

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS REGULAR MEETING JULY 6, 2022

Kinsella Lift Station Pumps

Council agreed to reallocate funds from the Ryley Grader Shed improvements project (replace siding) to the purchase of pumps for the Kinsella sewer lift station and a winch for both the Bruce and Kinsella sewage lift stations. This will enhance system maintenance and create a safer work environment for employees.

Chip Seal Rechip Locations

Council approved rechipping and a fog seal application on several roads in the County. Fog sealing has been implemented by other municipalities and appears to delay weathering of pavement, waterproofs the surface, and extends the life of the road surface.

The rechipped locations are:

Range Road 205 from Township Road 502 to 503 Range Road 203 from Township Road 504 to 510 Islet Lake Estates Road

The fog-sealed locations are:

Camp Lake Road from Highway 619 to the Camp Lake Park entrance Township Road 470 from Highway 870 to Range Road 105.

2022 Tax Sale Reserve Bids and 2022 Properties for Sale

Beaver County's tax sale will be held September 8, 2022. Council set the reserve bids for the following properties:

SE 4-48-13-W4 - reserve bid of \$2860

Plan 4834W, Block 5, Lots 25-26 (Bruce) - reserve bid of \$5000

Plan 1562W, E ½ of Block 2 - reserve bid of \$125,000

Council also set reserve bids for property owned by the County, but not sold in previous tax recovery sales, as follows:

Plan 792 0355, Lot 1 - reserve bid of \$45,200

Plan 992 5829, Block 1 - reserve bid of \$10,000

Delegation by MP Damien C. Kurek (Battle River-Crowfoot)

MP Kurek attended the Council meeting and discussed the following matters with Council:

- a) Services offered by the MP's Office
- b) Rural infrastructure
- c) Housing
- d) Rural crime
- e) Policing
- f) World connectivity (internet)

- g) Rural economic development
- h) Agriculture
- i) Economic development
- j) Keystone XL Pipeline project/energy project
- k) Canada Summer Jobs Program
- I) Whistle cessation process

Public Hearing – Broadband Tower Leases

A public hearing was held regarding a request from MCSnet to lease towers on NW 27-50-20-W4, NE 15-50-20-W4, and SW 35-51-20-W4. MCSnet has been operating these towers for several years without a formal lease agreement. MCSnet has now requested written lease agreements and under the *Municipal Government Act*, a public hearing is required.

No members of the public attended the hearing, no one registered to speak, and no written comments were received.

MCSnet Tower Leases

Following the public hearing, Council authorized administration to formalize lease agreements with MCSnet for the operation of broadband towers at NW 27-50-20-W4, NE 15-50-20-W4, and SW 35-51-20-W4.

Claystone Waste Annual General Meeting Agenda Items

Beaver County is one shareholder in Claystone Waste, a municipally-controlled corporation for the collection and landfill of solid waste in the County. Claystone Waste is holding its annual general meeting in August at which time shareholders will vote on several matters.

Council approved the following matters:

- a) amendment to Section 4.05(a) of the Unanimous Shareholders Agreement with respect to approval
 of the financial statements,
- b) amendment to Section 4.09(b)(3) of the Unanimous Shareholders Agreement with respect to the change in definition of "material change",
- c) amendment to Section 3.3(j) of the Limited Partnership Agreement with respect to increased flexibility in investments (of surplus funds),
- d) amendment to Section 6.3(b)(ii) of the Limited Partnership Agreement with respect to a change in proportionate shares,
- e) amendment to Section 7.08(a) of the Unanimous Shareholders Agreement with respect to a change in proportionate shares.

Council also directed the Chief Administrative Officer to vote in favour of the following matters:

- a) approval of the 2021 Claystone Waste Limited Partnership financial statements,
- b) approval for the appointment of Yaremchuk & Annicchiarico LLP as external auditors.
- c) approval of the expansion of the Claystone Waste Board from 5 to 7 Directors, with 5 of the Directors being given 3-year terms and 2 of the Directors being given 2-year terms (staggered),
- d) expansion of Claystone Waste's Competency Matrix to add "joint ventures/mergers & acquisition, entrepreneur, and financing" categories.

Council did not approve an amendment to paragraph 4.02 of the Trust Agreement with respect to increased flexibility in investment of post-closure funds. Council wishes to review a proposed Policy prior to making this decision.

Council requested the following information be provided:

- details regarding Board member and Chief Administrative Officer remuneration during the transition period to a municipally-controlled corporation,
- b) additional information regarding the new competencies sought for the new Board members.

Bruce Sports & Stampede Association - Sponsorship Request

Council approved a \$2500 sponsorship for the 2022 Bruce Stampede event and in each subsequent year to 2027.

Permanent Appointment of CAO

Council approved the permanent appointment of Kayleena Spiess as the County's Chief Administrative Officer.

The next Regular Council Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 3, 2022, commencing at 9:30 am. This will be the only Regular Meeting in August.

There will be no Governance and Priorities Committee meetings in July or August 2022.

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