



Council Highlights

Meeting Date: January 25, 2023

HIGHLIGHTS FROM COUNCIL

- **Economic Development Officer Employment Opportunity**
 - Council has approved to recruit for an Economic Development Officer position with Starland County for a one-year term.
- **Asset Management Cohort**
 - Judy, Sharon and Heather have been receiving training for Asset Management. In the end, they are looking to have an Asset Management policy that will outline what we want to see within Starland County for Asset Management. Judy will have Palliser Regional Municipal Services come and show Council what their system entails in the near future. Council was encouraged to take the Asset Management for Elected Officials training to better understand how it works that is offered through Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).
- **Motions vs. General Direction – Council Minutes**
 - CAO Robblee explained how motions hold you liable both in a municipal aspect and personally. If you want things to be done a certain way and within a certain time frame, you make a motion for the minutes. If you receive things for information and provide general direction, it doesn't hold the liability that a specific motion does. Council can still provide direction and administration must ensure the same end results but could change the way of getting there.
- **Prairie Land School Division (PLRD)**
 - PLRD has asked if Starland County would be interested in the pea gravel from the playground. Starland County would benefit from this as it can be used in campgrounds and other areas within the County. The County has accepted this offer from PLRD.
- **Contracted Legislative Services**
 - Starland County has contracted out the Legislative Services position for the interim until an applicant is secured. Heather Thomas has been contracted and will be completing an administrative review of the bylaws.
- **Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Conference**
 - The Annual ASB Conference was held in Grande Prairie. All Council members and Agricultural Fieldman, Hallett, attended the conference.
- **Starland Regional Water Authority (SRWA)**
 - The water rate will be rising 5% in 2023 to \$3.41.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Council Meeting – February 8 & 22, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers

217 Railway Avenue North, Morrin, Alberta

Council Highlights briefly summarizes decisions discussed and reviewed by Starland County Council. We encourage residents, businesses, and stakeholders to keep in touch with Council news and decisions. To read the approved minutes, please visit our website at www.starlandcounty.com.