



**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 21, 2024**

- Council Members Present: Reeve Roger Konieczny, Division 3  
Deputy Reeve Tara Kuzio, Division 5  
Councillor Joey Nafziger, Division 1  
Councillor Eric Anderson, Division 2  
Councillor Cliff Wowdzia, Division 4  
Councillor Carl Ogrodnick, Division 6  
Councillor Kevin Bentley, Division 7
- Administration Present: Pat Podoborozny Chief Administrative Officer  
Norm De Wet, Director of Operations  
Jason Warawa, Director of Corporate Services  
Mike Fundytus, Director of Protective Services  
Davin Gegolick, Director of Planning and Community Services  
Trudy Shukalak, Senior Administrative Support Specialist  
Audra Kropielnicki, Executive Coordinator
- 1 CALL TO ORDER**  
Reeve Konieczny called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**  
  
**2024-183**  
**Moved by:** Deputy Reeve Kuzio  
THAT the October 21, 2024, regular Council meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.  
**Carried**
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**  
  
**3.1 September 11, 2024, Council Meeting**  
  
**2024-184**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia  
THAT the September 11, 2024, regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.  
**Carried**
- 4 DELEGATIONS**
- 5 Council Priorities**  
  
**2024-185**  
**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick  
THAT the Council Priorities be accepted as information.  
**Carried**

**6 REQUESTS FOR DECISION**

**6.1 2025 Hamlet/Highway Cleanup Program**

**2024-186**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve the 2025 Hamlet/Highway Clean-up Program as presented.

**Carried**

**6.2 Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24**

**2024-187**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bentley

THAT Council approve first reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1353-24 for the purpose of closing to public travel and disposing portions of a public roadway in accordance with Section 22 of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter M-26.

**Carried**

**6.3 Cemetery Survey Change Order**

**2024-188**

**Moved by:** Deputy Reeve Kuzio

THAT Council approve the change orders for the Cemetery Survey Project for a total of \$71,100 as presented.

**Carried**

**6.4 Letter of Support**

**2024-189**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Council provide a letter of support to Go East of Edmonton Regional Tourism Organization for their application to the 2025 Travel Alberta Rural Development and Promotion Fund.

**6.5 Gravel Haul Contract**

**2024-190**

**Moved by:** Councillor Anderson

THAT Council approve a three-year extension of the gravel haul contract with Ken-X Energy, with the costs for 2025 remaining the same as the 2024 contract, and further, that the 2026 and 2027 contract costs be measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

**Carried**

**6.6 Interim Borrowing Bylaw No. 1352-24**

**2024-191**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick

THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 to provide for the ability to borrow \$4,500,000 from ATB Financial for the 2025 fiscal year if required be given first reading.

**Carried**

**2024-192**

**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 be given second reading.

**Carried**

**2024-193**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council unanimously and in full agreement give Bylaw No. 1352-24 third reading at this meeting.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2024-194**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bentley  
THAT Bylaw No. 1352-24 be given third reading.

**Carried**

**6.7 Additional Financial Institutions for Investment Purposes**

**2024-195**

**Moved by:** Deputy Reeve Kuzio  
THAT Council approve BMO as an approved financial institution for investment purposes.

**Carried**

**2024-196**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger  
THAT Council approve Bank of Scotia as an approved financial institution for investment purposes.

**Carried**

**6.7 2024 Tax Sale – Reserve Prices and Conditions of Sale**

**2024-197**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ogrodnick  
THAT Council approve the reserve prices and conditions of sale for the 2024 Tax Sale as presented.

**Carried**

**6.8 Physician Recruitment Grant Funding Request**

**2024-198**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger  
THAT Council approve a grant in the amount of \$4,000 to the Vegreville Region Physician and Health Professionals Attraction and Retention Committee.

**Carried**

**7 REPORTS**

**7.1 Reeve**

**7.2 Council**

**7.3 CAO**

**7.4 Operations**

**7.5 Planning and Community Services**

**7.6 Protective Services**

*Reeve Konieczny recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m.*

*Reeve Konieczny reconvened the meeting at 11:10 a.m.*

**7.7 Corporate Services**

**2024-199**

**Moved by:** Deputy Reeve Kuzio  
THAT Council accept the reports as presented.

**Carried**

## **8 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **8.1 Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club – In-Kind Donation Request**

Letter received from the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club requesting the County of Minburn provide them with a culvert, labour and equipment to install the culvert at the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Course as an in-kind donation.

**2024-200**

**Moved by:** Councillor Wowdzia

THAT Council approve to provide a culvert to the Vegreville Kinsmen Golf Club as an in-kind donation as per their request.

**Carried**

### **8.2 Alberta Municipal Affairs – Carbon Tax**

Letter received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs inviting all Alberta municipalities to share data relating to the impact of the carbon tax on their operations by completing an online survey.

### **8.3 AGLC – Charitable Gaming Proceeds**

E-mail received from Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) Board regarding their decision to relocate the existing Camrose Casino to the Edmonton market and advising that the casino will remain in the rural pool for charitable gaming events.

### **8.4 Royal Canadian Legion – Remembrance Day Ceremony**

Letter received from the Royal Canadian Legion in Vegreville inviting the County of Minburn's participation in their November 11 Remembrance Day Ceremony commencing with a March at 9:00 a.m. at the Vegreville Legion followed by a ceremony at the Vegreville Social Centre at 11:00 a.m.

### **8.5 North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance – Funding Request**

Letter received from the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance requesting the County of Minburn's continued collaboration and a contribution of \$1,912.80 for 2025 to assist in maintaining the environmental health of the County and the entire watershed.

**2024-201**

**Moved by:** Councillor Bentley

THAT Council accept the correspondence as information.

**Carried**

## **9 COUNCILLOR REQUESTS (INFORMATION REQUESTS AND NOTICES OF MOTION)**

### **9.1 Action Item List**

**2024-202**

**Moved by:** Councillor Nafziger

THAT Council accept the Action Item List as information.

**Carried**

## **10 CLOSED SESSION**

## **11 OPEN SESSION**

## **12 MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE CLOSED SESSION**

**13            ADJOURNMENT**

Reeve Konieczny declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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Reeve

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Chief Administrative Officer