

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences



February Council Highlights

including the January 27 and February 10 Meetings

Council meetings are [live-streamed](#) on YouTube under '[County of St. Paul No. 19](#)' and are available on the County's YouTube channel for 72 hours following the meeting.

The public is welcome to observe Council proceedings from the Public Gallery in the Council Chambers, located in the Administration Building. The next Council meeting is February 24, starting at 10 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION

The March 10 Council meeting has been **rescheduled** to March 11, starting at 10 a.m.

Council approved the **publication of the 2025 Operational Plan Q4 Update**.

Council has **sponsored \$10,000 to the St. Paul & District Hospital Foundation Gala on April 11**. The County will also provide a gravel voucher as a silent auction item.

BYLAWS AND POLICIES

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

Bylaw 2026-05 Utilities was passed, replacing Bylaw 2023-20 by clarifying when outstanding utility balances are transferred to a property's tax roll, the interest rate on overdue accounts, and to note an increase in the rates by the Elk Point/St. Paul Regional Water Commission from \$1.50 to \$1.75.

Bylaw 2026-06 Sunnyside Manor Lodge Modernization received first reading. This is a borrowing bylaw that would authorize the County to obtain a 5-year loan of up to \$1,614,960 for the upfront capital commitment for the MD Foundation construction project.

Council has **scheduled three Public Hearings for February 24:**

- Bylaw 2025-17 at 11 a.m. for the 'Old' Township Road 610 closure
- Bylaw 2026-02 at 11:15 a.m. for the land rezoning east of Mallaig
- Bylaw 2026-03 at 1 p.m. to receive comments on Land Use Bylaw amendments related to Wind Energy Conversion Systems.

Each Public Hearing has an associated blog post on our website under 'News'. Find out more about each proposed bylaw, as well as how to participate in the public hearings (to speak for or against the changes): www.county.stpaul.ab.ca/news/

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Through the St. Paul Fish & Game Association, the County is **offering the Predator Management Incentive Program** to agricultural producers experiencing livestock predation from coyotes and wolves. The Program is open from February 1 to April 1 and is financially supported by the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society's Wildlife Management Fund (WMF).

The County has **purchased a used 2009 Freightliner tanker truck for \$35,000**. The truck will replace the Ashmont Fire Department's current tanker truck.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The County of St. Paul is **renewing its Rural Renewal Stream designation** for the region. The region paused its participation in the program in 2025 until policies were revised to facilitate a smoother process.

STEP Economic Development Alliance, on behalf of the County of St. Paul, is **applying for a CanExport Community Investments (CECI) grant**. If successful, the funding will support FDI lead generation and investor engagement in priority sectors, focusing on 1) agriculture and agri-food, and 2) energy and related infrastructure, where appropriate.

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