

**SMOKY LAKE COUNTY**

Minutes of the **County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting for the purpose of Planning of Friday, December 16, 2022 at 9:23 A.M.** held in County Council Chambers and virtually online through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting.

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

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>		
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Friday, Dec. 16, 2022</u>
1	Dan Gawalko	Present in Chambers
2	Linda Fenerty	Present in Chambers
3	Dominique Cere	Present in Chambers
4	Lorne Halisky	Present in Chambers
5	Jered Serben	Present in Chambers
CAO	Gene Sobolewski	Present in Chambers
Assistant CAO	Lydia Cielin	Absent
Executive Svcs/R.S.	Patti Priest	Virtually Present
Plan. & Dev. Manager	Jordan Ruegg	Virtually Present
Planning Technician	Kyle Schole	Virtually Present
Bylaw Enforcement	Tate Murphy	Virtually Present
GIS Technician	Carole Dowhaniuk	Virtually Present

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No Members of the Media were present.

No Members of the Public were present.

**2. Agenda:**

266-22: Cere

That the Agenda for Smoky Lake County Council Committee of the Whole Meeting for the purpose of Planning, for December 16, 2022, be adopted, as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

**3. Minutes:**

No Minutes.

**4. Request for Discussion:**

The Planning and Development Manager and Planning Technician, provided Council information including, but not limited to the following:

Five Small 'Big Ideas'

To Underpin a New Land Use Bylaw (LUB) & Municipal Development Plan (MDP):

- 1) Modernized of the 'front-end' or administrative matters.  
re: updates under the *Modernized Municipal Government Act (aka 'The Act', 2017)* and the *Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021*.
  - Changes to the avenues of appeal (Land and Property Rights Tribunal).
  - Changes to permit processing timelines.
- 2) Easy-to-understand.
  - Simplify jargon, terminology, & definitions.
  - New definitions added, dealing with new and developing Uses.
  - Remove of confusing or redundant definitions.
  - Elimination of definitions that are not referenced elsewhere in the Bylaw
- 3) Updated Maps & Graphics.
  - GIS has advanced massively since 2012, and an image is worth a thousand words.
  - More readable maps and graphics will improve user accessibility and understanding of the Bylaws
- 4) Indigenous Engagement & Relationship Building.
  - 2023 Regional Indigenous Framework Study
  - *Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant led by Village of Vilna.*
    - Requirement under the MGA to notify adjacent Indigenous communities (First Nations and Metis Settlements) when adopting a new LUB/MPC (S. 636(1)) ...we have *opportunity to go further.*

- 5) Land Use Districts that are informed by data & sound rational.
- North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) Riparian Setback Calculator.
  - 2020 Regional Stormwater Study.
    - *Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant to be led by the Town of Smoky Lake.*
  - 2022 Beaver River and 2012 North Saskatchewan River Integrated Watershed Management Plans (IWMPs)
  - 2023 Waskatenau Creek Connectivity Study
    - *Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant to be led by the Village of Waskatenau.*
  - 2023 Agricultural Suitability and Environmental Sensitivity Study
    - *Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant to be led by Smoky Lake County.*
    - Possibility for MDP Subdivision Regulations based on soil quality, etc.

Proposed Timeline:

- Apply for 2022/23 ACP Grants, which if successful, will aim to be complete by Q4 of 2023.
- Public Engagement during Q2 – Q3 of 2023.
- Return to Committee in Q4 of 2023 (i.e., October) with a revised MDP and LUB for First Reading.

One Member of the Public, virtually joined the meeting, time 11:18 p.m.

Tate Murphy, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, virtually left the meeting, time 11:25 a.m.

**5. Issues for Information:**

No Issues for Information.

**6. Correspondence:**

No Correspondence.

**7. Delegation:**

No Delegation.

**8. Executive Session:**

No Executive Session

**ADJOURNMENT**

267-22: Cere

That the Smoky Lake County Council Committee of the Whole for the purpose of Planning Meeting of December 16, 2022, be adjourned, time 12:17 p.m..

Carried.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER