the 2019 season.

2019 Interim Budget

Council approved the 2019 Interim Budget with total expenditures of \$24,537,794.

PERC 2018 Application – Sequoia

Council passed a motion that the 2016, 2017 and 2018 property taxes in arrears in the amount of \$1,565,869.04 be cancelled for all properties registered to accounts to Sequoia Resources Corp. and an application be made for these properties to the Provincial Education Refund Credit for Uncollected Education Property Taxes on Oil and Gas Properties program for the amount of \$174,923.66.

Request to Waive Tax Penalty

Council denied the request to waive tax penalties for roll #200183204 and #810004003

Line of Credit Bylaw – Bylaw 18-1068

Council passed the Line of Credit Bylaw – Bylaw 18-1068. The County's financial institution requires that a bylaw be passed each year to authorize the temporary line of credit (revolving loan). The line of credit will only occur when cash flow cannot meet actual expenditures and then only on a revolving basis (i.e. funds are advanced in increments and repaid as deposits are made to the account).

Historically, the County has not used the revolving loan very often and normally only in the event of large, unexpected expenditures. Administration invests sums of money for varying periods of time, but plans for the investments to mature so that payroll and accounts payable requirements can be met.

Ryley Grader Shed Addition and Upgrades

Council deferred the matter of the Ryley Grader Shed Addition and Upgrades to allow time for Council to visit the Ryley Grader Shed and assess the needs for renovation, upgrade or relocation.

Bylaw 18-1066 – Amendment to Tofield IDP

Council passed second and third reading of Bylaw 18-1066 – Amendment to the Town of Tofield Inter-Municipal Development Plan.

Bylaw 18-1067 – Road Closure Bylaw

Council passed first reading to Bylaw 18-1067 to close a portion of an undeveloped road allowance named Buffer Street in the SW 13-51-20-W4 and have a public hearing.

Ducks Unlimited Canada – Conservation Easement

Council acknowledge the Notice of Proposed Conservation Easement from Ducks Unlimited Canada and waive the 60 day waiting period for registration on the NE & SE 31-48-14-W4.

Train Whistle Cessation

The County will propose a partnership with the University of Augustana to start the process to bring a resolution to the Federation of Municipalities to cease train whistles at all controlled crossing in Canada.

Lands Tender

Council directed administration to tender out short term agricultural land leases for lands with Equity Industrial Park.

Regional Grant Application

Council passed a resolution supporting the Town of Tofield application for an Alberta Community Partnership grant application from Municipal Affairs. The purpose of the grant would be to engage mediators to help the region work through Recreation Cost formulas

Future Dates

Council scheduled a Special Council meeting for January 2, 2019, immediately following the end of Committee of the Whole meeting, or 3:00 pm, whichever is earlier.

The next Committee of the Whole meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 2, 2019, commencing at 8:30 am.

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The next Regular Council Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019, commencing at 8:30 am.

An Agricultural Services Board has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2019, commencing at 3:00 pm.

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