

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences



Council Meeting – Highlights

March 12, 2024

including the February 27 Public Works Meeting

Council & Public Works meetings are [live-streamed](#) on YouTube under '[County of St. Paul No. 19](#)'.

The public is welcome to observe Council proceedings from the Public Gallery in the Council Chambers, located in the Administration Building. Our next meeting, Public Works, is on March 26 at 10 a.m.

Administration

Council approved the **LAM Water Open Houses summary report** for the sessions held February 20, 21, and 22 with Urban Systems and Azimi Consulting. The report outlines the main questions and concerns brought forward by residents and can be found on the [LAM water project page](#) of the website.

Council will take part in the **Northeast Alberta Alliance for Growth and Opportunities**, paying an **annual membership fee of \$2,200** with a Council representative attending **quarterly meetings**.

Administration invites fundraising groups to apply for the **Annual Provincial Highway Cleanup** on May 4 (weather permitting). Please contact the Admin Office or visit our Facebook and website for the road list.

Council became a **Platinum Sponsor of the 2nd Chance Trail Ride Fundraiser** with a \$5,000 donation.

St. Paul & District Arts Foundation spoke with Council regarding a **grant to assist with their 2023 operating expenses**. Council originally provided \$500 in December 2023; Council has now made a motion to provide **an additional \$2,000** towards the 2023 application.

Administration will provide a **voucher** for the **Elk Point Fireman's Ball silent auction**. The voucher is for 25 tonnes of gravel, roughly valued at \$450, to be delivered within the County of St. Paul boundaries.

Council agreed to **sponsor the Elk Point Minor Hockey U11 Avalanche** team for their Northeastern Alberta Hockey League U-11 Tier 5 Championship Tournament for \$250.

Council is **sponsoring the Annual St. Paul MS Walk**, taking place May 26, for **\$1,000**.

For the 30th Annual **St. Paul Desna Ukrainian Dance Festival** on March 16, Council is providing a **\$500 donation** as well as a program welcome letter from Reeve Glen Ockerman.

Bylaws and Policies

Bylaws and Policies can be found on the County website under '[Governance > Bylaws & Policies](#)'.

From the feedback received at the February 13 Public Hearing, Council gave second and third readings on amendments for **Bylaw 2023-26 Land Use** in two portions:

- Council used general feedback for changes to the definitions section, to reduce fencing limitations, clarify second residences and recreational vehicles, and simplify Manufactured Home approvals.
- Council reviewed Section 7.35(31) to adjust setbacks for commercial wind energy projects.

Council gave first reading to **2024-05 Borrowing Bylaw**. Riverview residents will be notified about the proposed tax and provided the opportunity to petition before the Bylaw is brought back for second and third reading.

Council gave first reading to **Bylaw 2024-04** for the closing and selling of unused portions of road plans and lanes in the Hamlet of Owlseye. Persons claiming to be affected by these closures may voice their concerns at the **Public Hearing scheduled for April 23 at 10:30 a.m.**

Council approved the request of the Executive Director of Alberta's Iron Horse Trail & DMO/NE Muni-Corr Ltd. to adopt revisions for **Bylaw 2024-02 Corridor Regulation**.

Public Works

The **Gravel Sales program is now open** for orders, as of March 1st.

The **Moosehills Road project tender** has been awarded to **E Construction for \$577,575**. WSP will proceed to execute the project at a new estimated cost of \$37,737. This is an increase of \$31,814 due to a scope change that includes construction management of the entire project.

Council directed Public Works to tender up to 45,000 tonnes of cold mix product for the **road oiling projects of 2024**.

Administration will work with **Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission** on the **purchase of an additional 250 tonnes of gravel**, estimated at \$4,500, to ensure the road and ramp construction performed in 2023 gets covered before spring to ensure traction and base stabilization takes place.

Community Services

Regional **FCSS** Director, Lynn Smid, presented to the **organization's 2023 Annual Report**.

Economic Development

STEP will contribute three gift certificates for **two free nights of camping** (at any County campsite) as part of the **regional tradeshow booth door prizes** (Edmonton, Sherwood Park, and Fort McMurray). The donation total is \$210.

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