

# STARLAND COUNTY

## COUNCIL MEETING, OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2012

A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

### Attendance

Present: Reeve: Barrie Hoover  
Deputy Reeve: Allen Avramenko  
Councillors: Murray Marshall, Norman Stanger and  
Bob Sargent  
Staff: CAO R. Rawlusyk  
Special Projects Manager M. Kreke  
Recording Secretary S. Bremer

### C12-183 Approval of Minutes

#### [C12-183] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that the minutes of the September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### Accounts Checked

Deputy Reeve Avramenko and Councillor Sargent checked accounts with Administrative Assistant Laya Montgomery.

### C12-184 Approval of Accounts

#### [C12-184] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT

that accounts (cheque no. 35407 to 35509 inclusive) totalling \$485,398.69, be approved for payment.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### CAO Report

Chief Administrative Officer Ross Rawlusyk reviewed his CAO Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- AESO advised that an information update has been submitted for the Nexen Hand Hills Wind Energy Connection. Joss Wind Power Inc. has requested transmission system access for its proposed Joss Hand Hills Wind Power Facility by Delia. AESO is processing this request and intend to apply to the Alberta Utilities Commission for an approval for this project in the Fall of 2012.
- We received an invitation from the Canadian Solar Industries Association (CanSIA) to attend a new Western Canadian solar energy industry's annual conference and showcase in Edmonton.
- Starland County will be hosting an event in Delia on November 1<sup>st</sup> on solar development, focusing on farm scale solar projects.
- An updated list of deficiencies was forwarded to Reed Atwood and Sherri Turpin requesting their attention to these items.
- The majority of taxes were collected at the end of September. Our tax collection rate remained relatively stable, with 96.81% of the total taxes outstanding, now being collected.
- Roadata Services Ltd. and Stantec Consulting have been working together on the mapping requirements for our TRAVIS permitting system setup. The transition went well and the TRAVIS system is scheduled to go live today (October 10<sup>th</sup>).
- The Road Tour is scheduled for Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> commencing at 8:00 a.m.
- The Town of Drumheller is celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary next year. The Chamber of Commerce would like to honour rural residents that have farmed in the area for 100 years as well. They are also talking about a *Take a Farmer to Lunch* function that will run through the year.
- Gravel crushing at the Scollard Pit is scheduled to start in a week or so.

**C12-185  
Authorization to  
Attend Solar  
Conference**

**[C12-185] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT**

that Council authorize Matthew Kreke, Jordan Webber and Ross Rawlusk to attend the CanSIA West Conference in Edmonton, Alberta on October 31<sup>st</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012; and that registration and expenses be paid.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Attendance of  
PWS Pratt and  
PW Report

At 10:20 a.m., Public Works Supervisor Pratt attended the meeting and reviewed his Public Works report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- The Public Works Crew finished and filled in the gas/power line trench in the yard for the new sand shed;
- The roadside mowing is approximately 75% complete;
- Equipment is now being prepared for winter and snowplowing;
- The Road Crew is working on the Munson Transfer Station Road and will soon be ready to gravel the first section from the light oil road south to the rail road tracks in case the weather turns bad.
- 107 miles have been completed of the 2012 Gravel Program, as well as 95 miles of add-ons;
- In Division 5 there were approximately 240 tractor/trailer loads of manure hauled on Twp. Rd. 33-0 over the weekend which caused extensive damage to the road;
- They were only able to get 21,000 litres of MG 30, which was placed on two intersections (4 ways) on the Handhill Haul Road;
- The final inspection was done on BF 13425.

Finning Canada re:  
Purchase of  
Motor Grader

CAO Rawlusk reviewed information received from Finning Canada with regards to the preliminary sales order for the rental conversion of the 2011 Cat 160M motor grader that the County has had on rent since May 2012. Finning is offering to apply 100% of the rental payments made to the purchase of this unit, as well as provide a snow wing and the balance of the Full-Machine, FOB warranty which expires on December 3, 2013, for a purchase price of \$393,000.00 less the rental paid, for a total of \$324,876.17 plus GST.

**C12-186  
Authorization to  
Purchase Cat  
160M Motor  
Grader**

**[C12-186] MOVED BY REEVE HOOVER**

that Starland County purchase the 2011 Cat 160M Motor Grader from Finning Canada that we have been renting since May 2012; and that after the rental payments are applied to the principal value of the equipment, a purchase price of \$324,876.17 plus GST be paid for this unit.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Survey Issue on  
Twp. Rd. 31-0

CAO Rawlusk reviewed an issue with regards to the proposed subdivision of the SW 1/4 3-31-16-W4M. Upon surveying this area for the proposed subdivision, the surveyor discovered that the Township Road 31-0, between Range Road 16-2 and Range Road 16-4 is not a 66 ft. right-of-way and the road boundary is directly on the edge of the existing roadway, with no allowance for the ditch right-of-way. He recommended that we have our surveyor, New West Geomatics, re-survey this portion of roadway, and provide information for the purchase of the existing right-of-way required to make this a 66 foot right-of-way consistently along this east/west roadway.

**C12-187  
Authorization to  
Survey & Correct  
Road Plan on  
Twp. Rd. 31-0**

**[C12-187] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

that Starland County contract New West Geomatics to survey the portion of Township Road 31-0, between Range Road 16-2 and Range Road 16-4, to determine the extent of right-of-way required to be purchased to have a complete 66 foot right-of-way on this roadway; and

following the completion of this survey, the County purchase the additional right-of-way required.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Field Access re:  
SE 1/4 32-29-19-4

CAO Rawlusk reviewed the road acquisition options available to provide field access to the S.E. 1/4 32-29-19-W4M with Council. Council reviewed these options and determined that the best option available would involve the purchase of 0.754 acres, including a turn-around area, as this would be considered a dead-end roadway.

**C12-188**  
**Authorization to**  
**Purchase Land for**  
**Field Access**

**[C12-188] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STANGER**

**that Starland County Council make an Offer to Purchase for 0.754 acres in the S.E. 1/4 32-29-19-W4M, as per Option 2 as proposed by New West Geomatics, for the provision of a field access to this property.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Attendance of  
RCMP

At 11:10 a.m., Art Hopkins, S/Sgt. NCO from the Drumheller Detachment RCMP, attended the meeting to discuss the *Occurrence Stats for All Violations* as well as other issues of interest. Mr. Hopkins departed from the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Attendance of  
Manager Riep &  
Municipal Services  
Report

At 1:55 p.m., Manager Riep attended the meeting and reviewed his Municipal Services Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- Michichi Fire Truck repairs are ongoing;
- There are a few items to address concerning the Munson Transfer Station Road. The old water line that was abandoned earlier is now lying on top of the ground due to the new road profile. This line may still need to be salvaged due to other areas within the project where the line will be in conflict. In addition, we need to insure the cover is adequate on the existing live waterline that was lowered earlier, as nearly four meters of the hill was removed in that portion of the road improvement. Also several valves located in fill areas will require extensions or removal of the valves and a large section of the line will require replacement due to the cuts in the road profile. The Transfer Station Site itself has also been dramatically affected by the road construction, changing the access locations and relocating the power supply line along with the building and movable bins;
- A Stop Work Order was issued on a sand excavation development as no permits were obtained;
- He attended the Alberta Development Officers Conference in Drumheller, from September 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012;
- Fire Permits are being issued once again since the recent moisture in the area;
- A Fire Protection Committee Meeting will be held Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the Starland County Administration Office commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Badlands  
Ambulance  
Services Society  
re: Ambulance  
Services

Council reviewed a copy of the Badlands Ambulance Services Society Special Board of Director's Meeting held on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This meeting was held to discuss the business of continuing or divesting this ambulance service. A motion was carried unanimously that Badlands Ambulance Services Society divest and turn the service over to the Alberta Health Services to leave to their decision to hand the service over to other "for profit" or "non-profit" organizations or to be direct delivery under their services. In addition, a press release in this regard was distributed to the newspapers and radio stations in the affected areas.

**C12-189**

**Motion to opt out of Badlands Ambulance Services**

**[C12-189] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT**

**that Starland County supports the Badlands Ambulance Services Society in their move to divest and turn the service over to the Alberta Health Services.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Grave Plot Excavation Policy

CAO Rawlusk reviewed Policy No. 560-1, Grave Plot Excavation and Back Filling Costs Policy, with the implemented changes which were discussed previously.

**C12-190**

**Policy No. 560-1 re: Grave Plot Excavation**

**[C12-190] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

**that Starland County Council establish Policy No. 560-1, a Policy for Grave Plot Excavation and Back Filling Costs, and that this Policy be adopted as reviewed.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Departure of Manager Riep

Manager Riep departed from the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

AAMDC Advocacy Report Card

Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties forwarded a copy of the AAMDC Advocacy Report Card for Fall of 2012 for Council's review.

AB Government re: New Expense Disclosure Policy

A News Release was received from the Alberta Government with regards to Alberta's new expense disclosure policy which is now in effect.

CAAMDC Fall Zone Meeting

Copies of the Agenda for the CAAMDC Fall Zone Meeting to be held in Rosebud, Alberta on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 were distributed to Council for their review.

2012 Operational & Skating Rink Grants

CAO Rawlusk discussed the 2012 Operational and Skating Rink Grants that Starland County annually distributes.

**C12-191**

**Motion to advertise for Operational & Skating Rink Grants**

**[C12-191] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE AVRAMENKO**

**that Starland County advertise the Starland County Operational and Skating Rink Grants Request for Proposals in the October 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 editions of the Drumheller Mail; setting the submission for applications deadline for November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2012 Salary Survey

Copies of the 2012 AAMDC / AMSC Confidential Salary Survey were distributed to Council for their review.

Tower Installation Issues

Special Projects Manager Kreke discussed the tower being installed in the south-west region of Starland County, together with the GPS module that is to be installed.

Committee Reports

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

Council Communications

Council Communications:

- i) Federation of Canadian Municipalities re: Diamond Jubilee
- ii) Canadian Badlands re: October, 2012 Newsletter
- iii) Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties

- Executive Highlights - August 2012 Executive Board Activities
- Minister Meeting Summary - Honourable George VanderBurg, Associate Minister of Seniors
- District Highlights - District 1 Meeting
- District Highlights - District 4 Meeting
- District Highlights - District 5 Meeting
- Member Bulletin - AAMDC Presenting Bylaw Amendment at the Fall 2012 Convention
- Contact Newsletter (2 issues)

Accounts

Accounts - see prior motion.

AAMDC	CK# 35407	\$	11,678.54
<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>11,678.54</b>

ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 35408	\$	37.51
EAGLE LAKE NURSERIES	CK# 35409		253.89
FORT GARRY INDUSTRIES LTD.	CK# 35410		7,280.24
FRANK FLAMAN SALES	CK# 35411		891.61
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 35412		170.96
ROCKY VIEW COUNTY	CK# 35413		982.80
STONE BLUE ENTERPRISES INC.	CK# 35414		16.30
<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>9,633.31</b>

A&D HARPER TIRE (1979) LTD.	CK# 35415	\$	1,800.04
ACKLANDS-GRAINER	CK# 35416		1,029.24
ALBERTA ANIMAL SERVICES	CK# 35417		1,050.00
AAMDC	CK# 35418		52,091.17
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT SERVICES	CK# 35419		15.00
ALBERTA ONE-CALL CORPORATION	CK# 35420		56.70
ALFADATA TECHNOLOGIES CORP.	CK# 35421		4,278.75
ALLIED DISTRIBUTORS DRUM LTD.	CK# 35422		119.53
ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC.	CK# 35423		213.53
ATCO ELECTRIC	CK# 35424		26,221.65
AVRAMENKO, ALLEN	CK# 35425		430.77
BARRON, FRANCIS	CK# 35426		1,503.00
BENOIT, PELAGIOUS P.	CK# 35427		146.99
BIG COUNTRY GAS CO-OP	CK# 35428		660.81
BIG SKY CALL CENTERS INC.	CK# 35429		258.30
BROWNLEE LLP	CK# 35430		1,148.02
BURT, EDWIN L.	CK# 35431		150.00
CHARLTON, MIKE SR.	CK# 35432		62.82
CHINOOK PIPELINE INC.	CK# 35433		26,250.00
CHRISTENSEN, (J.R.) RICHARD	CK# 35434		14,609.12
COMMUNITY FUTURES BIG COUNTRY	CK# 35435		3,000.00
CRISIS & TRAUMA RESOURCE	CK# 35436		105.00
DELIA COMMUNITY CENTRE	CK# 35437		325.00
DEVALERIOLA, CHERYL	CK# 35438		1,899.18
DG PRIMROSE TRUCKING & LOADING	CK# 35439		19,539.80
DRUMHELLER SOLID WASTE	CK# 35440		354.90
DRUMHELLER CO-OP LTD.	CK# 35441		993.38
DRUMHELLER EQUIPMENT SALES	CK# 35442		1,522.50
DRUMHELLER RADIATOR SHOP LTD.	CK# 35443		506.10
DUNBAR, WAYNE	CK# 35444		184.92
ENMAX	CK# 35445		8,988.90
EVERGREEN EQUIPMENT LTD.	CK# 35446		98.48
FOX ENERGY SYSTEMS INC.	CK# 35447		786.72
FRANK FLAMAN SALES	CK# 35448		30.28
FRASER, JAMES A.	CK# 35449		75.00
FRONTIER CONSTRUCTION	CK# 35450		4,977.00
GLENTEL INC.	CK# 35451		259.83
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 35452		180.34
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 35453		351.63

HODGE BROTHERS TRUCKING LTD.	CK# 35454	62,167.63
HOOVER, BARRIE	CK# 35455	303.58
I.G.A. DRUMHELLER	CK# 35456	33.44
IBM CANADA LTD.	CK# 35457	64.00
O/A J.C. INDUSTRIES LTD.	CK# 35458	417.90
JERRY'S LOCK & KEY SERVICE	CK# 35459	24.15
KMA CUSTOM SHEET METAL	CK# 35460	861.00
KNEEHILL COUNTY	CK# 35461	435.82
LAPP	CK# 35462	18,002.06
LOOMIS EXPRESS	CK# 35463	294.46
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 35464	468.44
MOE, KEITH	CK# 35465	136.67
MORRIN COMMUNITY HALL ASSOC.	CK# 35466	325.00
MORRIN FOODS	CK# 35467	477.93
NELSON, TRACY	CK# 35468	130.00
OASIS CARWASH	CK# 35469	71.83
PEEVEY ELECTRIC LTD.	CK# 35470	7,607.99
PENTAGON FARM CENTRE LTD.	CK# 35471	266.66
PETTY CASH	CK# 35472	169.67
POULSON, ROSE	CK# 35473	16.28
PRAIRIE LAND REGIONAL DIVISION	CK# 35474	404.00
PRIMROSE, BRAD	CK# 35475	17,061.28
PRINTER WORLD INTERNATIONAL	CK# 35476	554.40
PUMPS & PRESSURE INC.	CK# 35477	481.16
PURULATOR COURIER LTD.	CK# 35478	78.68
QUEST EMERGENCY LIGHTING	CK# 35479	203.72
RAUGUST, BRYAN & LORIE	CK# 35480	3,644.68
RAWLUSYK, ROSS D.	CK# 35481	768.38
RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA	CK# 35482	39,546.13
RIEHO CANADA INC.	CK# 35483	2,530.21
RIEP, GLEN	CK# 35484	2,184.41
ROBMAC ENTERPRISES LTD.	CK# 35485	9,203.13
ROCKY MOUNTAIN PHOENIX	CK# 35486	26.15
ROGER HODGE TRUCKING	CK# 35487	23,806.42
ROWE, DIANA	CK# 35488	154.14
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 35489	426.65
SHRED-IT CALGARY	CK# 35490	130.06
STANGER, NORMAN	CK# 35491	416.18
STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.	CK# 35492	15,972.77
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY	CK# 35493	14,659.50
SYLOGIST LTD.	CK# 35494	614.25
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 35495	1,364.51
THE CAT RENTAL STORE	CK# 35496	2,124.76
THE JACK FENCING OUTFIT	CK# 35497	3,108.00
TOWN OF HANNA	CK# 35498	50,000.00
TRINUS TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 35499	941.66
TROCHU MOTORS LTD.	CK# 35500	300.42
TROUT, RAY	CK# 35501	165.00
UNIVERSAL FORD LINCOLN	CK# 35502	117.87
VICKERS-PENTELESCU, CAMILLE A.	CK# 35503	868.43
VILLAGE OF MORRIN	CK# 35504	220.00
VILLAGE OF MUNSON	CK# 35505	1,550.00
WATER PURE & SIMPLE	CK# 35506	22.50
WESTERN CHEVROLET	CK# 35507	57.71
WOLF, SANDY	CK# 35508	480.00
WURTH CANADA LIMITED	CK# 35509	1,350.77

**Sub-Total: \$ 464,086.84**

**TOTAL: \$ 485,398.69**

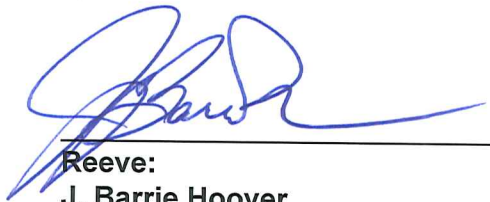
C12-192  
Adjournment

[C12-192] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SARGENT

that the meeting be adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

*The next meeting of the Council of Starland County is the Organizational Meeting which is to be held on Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012, in the Starland County Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, commencing at 9:00 a.m. The regular meeting of Council will follow directly after the conclusion of the Organizational Meeting.*



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Reeve:  
J. Barrie Hoover



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Chief Administrative Officer:  
Ross D. Rawlusyk

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