



**MINUTES  
County Council Regular Meeting**

Lac Ste. Anne County held a County Council Regular Meeting on April 10, 2025 commencing at 9:33 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  
Lorne Olsvik, Councillor  
Kevin Lovich, Councillor

Councillors Absent:

Staff Present: Mike Primeau, County Manager  
Alvin Kuzyk, GM of Corporate Services  
Brian Hartman, GM of Infrastructure  
Cindy Suter, Legislative & Support Services Supervisor  
Carla Callihoo, Finance Manager  
Jodi Sandercock, Finance Analyst  
Sarah McGrath, Assessment & Taxation Clerk  
Twyla Lesko, Communications Coordinator  
Rob Smyth, Assessment & Taxation Manager  
Tanya Vanderwell, Acting Planning & Development Manager  
Dallas Choma, Enforcement Services Manager

Also Present: Two members of the public were in attendance.  
No members of the public were on-line.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

7.A.14 Lac Ste. Anne County Annual Audit Ratio Study Report - Assessment Year 2024

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**Acceptance of Agenda**

140-2025 MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council accepts the April 10, 2025, County Council meeting agenda as amended. Carried.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**March 27, County Council Meeting Minutes**

**Adoption of the Minutes**

141-2025 MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council approves the March 27, 2025 County Council meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

**DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS****OPERATIONS****PUBLIC WORKS****FLEET & SHOP****HEALTH & SAFETY****OPS - OTHER ITEMS****CORPORATE SERVICES****CORPORATE SERVICES****ASSESSMENT & TAXATION****Tax Refund Requests Under Consideration**

142-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council accepts Agenda Item 7.A.1. Tax Refund Requests Under Consideration for information.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5302353002**

143-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5302353002 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5302353002.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5404031001**

144-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5404031001 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5404031001.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604151001**

145-2025                    MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604151001 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5604151001.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5503151002**

146-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council receives the Tax Refund Report for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5503151002 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5503151002.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602024001**

147-2025                    MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council receives the Tax Refund Report for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602024001 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5602024001.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602112004**

148-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council receives the Tax Refund Report for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602112004 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5602112004.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602333001**

149-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5602333001 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5602333001.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres 5604152003**

150-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604152003 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5604152003.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604224002**

151-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604224002 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5604224002.

Carried.

**Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604152004**

152-2025

MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council receives the report Tax Refund for Properties Over 30 Acres - 5604152004 for information and confirms that no tax refund is warranted for Tax Roll 5604152004.

Carried.

**Tax Refund Request - 5707072002**

153-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus County Council received correspondence dated August 21, 2024, concerning Tax Roll 5707072002, requesting a refund for an overpayment of taxes, and further County Council that the request be denied.

Carried.

**Tax Refund Request - 5605252001**

154-2025

MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council accepts the following for information and directs Administration to credit \$1362.72 to Tax Roll 5605252001; a refund for the 2023 and 2022 Tax Years.

Carried.

**Lac Ste. Anne County Annual Audit Ratio Study Report - Assessment Year 2024**

155-2025

MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council accepts the Lac Ste. Anne County Annual Audit Ratio Study Report completed by the Government of Alberta for the 2024 Assessment Year for information.

Carried.

**BYLAWS & POLICIES**

**07-2025 Property Tax Rate Bylaw**

- 156-2025      MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council give first reading to the Property Tax Rate Bylaw 07-2025, as presented. Carried.
- 157-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council gives second reading to Property Tax Rate Bylaw 07-2025. Carried.
- 158-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council gives unanimous consent to Property Tax Rate Bylaw 07-2025. Carried.
- 159-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council gives third and final reading to Property Tax Rate Bylaw 07-2025. Carried.

**2025 Operating Budget and 3 Year Operating Plan**

- 160-2025      MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council approves the 2025 Operating Budget and Three Year Operating Financial Plan Version 7 as presented. Carried.

**2025 Proposed Capital Budget Version 7**

- 161-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lloyd Giebelhaus that County Council approve the 2025 Capital Budget, along with the 2026 to 2034 ten-year capital plan as presented. Carried.

**FINANCE****12-2025 The Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw**

- 162-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council gives first reading to The Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw 12-2025 as presented. Carried.
- 163-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Ross Bohnet that County Council gives second reading to The Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw 12-2025. Carried.
- 164-2025      MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council gives unanimous consent to The Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw 12-2025. Carried.
- 165-2025      MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council give third and final reading to The Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw 12-2025. Carried.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT****ENFORCEMENT SERVICES****PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT****INFRASTRUCTURE****UTILITIES**

**IT INFORMATION**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**AGRICULTURAL SERVICES**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**FIRE SERVICES**

**CPS - OTHER ITEMS**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**COUNTY MANAGER**

**Recognizing the North Saskatchewan River as a Canadian Heritage River**

166-2025      MOVED BY Deputy Reeve Nick Gelych that County Council accepts the North Saskatchewan River Newsletter dated March 24, 2025, for information. Carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Closed Session**

167-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council enters a Closed Session subject to Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act at 10:50 a.m. to discuss the following:  
  
- Third-party agreements  
  
subject to Section 16 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy* (FOIP). Carried.

168-2025      MOVED BY Councillor George Vaughan that County Council adjourns the Closed Session at 11:12 a.m. Carried.

**Offer to Purchase - 54030743038**

169-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Lorne Olsvik that County Council does not accept the submitted offer and counters the land sales offer to purchase Lot 6, Block 1, Plan 2322079, Paradise Estates within NW 07-54-03 W5M, 3524 TWP RD 542, Tax Roll #5403073038 for ninety thousand five hundred dollars plus GST (\$90,500.00 plus GST). Carried.

**Island View**

170-2025      MOVED BY Councillor Kevin Lovich that County Council directs Administration to enter into an agreement with the landowner of Tax Roll 5405093057 to extend existing permits and to apply for the required permits with completion/compliance to August 31, 2026, and further, should the property be sold during this time, the purchaser will be required to obtain the necessary permits with the deadline being August 31, 2026. Carried.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

  
Reeve

  
Acting County Manager