

# STARLAND COUNTY

## COUNCIL MEETING, MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

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A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Building, Morrin, Alberta, on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Attendance Present: Reeve: Steve Wannstrom  
Deputy Reeve: Bob Sargent  
Councillors: Murray Marshall, John Rew and Jackie Watts  
Staff: CAO Shirley Bremer  
Assistant CAO Matthew Kreke

**C19-089**  
**Approval of Minutes**

**[C19-089] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

**that the minutes of the May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Accounts Checked Councillor Marshall and Councillor Watts checked accounts with Administrative Assistant Laya Montgomery.

**C19-090**  
**Accounts**

**[C19-090] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

**that accounts (cheque no. 48928 to 49005 inclusive) totalling \$222,802.62 be approved for payment.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

CAO Report

Chief Administrative Officer Shirley Bremer reviewed the CAO Report with Council. Highlights of the report included the following:

- MLT Atkins Law Firm advised that they will be providing all notices to Starland County with regards to the Trident bankruptcy. While there is a small chance we may see some proceeds of the sale of Trident's assets it is expected that we will not hear anything for several months. In either case it is expected that the majority of funds will go to well reclamation.
- The building design meeting in Blackfalds went quite well, and the tour of the Eagle Factory was quite impressive. We firmed up many items in regards to the shop area and started to design the administration office. Due to the extra design time required the anticipated completion date is now May 15, 2020.
- The roof is leaking on the Springwater School and the Delia Historical Society's membership is aging and they no longer have anyone that would be able to at least do a temporary fix on the roof. Administration is looking for direction and what kind, if any, support should be given to the school.

Budget

At 9:40 a.m. Finance Manager Fazekas attended the meeting and together with CAO Bremer and Assistant CAO Kreke reviewed the 2019 Budget. It has been an exceptionally challenging year due to the bankruptcy of our largest taxpayer. Tax increases and expenditure cuts will be required this year in order to make the budget work. Moving forward this is a transition budget and more work will be required this year and next to balance expenditures and revenues over the long term.

Attendance

At 11:30 a.m. PW Supervisor Ken Menage attended the meeting.

Departure

At 12:20 p.m. Judy departed from the meeting.

**C19-091  
Operating Budget**

**[C19-091] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

that as per Section 242(1) of the Municipal Government Act, Starland County Council adopt the 2019 Operational Budget in the amount of \$16,090,615.00 as reviewed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-092  
Capital Budget**

**[C19-092] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

that as per Section 245 of the Municipal Government Act, Starland County Council adopt the 2019 Capital Budget in the amount of \$7,740,000.00.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PW Report**

At 12:20 p.m. Public Works Supervisor Ken Menage reviewed the Public Works Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- The PW Crew have been hauling equipment, brushing, street sweeping in the hamlets and repairing approaches.
- The Shop crew have been busy with repairs and service work to all department equipment.
- Gradersmen have been blading roads.
- Ken has been working on bridge inspections, road and bridge planning, safety meetings and working on the new building design.

**Departure**

At 1:00 p.m. Ken departed from the meeting.

**FCSS Presentation**

At 2:00 p.m. Diana Rowe attended the meeting and gave her director's report to Council. Highlights include the following:

- The ASSET Development Coalition has a Youth Plaza Night planned for Monday.
- The Community Building Initiative has been extended for another year and we are working with one teacher to host an event this year.
- The PLRD FRW program has two new hires for Morrin and Delia schools in recent months; Morrin School is Clinton Taylor and Martina works with the Delia School. Outcome reporting in the program remains an issue.

**Departure**

At 2:30 p.m. Diana departed from the meeting.

**C19-093  
Property Taxation  
Bylaw No. 1138**

**[C19-093] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

that Property Taxation Bylaw 1138 be introduced in accordance with Section 353(1) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26.1, for the 2019 Municipal Budget Year, authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer to levy on the assessed value of all assessed property shown on the assessment roll; and that as per Section 354(3) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26.1, a split taxation rate will be levied on the various assessment classes, generating the following taxation rates:

<b>Starland County Municipal Levy:</b>	
Residential	4.1067
Farmland	12.2661
Non-Residential	18.1988
Machinery & Equipment	18.1988

<b>Alberta School Foundation Fund:</b>	
Residential & Farmland	2.4408

Non-Residential 3.6804

Christ the Redeemer C.S.R.D. No. 3:  
Residential & Farmland 2.4408

Non- Collection Allowance Requisition:  
Non-Collection Allowance 0.9468

Drumheller Senior Foundation: 0.5575

Designated Industrial Property: 0.0786

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-094**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading –  
Bylaw No. 1138

**[C19-094] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR REW**

that Bylaw No. 1138, the 2019 Property Taxation Bylaw for Starland County be given First Reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-095**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading –  
Bylaw No. 1138

**[C19-095] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE SARGENT**

that Bylaw No. 1138 be given Second Reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-096**  
Motion to give  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading –  
Bylaw No. 1138

**[C19-096] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

that Bylaw No. 1138 be presented for Third Reading at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-097**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading –  
Bylaw No. 1138

**[C19-097] MOVED BY REEVE WANNSTROM**

that Bylaw No. 1138, the 2019 Property Taxation Bylaw for Starland County be given Third and Final Reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-098**  
ASFF School  
Requisition

**[C19-098] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

that Starland County Council approve the requisitions from the Alberta School Foundation Fund (ASFF) in the amount of Two Million, Fifty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Eight Dollars and Seventy One Cents, and the opted out school board, Christ the Redeemer Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 3 in the amount of Fourteen Thousand, Eight Hundred and Thirty Dollars and Thirty Cents; and that the instalments be paid as due.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-099**  
Public Meeting

**[C19-099] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

that Starland County host a public meeting to present information about Starland County's financial situation on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 2-4 p.m. at the Morrin Community Hall.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Peace Officer  
Appointment

We have received notice from the Solicitor General that Gareth Thomas has received his appointment for the Peace Officer Level 1 role in Starland County.

Marigold

The Marigold Library submitted their 2018 Annual Report detailing their

Library Report                    audited financial statements and the value of investments in our local libraries.

Equipment List                    The 2019 Starland Equipment list has been completed along with rates charges to ratepayers and businesses. A copy has been distributed to staff and Council.

Committee Reports                Each of the Councillors present briefly reported on the various committees to which they are appointed.

**C19-100**                                **[C19-100] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**  
**Motion to go**                                **that under the exemption granted by Section 17, Division 2, Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Personal Privacy Act Reeve Wannstrom, Deputy Reeve Sargent and Councillors Watts, Rew and Marshall proceed with the meeting In-Camera at 3:30 p.m.**  
**In-Camera**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-101**                                **[C19-101] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**  
**Motion to come**                                **that the meeting proceed out of In-Camera at 4:15 p.m.**  
**out of**    **In-Camera**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Communications            Council Communications:  
i)            Rural Municipalities of Alberta  
              • Contact Newsletter (2 Issues)

Accounts                                Accounts - see prior motion.

RMA TRADE	CK# 48928	18,570.89
<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,570.89</b>
STEWART, KIM	CK# 48929	103.00
<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>103.00</b>
A.H. GRADER SERVICE LTD.	CK# 48930	12,789.00
A&D HARPER TIRE (1979) LTD.	CK# 48931	2,323.65
ACTIVE GLASS	CK# 48932	286.81
ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 48933	602.34
ADVANCED COOLANT TECHNOLOGIES	CK# 48934	1,335.02
ATCO ELECTRIC LTD.	CK# 48935	40.07
AUTO VALUE PARTS – DRUMHELLER	CK# 48936	2,581.45
BECK, CYNTHIA	CK# 48937	1,065.56
BIG COUNTRY GAS CO-OP	CK# 48938	542.18
BROWNLEE LLP	CK# 48939	6,105.55
BURT, EDWIN L.	CK# 48940	150.00
RECEIVER GENERAL	CK# 48941	240.00
CERVUS AG EQUIPMENT LP	CK# 48942	658.99
CHINOOK PUMPS LTD.	CK# 48943	3,792.60
COLES, SHARON J	CK# 48944	750.00
COUNTRY COOKERS	CK# 48945	819.00
CSM COMPRESSOR INC.	CK# 48952	210.00
D/K BLADE SERVICE LTD.	CK# 48953	6,300.00
DIRECTDIAL.COM	CK# 48954	259.35
DRUM WIRELESS LTD.	CK# 48955	590.30
DRUMHELLER SOLIC WASTE	CK# 48956	41,113.00
DRUMHELLER CHRYSLER LTD.	CK# 48957	463.83
DRUMHELLER EQUIPMENT SALES	CK# 48958	1,120.40
EAST CENTRAL GAS CO-OP LTD.	CK# 48959	449.04
ECS SAFETY SERVICES LTD.	CK# 48960	3,585.77

ENMAX	CK# 48961	9,270.73
EVOLVE SURFACE STRATEGIES INC.	CK# 48962	3,770.42
FAZEKAS, JUDITH W	CK# 48963	2,395.61
FRESON BROS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48964	1,701.07
GLOVER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS	CK# 48965	143.92
HAMPTON, ALAN W.	CK# 48966	535.00
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 48967	591.72
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 48968	497.68
JERRY'S LOCK & KEY SERVICE	CK# 48969	20.74
KUDRAS, DARA	CK# 48970	133.57
LN LAND DEVELOPMENT	CK# 48971	529.00
LOOMIS EXPRESS	CK# 48972	223.38
M&M ELECTRIC	CK# 48973	686.76
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 48974	298.80
MPE ENGINEERING LTD.	CK# 48975	14,794.88
NAPA AUTO PARTS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48976	485.05
NETAGO	CK# 48977	319.95
OASIS CARWASH & CONVENIENCE	CK# 48978	18.52
PETERSON AUTO BODY LTD.	CK# 48979	457.26
PITNEYWORKS	CK# 48980	4,000.00
REW, JOHN	CK# 48981	297.85
RIEP, GLEN	CK# 48982	932.85
RMA FUEL	CK# 48983	55,303.66
1858097 ALBERTA LTD.	CK# 48984	104.48
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 48985	213.18
SHRED-IT INTERNATIONAL ULC	CK# 48986	258.79
STEWART, KIM	CK# 48987	110.00
TAQA NORTH	CK# 48988	21.00
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 48989	287.35
TELUS MOBILITY INC.	CK# 48990	1,245.77
TOWN OF DRUMHELLER	CK# 48991	3,013.83
TRINUS TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 48992	2,996.18
TROCHU MOTORS LTD.	CK# 48993	2,233.68
VILLAGE OF DELIA	CK# 48994	153.00
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 48995	432.76
WARWICK PRINTING CO. LTD	CK# 48996	78.75
WATER PURE & SIMPLE	CK# 48997	105.00
WATTS, JACKIE	CK# 48998	286.93
WESTVIEW CO-OPERATIVE ASSN LTD.	CK# 48999	1,858.34
WHITESTAR PERMACULTURE	CK# 49000	800.00
WIL-CAN SAFETY LTD.	CK# 49001	708.75
WOLF, TRACY	CK# 49002	1,305.00
ZERBIN, KENTON	CK# 49003	871.50
1325856 ALBERTA LTD.	CK# 49004	51.85
4IMPRINT INC.	CK# 49005	1,410.26

**Sub-Total: \$ 201,128.73**

**TOTAL: \$ 222,802.62**

C19-102  
Adjournment

[C19-102] MOVED COUNCILLOR REW

that the meeting be adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

*The next meeting of the Council of Starland County is to be held on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, in the Administration Building, Morrin, Alberta, commencing at 9:00 a.m.*

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Reeve:  
Steven Wannstrom

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Chief Administrative Officer:  
Shirley Bremer