

STARLAND COUNTY

COUNCIL MEETING, APRIL 11th, 2018

A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, on Wednesday, April 11th, 2018, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

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

Attendance of Jeff Faupel	At 9:00 Jeff Faupel of Endeavor Chartered Accountants attended the meeting and reviewed with Council the 2017 Audited Financial Statements. He noted revenues and expenditures were broadly in line with expectations and no significant accounting issues were discovered. Overall the County had an excess of \$254,752.00 in revenues over expenditures.
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C18-057
**Approval of 2017
Financial
Statements**

[C15-057] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS

that the 2017 Audited Financial Statements of Starland County be accepted as prepared by Endeavor Chartered Accountants.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Departure

At 9:35 a.m. Jeff departed from the meeting.

C18-058
**Approval of
Minutes**

[C18-058] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that the minutes of the March 28th, 2018 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Accounts Checked

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

C18-059
Accounts

[C18-059] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that accounts (cheque no. 46495 to 46568 inclusive) totalling \$295,688.23, 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:

- The audit process was completed on April 5th and was finished without issue. Overall net accumulated surplus increased and total expenditure targets were in line with budget. Starland County continues to carry no debt. Once approved the Statements will be posted on the Starland County Website.
- The Provincial Government has rolled out the Instant Savings campaign as part of the funding from the Alberta Climate Leadership Plan. The program provides instant rebates for selected energy efficient products.
- With the Federal Government set to legalize Cannabis sales there will be new separation requirements between sales locations and other types of development. This requirement will need to be reflected in our Land Use Bylaw.
- Prairie Land School Division will be hosting discussions about the new School development planned for Delia.

Representation from Starland County would be welcomed.

- Notice was received from Palliser Regional Municipal Services that the recent departure of Cynthia Cvik as Director of the organization has resulted in the appointment of Justin Hill as Acting Director.

PW Report

At 10:10 a.m. Public Works Supervisor Al Pratt attended the meeting and reviewed his Public Works Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- The Public Works crew has been moving snow, hauling equipment, brushing, washing units and setting up equipment for spring.
- Gary, Kevin and Thomas have been doing CVIPs and regular maintenance on the heavy duty equipment.
- Buck continues with regular maintenance on the county light duty fleet and CVIPs on the Rec Crew and Utility Units.
- Gradermen have been plowing and winging snow and opening up some back roads to speed up drying.
- Al has been working on a potential contract with Alberta Transportation for the maintenance of Provincial Gravel Highways, doing safety paperwork, meeting with Lear Construction and checking roads.

Departure

At 10:40 a.m. Al Pratt departed from the meeting.

MSI Funding

A letter was received from Municipal Affairs announcing the allocation of an additional \$800 million to this year's Municipal Sustainability Initiative allocation. The funds are not new money however Starland County will receive an additional cash payment this year.

Delia School

Prairie Land School Division announced the approval from the Provincial Government of construction of a new Delia School. The decision was made to proceed with a new build rather than a refurbishment due to the estimated costs.

**Municipal
Accountability
Program**

Beginning on April 1st, 2018 Municipal Affairs will be conducting viability reviews with all municipalities under 5,000 people. The program will be evaluating municipalities in regards to their compliance with Provincial Statutes and other variables relating to municipal sustainability.

**RDRMUG
Workshops**

The Red Deer River Municipal User's Group is hosting a series of workshops in order to identify and explain concrete actions municipalities can take to help address threats to source water in the Red Deer River Basin. Councillors Marshall and Wannstrom plan on attending the Workshop held in Hanna on May 4th.

Step Grants

Notice of approval was received from Alberta Labour for Starland County's 2018 Summer Temporary Employment Program application. Starland County had applied for 2 positions for summer students.

**Drumheller
Senior's
Foundation**

CAO Bremer reviewed with Council a copy of a letter sent from the Office of the Mayor of Drumheller to Alberta Health Services requesting the Department change the mandate for SL4 and SL4-D seniors whereby AHS does not have sole control of the access to the number of units assigned to patients. The Drumheller Foundation would like to partner with AHS on the placement of seniors so that residents are not placed in distant facilities. The change would require significant renovations to the existing facilities in Drumheller.

**Attendance of
Manager Riep
& Municipal
Services Report**

At 11:00 a.m., Municipal Services Manager Riep attended the meeting and reviewed his Municipal Services Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- The Munson Truck Fill Station has been stalled due a delay in

getting power to the site. This presented a problem when the supply line to the site froze. The installation of the pump wells is completed and will be ready for filling. The landscaping around the fire hall and truck fill station will require substantial work to get the site ready for vehicles in the spring.

- Since the retirement of Jeff Anderson as the fire chief of Delia, the village has been requesting support in assisting with some of the administrative responsibilities and operation of the department. Glen will be assisting over the coming months to help build internal capacity.
- Aurora Renewables is interested to meet and discuss some alternative options to lessen the impact of the proposed solar farm located north of the Drumheller Airport. Glen will meet with the Company to discuss alternatives.

Departure At 11:45 p.m. Glen departed from the meeting.

Stettler Regional Board of Trade An invitation was received from the Stettler Regional Board of Trade for Starland County to send representation for their 10th annual Steel Wheel Stampede Parade.

Drumheller 4H Further clarification was received from the Drumheller 4-H as to their request for support to host a 4-H Exchange from Russell, Ontario. In addition to donations they are also looking for a project supporting the local community that can fulfil part of their obligations to complete the program. Ideas should be submitted to Councillor Watts.

C18-060
Donation

[C18-060] MOVED BY REEVE WANNSTROM

that Starland County donate \$1,000.00 to the Drumheller 4-H District Council to support the upcoming 4-H exchange program with Russell, Ontario in the summer of 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Council Communications Council Communications:

- i) Alberta Historical Resources Foundation re: Heritage Awards 2018
- ii) Worker’s Compensation Board re: April 28th – National Day of Mourning
- iii) PLRD #25 re: Board Highlights
- iv) Insight Into Government – 1 Issues

Accounts Accounts - see prior motion.

MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 46495	1,730.00
RIEP, GLEN	CK# 46496	4,325.92
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 46497	7,563.98
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY	CK# 46498	165.38
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 46499	1,173.07
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 46500	3,306.21
WATTS, JACKIE	CK# 46501	3,318.20

Sub-Total: \$ 21,582.76

RMA TRADE	CK# 46502	8,051.62
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ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 46503	89.94
ALBERTA ELEVATING DEVICES	CK# 46504	120.50
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT SERVICES	CK# 46505	272.00
AMHSA	CK# 46506	252.00

ALBERTA ONE-CALL CORPORATION	CK# 46507	6.30
ALLIED DISTRIBUTORS DRUM LTD.	CK# 46508	4,013.98
ATB FINANCIAL MASTERCARD	CK# 46509	7,374.86
AWARE 360 LTD.	CK# 46510	315.00
BIG SKY CALL CENTERS INC.	CK# 46511	372.66
BROOKS INDUSTRIAL METALS LTD.	CK# 46512	777.76
CERVUS AG EQUIPMENT LP	CK# 46513	1,028.92
CONTACT SAFETY SERVICE LTD.	CK# 46514	3,227.56
DR HYDROVAC	CK# 46515	3,769.51
DRUM WIRELESS LTD.	CK# 46516	743.51
DRUMHELLER SOLID WASTE	CK# 46517	47.94
DRUMHELLER CHRYSLER LTD.	CK# 46518	313.62
DRUMHELLER CO-OP LTD.	CK# 46519	1,987.12
ECS SAFETY SERVICES LTD.	CK# 46520	101.33
FARM SAFETY CENTRE	CK# 46521	595.00
FRESON BROS DRUMHELLER	CK# 46522	1,472.71
GLOVER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS LTD.	CK# 46523	555.49
HECK, BRIAN	CK# 46524	162.20
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 46525	6,588.72
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 46526	301.09
IMAGE CRAFTER SIGNS INC.	CK# 46527	499.91
KASHUBA HEATING AND AIR	CK# 46528	2,172.45
LAPP	CK# 46529	26,100.73
LOOMIS EXPRESS	CK# 46530	594.88
MAGNIFIED TRAINING SERVICES LTD.	CK# 46531	1,260.00
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 46532	5,732.08
MASSON, KYLE	CK# 46533	605.00
MORRIN FOODS	CK# 46534	337.83
PEOPLES, CHRISTOPHER G	CK# 46535	31.61
PETERSON AUTO BODY LTD.	CK# 46536	1,321.12
PRONGHORN CONTROLS	CK# 46537	1,391.46
QUADROCK TRUCKING & EXCAVATING	CK# 46538	189.00
RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA	CK# 46539	53,371.47
REW, JOHN	CK# 46540	3,500.76
RIEP, GLEN	CK# 46541	4,738.42
RMA FUEL	CK# 46542	35,146.35
ROADATA SERVICES LTD.	CK# 46543	2,313.15
1858097 ALBERTA LTD.	CK# 46544	81.38
SAMUEL PLUMBING & HEATING LTD.	CK# 46545	40.58
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 46546	433.01
SEED CHECK TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 46547	551.25
SHARPE, KERRY	CK# 46548	139.88
STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.	CK# 46549	18,744.61
STARTEC REFRIGERATION	CK# 46550	739.66
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY	CK# 46551	19,146.49
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 46552	209.65
THE DRUMHELLER MAIL	CK# 46553	3,300.45
TOWN OF DRUMHELLER	CK# 46554	2,139.81
TRINUS TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 46555	1,386.21
TURRIS COMMUNICATIONS LTD.	CK# 46556	270.22
UFA CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED	CK# 46557	356.99
VALLEN CANADA INC.	CK# 46558	9,603.87
VILLAGE OF DELIA	CK# 46559	146.00
VILLAGE OF MORRIN	CK# 46560	240.10
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 46561	413.13
WARWICK PRINTING CO. LTD	CK# 46562	933.45
WATER PURE & SIMPLE	CK# 46563	99.00
WATTS, JACKIE	CK# 46564	273.98
WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICE	CK# 46565	9,135.00
WJF INSTRUMENTATION (1990) LTD.	CK# 46566	7,413.00
WOLSELEY WATERWORKS	CK# 46567	12,836.73
1121113 ALBERTA LTD	CK# 46568	215.25

Sub-Total: \$ 262,645.64

TOTAL: \$ 292,280.02

C18-061
Adjournment

[C18-061] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE SARGENT

that the meeting be adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The next meeting of the Council of Starland County is to be held on Wednesday, April 25th, 2018, in the Starland County Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve:
Steven Wannstrom

Chief Administrative Officer:
Shirley Bremer