

# STARLAND COUNTY

## COUNCIL MEETING, APRIL 24<sup>TH</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, April 24<sup>th</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

**C19-080**  
**Approval of Minutes**

**[C19-080] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

**that the minutes of the April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting of the Council of Starland County be approved.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Financial Statement

Council reviewed a copy of the December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 financial statement as prepared by Administration.

**C19-081**  
**Financial Statement**

**[C19-081] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WATTS**

**that the financial statement for the period ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 be approved as submitted.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Financial Statement

Council reviewed a copy of the December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 financial statement as prepared Administration.

Accounts Checked

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

**C19-082**  
**Accounts**

**[C19-082] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL**

**that accounts (cheque no. 48770 to 48841 inclusive) totalling \$227,240.83 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 results of the spring provincial election are in and the UCP and Jason Kenney will form the next provincial government with 51% of the vote. From an electoral process perspective, the election was an outstanding success with over 70% of eligible voters turning out to vote.
- Administration has been going through budget deliberations for the last week and this is going to be the most difficult year in memory. The potential insolvency of major taxpayers has resulted in historic revenue decreases and will require both service and revenue changes. We will be going over some options at this meeting.
- Stettler Telephone Answering Services outlines the services they can provide to Starland County in regard to After Hours Emergency Calls and Call-Outs, Alarm Monitoring, Work-Along Services and Reporting. Staff have been working with Ken Farbutt from STAS in getting everything set up and we will be changing over on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

- Negotiations are ongoing with Eagle Builders over several of the points noted by Council to bring their proposal up to their satisfaction. We are hoping to complete negotiations following today's Council meeting.

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 working signs, road repairs with gravel, road repairs with cold mix, approach building and culvert work.
- The Shop crew have been busy with repairs and tire work to all department equipment.
- Gradermen have been blading roads and getting ready for summer, Don Rude worked all last week with Colby on grader training.
- Ken has been working on bridge inspections, seasonal hires, road and bridge planning and preparing for the upcoming road meeting.

Equipment  
Tenders

Sealed bids were opened for the County equipment sale. The tender process was closed on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**C19-083**  
**Equipment  
Tender**

**[C19-083] MOVED BY COUNCILLOR REW**

**that the following tender bids be accepted as per the terms of the Bidder Instructions:**

<b>2002 Chevy 1500</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$347.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Buck Benoit</b>
<b>1999 Ford F350</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$5,250.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Alan Hampton</b>
<b>2006 GMC ½ Ton</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$511.53</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Szilvia Vajda</b>
<b>2007 Dodge Ram</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$1,310.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Ken Glover</b>
<b>2007 Dodge Ram</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$850.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Daryl Hampton</b>
<b>2007 Dodge Dura</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$755.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Buck Benoit</b>
<b>Slip Tank (630)</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>Thomas Hodge</b>

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Departure

At 10:45 a.m. Ken departed the meeting.

MS Report

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

- Glen hopes to start working on the Michichi Dam beaver trail in the next couple of weeks. The trail will connect the campground with the beaver trail system that Ag Services has already installed. The trail will require some landscaping and earth work to establish a trail.
- The Rowley truck fill pump is down as the pump lost prime and damaged the seals again. Glen intends to modify the existing pump from a centrifugal non-suction pump to a submersible pump which would eliminate the ongoing issue.
- Wise Abatement performed an inspection on the house in Drumheller we recently purchased in order to install our pump station. We are still awaiting the results however it appears that most of the interior does have some asbestos which will need to be removed for demolition.
- With power outages in Morrin this week, Glen has readied the office to run off the solar/generator unit. The electrical panel was prewired to accommodate the use of the generator when necessary.

Intermunicipal  
Development Plan

Assistant CAO Kreke reviewed with Council a draft copy of a new Intermunicipal Development Plan between Starland County and the Village

of Morrin. The document is a template for the plans that are mandated to be written between Starland County and the Villages of Morrin, Munson and Delia.

Solar Facility AUC Hearing	Kneehill Solar LP has filed an application to construct and operate a 25 megawatt solar power plant in the Drumheller area and written submissions to the AUC are due by May 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2019.
Departure	At 12.00 p.m. Glen departed from the meeting.
Peace Officer Authority	Starland County has received its requested amended Authorization to Employ Peace Officers from the Solicitor General. This authorization will enable Starland County to employ a Peace Officer Level 1 and enforce the Provincial Traffic Act.
ACFA AGM	The Alberta Capital Finance Authority will be hosting its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2019 in Edmonton.
SAEWA AGM	The Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association will be hosting its Annual General Meeting on Friday May 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 in Vulcan, Alberta.
2019 Budget	Administration has been working on the 2019 budget for the last several weeks and it has become increasingly clear over the last 2 weeks that there may be a serious tax collection problem this year there will have to be several changes made to both the revenue and expenditure side of the budget. Council will be given more specific options on tax rates at the next meeting.
Committee Reports	Each of the Councillors present briefly reported on the various committees to which they are appointed.
Council Communications	Council Communications: i) Prairie Land Regional Division #25 re: Board Highlights ii) Canadian Badlands re: Annual General Meeting of Shareholders Minutes iii) Insight Into Government (1 issue) iv) Rural Municipalities of Alberta <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Contact Newsletter (2 Issue)</li></ul>
Accounts	Accounts - see prior motion.  A.H. GRADER SERVICE LTD. CK# 48770 3,895.50 A.P.I. ALARM INC. CK# 48771 110.25 A&D HARPER TIRE (1979) LTD. CK# 48772 7,178.89 ADAMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES INC. CK# 48773 389.64 AGROMAX DISTRIBUTORS INC. CK# 48774 10,080.00 ALBERTA FIRE CHIEF ASSOCIATION CK# 48775 2,431.25 ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC. CK# 48776 2,126.81 ATCO ELECTRIC LTD. CK# 48777 19,879.10 ATCO STRUCTURES & LOGISTICS LTD. CK# 48778 9,870.00 AUTO VALUE PARTS – DRUMHELLER CK# 48779 1,696.89 BENOIT, PELAGIOUS P. CK# 48780 137.35 BIG COUNTRY GAS CO-OP CK# 48781 597.16 BREMER, SHIRLEY J. CK# 48782 939.55 BROWNLEE LLP CK# 48783 3,263.10 BURNETT, LINDSAY CK# 48784 500.00 BURT, EDWIN L. CK# 48785 150.00 RECEIVER GENERAL CK# 48786 240.00 CANADIAN TIRE CK# 48787 787.50 CERVUS AG EQUIPMENT LP CK# 48788 142.08 CW CLEANING/CANDACE WILLIAMS CK# 48789 210.00 DIRECTDIAL.COM CK# 48790 1,110.69 DRUM WIRELESS LTD. CK# 48791 393.07 DRUMHELLER CHRYSLER LTD. CK# 48792 84.26

EAST CENTRAL GAS CO-OP LTD.	CK# 48793	566.71
ECS SAFETY SERVICES LTD.	CK# 48794	607.96
ENDEAVOR	CK# 48795	24,813.60
ENMAX	CK# 48796	10,206.86
FARM SAFETY CENTRE	CK# 48797	875.00
FAZEKAS, JUDITH W	CK# 48798	775.50
FRESON BROS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48799	105.07
GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	CK# 48800	200.45
HECK, BRIAN	CK# 48801	170.00
HI-WAY 9 EXPRESS LTD.	CK# 48802	468.72
IMAGE CRAFTER SIGNS INC.	CK# 48803	78.75
KLONDIKE CRANE INSPECTION LTD.	CK# 48804	2,741.83
KNEEHILL COUNTY	CK# 48805	187.90
KUDRAS, DARA	CK# 48806	114.94
LAPP	CK# 48807	23,701.91
MARSHALL, MURRAY	CK# 48808	492.60
MORRIN COMMUNITY HALL ASSOC	CK# 48809	450.00
MPE ENGINEERING LTD.	CK# 48810	3,075.49
NAPA AUTO PARTS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48811	15.75
NETAGO	CK# 48812	319.95
OASIS CARWASH & CONVENIENCE	CK# 48813	65.29
PUROLATOR INC.	CK# 48814	28.29
RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA	CK# 48815	52,462.58
RED DEER COUNTY	CK# 48816	605.00
REW, JOHN	CK# 48817	2,589.77
RMA FUEL	CK# 48818	20,931.75
SANITEC	CK# 48819	92.16
SARGENT, ROBERT	CK# 48820	213.18
SEED CHECK TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 48821	173.25
SHARPE, KERRY	CK# 48822	147.20
SHRED-IT INTERNATIONAL ULC	CK# 48823	498.55
SPARTAN CONTROLS LTD.	CK# 48824	340.20
STARLAND REGIONAL WATER	CK# 48825	1,454.45
STEWART, KIM	CK# 48826	140.00
TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	CK# 48827	398.85
TELUS MOBILITY INC.	CK# 48828	1,089.41
THE ALBERTA SOIL SCIENCE WORK	CK# 48829	500.00
TKNT MECHANICAL LTD.	CK# 48830	89.25
TOWN OF DRUMHELLER	CK# 48831	2,937.18
TRINUS TECHNOLOGIES INC.	CK# 48832	76.13
VILLAGE OF DELIA	CK# 48833	225.00
VILLAGE OF MORRIN	CK# 48834	600.00
WANNSTROM, STEVE	CK# 48835	432.76
WATER PURE & SIMPLE	CK# 48836	63.00
WATTS, JACKIE	CK# 48837	468.86
WESTERGARD MOTORS DRUMHELLER	CK# 48838	2,165.64
WISE ABATEMENT	CK# 48839	892.50
WOLF, TRACY	CK# 48840	1,305.00
1325856 ALBERTA LTD.	CK# 48841	73.50

**Sub-Total: \$ 227,240.83**

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C19-084  
Adjournment

[C19-084] MOVED COUNCILLOR WATTS

that the meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

*The next meeting of the Council of Starland County is to be held on Wednesday, May 8<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