



**MINUTES  
County Council Regular Meeting**

Lac Ste. Anne County held a County Council Regular Meeting on January 23, 2025 commencing at 9:34 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Building in Sangudo, Alberta.

Councillors Present: Nick Gelych, Deputy Reeve  
George Vaughan, Councillor  
Lloyd Giebelhaus, Councillor  
Kevin Lovich, Councillor  
Ross Bohnet, Councillor  
Lorne Olsvik, Councillor

Councillors Absent: Joe Blakeman, Reeve

Staff Present: Mike Primeau, County Manager  
Trista Court, GM of Community Engagement  
Greg Edwards, GM of Operations  
Matthew Ferris, GM of Growth & Compliance  
Brian Hartman, GM of Infrastructure  
Cindy Suter, Legislative & Support Services Supervisor  
Amber Sawatzky, Assessment & Taxation Database Clerk  
Carla Callihoo, Finance Manager  
Dallas Choma, Enforcement Services Manager  
Twyla Lesko, Communications Coordinator  
Rob Smyth, Assessment & Taxation Manager

Also Present: Two members of the public were in attendance.  
Four members of the public were on-line.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**Acceptance of the Agenda**

19-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council approves the January 23, 2025 County Council meeting agenda as presented. Carried.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**January 9, 2025 County Council Meeting Minutes**

20-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council approves the January 9, 2025 County Council Meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

**Growth and Compliance 2024 Year in Review**

21-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council accepts the 2024 Growth

and Compliance Department Year in Review for Information.

Carried.

**ASSESSMENT & TAXATION**

**Tax Refund over 30 acres Farmland**

22-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council approves the refund of overpaid taxes for Tax Roll 5605252001 for the years 2022 and 2023, and further authorizes refunds for overpaid taxes for the following Tax Rolls for the years 2023 and 2024: 5302353002, 5604151001, 5404031001, 5503151002, 5602024001, 5602112004, 5602333001, 5604152003, 5604152004, 560422400, and 5707072002.

Motion defeated

23-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council authorizes refunds to be issued by reclassifying the farmland assessment codes for the following Tax Rolls: 5302353002, 5604151001, 5404031001, 5503151002, 5602024001, 5602112004, 5602333001, 5604152003, 5604152004, 5604224002, 5707072002, and 5605252001, covering the tax years 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Motion Defeated

24-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council defers the decision for Tax Refund over 30 acres of Farmland to include reclassifying farmland assessment codes and refunds and directs Administration to bring it back to a future meeting.

Carried.

Recess from 10:37 a.m. to 10:48 a.m.

**DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

**10:30 a.m. Appointment - Marc Vermeulen - Chrystyna Beach**

25-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council accepts the presentation made by Marc Vermeulen on behalf of Chrystyna Beach residents for information and further directs Administration to enter into a maintenance agreement with the Chrystyna Beach Lake Protection Society.

Carried.

**Update on Outstanding Oil and Gas Taxes and Payment Plan Opportunity**

26-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council accepts the Outstanding Oil and Gas Taxes and Payment Plan Opportunity update for information.

Carried.

**OPERATIONS**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**OPERATIONS**

**FLEET & SHOP**

**HEALTH & SAFETY**

**OPS - OTHER ITEMS**

**GROWTH & COMPLIANCE**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT****ENFORCEMENT SERVICES****Alberta Crime Prevention Grant**

- 27-2025            MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council ratifies the submission of the grant application to the Alberta Crime Prevention (ACP) grant, for the creation of a Crime Prevention Community Liaison Coordinator, requesting \$110,000.00 for year one of the program and \$110,000.00 for year two of the program, and further ratifies the letter of support which accompanied the application.
- Carried.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****INFRASTRUCTURE****Bylaw 02-2025 Sangudo Utility Bylaw**

- 28-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council give first reading to Bylaw 02-2025 Sangudo Utility Bylaw as presented.
- Carried.
- 29-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council give second reading to Bylaw 02-2025 Sangudo Utility Bylaw.
- Carried.
- 30-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council give unanimous consent to Bylaw 02-2025 Sangudo Utility Bylaw.
- Carried.
- 31-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council give third and final reading to Bylaw 02-2025 Sangudo Utility Bylaw.
- Carried.

**Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw**

- 32-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council give first reading to Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw.
- Carried.

**UTILITIES****IT INFORMATION****COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT****AGRICULTURAL SERVICES****COMMUNITY SERVICES****Home Support 2025**

- 33-2025            MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council direct Administration to offer the Home Support program from January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 to all municipalities within Lac Ste. Anne County borders, as was offered for 2024.
- Carried.

**Onoway Children's Health Fair - Grant Funding Request**

- 34-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council approve a 2025 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) grant allocation for the March 11, 2025 Onoway Children's Health Fair, in the amount of \$1,000.00.
- Carried.

Matthew Ferris recused himself due to pecuniary interest at 11:23 a.m.

#### **FIRE SERVICES**

##### **Fire Services Agreement - Summer Village of Sunset Point**

- 35-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council ratify the approval, and subsequent endorsement, of the Fire Services Agreement between Lac Ste. Anne County and the Summer Village of Sunset Point.
- Carried.

##### **Emergency Management Agreement - Summer Village of Sunset Point**

- 36-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council ratify the approval, and subsequent endorsement, of the Emergency Management Agreement between Lac Ste. Anne County and the Summer Village of Sunset Point.
- Carried.

Matthew Ferris returned to the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

#### **CPS - OTHER ITEMS**

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

##### **2025 Meeting Schedule**

- 37-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council approves the 2025 Meeting Schedule with the following amendments:
- cancel July 10, 2025, and July 24, 2025, County Council meetings and reschedule to July 18, 2025
  - cancel the August 28, 2025 County Council meeting and
  - discuss Christmas holiday closures at a future meeting.
- Carried.

#### **BYLAWS & POLICIES**

##### **Second and Third Reading of Bylaw 17-2024 for removal of Municipal Reserve designation from County owned properties Lot R, Block 1, Plan 3956MC within Mortenson Beach and Lot 12R, Block 1, Plan 939MC within Chrystyna Beach**

- 38-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council gives second reading to Bylaw 17-2024 for the removal of the municipal reserve designation on the following lands:
1. Lot R, Block 1, Plan 3956MC, Mortenson Beach, Part of NE Quarter Section 22 Township 57 Range 03 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meridian containing 0.73 hectares (1.81 acres) more or less;
  2. Lot 12R, Block 1, Plan 939MC, Chrystyna Beach, Part of NW Quarter Section 15 Township 54 Range 01 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meridian containing 0.39 hectares (0.96 acres) more or less.
- Carried.

- 39-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council gives third and final reading to Bylaw 17-2024 for the removal of the municipal reserve designation on the following lands:
1. Lot R, Block 1, Plan 3956MC, Mortenson Beach, Part of NE Quarter Section

22 Township 57 Range 03 West of the 5th Meridian containing 0.73 hectares (1.81 acres) more or less;

2. Lot 12R, Block 1, Plan 939MC, Chrystyna Beach, Part of NW Quarter Section 15 Township 54 Range 01 West of the 5th Meridian containing 0.39 hectares (0.96 acres) more or less.

Carried.

**COUNTY MANAGER**

**Fallen Four 20th Year Anniversary - Royal Canadian Mounted Police**

40-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council accepts the verbal presentation made by Staff Sergeant Grant Kneller, District Advisory NCO, R.C.M.P., Western Alberta District, Mayerthorpe Detachment regarding the 20th Anniversary of the Fallen Four for information.

Carried.

**FINANCE**

**CLOSED SESSION**

41-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council enters a Closed Session at 12:02 p.m. pursuant to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act to discuss the following:

- Third-Party Agreements
- Legal

subject to Sections 16, 17 and 24 of the *Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP).

Carried.

42-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council adjourns the Closed Session at 12:45 p.m.

Carried.

**Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw**

43-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council gives second reading to Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw as presented.

Carried.

44-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council gives unanimous consent to Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw.

Carried.

45-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council gives third and final reading to Bylaw 03-2025 Wastewater Utility Rate Bylaw.

Carried.


**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

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Deputy Reeve