# **SMOKY LAKE COUNTY**

Minutes of the County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting for the purpose of Industry Liaison held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 10:08 A.M. in the County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Reeve, Mr. Craig Lukinuk, in the presence of the following persons:

		ATTENDENCE
Div. No.	Councillor(s)	Wednesday, Mar.13, 2019
1	Dan Gawalko	Present
2	Johnny Cherniwchan	Present
3	Craig Lukinuk	Present
4	Lorne Halisky	Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Present
C.A.O.	Cory Ollikka	Present
Assistant C.A.O.	Lydia Cielin	Absent
Legislative Svcs/R.S.	Patti Priest	Present
PW Manager	Doug Ponich	Absent
Road Liaison	Bob Novosiwsky	Present
P & D Manager	Jordan Ruegg	Absent
Com/GIS Manager	Paul Miranda	Absent
Ag. Fieldman	Tori Cherniawsky	Present

#### Others in Attendance:

Company	Representative Name
Access Pipeline	Lisa Brigden
Bernum Petroleum	Terry Tychkowsky
CLH Group Inc.	Cody Hrehorets
Dale Croswell Construction Co. Ltd	Dale Croswell
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Eagle Rock Incorporated	Dan Kotylak
Spur Petroleum	Travis Paradis

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Hank Holowaychuk, Town of Smoky Lake Mayor, in attendance as an observer.

# 2. Agenda:

476-19: Orichowski

That the Smoky Lake County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting for the purpose of Industry Liaison Agenda for Wednesday, March 13, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

# 3. Minutes:

# Minutes of February 26, 2018 - Industry Liaison Meeting

477-19: Gawalko

That the minutes of the Smoky Lake County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Tuesday, February 26, 2018, be filed for information.

Carried.

#### 4. Request for Decision:

No Request for Decision.

## 5. <u>Issues for Information:</u>

# Road Bans on Gravel Roads as per County Bylaw 1225-11

Smoky Lake County spoke to Road Bans on Gravel Roads as per County Bylaw 1225-11, including the following points:

- Some of the County roads are badly pounded-out from trucks travelling with excessive weight and speed.
- The County has made the decision to purchase a radar gun and will be enforcing the laws of the roads by issuing violation tags and or fines.

## Aggregate Extraction Business License: as per Bylaw 1306-17

Smoky Lake County spoke to the Aggregate Extraction Business License: as per Bylaw 1306-17, including the following points:

- The Aggregate Extraction Business License is renewed annually.
- The reporting period is every three months and we will be enforcing the bylaw more stringently this year; if it means shutting down until the reporting is done so be it.

## Haul Road Agreement: as per Policy Statement 03-14-11

Smoky Lake County spoke to the Haul Road Agreement: as per Policy Statement 03-14-11, including the following points:

• Please use empty haul routes as designated.

# Road Conditions: Communication of Road Safety Concerns

Smoky Lake County spoke to Road Conditions: Communication of Road Safety Concerns, including the following points:

- We seem to be working well together; if there is an issue, we are contacted so we can address the issue.
- Sometimes it dries faster than expected, we may look at MG30 some places and then it's easy for contractors to water it. The contractor must stay on top of watering.
- We have had good feedback on the MG30 road treatment and it is not as corrosive as calcium treatments. If it's designated as a road haul-road we must maintain it as such. If you find problems with the roads let us know, you can call any Councillor or the Road Foreman. When we hear from you and become aware of it, we can act on it.
- We have been working closely with the waterline contractors along the Iron Horse Trail, and they have been corporative.
- We cannot follow up with trucks that shouldn't be there if we do not know about it.

Jordan Ruegg, Planning and Development Manager and Kyle Schole, Planning and Development Assistant entered Council Chambers, time 10:22 a.m.

# Repairs to Roads: Protocol to Avoid Damage

Addressed above.

## **Pipeline Crossing: Agreement Protocol**

Smoky Lake County noted that there has been little to no activity due to pipelines going into abandonment.

#### Property Access onto Road Allowance: Adequate Gravelling

Smoky Lake County has been adding material to road allowances and will continue to work with property access users as this spring will likely be worse than last year due to the heavy snow load melting.

## **Dust Control: Cooperation to Alleviate Safety Concerns**

Smoky Lake County spoke to Dust Control and Cooperation to Alleviate Safety Concerns, including the following points:

- It is important to conduct watering of roads to control the dust; and we understand dry and windy conditions make it difficult to maintain and if there is too much water applied, it causes mud.
- Problem spot need to be noted so we can help stabilize the base to mitigate the dust issues.

## Industry representatives added the following points:

- The MG30 dust control road application works well with watering; it does a lot of good and packs well.
- It's a very small percentage of us that are causing complaints; we have safety meetings every morning and we go over speed issues as also have a big general safety meeting every month. Every time we get a complaint, we address it. You can tell who has safety meetings and who doesn't.
- We have told contractors that they are "off the haul" because of speeding; and once you set the tone, everyone does better.
- What the County is doing with the MG30 is good.

# **Roundtable Industry Updates:**

## **Access Pipeline**

- Nothing new: operation and maintenance only.
- We have new ownership and will be rebranding as Wolf Midstream; the people aren't going to change.
- Will be coming out for in-person visits with landowners and Planning and Development staff, to make formal introductions and provide information on who we are in May, 2019.

#### Bernum Petroleum Ltd.

• No drilling, just regular maintenance.

#### **CLH Group Inc.**

- Same as last year 40,000 to 60,000 tonne.
- There will be a more aggressive spring push this year under limited morning hours while the roads are frozen.
- Will be crushing in 10 days for approximately three months.
- If the County's royalty fees are staying as is, MG30 road treatments should be something that's looked after by the County as Smoky Lake County is well over double the fees compared to other adjacent Counties.
- We've been working together with the County Road Foreman; when it is icy, we put a load of material on the road at our expense.
- We have had to pay the royalty fees up front before we move any material out, and with the weather the way it was, we weren't able to move what we expected.
- I would like Council to bring the Aggregate Levy back for review because it is very one sided to the County's advantage.
- Two Hills County charges \$7,000/mile and if the road is left in good shape, we get the money back. If Smoky Lake County charged a high-end development fee, maybe other charges could be reduced.

#### Dale Croswell Construction Co. Ltd.

- Same thing, hoping to get some more work; we have bids out.
- The carbon levy is a major expense concern and economy is down.
- We are trying to keep our 12 trucks busy.
- The big pile end use will go to Thorhild County
- Smoky Lake County is good to work with.

## **Eagle Rock Incorporated**

• Everything is good, Cody Hrehorets and Dale Croswell have summed it up.

## **Spur Resources**

- Spur Resources has changed its' name to Spur Petroleum Ltd.
- We will be drilling a couple new wells within Smoky Lake County in the third quarter of this year.
- As of March 10, 2019, our trucks have been off the roads by 10:00 a.m.

# **Town of Smoky Lake**

- The Town of Smoky Lake appreciates the support from industry to our local economy and we are trying to be trucker friendly.
- Smoky Lake was a producer of natural gas for 20 years and now we have cut and capped our wells.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for Spring 2020 or anytime at the call of the chair upon request.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

478-19: Lukinuk

That this meeting be adjourned, time 11:22 a.m.

Carried.

REEVE

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER