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Straight From the Table

A packed agenda kept Council at the table well after 5:00 PM. Here are some of the highlights.

New Sundre Public Works Shop: Council has approved recommendations to build a new Public Works shop in Sundre and to continue discussions with Town of Sundre for a possible partnership that may incorporate a salt/sand facility and the potential for expansion in the future.

2004 Financial Results Overview: Council received for information an overview of 2004 Financial results which included an overall operating surplus of \$ 81,000. The full summary is posted on www.mountainviewcounty.com

MCRWMC Makes Solid Progress: As part of the 2004 Financial Results Overview, Council learned that the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission earned an operating surplus in 2004 which will be used to cut its accumulated operating deficit in half. With County administration support, the Commission has made significant progress in its turn around plan.

Water Valley North Road Gets Green Light: The tender has been awarded and pre-construction meetings have been scheduled. Construction will be starting shortly. Residents will be kept apprised of road section closures.

County to Share Ambulance Funding: Council approved a motion to share a portion of its 2005/06 Provincial Grant with other members of the MVRESC. This decision was made because the County learned that the County's per capita rate is \$ 23.40 while the five urban centres were awarded \$ 16.61. In the spirit of regional cooperation, Council unanimously agreed to share a portion of the County's allocation to ensure equity with all Commission members.

County Supports Sundre Community Services Project: Council has approved a recommendation to apply the County's Recreational Capital Grant and at least 50% of the County's ME First Loan Program eligibility to the Sundre Community Services Project. The Recreational Capital Grant is based on matching funds from the Town of Sundre and local residents/businesses.

Corporate Review Process in Hands of Consultant: To ensure objectivity for the corporate review process, members of the public are encouraged to contact the Consultant George Cuff directly in writing or by phone with concerns or issues. The Consultant will handle all inquiries confidentially, take all input under advisement, and make the decision to initiative interviews or further contact with residents independently.

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