



Council Highlights

Available Lots and Properties Within and Surrounding the Hamlet of Lac La Biche

- As Council directed, administration prepared a list of available lots and properties in the Hamlet of Lac La Biche. The number of properties and their selling price will inform Council's approval of future developments within the County.
- After the presentation, Council directed administration to find more information on the cost of developing residential subdivisions in the hamlets.

Proposed Costs to Extend Plan Area for the South Lac La Biche Major Area Structure Plan

- County administration is developing the South Lac La Biche Major Area Structure Plan (ASP) with a contractor, Parioplan. The plan will designate land uses, and how County services will be provided in the area.
- An ASP exists for Highway 36, but it only occupies the area inside the former Town of Lac La Biche Boundary. It does not extend further south than the bypass road.
- Council chose to include lands further south of the current Highway 36 ASP in the new South Lac La Biche Major ASP. The majority of the Highway 36 ASP will be replaced by the South Lac La Biche Major ASP. This will cost up to \$36,584.63, including GST.

The Estates of Arbor Field Area Structure Plan

- Two letters outlining residents' concerns with the proposed Estates of Arbor Field Area Structure Plan (ASP) were read into record.
- Council discussed the potential environmental impact of future development outlined in the Arbor Field ASP. They also discussed potential issues with hooking up to water and sewer systems.
- Council directed administration to discuss with the developer changing the type of sewer services from sewer

mounds to sewer holding tanks and cisterns, or connection to municipal services. The updated ASP will be brought before Council for third and final reading.

Capital Project Update

- Administration updated Council on capital projects' progress throughout the County.
- Council motioned that administration bring forward a request for decision (RFD) at August 23's Council meeting. The RFD will outline administration's plan to partner with Fortis to complete the street lighting on 101 Avenue to Beaver Hill Road.

Approve Cancellation of 2016 Tax Penalties for County Property Owners Residing in Fort McMurray Area

- During the Fort McMurray evacuation, Canada Post had issues delivering mail in that area. The County mailed out their 2016 Property Tax and Assessment notices on May 18, 2016, and wildfires in Fort McMurray had already disrupted services. Many County property owners living in Fort McMurray did not receive their tax notices until after June 30's payment deadline. That resulted in penalties on unpaid balances.
- Council chose to cancel tax penalties for County property owners living in the Fort McMurray area, which amounted to \$6,893.79.



Regular Council Meeting August 9, 2016

Transfer of Funds to the Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation

- In 2015, Lac La Biche County set aside \$110,000 in reserves to fund the Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation. These funds were supposed to be transferred to the Foundation when the Minister of Health formally established the Foundation, which occurred in the fall 2015.
- Lac La Biche County also hosted the Golf Fore Health tournaments in 2014 and 2015, the proceeds of which were set aside for the Foundation in the amount of \$41,646.68.
- Council made a motion to transfer both amounts to the Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation.

Letter of Support: Lac La Biche County Library Board

- The Lac La Biche County Library Board is applying for grant funding through the provincial Community Initiatives Program. If successful, the board will purchase new software and equipment to expand their programs. They'll also update their circulation technology for better collection management and customer service.
- Council agreed to provide a letter to the board supporting its grant application.

Meeting with Ministers at the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Convention

- Council directed administration to set up meetings with the following provincial ministers at the next Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) convention: Danielle Larivee (Municipal Affairs), Deron Bilous (Economic Development and Trade), Richardo Miranda (Culture and Tourism), Marlin Schmidt (Advanced Education), Brian Mason (Transportation), and Sarah Hoffman (Health).

Appointment to Assessment Review Boards

- Assessment Review Boards allow residents to contest the results of their property assessments. In order to ensure that there are enough board members on the County's local and composite assessment review boards, Council appointed Ron Epp, effective immediately and for a term ending May 31, 2019.