



**MINUTES
County Council Regular Meeting**

Lac Ste. Anne County held a County Council Regular Meeting on February 27, 2025 commencing at 9:38 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Building in Sangudo, Alberta.

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

Councillors Absent:

Staff Present: Mike Primeau, County Manager
Trista Court, GM of Community Engagement
Alvin Kuzyk, GM of Corporate Services
Greg Edwards, GM of Operations
Brian Hartman, GM of Infrastructure
Cindy Suter, Legislative & Support Services Supervisor
Sarah McGrath, Growth & Compliance Clerk
Twyla Lesko, Communications Coordinator
Dallas Choma, Enforcement Services Manager
Randy Schroeder, County Fire Chief
Rob Smyth, Assessment & Taxation Manager
Tanya Vanderwell, Development Officer

Also Present: One member of the public was in attendance.
Two members of the public were on-line.

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Joe Blakeman called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Acceptance of the Agenda

64-2025 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council approves the February 27, 2025, County Council meeting agenda as presented. Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

January 23, 2025 County Council Meeting Minutes

65-2025 MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council approves the January 23, 2025 County Council meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

February 11, 2025 County Council Meeting Minutes

66-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council approves the February 11, 2025, County Council meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

OPERATIONS

PUBLIC WORKS

OPERATIONS

FLEET & SHOP

HEALTH & SAFETY

OPS - OTHER ITEMS

GROWTH & COMPLIANCE

ASSESSMENT & TAXATION

Appointment of Assessment Review Board Officials (ARB) 2025

67-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council appoint the following as Assessment Review Board (ARB) Officials for 2025

ARB Chairman - Raymond Ralph

Certified ARB Clerk - Gerryl Amarin

Certified Panelists - Darlene Chartrand
 Sheryl Exley
 Tina Groszko
 Richard Knowles
 Marcel LeBlanc
 Raymond Ralph

Carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

2024 Enforcement Truck Purchase

68-2025 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council approve the additional funding required for the 2024 Capital Purchase of the two (2) enforcement vehicles in the amount of \$5,496.46 to come from the additional fine revenue earned in the 2024 Operating Budget.

Carried.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

INFRASTRUCTURE

UTILITIES

IT INFORMATION

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



2025 Northern Alberta Lemonade Day Program

69-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council supports the 2025 Northern Alberta Lemonade Day, promoted by Community Futures Yellowhead East, by:

- proclaiming June 14, 2025, as the 2025 Northern Alberta Lemonade Day Program;
- directing Administration to negotiate a sponsor partnership with each of the Town of Onoway, Town of Mayerthorpe, and Alberta Beach (splitting the \$500 request for each community 50/50) for a total of \$750.00 by the County; and
- directing Administration to facilitate additional volunteer and in-kind assistance with Community Futures Yellowhead East as required.

Carried.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES**COMMUNITY SERVICES****2024 Transfer from Reserves - Recreation Facility & Program Assistance Grant**

70-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council approve a transfer from the Recreation Fund Reserve, in the amount of \$23,030.00 to be applied to the 2024 Recreation Facility & Program Assistance Grant program to balance the revenue and the grant allocations provided for through previous resolutions.

Carried.

FIRE SERVICES**Fire Services 4th Quarter Report including 2024 Annual Comparison**

71-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council receives the Fire Services Department 4th Quarter Report including the 2024 Annual Comparison for information.

Carried.

Fire Services Agreement - Summer Village of Ross Haven

72-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council ratify the approval, and subsequent endorsement, of the Fire Services Agreement between Lac Ste. Anne County and the Summer Village of Ross Haven.

Carried.

Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Community Wildfire Mitigation Initiative through the Canadian Red Cross - Alberta 2023 Wildfires Community Wildfire Mitigation Program

73-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council approve the project scope and funding application for the Community Wildfire Mitigation Initiative through the Canadian Red Cross - Alberta 2023 Wildfires Community Wildfire Mitigation Program.

Carried.

CPS - OTHER ITEMS**ADMINISTRATION****BYLAWS & POLICIES****Bylaw 04-2025 Solid Waste Utility Bylaw**

74-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council give first reading to



Bylaw 04-2025 Solid Waste Utility Bylaw as presented.

Carried.

Bylaw #08-2025 Elections Procedure Bylaw

75-2025

MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council give first reading to Bylaw 08-2025 Elections Procedure Bylaw as presented.

Carried.

COUNTY MANAGER

Q3 2024 Community Policing Report from the Mayerthorpe RCMP

76-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council acknowledges receipt of the Q3 2024 Mayerthorpe Provincial Community Report, Five-Year Provincial Crime Statistics, Q3 Provincial Crime Statistics, and the Q3 2024 Community Letter to Lac Ste. Anne County from Acting Detachment Commander, Corporal Jamie Robertson of the Mayerthorpe Detachment for information.

Carried.

2025 Poundmaker's Lodge Annual Powwow

77-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council accepts the 2025 Poundmaker's Lodge Annual Powwow invitation as information and further approves the attendance of Council or a Council member to the August 22 through 24, 2025 event, and further directs Administration to request confirmation of the requirements for attendance at the event.

Carried.

Recess from 10:29 a.m. to 10:49 a.m.

FINANCE

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

78-2025

MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council enters into a Closed Session at 10:50 a.m. subject to Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss the following:

- Third party personal privacy
- Third party business interests
- Intergovernmental Relations

subject to Sections 16, 17 and 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP).

Carried.

79-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council adjourns the Closed Session at 11:26 a.m.

Carried.

Fire Incident Invoice Review

80-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council direct Administration to not invoice for fire services provided to Fire Services Incident No.25-010, on compassionate grounds.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

11:28 a.m. Presentation - Highway 16 Northwest Regional Tourism Association

81-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council accepts the presentation made by Chairman Walter Preugschas and Barb Kostiw on behalf of the Highway 16 Northwest Regional Tourism Association for information. Carried.

82-2025 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council approves joining the Northwest of 16 Regional Tourism Association with a membership fee of \$1000.00 and further approve the attendance at the March 24, 2025, Annual General Meeting at Glenreagh Hall at 6:30 p.m. Carried.

Recess for lunch from 12:10 p.m. to 12:52 p.m.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Closed Session

83-2025 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council enters into a Closed Session at 12:53 p.m. subject to Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss the following:

- Economic Interests of a Public body
- Third party business interests
- Advice from officials

subject to Sections 16, 24 and 25 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP).

Carried.

84-2025 MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council adjourns the Closed Session at 1:38 p.m. Carried.

Contract

85-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council approves entering into a contract with Kronprinz Business Consulting Ltd. for contracted support with Utility and Infrastructure initiatives, as discussed. Carried.

Island View

86-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council directs Administration to issue Stop Orders on all lots within the Island View subdivision except for Tax Roll(s) 5405093057 and 5405093013. Carried.

87-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council directs Administration to extend the building permit for Tax Roll 5405093057 to May 1, 2025. Carried.

2025 Onoway Regional Fire Services Mutual Aid Rates

88-2025 MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council approve the 2025 Onoway Regional Fire Services Mutual Aid rates proposed by the Town of Onoway, as

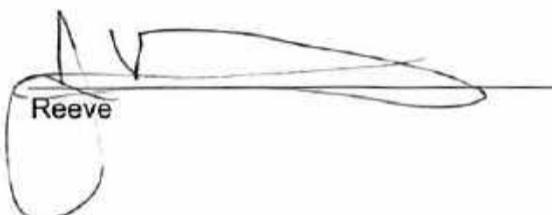


presented.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT



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Reeve