

M I N U T E S

POLICIES & PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Monday December 3, 2007, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp. Rd. 32.0, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT:

- Councillor K. Blain
- Councillor G. Day (Deputy Reeve, Chair)
- Councillor G. Ingeveld
- Reeve A. Kemmere
- Councillor L. Negropontes
- Councillor E. Page
- Councillor L. Yakimchuk

IN ATTENDANCE:

- D. Plamping, Chief Administrative Officer
- G. Wiens, Director Corporate Services
- S. McInnis, Director, Operational Services
- D. Hawryluk, Director, Planning and Development
- J. Koch, Communications Coordinator
- S. Carrick, Municipal Intern
- R. Morrison, Manager of Infrastructure Projects

CALL TO ORDER:

Deputy Reeve Day called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA & MINUTES

Deputy Reeve Day advised that the following amendments would be made to the agenda:

- (4.7) Deferred Services Agreement
- (6.1) Legal Services

- PP07-173 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
That Council adopt the agenda of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of December 3, 2007 as amended. Carried.
- PP07-174 Moved by Councillor Blain  
That Council adopt the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2007. Carried.
- PP07-175 Moved by Councillor Negropontes  
That Council adopt the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2007 with the deletion of "Not building paving" and change "Want Stakeholder Meetings first before study" to "Want Stakeholder Meetings first before Red Deer River study is received." Carried.
- PP07-176 Moved by Councillor Kemmere  
That Council adopt the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2007 Carried.
- PP07-177 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
That Council adopt the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2007. Carried.

DELEGATIONS  
Red Deer River

Deputy Reeve Day welcomed Mr. Tom Mennear, Representative, Committee of Concerned Land Holders to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Mr. Mennear provided information regarding

- concerned on issues regarding the Red Deer River and Coal Camp Road
- not heard news regarding what has happened on the study
- Fallentimber Creek needs to be resolved

Mr Jack Macklin provided the information regarding

- concern of impact of a potential flood on the Town of Sundre
- need to put river back in the old channel
- told that it's OK with Environment and Fisheries, but it's up to the County to do it
- need to have this done by Spring 2008

Mr Ernie Fletcher provided the information regarding

- live downstream from the Town of Sundre
- have pipelines exposed from the last flood
- have representatives from TransCanada Pipeline

Mr David Eremita of TransCanada Pipeline provided the information regarding

- need to lower two lines under river flow for a 160m portion and put rip-rap on the banks
- are working under an emergency permit, but need to divert the flow of the river which is not practical under current channel flows, but changes need to be reviewed
- minimal flow will be maintained in the old tributary for fish habitat
- looking at mid-February for this work, and TransCanada is willing to work with the County on this, if County is diverting the flow to another channel upstream

Mr Sid Bowman provided the information regarding

- The MP Myron Thomson put us on a committee regarding the Schniedmiller Bar75 land
- River is only 30 feet from the ditch of the Coal Camp Road and the road could go in the next flood
- Environment are only waiting for one thing, an application from the County, they say the protocol is that the local government must apply
- Showed an aerial photos of the Coal Camp Road area
- \$200,000 will do this job and Environment will pay 85%
- Don't need to wait for a study, County is amiss for not applying

Mr Tom Moffat, Manager for Shell's operations in the Burnt Timber area, provided the information regarding

- concern that their operations need access via the Coal Camp Road and it must be protected
- concern on operations in their field if access cannot be guaranteed
- Shell willing to whatever assistance they can, depending on what is proposed, understanding issues when a river is moved and affects other land
- The river will require yearly maintenance by the County

MP Myron Thomson provided the information regarding

- the County must apply so that the departments can comment
- may need an engineering study as part of the application
- can look for an emergent issue through a declaration of an emergency
- Fisheries and Oceans are simply waiting for an application

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- the County's role in changes to the channel upstream of the Town of Sundre, and how that would affect the TransCanada Pipeline project
- the terms of reference of the study by Environment
- need to see the results of the study by Environment before the County applies for a permit to work in the river

- Minister of Environment said their position is that they don't protect private property, but support protection of infrastructure
- Environment had promised monthly update meetings on the study, but that has not happened
- Whether this issue should be put into the hands of the Provincial and Federal Governments
- Erosion and flooding issues and how they are controlled, including an upstream dam
- Requesting letters of support from industry and landowners
- The River Study has been received by Environment and is being reviewed by their department but has not been released
- Staff are monitoring the erosion at the Coal Camp Road, and from centreline is 65 to 75 metres away, but there is continual erosion, up to a metre to-date
- Process for receiving and following up on the Environment River Study, partnerships, looking for short-term and long-term solutions

Deputy Reeve Day thanked Mr. Mennear and other delegates for the presentations.

- PP07-178 Moved by Councillor Ingeveld  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend that Council seek both short-term and long-term strategies regarding the Red Deer River, and develop a lobbying strategy.  
Carried.
- PP07-179 Moved by Councillor Blain  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that the County submit an application to re-channel the Red Deer River at the Coal Camp Road location and a letter declaring an emergency be included, and advise the Province that the engineering study will follow.  
Motion Defeated.
- PP07-180 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that the County on receiving the River Study send an application, with a letter declaring an emergency, to Alberta Environment based on the recommendations of that report.  
Carried.
- PP07-181 Moved by Councillor Blain  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the presentation from Mr. Mennear, others, and members of the Committee of Concerned Land Holders regarding the Red Deer River, as information.  
Carried.

Third Party  
Construction

Councillor Day recessed the Policies and Priorities Committee meeting at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:47 a.m.

Councillor Yakimchuk declared a pecuniary interest as she is a landowner adjacent to the project to be discussed at 10:48 a.m. and left the room.

Councillor Yakimchuk returned to the room and joined the gallery at 10:50 a.m.

Deputy Reeve Day welcomed Mr. Dan Kearney to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

- Mr. Kearney provided information regarding
- Concerns brought forward regarding the inspection of third-party construction on a County road allowance
  - later it was discovered that this construction hadn't been approved by the County
  - problems with starting work on Sunday morning, surveying, compaction, informing adjoining landowners, damages to fences on the property line, and lack of inspection by the County

- the contractor worked 6 metres into private property and destroyed the shelter belts on the edge of private property on both sides

Council discussed the following:

- the location of the fence and if a survey had been completed
- if the contractor had permission of the landowner to work off the road allowance
- if the fence is going to be replaced (this is to be investigated)
- staff met with the contractor on Friday night and the plan was reviewed
- a deficiency list has been submitted from Operational Services to the landowner, and the road has been surveyed after construction
- if a complaint was forwarded to the County at the time
- development of a policy on private construction of roads
- role of oil and gas industry roads on road allowances

Deputy Reeve Day thanked Mr. Kearney for the presentation.

PP07-182 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee request that a policy be developed on the private construction of roads on County road allowances.

Carried.

PP07-183 Moved by Councillor Negropontes  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the presentation from Mr. Kearney regarding the Third Party Construction, as information.

Carried.

Councillor Yakimchuk re-joined the table at 11:17 a.m. .

NEW BUSINESS  
2008 Policies and Priorities  
Committee Meeting Schedule

PP07-184 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee approve the Schedule of meetings for 2008 as follows:  
January 1, 2008 to October 2008  
Second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

The question on Motion #PP07-184 was not called.

PP07-185 Moved by Councillor Negropontes  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee amend Motion PP07-184 to state that the 2008 Policies and Priorities Committee Meetings commence at 4:00 p.m. with Delegations being heard at 6:00 p.m.

Carried.

The question on Motion #PP07-184 was called.

Carried.

Deferred Services  
Agreements

The Chair advised that Agenda Item 4.7 would be brought forward as a member of the public wished to speak to the issue.

Mr. Martens spoke to issues that should be addressed by bylaw, including what type of development would trigger an agreement process under the Municipal Government Act, requirements on subdivisions, the current definition of 1.6 kilometres by the Municipal Development Plan Bylaw, and locations in regards to the County Collector Network, Growth Areas, and the connection a utility mains directly adjacent to the property.

Mr. Ivan Anderson, resident within the SE Sundre ASP provided the following information:

- concern on being required to provide accept a Deferred Services Agreement on a 23 acre hobby farm with residence
- concerned on the writing in this agreement, and the lack of definition of costs or where this would be referenced

- unfair that the landowner has no assurances on the cost of installing those services
- concern on having to connect to a service up to a mile away

Council discussed the following:

- the issues on the use of the word 'adjacent', and what developments it would be applied to
- need to draft a bylaw on this process
- need to amend the requirements in the ASPs and the MDP

PP07-186 Moved by Councillor Ingeveld  
 That Policy and Priorities Committee ask the Chief Administrative Officer to bring back a draft bylaw on Deferred Services Agreements, and an amendment of Standard Condition #5 for further discussion.  
 Carried

The Policies and Priorities Committee meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:04 p.m.

Bylaw No. 21/07  
 Procedure and Conduct  
 of Council Meetings

PP07-187 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
 That the Policies and Priorities Committee discuss the proposed amendments to the Procedure and Conduct of Council Meetings Bylaw #21/07 and make recommendations for approval by Council at the December 12<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.  
 Carried.

2008 Bridge  
 Program

PP07-188 Moved by Councillor Ingeveld  
 That the Policies and Priorities Committee accept the 2008 Mountain View County Bridge program presentation as information.  
 Carried.

Range Road 3.2  
 Erosion Study

PP07-189 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
 That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council to approve the use of \$20,000.00, from the unallocated project funds to fund the Range Road 32 Erosion Study, along the Little Red Deer River.  
 Carried.

PP07-190 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
 That the Policy and Priorities Committee accept "The Report" from Matrix Solutions on the Bank Stabilization at Range Road 32 of the Little Red Deer River, as information.  
 Carried.

PP07-191 Moved by Councillor Negropontes  
 That the Policy and Priorities Committee request that the CAO obtain information on proposed repairs to Highway 766 east of Range Road 32, in the vicinity of Clark's Bridge.  
 Carried.

Winchell Lake  
 Rock Slide  
 Project OS-06-07

PP07-192 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
 That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council to approve the use of \$110,000.00, from the unallocated project funds to fund Phase One of the Winchell Lake Rock Slide Project OS-06-07 project.  
 Carried.

PP07-193 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
 That the Policy and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that 2007 all unallocated projects be presented for approval.  
 Carried

Community  
 Identity

PP07-194 Moved by Councillor Negropontes  
 That Policy and Priorities Committee receive the following information on Community Identity, and make a recommendation for action to Regular Council.  
 Carried.

## IN CAMERA

- PP07-195 Moved by Reeve Kemmere  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of December 3, 2007 go In-Camera at 2:33 p.m.  
Carried.
- PP07-196 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of December 3, 2007 return to the open meeting at 2:54 p.m.  
Carried.
- PP07-197 Moved by Councillor Yakimchuk  
That Policy and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that a road building policy include payment for fill taken from private lands.  
Carried

COUNCILLOR  
REPORTS

Councillors provided information regarding the following:

- Council Blain and Day attended a David Thompson Health Symposium, and distributed a printed summary
- Councillor Yakimchuk advised that Seniors Housing were putting together a business plan on the new facility for the meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and Mountain View Seniors Housing operates as a Management Board
- Councillor Ingeveld advised that there was a problem on chairs representing committees to the public and specifics need to be included in policy
- Councillor Ingeveld reviewed concerns on the processes for hiring consultants, and the roles of committees in that decision
- Councillor Ingeveld brought forward the request from the Sundre Pioneer Museum to donate the land
- Reeve Kemmere brought the Committee up to date on the status of the regional wastewater projects, Red Deer Municipal User Groups study on allocations from the river and aquifer
- Reeve Kemmere advised on Waste Commission activities including budget and supplying garbage to the proposed incinerator. Alberta Environment is looking at not funding new landfill proposals
- Reeve Kemmere advised that he can now attend Olds Library meetings due to the change in schedules
- Councillor Page advised that he had attended his first CLC meeting, and a community update will take place at the Olds College Alumni Centre today from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Reeve Kemmere attended the Paint Recycle Program which will now be funded by the Province, attended presentations on the Highway 2 Economic Outlook, and MAP has requested that Councils study the various methods of governing operations now under Commissions; and further advised that MAP has now fully utilized its original Exploration Grant.
- Councillor Day reported on the success of the joint open house with Councillor Page and reminded Council of the emailed reports she had sent out to Councillors.
- Councillor Ingeveld asked about future discussions on the GAPP Committee with the Town of Sundre. Changes in the EUB Appropriate Dispute Resolution process that may have more involvement from municipal Councils.

ADJOURN

PP07-198 Moved by Councillor Negroptes  
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of Monday, December 3, 2007 be  
adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Carried.

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Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

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Chief Administrative Officer