

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Minutes of the **County Council meeting** held on Thursday, **September 25, 2014** at 9:00 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Reeve Mr. Cary Smigerowsky in the presence of the following persons:

		<u>A T T E N D A N C E</u>
		<u>Thursday, September 25, 2014</u>
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	
1	Dareld Cholak	Present
2	Ron Bobocel	Present
3	Craig Lukinuk	Present
4	Cary Smigerowsky	Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Present
C.A.O.	Cory Ollikka	Present
Asst CAO/R.S	Lydia Cielin	Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Present
GIS/Communication	Paul Miranda	Present

2 Members of the Media:
Smoky Lake Signal and Redwater Review in attendance.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 9:00 a.m.

2. Agenda:

Agenda
834-14: Bobocel

That the Agenda for Thursday, September 25, 2014 County Council meeting, be adopted as amended:

1. Mower and Arm Tender Results.
2. Smoky Lake Health Centre: Bathtub.
3. Policy Statement No. 03-35: Snow Clearing

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

Minutes of August 28, 2014 – County Council Meeting

835-14: Cholak

That the minutes of the County **Council Meeting** held on Thursday, August 28, 2014, be adopted.

Carried.

Minutes of September 2, 2014 – County Council Special Meeting

836-14: Lukinuk

That the minutes of the County **Council Special Meeting** held on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, be adopted.

Carried.

**Request For Proposal: County Lake –
Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services
Site 1: Hanmore Lake: West End and East End and Island Lake
Site 2: Bellis Beach
Site 3: Mons Lake and Kaduk Lake**

837-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County advertise the Request For Proposal: County Lake – Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services for a Five (5) year term: January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2019 for County Lake(s)

Site 1: Hanmore Lake: West End and East End and Island Lake.
Site 2: Bellis Beach.
Site 3: Mons Lake and Kaduk Lake.

Carried.

Unightly Premises: Hamlet of Warspite

838-14: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County obtain quotes for a Contractor for the destruction and removal of two unsightly premises in the Hamlet of Warspite on legal property 314HW; 4;15 located at 5112 – 50th Avenue; and legal property 314HW; 4; 12, 13 located on 5120 – 50th Avenue; and proceed to award to the lowest bid received, as a 2014 unbudgeted expenditure project.

Carried.

Addition to the Agenda:

Mower and Arm Tender

839-14: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County purchase from Waskatenau Motors the Schulte FX1200 – 10ft Rotary Mower in the amount of **\$17,300.00** and the Flex Arm -1510 in the amount of **\$19,040.00** for the Agricultural Service Board for a total of **\$36,340.00**.

Carried.

Policy Statement No. 03-35: Snow Clearing

840-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County make no change to the Snow Clearing Fees for Year 2014 and to remain as addressed in Policy Statement No. 03-35: Snow Clearing.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Health Centre: Bathtub

841-14: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County continuously lobby the Honourable Jeff Johnson, MLA, Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater and Alberta Health Services on the issue of the Smoky Lake Health Centre – Hospital Bathtub condition to be replaced to a satisfactory condition.

Carried.

Public Works Department: Tractor Snow Blade Equipment

842-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County purchase for the Public Works Department a Tractor Snow Blade Equipment for Year 2014, not to exceed the amount of \$20,000.00.

Carried.

5. Issues for Information:

Chief Administrative Officer's Report

The Chief Administrative Officer gave an updated report to Council for the period of August 28, 2014 to September 24, 2014.

Legislative / Governance:

- Council need to formally approve the Final Report of the Regional Community Development Project as per the attached motion.
- Re: Hanmore Lake West. The attached Title and Municipal Land Sale Agreement between the province and the County indicates that there are restrictions on what can be done with the former Crown lands that the County now “owns” and administers. It must remain as a municipal park to be maintained at County expense. The wisest approach would be to first have an Area Structure Plan completed for the Hanmore Lake area and, if appropriate, thereafter, consider some phases of expansion to the County Campsite facilities.
- Although we have not yet received a draft of the new MGA (to be introduced in Spring, 2015), the MGA Review Summary of Issues is now available on the Municipal Affairs Website. A copy is attached.
- CAO has been named as the Manager of the Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission. CFO and Service personnel remain with Thorhild County. A memorandum will be forthcoming from the Commission for these services to the respective Municipalities.

Administration:

- At the HUB manager's request, assisted with Editing HUB's Smoky Lake County Community Profile. It was very, very outdated.

Financial:

- The construction of the new inert Waste Cell at the Smoky Lake County Landfill is scheduled for 2015. Omni-McCann has submitted costs for the preliminary engineering work required which totals \$13,400. We have money in the Landfill Reserve to begin this work, which we will begin immediately with Council's blessing.

Human Resources:

- Completed Advertisement for Regional CEDO position. It will now be advertised with an October 15 deadline as per RCDC direction.

Community:

- Provided County Compressor to assist with the crack filling of the asphalt in front of the Smoky Lake Hospital.
- Provided 56.5 mT of 1" gravel to the Smoky Lake Kinsmen for their pre Pumpkin Fair preparations.
- First Baptist Church in Smoky Lake requests equipment (flat deck trailer with operator) to move 34 pallets of cardboard to the town's cardboard baler.
- The final tally is done for the **Wild Pink Yonder** Event.

Training:

- No report.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES - CHART:

- Completed:

Council Priorities:

- **# 2. REGIONAL STRATEGY: Joint Council Session – September 11 and 12, 2014.**
- **# 4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: Terms of Reference – August 28, 2014.**

CAO Operational Priorities:

- **# 2. Wild Pink Yonder Event – August 26, 2014 and Wild Pink Yonder Donation – September 25, 2014.**
- **# 3. REGIONAL STRATEGY: Joint Council Session – September 11 and 12, 2014.**
- **Bullet. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: Terms of Reference – August 28, 2014.**

The Strategic Priorities Chart – May 7, 2014.

Process included in every Council meeting Agenda as a constant reference:

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES CHART		May 7, 2014
COUNCIL PRIORITIES		
NOW		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FIRE SERVICE: Member Needs 2. REGIONAL STRATEGY: Joint Council Session 3. INDUSTRIAL LOTS: Business Case. 4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: Terms of Reference 5. TOURISM STRATEGY: Terms of Reference 	<p>May</p> <p>September</p> <p>September</p> <p>July</p> <p>November</p>	
NEXT		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LONG TERM CAPITAL PLAN • 3 YEAR BUDGET • AGRICULTURE STRATEGY • SENIORS LODGE: Request (SLFS) 	<p>ADVOCACY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Senior Lodge</i> • <i>Expansion Funding</i> 	
OPERATIONAL STRATEGIES		
<p>CAO (Cory)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Plan Policy – July 2. Wild Pink Yonder – August 3. REGIONAL STRATEGY: Session – Sept • ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: Terms of Reference – July • SENIORS LODGE: Request - June 	<p>FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (Brenda / Paul)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GIS Data: Completion - December 2. 3 YEAR BUDGET: Draft – June 3. LONG TERM CAPITAL PLAN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventory – December • Capital Infrastructure Plan • Office Renovation 	
<p>PROTECTIVE SERVICES (Scott / Trevor)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reorganize Disaster Services – June 2. FIRE SERVICES: Member Needs – May 3. Implement of Gemini – December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk Assessment – Hazardous Sites • Emergency Infrastructure 	<p>PARKS & RECREATION (Ed)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reclaim Boat Launches – June 2. Whitefish Boat Launch – July 3. Lake Boat Launch: Construction – June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: Terms of Reference – July • SENIORS LODGE: Request - June 	
<p>PLANNING SERVICES (Aline)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land Use Bylaw: Review – June 2. INDUSTRIAL LOTS: Business Case – Nov 3. Victoria District Area Structure Plan – Oct <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Management Plan • Safety Codes Agency: Select 	<p>AGRICULTURE SERVICES (Kurt)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. White Earth Creek: Blasting – July 2. Weed Identification Letters – August 3. Blasting SOP - June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wet Blade System: Program • AGRICULTURE STRATEGY 	
<p>ENVIRONMENT & UTILITIES (Dave F / John)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dry Cell Construction – September 2. AMR (Tap 6, 7 & 8) - December 3. Regional Water Line Completion – June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heater Replacement: Taps 3 & 6 • Mini-Waste Transfer (Bellis) – September 	<p>PUBLIC WORKS (Doug / Dave K)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Surface Material Exploration – Dec 2. Burner Replacement – April 3. Salt / Sand Shed – August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand Shop Yard • Increase Shop Tool Inventory 	
<p>KEY: BOLD CAPITALS – Council NOW Priorities <i>Italics = Council Advocacy Issues</i> BOLD CAPITALS = Councils NEXT Priorities Regular Title Case = Staff Operational Strategies</p>		

Next Strategic Plan Meeting for review is scheduled for September 26, 2014.

Financial Update:

As annexed to the minutes:

↪ Financial Statement for the Month: July 2014.

Action List(s):

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- County Council Meeting: August 28, 2014.
- County Council Special Meeting: September 2, 2014.

2013-2014 Regional Collaboration Grant**Final Report: Smoky Lake Region Community Development Partnership Project**

843-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County, as managing partner, on behalf of each respective municipality accept and approve the Final Report for submission to Alberta Municipal Affairs on the Regional Collaboration Program (RCP) – Regional Collaboration Component – 2012/13 Alberta Municipal Affairs - Conditional Grant signed on June 6, 2013 and Amending Conditional Grant Agreement for a time extension to November 30, 2014 on the Project: Smoky Lake Regional Community Development Partnership, with the following Workplan Deliverables Initiatives:

Undertaken and completed the 2013-2014 Work Plan Deliverable for Initiative 1 and Initiative 2 by Consultant Shane Pospisil:

Initiative 1: Consult, Develop, Communicate and Implement a New and Expanded Terms of Reference for a Regional Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee/Board.

Initiative 2: Communicate and Provide Shared Regional Services in the Critical Areas of Business Counselling, Retention and Growth Planning/Assistance; Business/Investment Attraction; Tourism Promotion and Attraction; and Overall Economic and Community Development Capacity-Building.

Undertaken and completed the 2013-2014 Work Plan Deliverable for Initiative 3 by Consultant Municipal Planning Services:

Initiative 3: Consult, Develop, Communicate and Integrate Initiatives that Address the Need for More Effective Regional and/or Inter-Municipal Growth, Land Use, Infrastructure, Recreation, Social and Emergency Services Planning and Opportunities for Potential or Increased Joint Services Provision.

as prepared and presented by Consultant Shane Pospisil, Project Manager.

Carried.

Hanmore Lake West: Unoccupied Land

844-14: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County write a letter to the Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development to formally request the Province for consideration, as jointly expressed in support at the Joint Municipalities Meeting held on June 16, 2014 – Motion JMM30-14, on the concept of the Provincial Park at Hanmore Lake West on unoccupied crown land located on property S ½ of Legal Subdivision 4 – 30-61-17-W4 containing 20.1 Acres, as indicated in the North Saskatchewan River Regional Plan; and c.c.North Saskatchewan River Regional Chairperson; Jeff Johnson, MLA, Athabasca-Sturgeon-Redwater and Alberta HUB.

Carried.

Smoky Lake County: Landfill

845-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County approve for Omni-McCann to proceed with the pre-engineering work for the new Inert Waste Cell at the Smoky Lake County Landfill Site, not to exceed the amount of \$15,000.00; and allocate funding from the Landfill Reserve, as an unbudgeted expenditure.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Health Centre

846-14: Lukinuk

That County Council approve action taken by the Chief Administrative Officer in providing “in-kind” assistance to the Smoky Lake Health Centre – the County Compressor to assist with the crackfilling of the asphalt in front of the Hospital.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Kinsmen

847-14: Orichowski That County Council approve action taken by the Chief Administrative Officer in providing “in-kind” donation to the Smoky Lake Kinsmen 56.5 tonnes of 1” gravel for their preparation for the Pumpkin Fair.

Carried.

First Baptist Church of Smoky Lake


848-14: Cholak That County Council approve the “in-kind” donation of a Public Works Equipment flat deck trailer with operator manpower to the First Baptist Church of Smoky Lake to move 34 pallets of cardboard to the Town of Smoky Lake cardboard baler.

Carried.

Wild Pink Yonder

849-14: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County accept the final Financial Statement of the “Wild Pink Yonder” Event of the Horseback Trail Ride on August 21 – 26, 2014:



BUDGET - County		
	Budget \$ 7,000.00	Actual Costs
EXPENDITURES:		
Venue		
Spedden - \$21.00/plate x 30 plates (Supper)	Original Budget	\$ 630.00
Spedden - \$15.00/plate x 30 plates (Breakfast)		\$ 450.00
Spedden Hall Rental x 2 Breakfast & Supper	Supper:	\$ 350.00
Bellis - \$25.00/plate x 33 plates (Supper)	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 825.00
Bellis - \$15.00/plate x 50 plates (Breakfast)		\$ 750.00
Bellis Hall Rental x 2 Breakfast & Supper	Breakfast:	\$ 600.00
Warspite \$21.00/plate x 30 plates (Supper)	\$ 750.00	\$ 630.00
Warspite Hall Rental x 2		\$ 550.00
Joint BBQ		\$ - 309.01
Decorations for Main Office, Shop, & 3 Hamlets	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 576.56
Advertising		\$ 688.99
Prizes for 3 Hamlets		\$ 257.99
Feed		\$ 165.00
Contingency	\$ 500.00	
TOTAL	\$ 7,000.00	\$6,875.81
Total Sales of fundraising merchandise		\$3,686.31
Fundraising merchandise		\$3,316.79
Profit		\$ 369.52
Cash Donation, (eg, halls, split pot, ribbon sales)		\$1,011.20
Donations by cheque and cowboy hat donation (already gave to WPY)		\$1,410.00
TOTAL DONATION		\$2,790.72
April 24, 2014 County Council Motion		
473-14	That Smoky Lake County approve a budget in the amount of \$7,000.00 to be allocated from the 2014 Contingency Budget for the initiative to host in the County - the “Wild Pink Yonder” horseback trail ride on August 21 – 26, 2014 to raise funds for Breast Cancer research on behalf of the Alberta Cancer Foundation; and promote recognition of Smoky Lake County’s support to this endeavour.	Finance Department: Finance Manager
474-14	That Smoky Lake County purchase T-Shirts for all personnel and Council of Smoky Lake County for the promotion and support of the “Wild Pink Yonder” horseback trail ride on August 21 – 26, 2014 during the period travelling through the County to raise funds for Breast Cancer research on behalf of the Alberta Cancer Foundation.	Senior Administration: Assistant CAO

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and forward the remaining donation of raised funds of Smoky Lake County in the net revenue amount of \$ **1,380.72** to **Wild Pink Yonder** for Breast Cancer research on behalf of the Alberta Cancer Foundation.

Carried.

850-14: Orichowski That the updated report for the period of August 28, 2014 to September 24, 2014 by the Chief Administrative Officer, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

7. Delegation:

Community Futures St. Paul-Smoky Lake Region

Present before County Council at 10:10 a.m. to 10:29 a.m. were Penny Fox, General Manager and Jodie Eckert, Community Economic Development Coordinator, Community Futures St. Paul-Smoky Lake Region to provide an update to Smoky Lake County Council an introduction and update on the activities of the Community Futures St. Paul-Smoky Lake Region.

- **Distributed a pamphlet:** Community Futures St. Paul-Smoky Lake Region – Open: Business Plans, Business Loans, Business Counselling, “Growing communities one idea at a time.

Brian Niziol, IT Technician entered the Council Chambers, time 10:30 a.m.

Resident: Ed Boothman

Present before County Council at 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. was Ed Boothman, Smoky Lake County Resident and Web Consulting and Graphic Design to provide Council a web view of Smoky Lake County Web-Site concept.

- **Distributed Information:** Alberta Web Consulting, dated September 25, 2014: Smoky Lake County – Web Design Concepts.

Brian Niziol, IT Technician left the Council Chambers, time 10:55 a.m.

5. Issues for Information:

Finance Manager’s: Report

Brenda Adamson, Finance Manager provided an updated Finance report for the period of August 15, 2014 to September 18, 2014.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES - CHART:

- **Completed:**

Finance & Administration Operational Priorities:

- **#2. 3 Year Budget : Draft – August 28, 2014**
2014 – 2106 Strategic Financial Plan – Motion 748-14.

Tax Agreement: Roll #17601940

851-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County execute a Tax Agreement with Jennifer L. Cinese, as per Policy Statement No. 12-01-01: Tax Agreement for Tax Roll Number 17601940 to pay the amount of **\$125.00 per month** for a period of 36 Months in effective September 30, 2014.

Carried.

Tax Agreement: Roll #14591930

852-14: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County execute a Tax Agreement with Kimberly Miller, as per Policy Statement No. 12-01-01: Tax Agreement for Tax Roll Number 14591930 to pay the amount of **\$425.00 per month** for a period of 36 Months in effective September 2014.

Carried.

Accounts Receivable No. 3955

853-14: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County cancel the Account Receivable No. 3955 of penalty charges for Accounts Receivable No. 3955 in the amount of \$7,645.30.

Carried.

854-14: Lukinuk That the Finance Manager’s Report received by Brenda Adamson for the period of August 15, 2014 to September 18, 2014, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Reeve’s Report

Reeve Cary Smigerowsky presented the following report:

- Schedule a Joint Council Meeting with the Town of Smoky Lake – Re: Landfill.
- Extend a “Thank You” to County Council and Staff for the great working relationship for the County – very much appreciation.
- Issues will be addressed during the Committee Task Force and Board reporting.

Joint Council Meeting: Town of Smoky Lake

855-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County Council schedule a Joint Council Meeting with the Town of Smoky Lake for Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to be held in the County Council Chambers to discuss Landfill.

Carried.

856-14: Bobocel That the Reeve’s report received, be accepted.

Carried.

Aline Brousseau, Planning and Development Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 11:15 a.m.

Management Report

Public Works Manager

- **2014 Three-Year Road Plan Projects** dated as of September 15, 2014.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES - CHART:

- **Completed:**

Public Works Operational Priorities:

- **# 3. Salt/Sand Storage Structure – August 12, 2014**

Management Reports

857-14: Cholak That the management reports received for the period of August 29, 2014 to September 19, 2014 from Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager; Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman; Dave Kully, Public Works Shop Foreman; Ed English, Peace Officer; Aline Brousseau, Planning and Development Manager; Trevor Tychkowsky, Safety Officer; and Paul Miranda, GIS/Communication Director, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Aline Brousseau, Planning and Development Manager left the Council Chambers, time 11:28 a.m.

9. Public Question and Answer Period:

11:30 a.m.

No Questions.

11:31 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.

- **Introduction:** Lewis Semashkewich – Intent of run for nominations for Federal Riding “Lakeland” – Conservative Party of Canada: Member of Parliament.
 - ▶ Smoky Lake County Council wished Lewis Semashkewich all the best in his endeavors.

Meeting Recessed

Meeting recessed for Lunch, time 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Reconvene

The meeting reconvened on a call to order by Reeve Cary Smigerowsky at 12:50 p.m. in the presence of all Council members, and the Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Recording Secretary; Finance Manager; and GIS/Communication Director.

Committee Task Forces and Boards: Reports

Alberta Care

- No report.

Corridor Communications Incorporated

- Letter: Amir Bigloo, CCI Wireless, dated September 22, 2014 – Re: Federal Government announced “Connecting Canadians” Grant Program.
 - Allocates \$305M funding over 5 years to enhance the deployment of Broadband in rural Canada.
 - Objective: to provide high-speed internet to a target speed of 5 megabits per second for up to an additional 280,000 rural Canadian households.
 - Robust high-speed internet is becoming a must, this program provides a great platform to enhance internet connectivity in rural Alberta.
- CCI Wireless is in the process of applying for the “Connecting Canadian” Grant Program administered by Industry Canada.
 - Will enhance the capacity of its existing network for higher speed internet connectivity.
 - Increase its current deployment footprint, providing robust internet services to more rural communities across Alberta.

CCI: Letter of Support

858-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County write a letter of support to Ms. Susan Hart, Director General, Broadband, Industry Canada, S.I.T.T., 300 Slater Street, 20th Floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0C8 as follows:

Smoky Lake County is excited about enhancing broadband services to our rural communities through “Connecting Canadians” program administered by Industry Canada. Bringing and enhancing broadband connectivity to our rural communities within Smoky Lake County will facilitate prosperity and economic growth to our rate payers across the County.

Smoky Lake County fully supports CCI Wireless applications for “Connecting Canadians” Grant. In the last five years, CCI Wireless has deployed an advanced Alberta-owned Rural high-speed internet network across the province of Alberta. The grass-root support of the Co-ops, Municipalities, and rural communities will guarantee sustainability and success of CCI Wireless for years to come.

We are very excited about the deployed network by CCI Wireless and the overwhelming positive feedback generated within communities served. The biggest comment we receive indicates need for more speed and coverage across rural communities in Alberta.

Carried.

Doctor Retention & Recruitment Committee

- No report.
- Next meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission

- Cell Construction proceeding – completion date scheduled for end of September 2014.
- Next meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2014.

Family Community Support Services Committee

- No report.

Family-School Liaison Committee

- No report.

Fire and Rescue Committee**Smoky Lake:**

- No report.

Vilna:

- No report.

Waskatenau:

- No report.

Government Liaison Committee

- **E-mail:** Lorraine Megella, Executive Assistant, Lethbridge County, dated August 22, 2014 – Re: Mayors and Reeves Liaison Committee Meeting on November 17, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Salon 4, Meeting Level, Shaw Conference Centre during the AAMDC Convention.
- Meeting with **Alberta Transportation:** Summary of 2014-2015 priorities for Smoky Lake County.

2014/2015 to Alberta Transportation: Transportation Priorities

859-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County prepare a Presentation for the meeting request with the Minister of Alberta Transportation – North Central Transportation Region at the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties Fall 2014 Convention at the Shaw Convention Centre to address the following 2014/2015 Transportation priorities and project status update:

1. **Status of Project(s): From the discussion held during our meeting a the 2014 Alberta Association of municipal Districts and Counties Spring Convention on March 18, 2014 in Edmonton, no letter was provided to Council's presentation. Today's presentation is primarily about seeking status updates for several projects.**
 - 1.1 **Highway 28:** Status and confirmation on timeframe of the re-surfacing (overlay) on the highway. Is this now in the Three-Year Construction Program? Increased traffic impact has made the road surface condition on Highway 28 to deteriorating rapidly.
 - 1.2 **Highway 28 and Highway 831: Intersection Amendment.** Status on the department's three-year construction Program to anticipate the intersection changes to be implemented sooner.
 - Numerous Motor Vehicle Collisions and several near-misses have raised serious concerns in our community.
 - 1.3 **Highway Intersection: 28 and 855** Please reconsider the option to reduce the Speed Limit from 100 km to 80km and/or enhance lighting is required at the Intersections of Highway 28 and North on Highway 855. **Safety Concern:** School Buses are having difficulty to pull-out and cross this highway – due to the increased traffic. **Thank You:** For permitting the Town of Smoky Lake to have temporary speed reduction to 80 km during our major events; i.e., Smoky Lake Stampede – Heritage Week-end and Great White North Pumpkin Weight-Off.
 - 1.4 **Bridge Funding:**
 - **Status:** Bridge Funding in the Three-Year Cycle.

- 1.5 **Highway 831:**
- Current increase to the wide loads on Highway 831 – Is the permitting issued to the appropriate standards (ie. Wide loads allowed on specific highways). These wide loads are a safety concern.
Concern: Wide loads (even regular loads) travelling north and south – when they meet – there is inadequate shoulder width to provide a safe pull-off the road.
- 1.6 **Highway 855:**
- What is the latest status on completing the paving of Highway 855 – North of Buffalo Lake.
- 1.7 **Awareness: Highway Heavy-Truck Traffic:**
- Highway 652; Highway 857; and Highway 859 have an increase of Heavy-Truck Traffic which is impacting the road surface on these highways and can these highways handle such heavy traffic. Does Alberta Transportation's Business plan have address upgrades for overlay on these Highways?
2. **Other Issues for Discussion:**
- 2.1 **Fire Call Invoices/Payment Process:**
- In regards to Alberta Transportation's new negotiated agreement on "Fire Call Payment" process of submission to Insurance Companies in reference to the Fire Department Emergency Response on Highways: Why the Transition? Difficult to implement.
- 2.2 **Development Approval(s):**
- Alberta Transportation Development Approval(s) in regards to Highway set-back appears inconsistent from site to site.
- 2.3 **Grants**
- Do any grants exist that can target assistance for high-traffic roads through Nation Designated Historical Areas.

Carried.

Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager left the Council Chambers, time 1:35 p.m.

Highway 28/63 Regional Water Services Commission

- **Smoky Lake County:** Chief Administrative Officer appointed as Manager.

In-House Safety Committee

- Meeting: September 24, 2014.
- First Aid Training: Fall 2014 for the Fire Department and Staff.
- Scissor Lift Training: Fall 2014.
- Chain Saw Training: November 2014.
- Crane Training: Spring 2015.
- Internal Audit: Done by AMHSA at the end of October 2014.
- Safety Officer will be assisting the new Auditor at Two Hills County.
- One incident reported: Unit 108 - Equipment.
- Next Meeting scheduled for October 22, 2014.

Municipal Planning Commission

- No report.

Northeast Alberta Information HUB

- Email: Bob Bezpalko, Executive Director, Northeast Alberta Information HUB, dated September 5, 2014 – Re: Board Meeting Agenda for October 2, 2014.

860-14: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County Reeve attend the Northeast Alberta Information HUB Board Meeting on October 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Paul at the St. Paul Senior Citizens Center.

Carried.

North East Muni-Corr. Ltd.

- Muni-Corr is working with a group to set-up a 2015 Amazing Race Event.
- Quad Ride on September 6, 2014: St. Paul to Cold Lake was completed.
- Texas Gates are being built for the trail.
- A National Trails Coalition Grant Application has been completed and sent out for funding of the Beaver River Trestle.
- Two Alto Award Applications were also completed.

Northern Lights Library System

- Northern Lights Library System Quarterly Meeting was held on September 6, 2014 in Elk Point.
- Annual Conference was held on September 18 and 19, 2014 in Elk Point. Several courses were offered – Basic Board Course is one of the courses I attended.
- Next Board Meeting scheduled for November 1, 2014.

Policy Committee

- No report.

R.C.M.P. Liaison Committee

- No report.

Regional Community Development Committee

- Issues will be addressed at the Joint Municipalities Meeting scheduled for September 29, 2014.
- Next meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2014.

Regional Disaster Services Agency Committee

- No report.

Risk Pro Control Management Committee

- **Jubilee Insurance: RiskPro 7** – Five personnel will be attending the session on October 28, 2014 in Stony Plain.
- **Minutes:** Added Named Insured:
 - **No Minutes** – Received.

Smoky Lake Agricultural Society

- Meeting: September 2, 2014.
- Meeting Rental Space for the Balcony: \$150.00 per day – plus damage deposit of \$150.00.
- Raffle Tickets: 95 Books left to sell.
- Halloween Dance: October 31, 2014 will be held at the Complex – Tribute Band AC-DC.
- Smoky Lake Agricultural Society will no longer be renting Tables.

Smoky Lake Foundation

- Contract with Connecting Care is processing well – draft is prepared.
- Agreement with Alberta Health Services – no financial gaps anticipated.
- Continuing with the Alberta Seniors and Community Supports Affordable Supportive Living Initiative – Project is well underway.

Smoky Lake Heritage Board

- No Minutes.

Joint Municipalities

- Next Meeting: Scheduled for **September 29, 2014** hosted by the Village of Waskatenau.

Spray Park Committee

- Committee is selling Tickets for the “Dinner and Casino” Night to be held on November 8, 2014. Cost: \$35.00 per Ticket.

861-14: Cholak

That the Committee Task Force and Board Reports presented by Councillors be accepted.

Carried.

7. Delegation:

Executive Session

862-14: Cholak

That County Council go into Executive Session to discuss land and Property issue in the Smoky Lake Region with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, time 2:00 p.m.

Carried.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Present before County Council in an “Executive Session” at 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. were Sergeant A.E.A. (Al) Baird, and Constable M. Matt Macumber, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Smoky Lake Detachment to discuss a Land and Property issues in the Smoky Lake Region.

863-14: Cholak

That County Council go out of Executive Session, time 2:45 p.m.

Carried.

Aline Brousseau, Planning and Development Manager entered the Council Chambers, time 2:50 p.m.

8. Executive Session:

864-14: Cholak

That County Council go into Executive Session to discuss land – Smoky Lake County: Lot 2, Plan 8621882 in the Town of Smoky Lake and a legal issue with Bonnie Lake Resort Petition documents, time 2:50 p.m.

Carried.

Deputy Reeve, Randy Orichowski left the Council Chambers, time 3:05 p.m.

865-14: Bobocel

That County Council go out of Executive Session, time 3:25 p.m.

Carried.

866-14: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County Administration, on behalf of County Council send a response letter to Peter Therrien in regards to the Petition submitted to Smoky Lake County on September 11, 2014 on behalf of the citizens in Bonnie Lake Resort Area in regards to the Municipal Government Act – Part 17, whereby the aforementioned Petition is invalid, but concerns will be brought to the next public hearing.

Carried.

Aline Brousseau, Planning and Development Manager left the Council Chambers, time 3:26 p.m.

6. Correspondence:**AAMD&C**

867-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge that no correspondence received from the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties for the Month of September 2014.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: Gas Tax Fund

868-14: Cholak

That Smoky Lake County execute the Memorandum of Agreement Gas Tax Fund (GTF) Program for the period of 2014 – 2024 with the Government of Alberta – Municipal Affairs between the Canada and Alberta to help communities build and revitalize public infrastructure.

Carried.

Village of Vilna: X-Ray Equipment – Vilna Health Centre

869-14: Lukinuk

That County Council who can attend – attend the meeting scheduled in the Village of Vilna with Alberta Health Services on October 6, 2014 in regards to the X-Ray Equipment at the Vilna Health Centre.

Carried.

Smoky Lake Pumpkin Growers Association

870-14: Cholak

That the letter received from Jacalyn Lewicki, Secretary, Smoky Lake Pumpkin Growers Association, dated August 30, 2014 be forwarded to the Smoky Lake County Parks and Recreation Department to assist the Smoky Lake Pumpkin Growers Association with manpower and/or equipment for the 2014 – 26th Annual Pumpkin Fair and Weigh-off; and that the Reeve attend the Smoky Lake 2014 – 26th Annual Pumpkin Fair and Weigh-off on Saturday, October 4, 2014 at 11:45 a.m. at the Smoky Lake Agricultural Complex to bring greetings on behalf of Smoky Lake County.

Carried.

International Union of Operating Engineers – Local 955

871-14: Bobocel

That Smoky Lake County Negotiating Committee schedule a meeting on October 15, 20 or 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. to commence bargaining negotiations on the Collective Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers – Local 955; as per letter received from Bruce Moffatt, Business Manager/Financial Secretary, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 955, dated September 5, 2014.

Carried.

Alberta Transportation: Reply Letter

872-14: Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Michael Botros, Regional Director – Delivery Services, Alberta Transportation, dated July 28, 2014 in regards to the meeting with Honourable Wayne Drysdale, Minister of Transportation on July 16, 2014 response to “Why wide, over dimensional loads are allowed to travel in a convoy”.

Carried.

2014 Fall AAMDC Convention

873-14: Cholak

That County Council and appropriate Administration who can attend – attend the 2014 Fall AAMDC: Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties on November 17 – 20, 2014 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton, Alberta.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: Gas Tax Fund

874-14: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Honourable Greg Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated September 4, 2014 in regards to the County's 2014 Gas Tax Fund (GTF) allocation is \$133,635.00 based on 2013 population.

Carried.

Alberta Municipal Affairs: Gas Tax Fund

875-14: Bobocel That Smoky Lake County acknowledge receipt of the letter received from Honourable Greg Weadick, Minister of Municipal Affairs, dated August 27, 2014 in regards to the County's Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital funding of qualifying projects:

CAP-5818	Fibermat Road Sealing	\$ 524,000
CAP-5819	Road Oil Treatment and Base Stabilization	\$ 478,000
CAP-5820	Grader Replacement	\$ 250,000
CAP-5826	Road Graveling	\$ 427,727

Carried.

Sustainable Resource Development**Grazing Lease No. GRL 36281**

876-14: Lukinuk That the c.c. letter received from Wilma G. Bihis, Approvals and Disposition Unit, Government of Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, dated August 15, 2014 written to William C. Gibson in regards to the Grazing Lease No. GRL 36281 amended to include NW 33-60-16-W4, Section 3, SE 4-61-16-W4 as per signed Statutory Declaration dated May 17, 2013 requesting lands from GRL 36824 is renewed for a term of 10 years for 302 AUMs of Grazing Healthy Rangelands - effective January 1, 2013, be filed for information.

Carried.

Waskatenau School Youth Foundation

877-14: Cholak That Smoky Lake County defer to a Budget Meeting the letter received from Kim Karvonen, President, Waskatenau School Youth Foundation, dated September 17, 2014 in regards to a Platinum Sponsorship donation in the amount of \$10,000.00 of towards a playground – fund raiser for Holy Family Catholic School in Waskatenau, Alberta.

Carried.

Thank You: Summary Listing

878-14: Lukinuk That Smoky Lake County file for information the September 2014 Summary Listing of Thank You received from organizations extending appreciation of support:

- Bonnie Lake Social Club: Golf Tournament – Donation.
- Victoria Home Guard: Annual Dinner – Donation.

Carried.

Information Releases

879-14: Bobocel That the Information Releases for the Month of September 2014, be accepted and filed for Information.

Carried.

Reading File

No correspondences in the Reading File.

Bills & Accounts:

880-14: Cholak

That all the Bills and Accounts approved for payment, including the bills and accounts recommended for payment by the Natural Gas Council, including transfers to the Payroll Account be filed for information:

Batch #	Cheque Numbers	Total of Batch
29621	36534 to 36538	\$ 5,750.06
29646	36539 to 36608	\$ 319,786.10
29669	36609 to 36624	\$ 240,268.28
29680	36625 to 36651	\$ 313,712.30
29712	36652 to 36678	\$ 72,262.45
Total Cheques		\$ 951,779.19
Direct Debit Register		
29704	Smoky Lake County	\$ 318,830.59
Total Direct Debits		\$ 318,830.59
Grand Total Bills and Accounts		\$ 1,270,609.78

Carried.

County Council Meeting(s)

881-14: Bobocel

That the next **County Council Meeting(s)** be scheduled for Thursday, **October 23, 2014** (*after the Organizational Meeting*); and Thursday, **December 4, 2014** at 9:00 a.m.; to be held at the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

882-14: Smigerowsky

That this meeting be adjourned, time 3:35 p.m.

Carried.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER