

# STARLAND COUNTY

## COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

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A regular meeting of the Council of Starland County was held in the Administration Office, Morrin, Alberta, on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

### Attendance

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

### C19-056 Approval of Minutes

#### [C19-056] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL

that the minutes of the February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### Accounts Checked

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

### C19-057 Accounts

#### [C19-057] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE SARGENT

that accounts (cheque no. 48522 to 48609 inclusive) totalling \$290,807.67 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 RMA recently conducted a member survey that identified that more than \$81 million in property taxes from oil and gas companies have gone unpaid. While our membership is very supportive of the industry the lack of tax payments has become a major concern and there remains no good recourse to collecting from bankrupt oil and gas companies.
- Last Tuesday night Starland County met with Stettler County, Special Areas and Paintearth County to discuss issues of common interest to this area. Major topics included tax recovery, volunteer fire departments and gravel hauling.
- The demolition of our old Administration Office has finally commenced and the remaining portion of the building standing has been completely torn down.
- Assessment numbers are in now and they actually increased by a mere 1%. However as we were anticipating a decline this is good news.

### PW Report

At 10:00 a.m. Public Works Supervisor Ken Menage attended the meeting and reviewed the Public Works Report with Council. Highlights of his report included the following:

- The PW Crew have been moving snow, brushing, doing job hazard inspections and cutting up trees.
- The Shop crew have been doing regular maintenance on the County's heavy/light duty equipment.
- Gradermen have been plowing roads with the recent snowfall and have been working weekends.
- Ken has been working on bridge inspections, interviews, and pricing equipment.

- The road meeting is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. and the road tour is scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

**C19-058**  
**Grader Training**

**[C19-058] MOVED BY REEVE WANNSTROM**

**that Starland County contract with Don Rude of DK Blading for grader operator training for 5 operators for \$25,000.00 plus GST.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Overweight  
Permits**

A new process for issuing overweight permits after hours and weekends was discussed. Council was advised that providing a permitting service after hours and on weekends would require a paid employee to issue the permits. Alternatively permits could also be issued during regular office hours that would run over the weekends. This process would require an employee ensuring that conditions remain viable for moves over the weekend.

**Road Bans**

Ken is requesting permission to begin instituting road bans when the weather dictates. The forecast is for rising temperatures over the next week and he would like to stay ahead of the industry.

**Gravel Hauling**

Administration is currently examining several options for moving forward with gravel hauling operations. Partially internalizing the service is one option that several surrounding counties have gone with. For the current year Administration is recommending renewing the contract gravel haul on rates similar to 2018.

**C19-059**  
**Gravel Hauling**

**[C19-059] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

**that Starland County offer to renew the 2014-2018 contract gravel hauler contract on the same terms for 2019 with the current gravel haulers.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Departure**

At 12:00 p.m. Ken departed from the meeting.

**Spring RMA  
Conference**

CAO Bremer reviewed the final agenda and resolution list for the Spring RMA Convention. There are only 12 resolutions going to the spring convention and Administration is recommending the approval of nearly all of them.

**RMA Spring  
Convention**

A request was received from Strathcona County to support their resolution encouraging the Government of Alberta to support Alberta's Energy Industry.

**Bylaw 1137**

Bylaw 1137, a bylaw regulating and providing for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of the Water Utilities in Starland County was reviewed with Council. The Bylaw will come into force on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 and will take the place of all existing agreements and rate structures.

**C19-060**  
**Bylaw 1137 –  
Motion to  
Establish**

**[C19-060] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR REW**

**that Bylaw 1137, a bylaw regulating and providing for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of the Water Utilities in Starland County to be established.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C19-061**  
**Bylaw 1137 –  
First Reading**

**[C19-061] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

**that Bylaw 1137 be given first reading.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C19-062  
Bylaw 1137 –  
Second Reading

[C19-062] MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE SARGENT

that Bylaw 1137 be given second reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C19-063  
Bylaw 1137 –  
To have Third  
Reading

[C19-063] MOVED BY REEVE WANNSTROM

that Bylaw 1137 be presented for third reading at this meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C19-064  
Bylaw 1137 –  
Third and Final  
Reading

[C19-064] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR REW

that Bylaw 1137, a bylaw regulating and providing for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of the Water Utilities in Starland County, be given third reading and finally passed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Alberta Municipal  
Affairs

Notice was received from Municipal Affairs that the Municipal Sustainability Initiative will be continued until its scheduled completion in March of 2022. It is Municipal Affairs intention to have a new fiscal framework in place at that time similar to the one now legislated with Calgary and Edmonton.

Council Meeting  
Resolution  
Summary

A list of the 2018 Council Motions was presented to Council. The list summarizes all Council decisions made in 2018.

Councillor  
Remuneration  
Summary

All Council members were presented with their remuneration table from 2018. The document outlines payments made to councillors for their various duties.

Committee  
Reports

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

Council  
Communications

Council Communications:

- i) Nate Horner re: Drumheller-Stettler United Conservative Party
- ii) Delia Mites re: Thank-you
- iii) Rural Municipalities of Alberta
  - Contact Newsletter (2 Issues)
  - President’s Update

Accounts

Accounts - see prior motion.

ACCU-FLO METER SERVICE LTD.	CK# 48522	187.95
CONTACT SAFETY SERVICE LTD.	CK# 48523	3,616.84
RECEIVER GENERAL FOR CANADA	CK# 48524	2,678.40
PETTY CASH	CK# 48525	286.70
PIONEER RESEARCH CORPORATION	CK# 48526	4,277.89
QUADROCK TRUCKING & EXCAVATING	CK# 48527	115.50
SLGM	CK# 48528	1,822.00
STEWART, KIM	CK# 48529	120.00
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 48530	754.08
TRAVEL DRUMHELLER MARKETING	CK# 48531	4,998.00
VALLEN CANADA INC.	CK# 48532	9,024.40
WESTVIEW CO-OPERATIVE ASSN LTD.	CK# 48533	435.43
WIART DIRTWORK LTD.	CK# 48534	2,467.50
WSH LABS (1992) LTD.	CK# 48535	567.00

**Sub-Total: \$ 31,351.69**

1121113 ALBERTA LTD CK# 48536 322.88

<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$ 322.88</b>
A&D HARPER TIRE (1979) LTD.	CK# 48537	2,948.95
ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 48538	700.04
AIR LIQUIDE CANADA HEAD OFFICE	CK# 48539	366.33
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT SERVICES	CK# 48540	150.00
ALLIED DISTRIBUTORS	CK# 48541	407.42
ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC.	CK# 48542	176.04
BROOKS INDUSTRIAL METALS LTD.	CK# 48543	773.01
CBI MANUFACTURING	CK# 48544	27,762.00
CINTAS CANADA LIMITED	CK# 48545	82.95
DELIA PENGUINS HOCKEY	CK# 48546	650.00
DIGITAL CONNECTION OFFICE	CK# 48547	1,044.46
DRUM WIRELESS LTD.	CK# 48548	215.25
ENMAX	CK# 48549	14,676.65
FORT GARRY INDUSTRIES LTD.	CK# 48550	751.80
GLOVER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS LTD.	CK# 48551	282.67
GREATWEST KENWORTH LTD.	CK# 48552	425.50
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 48553	6,239.86
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 48554	390.97
JERRY'S LOCK & KEY SERVICE	CK# 48555	36.01
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 48556	300.56
MORRIN FOODS	CK# 48557	2,096.89
PUROLATOR INC.	CK# 48558	53.63
REW, JOHN	CK# 48559	299.57
SHARPE, KERRY	CK# 48560	381.44
SLGM	CK# 48561	350.00
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE	CK# 48562	155.93
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 48563	659.05
TURRIS COMMUNICATIONS LTD.	CK# 48564	270.22
VILLAGE OF MORRIN	CK# 48565	250.10
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 48566	269.38
WATTS, JACKIE	CK# 48567	3,531.17
WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICE	CK# 48568	9,135.00
1121113 ALBERTA LTD	CK# 48569	3,475.50

**Sub-Total: \$ 79,308.35**

A.H. GRADER SERVICE LTD.	CK# 48570	12,348.00
ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC.	CK# 48571	354.16
ALLIED DISTRIBUTORS	CK# 48572	56.92
ATB FINANCIAL MASTERCARD	CK# 48573	11,519.03
AUTO VALUE PARTS – DRUMHELLER	CK# 48574	7.04
BIG SKY CALL CENTERS INC.	CK# 48575	502.78
RECEIVER GENERAL	CK# 48576	1,980.00
CHRIST THE REDEEMER C.S.R.D #3	CK# 48577	4,018.48
DIGITEX CANADA INC.	CK# 48578	1,028.92
DRUMHELLER SOLID WASTE	CK# 48579	87.81
FRESON BROS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48580	481.58
GRS CONSULTING LTD.	CK# 48581	699.24
HECK, BRIAN	CK# 48582	171.60
HENRY KROEGER REGIONAL WATER	CK# 48583	274.51
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 48584	275.49
I.D. APPAREL	CK# 48585	519.54
LN LAND DEVELOPMENT	CK# 48586	6,311.50
LAPP	CK# 48587	22,931.48
LONE WORKER SAFETY SOLUTIONS	CK# 48588	224.18
LOOMIS EXPRESS	CK# 48589	72.21
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 48590	195.56
MORRIN FOODS	CK# 48591	679.39
MPE ENGINEERING LTD.	CK# 48592	4,852.58
NAPIER THEATRE	CK# 48593	740.00
PRINTER WORLD INTERNATIONAL	CK# 48594	434.70
RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA	CK# 48595	48,459.55

REW, JOHN	CK# 48596	194.57
RMA FUEL	CK# 48597	23,269.57
ROADATA SERVICES LTD.	CK# 48598	330.75
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 48599	1,807.92
SHARPE, KERRY	CK# 48600	147.84
SNAP-ON TOOLS	CK# 48601	167.95
STEWART, KIM	CK# 48602	130.00
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE	CK# 48603	19,232.43
THE DRUMHELLER MAIL	CK# 48604	5,842.89
TOWN OF DRUMHELLER	CK# 48605	1,919.19
TRINUS TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 48606	4,370.73
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 48607	2,938.29
WATER PURE & SIMPLE	CK# 48608	54.00
WESTVIEW CO-OPERATIVE ASSN LTD.	CK# 48609	192.37

**Sub-Total: \$ 178,824.75**

**TOTAL: \$ 290,807.67**

**C19-065  
Adjournment**

**[C19-065] 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, March 27<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**