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Priority Based Budgeting

Adoption of Priority Based Budgeting (PBB)

County Council, at their August 21, 2019, meeting, unanimously endorsed embarking down the path of Priority Based Budgeting (PBB).

Beaver County is one of only a handful of municipalities in Canada to use PBB. It is an innovative approach to allocate budgeted resources towards achieving results in identified goals as opposed to applying traditional incremental budgeting. Incremental budgeting takes last year's budget and the services embedded within and adds/subtracts for items like inflation, growth, grants, and new legislation.

PBB for Beaver County will mean a step-by-step process toward clearly sharing with the public all the programs the municipality provides, gauging how well those programs resonate with citizens and ranking those program impacts on priorities in a strategic plan. All the traditional budget factors are still included but programs are also gauged for their ongoing relevance to citizens and priorities. This allows for more movement among program areas and reallocating resources to where they achieve the greatest results.

Reeve Jim Kallal stated that he "sees tremendous value in making sure the public knows exactly what they are receiving for programs as well as how much those programs cost and how they are impacting community priorities."

One of the intangible benefits of PBB is moving away from a budget being about departments that are difficult to explain to the public to a budget being about programs that a citizen/business can identify with. Programs invite a healthier dialogue among all stakeholders and add a level of accountability not often seen in government.

The first step on this journey will come in the form of meetings with Council and administration to look at the current strategic plan and refresh it with a PBB lens attached. What this means is applying rigor in identifying clear goals for the community. These goals then need results attached to them. This is where accountability and transparency lie.

The results, clearly articulated direction and expectations from Council, will be handed off to administration to then build a business plan built on achieving the most results possible within the framework of the budget. Council will then hold its administration accountable for the results promised in that business plan.

Reeve Kallal suggested he has "never seen a clearer way to demonstrate understanding between direction from Council and a straight-forward answer from County staff.

"This really sets the standard for staying focused on those things that are most important to citizens, businesses, community groups, and Council. Council is looking forward to sharing the results of this with our community. There are only so many dollars in our budget. It is important we demonstrate good value to everyone."

Strategic planning efforts with Council start in mid-September.

Road Construction Notice

TWP RD 514 between RGE RD 192 and 195

For the safety of the residents who travel TWP RD 514 between RGE RD 192 and 195, Beaver County will be resurfacing the road top to gravel effective immediately. The current condition of the road top is considered dangerous and numerous attempts to repair to a standard that would be considered safe; have not succeeded.

During this time, portions of the roads may be closed to allow crews to work safely; however, access for local landowners will be maintained during construction. Delays are to be expected. We encourage patrons to take alternate routes until the projects are complete.

There are potential hazards to the public and vehicles during the construction process. This can include heavy machinery, dust or mud, and road materials such as gravel, asphalt coatings and rock chips.

This schedule is weather dependent.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during construction. If you have any questions, please call the Beaver County Service Centre at 780-663-3730.

2019 Construction Schedule

Schedule is subject to change depending on the weather.

**ECD – Estimated Completion Date TBD – To Be Determined

TASK	START DATE	PROJECTED END DATE	UPDATE – Sept 4
TWP RD 514 RoadTek Repairs	May 21	June 3	Completed – May 23
TWP RD 512 east of SH 630 Phase 3 (2 nd lift of chip seal) Phase 4 (Final sweep of chips)	May 21 TBD	June 1 TBD	Phase 3 – Completed May 27 Phase 4 – Complete May 31
TWP RD 482 west of HWY 36 Phase 3 (2 nd lift of chip seal) Phase 4 (Final sweep of chips)	May 21 TBD	June 1 TBD	Phase 3 – Completed May 23 Phase 4 – Completed May 31
RGE RD 132 south of TWP RD 482 Phase 3 (2 nd lift of chip seal) Phase 4 (Final sweep of chips)	May 21 TBD	June 1 TBD	Phase 3 – Completed May 23 Phase 4 – Completed May 31
RGE RD 182 TerraCem (from TWP RD 484 to Black Nugget Entrance) Phase 1 (Cement) Phase 2 (1 st lift of chip seal) Phase 3 (2 nd lift of chip seal) Phase 4 (Final sweep of chips)	June 3	July 31	Phase 1 – Completed June 15 Phase 2 – Completed June 18 Phase 3 – Completed August 23 Phase 4 – ECD – Mid September
TWP RD 502 TerraCem (from RGE RD 201 – 205) Phase 1 (Cement & Tack) Phase 2 (1 st lift of chip seal) Phase 3 (2 nd lift of chip seal) Phase 4 (Final sweep of chips)	July 2	Aug 31	Phase 1 - 205-204 -cemented/tacked - 204-203 -cemented/tacked - 203-202 -cemented/tacked - 202-201 -cemented/tacked Phase 2 – Completed July 26 Phase 3 – Completed August 27 Phase 4 – ECD - Mid September
RGE RD 124 Gravellock (from TWP RD 470 – 463) Bridge Construction TWP RD 494 west of SH 857	Aug 6 Sept	Aug 16 Oct	Completed August 14 Bridge will be closed to public traffic during construction
Culvert Maintenance	Apr 22	Nov 1	Ongoing
Road Oiling (location TBD)	Aug 19	Aug 30	
Patching Oil Roads	Apr 15	Oct 31	Ongoing
Patching/Shoulder Pulls	Sept 3	Sept 24	
Backsloping- TBD	Oct 7	Oct 18	
Gravelling	Jan 23	Sept 27	Ongoing
Dust Control- 1st Application	May 6	May 31	Complete
Dust Control- 2nd Application	Aug 6	Aug 9	Complete