

**MINUTES  
SADDLE HILLS COUNTY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY APRIL 26, 2011**

*Meeting of the Council for Saddle Hills County was held in the Council Chambers of the Saddle Hills County Administration Building on Tuesday April 26, 2011.*

**PRESENT:**

***TIM STONE  
CINDY CLARKE  
KEN TIFFORD  
JOHN MOEN  
ALVIN HUBERT  
BARBARA BUCK  
BRUCE JACK***

***REEVE  
COUNCILLOR  
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***DIANNE NELLIS***

***CHIEFADMINISTRATIVE  
OFFICER***

***SANDY PEDDLE***

***RECORDING SECRETARY***

***DON MACKINNON***

***DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING  
AND PUBLIC WORKS***

**ABSENT:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m.

*Don MacKinnon, Director of Engineering and Public Works entered the Council meeting at 10:48 a.m.*

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 5.3 Bay Tree Deceleration / Acceleration Lanes
- 5.4 Town Ship Road 801 – Pouce Valley Road
- 5.5 One Ton Truck Breakdown
- 5.6 Ditch Cleaning Policy PW27
- 6.2 Economic Development Board of Directors
- 7.6 Old Secondary Highway 727 Closure

**MOTION**

**01.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Jack that County Council adopt the agenda for the April 26, 2011 regular meeting with the noted additions.**

**Carried**

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**3.1 Council Meeting Minutes – April 12, 2011**

The minutes from the April 12, 2011 regularly scheduled meeting of Council were presented for Council's review. The following correction was noted:

Pg. 3 add comment that Councillor Titford did not return to the Council meeting after Council recessed for lunch.

**MOTION**

**02.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Moen that the Council minutes from the April 12, 2011 meeting be adopted as amended.**

**Carried**

**5.1 CAO Report**

The Chief Administrative Officer's written report was presented to Council. The following items were discussed:

- Victims Services
- MCR Services
- Volunteer Fire Services Responding to a Fire in BC
- Councillor Orientation
- Municipal Affairs Public Input Toolkit
- Regional Collaboration Meeting

**MOTION**

**03.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer's written report for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**5.2 Director of Engineering and Public Works' Report**

The Director of Engineering and Public Works' written report was presented to Council. The following items were discussed:

- Graveling Program
- Dust Control Program
- Working Water System
- Review of Spring Snow Fall Response

**MOTION**

**04.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council accept the Director of Engineering and Public Works' report for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**Range Road 134 – Water Reservoir**

Council held discussion on the possibility of constructing a water reservoir to be developed on Range Road 134 in conjunction with the borrow pit application currently advertised by Genivar.

*Council recessed for lunch at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 1:05 p.m.*

*Councillor Jack entered the meeting at 1:10 p.m.*

**5.3 Bay Tree Deceleration / Acceleration Lanes**

Administration presented Council with preliminary drawings for the Bay Tree Deceleration Acceleration turning lanes for Council's consideration.

**MOTION**

**05.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council accept the report for information purposes only and direct Administration to set up a meeting with Minister Ouellette to discuss the design of the Bay Tree Deceleration / Acceleration Lanes.**

**Carried**

**5.4 Township Road 801- Pouce Valley Road**

Administration presented Council with a report on Township Road 801, the Pouce Valley Road. Council directed Administration to investigate possible land acquisition to assist with slope stabilization and report back to Council.

Administration was also directed to continue with road maintenance as required.

### **5.5 One Ton Truck Breakdown – Request for Exemption of Policy FN05**

Administration presented Council with a report on the unexpected breakdown of the one ton truck that is utilized to haul the backhoe and other equipment. The truck is currently being serviced and Administration does not have a timeline of when it may be ready to put back to work. Administration has located a vehicle to lease, however, due to Policy FN05 regarding hiring equipment owned by employee family members, requested permission to be exempted from Policy FN05.

**MOTION  
06.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Hubert that County Council authorize an exemption to Policy FN05 to allow for the rental a One-ton truck from LWM Oilfield Maintenance, should such a unit be require prior to the return of the Saddle Hills County equipment.**

**Defeated**

### **6.1 2011 Mower Purchase**

Administration was requested to bring information back to Council regarding the type of mower being bid by the low bidder ARNS for the 2011 lawn mower purchase.

**MOTION  
07.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council direct Administration to enter into a contract to award the tender for the supply of 2011 Riding Lawn Mower to ARNS Equipment Ltd. at a cost of \$8,241.00. plus GST.**

**Carried**

*Reeve Stone stepped out of the room and Deputy Reeve Clarke took the chair at 2:39 p.m.*

*Reeve Stone returned to the meeting and resumed the chair at 2:42 p.m.*

### **6.2 Economic Development Board of Directors**

In December, 2010, Dan Dibbelt presented information to solicit members for a Board Directors for the Economic Development initiative. While we have received inquiries about the Board, we have not received any applications. Council directed Administration to proceed with advertisement for the Economic Development Board of Directors.

**7.1 Bonanza Ag. Society- Change of Use of 2010/2011 Capital Grant**

Administration presented Council with a request from the Bonanza Ag Society to change the use of their 2010 recreation capital grant (\$60,000) from upgrading of their ice plant to developing a bowling alley in the former curling rink and to apply their 2011 Recreation Grant to the same project.

**MOTION**

**08.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Hubert that County Council invite the Bonanza Ag. Society to the May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting to present their 5 year vision of the growth of the Bonanza Agricultural Society to be able to discuss their needs and desires.**

**Carried**

**7.2 Cemetery Operating Grants 2011**

Administration presented Council with a list of cemetery groups who have made a complete application for operating funding for 2011.

**MOTION**

**09.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Clarke that County Council approve payment of a \$200 cemetery operating grant to each of the applicants listed below:**

**Alexview Cemetery NW 15-81-9-6**

**Blueberry Mountain Cemetery Committee – Blueberry Mtn Cemetery  
NW 11-80-8-6**

**Blueberry Mountain Cemetery Committee - Land of Rest Cemetery  
SW 17-80-6-6**

**Bonanza & District AG Society – Bonanza Hillhaven Cemetery  
NW 34-79-12-6**

**Briar Ridge Cemetery Society SE 25-78-14-6**

**Gordondale Cemetery Association SE 13-79-11-6**

**Gundy-Hays Cemetery NE 30-76-13-6**

**Holy Trinity Russian Greek Orthodox Church, Devale NE 24-79-7-6**

**Ksituan Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery NE 33-79-7-6**

**Northmark Church Cemetery SW 25-76-7-6**

**Northmark Public Cemetery NW 13-76-7-6**

**St. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Cemetery NW 10-80-7-6**

**Ukrainian Baptist Church Cemetery NW 11-80-7-6**

**Carried**

**7.3 Economic Development**

Presented to Council was the corrected copy of the Economic Development Strategic Plan that has been received from the Consultant.

**MOTION**

**10.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council adopt the Economic Development Strategic Plan as presented.**

**Carried**

**7.4 Peace Region Economic Development Alliance (PREDA)**

Presented to Council was the PREDA membership renewal invoice for 2011/2012 at a cost of \$1,239.00.

**MOTION**

**11.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council renew the membership with PREDA at a cost of \$1,239.00 for the 2011/2012 term.**

**Carried**

**7.5 Colony Development – Land Use Bylaw Amendment Requirement**

The Municipal Planning Commission at their April 12, 2011 meeting has deemed cluster farm dwellings (as in colony development), **not** to be similar in character or purpose to existing uses in the Agriculture District. Administration recommends that an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw is necessary in order to contemplate such development. The LUB restricts the number of dwellings to a maximum of 2 on a parcel greater than 80 acres.

**MOTION**

**12.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Jack that County Council direct Administration to proceed with an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to allow for colony development.**

**Carried**

## **7.6 Old Secondary Highway 727 Closure Issue**

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Administration was requested to investigate the matter of a resident (SE 13-79-7-W6) who resides east of the new Secondary Highway 727 having no exit in the event of an emergency situation due to a sour gas pipeline failure from the nearby plant. The resident is outside the Emergency Planning Zone. Administration was directed to contact the pipeline company and request that all residents living east of the Secondary Highway 727 intersection with the pipeline and living outside the EPZ also be notified and / or evacuated in the event of an emergency.

## **9. Information Items**

- 1 Accounts Payable
- 2 Contact (assorted material)
- 3 National Buyer/Seller Forum May 29-31 2011
- 4 AltaGas News
- 5 Regional EMS Foundation – AGM May 3, 2011
- 6 Alberta Health Services- EMS Week
- 7 Letter from Alberta Transportation
- 8 Rural Alberta Development – Invitation
- 9 Innovators Workshop
- 10 Red Meat Industry Workshop
- 11 Mighty Peace Tourist Association
- 12 PREDA 2010/2011 Achievements

## **MOTION 13.04.26.11**

**Moved by Councillor Moen that County Council accept the information items for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

## **8.1 Councillor Round Table**

County Councillors provided verbal reporting on various topics for information purposes only.

*Councillor Jack departed the meeting at 3:33 p.m.*

**MOTION**

**14.04.26.10**

**Moved by Councillor Buck that County Council accept the Council verbal reports for information purposes only.**

**Carried**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business Reeve Stone declared the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

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**REEVE**

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**CAO**