

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences

Council Highlights February 14, 2023

The meetings are lived streamed on YouTube under 'County of St. Paul No. 19'. The public is welcome to observe the Council proceedings from the Public Gallery in the Council Chambers located in the Administration Building. Council and Public Works meetings begin at 10:00 a.m.

From the January 24 Public Works Meeting

Council passed **Bylaw 2021-01 Partial Road Cancellation – Vincent Lake SW 17-59-9-W4**.

Council accepted the **4th Quarter (October to December) Operational Update for 2022**. The Operational Update can be found on the County's website under 'Governance/Strategic Plans 2022'.

Council approved the resolution recommended by the **MD of St. Paul Foundation** Board regarding the replacement and repair project of **Sunnyside Senior's Housing Facility in St. Paul**. The recommendations include to advance discussions with the Alberta Government for the use of the existing lands for the Sunnyside Manor Replacement and Repair Project; to advance project planning of the existing property; to solicit the Alberta Government for capital contributions and advance applications for project financing through Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation or other; and, to approve a capital funding commitment of \$12,000,000 conditional on the MD of St. Paul Foundations' successful completion of the recommendations stated above. Of this funding commitment, the County's contribution would be \$8,369,000.

Council approved funding the increased cost of \$8,485 for the Ford F-550 4x4 Crew Cab Chassis Body for the **Elk Point Fire Department** from the Elk Point Capital Reserves held at the County of St. Paul; approved the **St. Paul Fire Department** to access the Joint-Use Fire Reserve account in the amount not to exceed \$18,000 for outfitting the new Fire Department Command Vehicle; and, moved to recommend the St. Paul Fire Department install enhanced visible decals on the emergency command vehicle to ensure the vehicle can be seen at all time of day/night by the public.

Council approved the **Xplore Co-location License Agreement** for tower space at the Spedden site for the installation of radio equipment to be used by the Ashmont Fire Department.

Council approved and signed a Service Contract with **A&T Water & Septic Ltd.** to supply wood services for the four municipal campgrounds for the 2023, 2024 and 2025 park seasons.

Council approved the sale of one or both of the County's crew cab and extended cab units to **Evergreen Landfill** pending approval from the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission Board, as follows: T-27 2011 Ford F150 4x4 crew cab for \$3,200; and, T-08 2008 Chev 3500 4x4 extended cab for \$6,500.

Council moved to defer the decision to purchase a Cold Mix Plant to final budget, and to proceed with the procurement for a contract to mix up to 40,000 tonnes of **cold mix** for the County for the 2023 season.

Council moved to deliver all three of the following pieces of equipment to **Michener Allen Auction** in Edmonton for a guaranteed price of \$252,000: TH-04 (JD-290) - 2011 John Deere 290GLC Excavator 11580 hours; CT-04 (CAT D7) - 2006 Caterpillar D7R XR11 16909 hours; and, LB-10 2011 Tri-Axle End Dump Trailer.

Council approved renewing the **Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)** membership for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$1,975.92. The FCM advocates for municipalities to ensure their citizens' needs are reflected in federal policies and programs.

Council approved the operating grant of \$10,000 for the **St. Paul & District Chamber of Commerce** that has already been allocated in the 2023 preliminary budget.

Council approved a \$5,000 grant for the **Elk Point Chamber of Commerce** for the 2023 operating year, and approved a \$5,000 grant for the **Mallaig Chamber of Commerce** for the 2023 operating year.

Council approved a \$1,000 transportation grant to cover travelling expenses for educational and cultural trips for the **St. Paul Seniors Citizens' Club** for 2023.

Council approved providing the **St. Paul Junior Curling Club** with a \$300 donation for Bonspiel that was held on January 29.

Council approved purchasing a table of eight for \$520 and to provide a silent auction item for the **St. Paul and District Hospital Foundation Gala Fundraiser** on March 11.

Council approved purchasing a table of eight for \$800 to support the **St. Paul RCMP & Fire Regimental Ball** that will be held on April 22, 2023.

Council ratified the letter of support submitted to the **Elk Point Agricultural Society** for the Northern and Regional Economic Development (NRED) program grant that was submitted on January 22, 2023. The grant, if approved, would be applied to the AG Ross Arena Ice Plant.

Council moved to deliver an 8-yard bin, at no cost, to the **Elk Point AG Ross Arena** for March 22-26 for the 2023 U-13 Tier 2 Alberta Minor Hockey Provincial Championships.

From the February 14 Council Meeting

Council passed **Bylaw 2023-02 to Rescind Undeveloped Road Allowance Bylaw 2014-28** to license the undeveloped road allowance between NE 12-61-12-W4 and NW 7-61-11-W4; SE 12-61-12-W4 and SW 7-61-11-W4.

Council passed **Bylaw 2023-03 to Rescind Undeveloped Road Allowance Bylaw 2013-04** to license the undeveloped road allowance between SE 17-59-11-W4 and SW 16-59-11-W4. In both instances, the licensees no longer utilizing the undeveloped road allowance.

Council awarded the tender for **Supply and Delivery of Fuel Product** to Cornerstone Co-op for a term ending December 31, 2024. The tender was posted on the Alberta Purchasing Connection on January 17, 2023. Submitted tenders were opened in public on February 8.

Council approved the addition to the project scope to develop a harmonized **Airport Processes and Procedures Manual** for the Elk Point Municipal Airport and St. Paul Municipal Airport and to fund the remaining required funds in the sum of \$2,000.

Council approved additional capital funds of \$10,215 to replace the **2009 Gooseneck Trailer LB-17**. Quotes to replace the trailer are higher than what was budgeted for.

Council directed Administration to send a letter to the Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors and the Minister of Jobs, Economy and Northern Development requesting changes to the **Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) – Resource Road Stream** to include paving as an eligible expense.

Council approved sending a letter requesting partnership support for needed upgrades to **Moosehills Road** to CNRL, to be budgeting for completion in 2024; and, to send a letter to Strathcona Resources to also request support for this project as both companies are high/heavy users of this County paved road. The estimated cost of the project is \$657,260.

Council approved **Western Canadian Spill Services** to use County owned land along the Heinsburg bridge area for the training exercise to be held June 20-22, 2023 and, further, with a recommendation they supply an honorarium to a local emergency services group.

Council passed a motion to provide **STARS Foundation** with a \$2 per capital donation in the amount of \$12,936 for 2023, 2024 and 2025.

Council moved to provide a door prize for the **Mallaig Curling Club's 2nd Annual Spring Classic Farmer's Spiel** to be held on March 17-19.

Council approved the request for \$300 from the **Ashmont & District Agricultural Society** for the Ladies Night Out Event on March 4.

Council approved the request for the County to be the temporary insurance Certificate Holder for the **Family, Food & Fun Event** on February 19 which will be held on County lands that has been organized by Triple R Excavations & Landscaping Ltd. along with the Iron Horse Trail/Gazebo Committee.

Council moved to sponsor **Elk Point Minor Hockey** for \$500 to host the U-11, Tier 3 NEAHL Championship Tournament from March 18 to 19.

Council moved to provide MS Canada with a \$1,000 grant for the annual **St. Paul MS Walk** being held on May 28.

Additional Information

Online Camp Reservations open on March 1 at 8:00 a.m. through CampReservations.ca It's not too early to start thinking about summer and camping! Last year, close to 100 online reservations were made on the first day the reservation system opened. For information on Floating Stone, Lac Bellevue, Stoney Lake, and Westcove campgrounds see the County's webpage 'Campgrounds'.

Online Gravel Orders open on March 1 County property owners can use the online order form to place their orders for gravel and gravel delivery. A maximum of 25 tonnes of gravel may be purchased each year per rural address or the amount indicated in an approved Development Permit. For information on gravel orders, pricing and the online order form, see County's webpage 'Public Works'.

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