

**COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 SPECIAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 14, 2005**

Meeting Called To Order      The Special Council Meeting was called to order by the Reeve, A. Sayler at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2005.

Attendance                      Present were:

A. Pidruchney	R. Hrudey
A. Sayler	E. Yakemchuk
P. Gordeyko	G.N. Popowich, Administrator
	S. Dary, Recording Secretary

Agenda                              The Agenda for the April 14, 2005 Council Meeting was presented for review and consideration, having the following listed additions being presented:

- Delegation - Joe Kitz re: Gravel Haul Rates
- North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
- Water Waste Disposal Wells
- ICAP Program
- Northern Lights Library
- Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure

There being no further additions; it was moved by:

**R-6164      E. YAKEMCHUK**  
That the Agenda, inclusive of the additions be approved.

Motion Carried

Previous Minutes      The minutes of the March 15, 2005 Special County Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption. There being no errors or omissions; it was moved by:

**R-6165      R. HRUDEY**  
That the March 15, 2005 Special County Council Meeting be approved and signed.

Motion Carried

The minutes of the March 21, 2005 Special County Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption. There being no errors or omissions; it was moved by:

**R-6166      P. GORDEYKO**  
That the March 21, 2005 Special County Council Meeting be approved and signed.

Motion Carried

The minutes of the March 22, 2005 Special County Council Meeting having been presented to each Councillor and each Councillor having declared to have received and read the minutes, Reeve, A. Sayler asked for adoption. There being no errors or omissions; it was moved by:

**R-6167      A. PIDRUCHNEY**  
That the March 22, 2005 Special County Council Meeting be approved and signed.

Motion Carried

The Administrator informed Council that R-6139 Two Hills Seniors Centre was available and booked for the holding of the Annual Quarterly Public Meeting on April 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

R-6141 – The Jubilee Insurance Agencies Ltd. Risk Management Seminar in Leduc on March 30, 2005 was attended by D. Laing and S. Kitz.

R-6142 & R-6143 – Plaques for the two celebrations (St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church of Boian 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Derwent Village 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) were ordered and are in place in the Administration Office.

R-6152 – Agreement for gravel crushing on the NE 32-55-12-W4 was drafted and submitted to the landowner for consideration.

#### Reports

Councillor, R. Hrudey reported that the resolution presented at the AAMD&C Spring Convention pertaining to the future status of PFRA passed.

Councillor, P. Gordeyko reported on the AESA position status and the Eagle Hill Foundation (1995) Board Meeting attended in March 2005.

Councillor, A. Pidruchney reported on the Myrnam High School Boys Curling Championship recognition attended on April 8, 2005.

Bank Rec. There being no further items to report on, the Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending February 2005, indicating a bank balance of \$269,306.67 (together with municipal term certificates) was presented for review and consideration.

Council having reviewed and discussed the Bank Reconciliation Report; it was moved by:

**R-6168** **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending February 2005 as presented, reviewed and discussed by Council be approved, signed and incorporated into the minutes.

Motion Carried Unanimously

2004 Audited Statement Director of Finance, S. Kitz was invited into the Council Chambers to present Wilde & Company completed audit for the County of Two Hills No. 21 for the 2004 fiscal year in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

On March 15, 2005 the 2004 Financial Balance Sheet was presented, having Council approving the transfer of Gas Utility Surplus Funds to the Gas Utility Reserve Account (amount being \$30,000).

Council having received and reviewed the Audited Financial Statement for the year ending 2004; it was moved by:

**R-6169** **P. GORDEYKO**

That the Financial Audited Statement for the 2004 fiscal year as presented be approved by Council.

Motion Carried

S. Kitz left the Council Chambers.

COU-BEN-1 The Administrator informed Council that at the March 22, 2005 Council Policy Review Meeting, Council directed Administration to draft a policy addressing Councillors benefits eligibility.

Policy COU-BEN-1 addressing benefits available to Elected Officials from the Benefit Suppliers (AUMA & AAMD&C) was drafted and herein submitted for review and favorable consideration.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

**R-6170**     **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That Policy COU-BEN-1 addressing benefits available to Elected Officials be approved and incorporated into the Municipal Policy Information Manual.

Motion Carried

Councillor, E. Yakemchuk informed Council that Mr. John Leonty will not be attending the Council Meeting as invited.

4-H Clubs Grant     The Administrator informed Council that the County budgets the sum of \$1,000.00 to provide a grant to the Two Hills 4-H District Council to assist with the 4-H Clubs expense (of which is to be equally shared by the four 4-H Clubs within the County).

The Myrnam 4-H Beef Club has requested (in lieu of their share of this grant) that the County provide their Club with the County barbecue at no cost for their upcoming three fundraising events. Present daily rental charge for the barbecue is \$70.00. The County has in the past provided the barbecue to the 4-H Clubs at no charge, providing they refill the propane tank on return.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

**R-6171**     **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County continue with this practice of barbecue rental to 4-H Clubs and also with the provision of a grant to the Two Hills 4-H District Council.

Motion Carried

**Protection to Persons & Property**

Vermilion River Committee     The Administrator informed Council that the Vermilion River Operations Advisory Committee original members were appointed for three years – term ending March 31, 2005.

Alberta Environment again requests Council's assistance in appointing up to three members to represent local interest on this Committee. All members will be appointed for three-year terms, ending March 2008. Representatives may be elected officials, employees or stakeholders from the community.

Having Messrs. Robert Kutash, Barry Kutryk and Joachim Gorgichuk applying for re-appointment.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved by:

**R-6172**     **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the above members be reappointed by Council to represent the County's interest on the Vermilion River Operations.

Motion Carried Unanimously

**Transportation**

Fuel/Lubricant Tender     The Administrator informed that each year Council resolves to invite tenders (from local suppliers) for the County's Fuel & Lubricant Requirements.

Tenders were invited from: UFA, Race Trac and Prairie Fuels for the period May 1, 2005 to April 30, 2006.

**R-6173**     **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the meeting be recessed for lunch – time 12:02 p.m.

Motion Carried

The Special Council Meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m., having all Councillors in attendance.

PW Supervisor, Don Laing was invited into the Council Chambers and introduced the new Road Grade Foreman, Lee Swartz and reported on the following items:

- Fuel Truck has arrived and is certifiable
- Machining Expenses – 2003/2004/2005 fiscal year
- \$15,000 Fire Training Grant was received
- Motor Scraper is currently being repaired

Messrs. Laing and Swartz left the Council Chambers.

Messrs. Abe Thessen, Orest Golonowski, Joe Kitz, Larry Kitz and were invited into the Council Chambers to discuss the following:

- Request gravel rate increase
- Comparable to County of Minburn, would need 10% increase
- Cubic Yard Mile increase
- Increase fuel costs
- 10% increase - 1982 government rates
- Better coordination for road gravelling projects
- Winter gravelling comments

There being no further questions or comments, the above delegation thanked Council for their time and left the Council Chambers.

Fuel/Lubricant  
Tenders

The 2005 fuel tenders were placed back on the table for discussion.

Council having reviewed and discussed the Fuel/Lubricant Tenders as received and presented; it was moved by:

**R-6174**     **R. HRUDEY**

That the tender received from UFA for Regular Unleaded (7.3 discount off posted price) and Purple Diesel Fuel (8.1 discount off posted price) and Prairie Fuels for Oil and Lubricants (for the period May 1, 2005 to April 30, 2006) be approved and accepted by Council.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Highland  
Feeders  
Access Road

The Administrator informed Council that tenders received for the Highland Feeders Access Road Paving Project were as herein written:

Ledcor - \$2,079,246.26  
Central City - \$2,232,923.00  
Border Paving - \$2,293,742.00  
M. Pidherney's Trucking - \$2,342,625.00  
E-Construction - \$2,422,059.00  
Carmack's - \$2,423,528.10

The low tender received was from Ledcor Alberta Limited in the amount of \$2,079,246.26.

Council having discussed this item; it was moved:

**R-6175**      **R. HRUDEY**

That the County of Two Hills No. 21 award the tender of Highland Feeders Access Road – GBC, ACP and other work to Ledcor Alberta Limited, in the amount of \$2,079,246.26 concurrent with the recommendations of AMEC Infrastructure Limited.

Motion Carried

The Administrator informed Council of a News Release received from Alberta Infrastructure announcing municipal infrastructure funding.

The Administrator informed Council that the ICAP Funding is allowing a project for the remainder of approximately \$200,000.00.

The Administrator informed Council on the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Public Meeting on April 29, 2005 at Strathcona County Hall or May 4, 2005 at Wainwright Communiplex.

Councillor, R. Hrudehy would like Administration to review the Water Truck Haulers utilizing County roads.

Councillor, R. Hrudehy informed that Northern Lights Library Board may request additional funding due to the Myrnam School Library shortfall in funding.

Councillor, P. Gordeyko informed that Council should meet with the Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure to discuss Road/Bridge Infrastructure issues.

Next Meeting  
Date

Discussion took place on the next Regular Council Meeting Date; it was moved by:

**R-6175**      **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the next County Council Meeting be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2005, commencing at the hour of 10:00 a.m. in the County Office Council Chambers.

Motion Carried

2005 Budget

Director of Finance, S. Kitz entered the Council Chambers to present the 2005 *3<sup>rd</sup> draft* budget.

The Administrator informed that Council has reviewed the proposed Municipal Operational & Capital Budget Estimates on two separate occasions.

The revised/amended *3<sup>rd</sup> draft* Municipal Budget Estimates at present announce a total Revenue and Expenditure as follows:

Operational Budget - \$9,892,450

Capital Budget - \$932,654

Total Estimated Transfers, Revenue & Expense - \$10,825,104

PW Supervisor, D. Laing entered the Council Chambers.

Lathe

Council having discussed the purchase of a lathe for the Public Works Shop; it was moved by:

**R-6176**      **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the County of Two Hills purchase a used lathe for the Public Works Shop and place the same in the 2005 Public Works Capital Budget.

Councillor, P. Gordeyko requested a recorded vote.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
R. Hrudey	P. Gordeyko
A. Pidruchney	
E. Yakemchuk	
A. Saylor	

Motion Carried

Gravel Haul Rate Council having discussed the gravel truckers haul rate; it was moved by:

**R-6177** **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the gravel rate be adjusted by an increase of two cents per cubic yard mile for the 2005 fiscal year, effective May 1, 2005 (being prorated annually if required to reflect increase/decrease in diesel prices).

Motion Carried Unanimously

Council having reviewed and discussed the 2005 Proposed Budget Estimates; it was moved by:

**R-6178** **R. HRUDEY**

That proposed 2005 Municipal Operational Budget of \$9,922.450 be approved by Council.

Motion Carried Unanimously

**R-6179** **A. PIDRUCHNEY**

That the proposed 2005 Municipal Capital Budget of \$941,454.00 be approved by Council.

Motion Carried Unanimously

**Correspondence/Information Items**

*Batch 1 – March 31, 2005*

- Accounts Payable/Time Sheets – presented at meeting
- East Central Health re: 2005 Annual Walk/Run
- Lac Sante Overnight Campground Area Upgrade Proposal
- Gravel Supply Agreement for NE 32-55-12-W4
- NRCB re: Expansion to Existing Confined Feeding Operations
- Correspondence to Oil/Gas Companies re: Road Utilization
- Public Notice Ads re: Quarterly Public Meeting and Public Transportation Assistance Grant.
- Mr. Leon E. Benoit, MP re: Rural Municipal Infrastructure Fund

There being no further correspondence items; it was moved by:

**R-6180**  
Camera

**E. YAKEMCHUK**

That Council meet in camera – time 4:34 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Administrative/Council issues/concerns.

Motion Carried

**R-6181** **R. HRUDEY**

That Council revert back to their open public meeting – time 5:08 p.m.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Council having dealt with all items contained on the Agenda; it was moved by:

**R-6182** **E. YAKEMCHUK**

That the Council Meeting be adjourned – time 5:09 p.m.

Motion Carried

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REEVE

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ADMINISTRATOR

