

VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
AGENDA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 9, 2022
via Telus BusinessConnect

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPT AGENDA
3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT
4. DELEGATIONS A. Palliser Municipal Services – Devin Diano & Cody Dale-McNair
5. ADOPT MINUTES A. Minutes from January 12, 2022, Regular Meeting
6. FINANCIAL REPORTS A. Bank Reconciliation January 2022 – Village
 B. Bank Reconciliation January 2022- WRC
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES
 A. *Response Letter from Municipal Affairs re FIR Extension Request*
8. NEW BUSINESS A. Subdivision Application Approval
 B. Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Plan Agreement
 C. Columbarium Pricing
 D. Weed Inspection Agreement
 E. Request from MP Martin Shields
 F. Meeting Attendance Request – Councillor Henke
 G. Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw
 H. Brick Building/Vehicles – Councillor Goodfellow
 I. Infrastructure Funding Agreement
9. CORRESPONDENCE A. Letter from Town of Gibbons re Bill 21
10. OTHER BUSINESS
11. ACTION ITEM LIST REVIEW
12. CLOSED SESSION
13. OUT OF CLOSED SESSION MOTION
14. REPORTS
15. ADJOURNMENT

Jan 2022 public works report

1. Roof top heater on gym at PRP not working KMW heating out replaced belts, changed filters.
2. Resident at campsite 11 left cleaned up campsite removed 25 straw bales, pallets, fridge hauled garbage to dump.
3. Snow removal on sidewalks at Prairie ridge, community center and camp bathroom.
4. Spread sand at intersections in front of store, post office and village office.
5. Repaired man door at shop as it would not close properly.
6. Took down Christmas lights.
7. Getting quotes on shop furnace repair or replacement.
8. Got quote on snow blade for kubota.
9. Ordered filters for air exchanger at PRP.
10. Changed transformer on center washroom toilet
11. Cleaning snow on roads.

Wheatland Regional Corporation
Monthly Cash Statement
As at January 31, 2022

Net Balance as at December 31, 2021	\$ 1,189.93
Interest Earned	\$ 0.56
Transfer from T-Bill	\$ 0.00
	\$ 1,190.49
Transfer to T-Bill Account	\$ 0.00
Disbursements	\$ 0.00
G/L Balance as at January 31, 2022	<u>\$ 1,190.49</u>

Bank Reconciliation:	
Balance as at January 31, 2022	\$ 1,190.49
Sub Total	
Less Outstanding Cheques	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance as at January 31, 2022	<u>\$ 1,190.49</u>

Mayor

Administrator



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Subdivision Approval

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8A.

Background: Council had directed Administration to begin the subdivision process for the southern portion of the lands of the Prairie Ridge Park property.

Palliser Municipal Services was contacted, and that process was initiated. The required circulation was done by Palliser and the comments received are included in the Subdivision Report.

The purpose of the subdivision is to create 5 new residential lots that the Village can sell to stimulate new growth and increase the tax base. The rezoning will be done, and the lots will be serviced.

In addition to the 5 residential lots, it also creates a new commercial lot on the corner of Main St. and 2nd Ave. W. The land is zoned CB – Central Business and will remain zoned that way but will allow for the sale of that one lot being broken out from the Prairie Ridge Park total parcel.

Palliser has provided Council with a full report and the next step in the process is for Council to review the recommendations of Palliser staff and make a decision regarding approval. The staff recommendations are on page 8 of the report.

Options:

1. Council can approve the subdivision application with staff recommendations.
2. Council can approve the subdivision application with additional recommendations.
3. Council can refuse the subdivision application with reasons.

Financial Implications: It will be the responsibility of the Village to connect services to the newly created lots. The cost of this project will be added to the Capital Budget and MPE will be contacted to provide information regarding costs.

Communication: Advertising will be done in the Strathmore Times if the subdivision is approved. We will also post the approval with a map on our Facebook page and website.

Recommendation: That Village Council approves the subdivision application with staff recommendations.

SUBDIVISION REPORT**AGENDA:** January ##, 2022 **MUNICIPALITY:** Village of Rockyford**FILE No.** 59/005 **PRMS No.** 2021-034 **PROPOSAL:** Residential / Commercial subdivisions**LOCATION:** Located within a triangular area bordered by Main Street, Second Avenue West and Serviceberry Trail. Civic Address: 320 Main Street**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Block 5, Plan 5728 CC (C. of T. 171 232 612)
All within the NW 1/4 Sec.22 - Twp. 26 - Rge 23 W4M**APPLICANT:** Elaine Macdonald - CAO The Village of Rockyford**OWNERS:** The Village of Rockyford**TITLE AREA:** 1.831 ha. (4.53 ac.) 18,310.53 m² (197,092.88 ft.²)**PROPOSED SUBDIVISION AREA:**

Proposed Lot 1	0.094 ha. (0.232 ac.)	939.65 m ² (10,114.30 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 2	0.074 ha. (0.182 ac.)	735.00 m ² (7,911.47 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 3	0.074 ha. (0.182 ac.)	735.00 m ² (7,911.47 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 4	0.074 ha. (0.182 ac.)	735.00 m ² (7,911.47 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 5	0.074 ha. (0.182 ac.)	735.00 m ² (7,911.47 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 6	0.436 ha. (1.077 ac.)	4,358.94 m ² (46,919.19 ft. ²)
Proposed Lot 7	0.100 ha. (0.246 ac.)	996.45 m ² (10,725.66 ft. ²)
Total New Lots	0.926 ha. (2.283 ac.)	9,235.04 m ² (99,405.03 ft. ²)
Remainder Area	0.908 ha. (2.243 ac.)	9,075.50 m ² (97,687.85 ft. ²)
Total Area	1.834 ha. (2.475 ac.)	18,310.54 m ² (197,092.88 ft. ²)

NUMBER OF PROPOSED PARCELS: Seven (7)**EXISTING USE:** Commercial**PROPOSED USE:** Residential/ Commercial**LAND USE CLASSIFICATION:** "CB" – Central Business District with proposed lots 1 through 5 being rezoned to "R-G" Residential General District.

RESERVE STATUS: May Be Required [Section 661(b) of the Municipal Government Act].

Developable Land	1.831 hectares (4.53 ac.)
Less: Environmental Reserve	0.00 hectares (0.00 ac.)
Less: Roads	0.00 hectares (0.00 ac.)
Possible Reserve Dedication (10%)	0.183 hectares (0.453 ac.)

This reserve most likely would have been dealt with back at the time when this parcel was created and as 0.908 ha. (2.243 ac.) of the remaining area is to be left as park space this area would be larger than what the required reserve would be.

RESERVE STATUS: Not required [Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000 Section 663(a)]
A subdivision authority may not require the owner of a parcel of land that is the subject of a proposed subdivision to provide reserve land or money in place of reserve land if
(d) reserve land, environmental reserve easements or money in place of it was provided in respect of the land that is the subject of the proposed subdivision under this Part or the former Act.

APPEAL STATUS: Municipal.

The Clerk
Subdivision & Development Appeal Board
Village of Rockyford
P.O. Box 294
ROCKYFORD, Alberta
T0J 2R0

CIRCULATION: No objections were received from adjacent landowners through circulation.

Fortis Alberta sent notification that easements are required for this development. The developer can initiate the process of securing an easement for the proposed subdivision by contacting the undersigned. Fortis Alberta is requesting that the county (municipality) defer its subdivision approval until such time as this easement process is complete and the developer has entered into an appropriate easement agreement with Fortis Alberta and the easement has been properly registered with Land Titles (Alberta). Fortis Alberta will notify the county (municipality) once these steps have been completed and confirm that Fortis Alberta no

longer has any concerns with approval of this subdivision. Fortis Alberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange installation of electrical services for this subdivision and for the easement by contacting Fortis Alberta at 310-WIRE (310-9473) to make application. (Contact: Diana Pounall, Land Department, Fortis Alberta Inc., 320-17 Ave SW, Calgary, AB T2S 2V1; PH 587-775-6264 landserv@fortisalberta.com or calling 403-514-4783; Reference No.: 230106046).

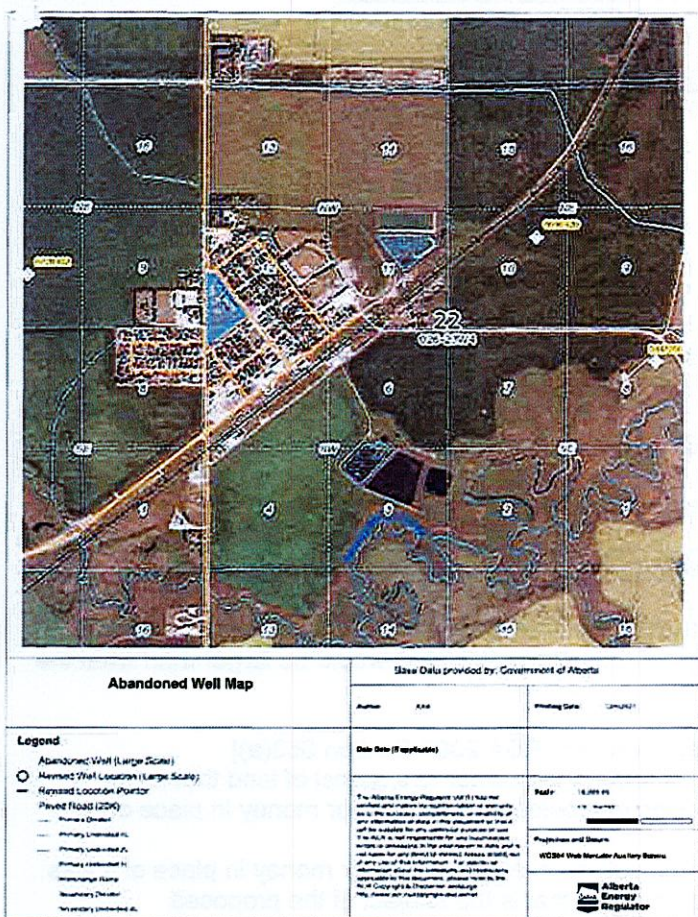
Telus Communication Inc. (TELUS) has no objection to the above circulation. (Contact: Tanya Roberts, Real Estate Specialist, Telus Rights of Way, Customer Network Implementation, 2930 Centre Avenue NE, Calgary, AB T2A 4Y2; circulations@telus.com)

Wheatland County as an adjacent municipality has no comments or concerns at this time. (Contact: Diane Bodie, Administrative Assistant to Community and Development Services, 242006 Range Road 243, Wheatland County, AB T1P 2C4, E-mail: plandev@wheatlandcounty.ca)

Review of the **Alberta Energy Regulator (AER)** website and map viewer indicates there are no abandoned wells that should have any bearing on the development within the proposed parcel.

Abandoned well information is now found on the AER website under Directive 079: Surface Development in Proximity to Abandoned Wells. The AER has released an Abandoned Well Viewer for proponents of a subdivision or development to use to locate abandoned wells. Bulletin 2012-20 provides additional information and can be found on the AER website <https://extmapviewer.aer.ca/AERAbandonedWells/Index.html> Questions regarding Directive 079 should be submitted to directive079@ercb.ca.

Questions concerning the wells and/or pipelines listed on the enclosure to this letter should be directed to the licensee. Questions about this reply may be directed to the Emergency Preparedness and Audit Help Line at (403) 297-2625 or Inquiries@ aer.ca.



STAFF COMMENTS: The purpose of this subdivision is to create seven (7) new lots from an existing triangular Block 5, Plan 5728 CC. This former school site containing 1.83 hectares (4.52 ac.) was formed in 1918 as an original subdivision creating the Village along the Canadian Northern Railway. Five of these new lots along the northern side of 2nd Avenue W are to be created and re-zoned for the use of residential. Lot 6 is being created to separate the existing building (former school) into a commercial lot, as is proposed Lot 7. Lot 7 is a corner lot at the intersection of Main Street and Second Ave W and is currently vacant but being created for someone who may want a lot on which to build a commercial business in the heart of the Village. A portion of proposed Lot 6 creates a “panhandle” between Lots 5 and 7 which is to create an area where access can be gained to the area west of the former school and to the playground area. This access would be either for pedestrian traffic of those coming from 2 Avenue or for service vehicles to get to the park area.

Proposed Lots 1 through 5 would not meet some of the requirements for the minimum lot size or lot width within the Central Business District, but other than for motels, hotels and service stations, these requirements are at the discretion of the Development Authority for all other uses. However, the intent is to change the land use zone of these five lots proposed for residential use, to Residential General District. Within that district these proposed lots would meet the requirements for both minimum lot size and lot widths for attached housing, semi-detached, single unit and duplex dwellings. Only proposed Lot 1 would meet the

size requirements for apartment style use where the minimum area of the site is to be at least 929m² (10,000sq. ft.). and required width size of 22 m (73 ft.).

Lots 6 and 7, which front onto Main Street are to continue to have the land use zoning of “CB” – Central Business District with both lot areas being over 929m² (10,000sq. ft.) in size.

The Municipal Development Plan MDP notes that the Village does not have much room for growth within its boundary other than for land shown in Figure 12. One of these areas is indicated as being the commercial building that is owned by the Village and is part of this subdivision application which will become Lot 6. This subdivision proposal is consistent with Figure 11 Future Land Use, for the development of residential along the north side of Second Ave W and the rest of the affected Block 5 to have future development of a combination of recreational green space / commercial.

Surrounding Area Features: The lots across Main Street from proposed Lot 7 are also zoned as Central Business as are the lots on both sides of the Main Street south to Railway Ave. The blocks across Main Street from proposed Lot 6 and many of the blocks south of proposed Lots 1 through 5 are zoned as Residential General District providing residential neighbourhoods in which a variety of residential densities and building types may be permitted.

Access: Legal access to all parcels is from the internal street network within the Village. Proposed Lots 1 through 5 will have frontage onto the north side of Second Avenue W. There is “panhandle” area of proposed Lot 6 which lies between proposed Lots 5 and 7 that has direct access Second Ave W. Proposed Lot 6 is a parcel that will contain the existing building and it fronts onto Main Street, in addition to the “Panhandle” connection to the south. Proposed Lot 7 is a corner lot with frontage onto Main Street on the easterly side and Second Avenue W on the south. The remnant portion of this triangular area borders Serviceberry Trail along the west side and a portion of its easterly side is adjacent to Main Street. None of these parcels will have a back alley.

While it will not affect the proposed lots in this subdivision, it should be noted that Fourth Avenue cuts through the north triangular area of the parent parcel, Block 5. Main Street, rather than continuing in a northerly direction and connecting with Serviceberry Trail, instead intersects with Forth Avenue crossing Block 5 and then joins with Serviceberry Trail.



Land Use Considerations: Within the current Village of Rockyford Land Use Bylaw 2014-002 the subject area lies within the “CB” Central Business District and is subject to its land use rules.

8.7 Central Business District (CB) Land Use Rules

8.7.1 Purpose and Intent

8.7.1.1 The purpose and intent of this District is to provide for centralized commercial development serving the Village and the surrounding rural areas.

8.7.2 List of Permitted Uses

- Arts, Crafts and photography studios
- Bakery

Butcher shop
 Car Wash
 Community Buildings and Facilities
 Clinic
 Home Occupation
 Offices (Administrative, Business, and Professional)
 Liquor Store
 Personal Service
 Post Office
 Public Park
 Restaurant
 Retail Store

8.7.3 List of Discretionary Uses

Accessory Building
 Accessory Use
 Automobile Sales, Service and Repair Establishment
 Amusement Centre
 Apartment
 Communication Structure
 Day Care facility
 Drinking Establishment
 Dwelling – Accessory to a commercial use
 Dwelling – Multiple Unit
 Existing Uses: may be allowed to expand and/ or rebuild
 Fabric Covered Building – Commercial/ Industrial
 Funeral Home
 Gas Bar
 Hotel
 Liquor Store
 Mixed Use Development
 Motel
 Private Clubs, Lodges, and Fraternal Orders
 Public and Quasi-Public Buildings, Installations and Facilities
 Repair and Service Shop
 Restaurant
 Service Station
 Shopping Centre
 Sign
 Storage Structure – accessory to a commercial use
 Veterinary Clinic
 Workshop, accessory to retail stores

8.7.4 General Requirements

8.7.4.1 In addition to the general land use provisions contained in Section 7, the following provisions as contained within this Section shall apply to every development in this District.

8.7.5 Minimum Requirements

8.7.5.1 Area of Site:

- (a) Motels: 1,858m² (20,000ft.²);
- (b) Hotels: 1115m² (12,001.76 ft.²)
- (c) Gas Bars and Service Stations: 929m² (10,000ft.²)
- (d) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules
- (e) All other Uses at the discretion of the Development Authority.

8.7.5.2 Width of Site:

- (a) Motels and Hotels: 30m (98.48 ft.)
- (b) Gas Bars and Service Stations: 30m (98.48 ft.)
- (c) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules
- (d) All other Uses at the discretion of the Development Authority.

8.7.5.3 Front Yard:

- (a) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules
- (b) All other uses: none required

8.7.5.4 Side Yard:

- (a) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules
- (b) All other uses: none required where a fire rated wall is provided in accordance with the safety codes requirements. If a firewall is not provided a minimum setback of 1.2m (3.9ft.) is required.

8.7.5.5 Rear Yard:

- (a) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules
- (b) All other uses: none required where a fire rated wall is provided in accordance with the safety codes requirements. If a firewall is not provided a minimum setback of 1.2m (3.9ft.) is required.

- 8.7.5.6 Habitable Floor Area per Unit:
- (a) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules;
 - (b) Apartments and Dwelling Accommodation (accessory to the principal use): 37m² (400ft.²).

8.7.6 Maximum Limits

8.7.6.1 Height of Buildings:

- (a) Principal Commercial Buildings: 10m (32.8 ft.);
- (b) Existing Residential Developments: Follow the appropriate residential district land use rules;
- (c) Accessory buildings: 5m (16.4ft.).

8.7.6.2 Coverage of Site: at the discretion of the approving authority.

8.7.7 Special Requirements

8.7.7.1 Screening:

- (a) All sites abutting a residential district shall be screened from the view of residential sites to the satisfaction of the Development Authority;
- (b) All apparatus on the roof shall be screened to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.

8.7.7.2 Landscaping:

- (a) If a landscaped area is provided, it must be in accordance with the plan approved by the Development Authority;
- (b) Any trees or shrubs that die must be replaced during the next planting season.

8.7.7.3 Dwelling accommodation:

- (a) Dwelling accommodation in a mixed use development shall not be located on the on the street front of a commercial building. It shall be accessory to the principal commercial use of the building;
- (b) In a mixed use development, one parking space shall be required for the residential component;
- (c) Apartment and dwelling accommodation shall have separate access from the commercial component.

With the new propose residential Lots 1 through 5 being subject to a land use re-classification to the following district:

8.5 Residential- General District (R-G) Land Use Rules

8.5.1 Purpose and Intent

8.5.1.2 The purpose and intent of this District is to provide for residential neighbourhoods in which a variety of residential densities and building types may be permitted.

8.5.2 List of Permitted Uses

Accessory building
Day Home
Dwelling, Duplex
Dwelling – Modular Home
Dwelling, Semi-detached
Dwelling, Single Detached (excluding Manufactured Homes)
Public Parks and Play Grounds
School
Secondary Suite

8.5.3 List of Discretionary Uses

Accessory Use
Apartment
Attached Housing (all types)
Bed and Breakfast
Community Buildings and Facilities
Day Care Centre
Dwelling – Moved On
Dwelling Group
Fabric Covered Building - Residential
Garden Suite
Home Occupation, Major
Manufactured Home
Private Parks and Play Grounds
Public and Quasi- Public Buildings and Facilities
Senior Citizens Housing
Sign
Worship Facility

8.5.4 General Requirements

8.5.4.1 In addition to the General Land Use Provisions contained in Part 7, the following provisions as contained within this Section shall apply to every development in the District.

8.5.5 Minimum Requirements

8.5.5.1 Area of Site:

- (a) Apartments and Dwelling Groups: minimum lot area of 929m² (10,000sq. ft.)
- (b) Attached Housing:
 - (i) 204m² (2196 ft.²) for each internal dwelling unit;
 - (ii) except as in (iii) below, 255m² (2745 ft.²) for each end dwelling unit;
 - (iii) 306m² (3294 ft.²) for each unit with a side yard abutting street.
- (c) Semi-detached Dwelling:
 - (i) Except as in (ii) below, 279m² (3003.21 ft.²) for each dwelling unit;
 - (ii) 326m² (3509.03 ft.²) for each dwelling unit with a side yard abutting a street.
- (d) Single Unit and Duplex Dwellings (all types): 464m² (4,994 ft.²);
- (e) All other uses at the discretion of the Development Authority.

8.5.5.2 Width of Site:

- (a) Apartments and Dwelling Groups: 22m (73 ft.)
- (b) Attached Housing:
 - (i) 6m (19.69 ft.) for each internal dwelling unit;
 - (ii) Except as in (iii) below; 7.5m (24.60 ft.) for each end dwelling unit;
 - (iii) 9m (29.53 ft.) for each end dwelling unit with a side yard abutting a street.
- (c) Single Detached Dwelling: 12m (39.37 ft.);
- (d) All other uses at the discretion of the Development Authority.

8.5.5.3 Front Yard:

- (a) Except as in (b) and (c) below: shall be a minimum of 4.5m (14.7ft.). Exceptions to this requirement may be considered by the Development Authority, who shall have consideration for development or potential development on adjacent sites and for the amenities of the area, if the irregular or unusual shape or size of the lot is such that compliance with the above requirement would make it impossible, impractical or undesirable from an amenity point of view, to place the principal building on the site and still have it comply with the front, side and rear yard setbacks of the Bylaw.
- (b) Any garage with access off a street, other than a garage the length of which is approximately parallel to the street, shall be set back 6m (19.69 ft.) from the property line.
- (c) Where a driveway or vehicular parking is to be provided in the front yard of a principal building, with no access to a garage or carport, the principal building shall be set back 6m (19.69 ft.) from the property line. Driveways or vehicular parking shall not be permitted in the front yard of any principal building if that building is less than 6m (19.69 ft.) from the property line.

8.5.5.4 Side Yards:

- (a) Principal Building:
 - (i) Street side of corner site: 3m (9.84ft.)
 - (ii) On a laneless site: if an attached garage or carport is not provided, one unobstructed side yard of 3m (9.8 ft.), the other side 1.5m (5 ft.);
 - (iii) All other sites: 1.5m (4.92ft.)
- (b) Accessory Building:
 - (i) Street side of corner site if the driveway is from the lane: 3m (9.8 ft.)
 - (ii) With access from a street: 6m (19.69 ft.);
 - (iii) All other sites: 0.6m (2 ft.).

8.5.5.5 Rear Yard:

- (a) Principal Building: 7m (23 ft.)
- (b) Accessory Building: 1m (3.28 ft.).

8.5.5.6 Habitable Floor Area per Unit:

- (a) 74m² (796 ft.²) per unit for Attached Housing and Dwelling Groups;
- (b) Apartment: 37m² (398.26 ft.²);
- (c) Single or Semi Detached, Duplex, Modular Dwelling (one storey): 83m² (893.43 ft.²);
- (d) Single, Semi or Modular Detached Dwelling (two storey): 74m² (796.55 ft.²) for the first storey with a combined area of 130m² (1399.35 ft.²).
- (e) Manufactured Homes: 66m² (715 ft.²).

8.5.6 Maximum Limits

8.5.6.1 Coverage of Site:

- (a) All buildings together, including accessory buildings: 50% of the area of the site.
- (b) All accessory buildings: 15% of the area of the site.

8.5.6.2 Height of Buildings:

- (a) Principal Buildings: 10m (33 ft.)
- (b) Accessory Buildings: 5m (16.40ft.)

8.5.7 Dwelling Group Requirements

- 8.5.7.1 Notwithstanding the minimum and maximum requirements of a District, where two or more buildings each containing two or more dwelling units, are clustered in a dwelling group, the following shall apply.
- 8.5.7.2 Setbacks:
- (a) All buildings in a dwelling group shall be setback a minimum of:
 - (i) 6m (19.69 ft.) from any public roadway excluding lanes;
 - (ii) 3m (9.84 ft.) from any other property line delineating the edge of the dwelling group;
 - (iii) 3m (9.84 ft.) from any other building in the dwelling group.
 - (b) Notwithstanding (a) above, building elevations with living room or bedroom windows shall be separated a distance of:
 - (i) 15m (49.2ft.) from any other principal building in the dwelling group;
 - (ii) 3m (9.8ft.) from any internal roadway or walkway intended for common use in the dwelling group;
 - (iii) A required separation space may be provided wholly or partly within a required setback.
- 8.5.7.3 Vehicle – Pedestrian Facilities
- (a) All private roads shall be constructed and surfaced to the municipality's specifications and have a minimum carriageway of 7m (23ft.);
 - (b) Dead-end roads or cul-de-sacs shall have a turning circle at the dead-end with a radius of at least 8.5m (27.9ft.);
 - (c) On-street parking is prohibited on private roadways unless the carriageway width includes a designated parking area;
 - (d) Internal pedestrian walkways, where provided, shall have a hard surfaced minimum width of 1m (3.3ft.) and shall be constructed to the satisfaction of the municipality.
- 8.5.7.4 General:
- (a) All dwelling units shall be within 30m (98.4ft.) of a garbage facility;
 - (b) The arrangement of the buildings in a dwelling group is subject to the approval of the Development Authority.
- 8.5.7.5 Townhouse Developments:
- (a) Front Yard:
A townhouse building that fronts onto a public street (row house) shall not have a front yard less than the deepest front yard of the principal building on any adjoining site or 9m (29.5ft.) whichever is the lesser;
 - (b) Garbage Storage:
Garbage and waste material shall be stored in weather and animal proof containers in accordance with a waste bylaw and shall be screened from all adjacent sites and public thoroughfares to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
 - (c) Compatibility
Where townhouse units front onto a public street, they shall be compatible in terms of mass and character with existing residential buildings on neighbouring sites.
- 8.5.8 Recreational and Landscaping Requirements for Multi-Unit Housing**
- 8.5.8.1 When the development of multi-unit dwelling complex or a dwelling group is proposed, the developer shall provide on the site, areas for recreational and landscaping purposes, in addition to those areas needed for buildings, driveways, walkways, and parking spaces.
- 8.5.8.2 The area of a site required for recreational and landscaping purposes will vary according to the number, type and size of the dwelling units to be constructed thereon. Those areas comprised of balconies and recreational facilities within the development including patios, swimming pools and any communal lounges for the free use of the tenants may be used in the calculation of total requirements for recreational landscaping areas.
- 8.5.8.3 The minimum recreational and landscaping area required for a multi-unit housing or apartment complex shall be equal to 30% of the site area.
- 8.5.8.4 The location on the site of recreational and landscaped areas is subject to the approval of the Development Authority.

Municipal Development Plan

5.0 DEVELOPMENT GOALS

5.1 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Village's residential development consists of primarily low residential located in the east side of the village, resulting in a neighborhood that is quite homogenous in character. There is mixed-residential located in the north east, also amongst commercial development in center street. The residential area of the Village is largely consisted of single-family homes (92.9%) according to the provincial data. As of 2019, there has been 191 dwelling units. Encouraging more infill residential such as secondary homes will leave vacant land space for more economic activity within the Village boundaries.

POLICIES:

- 1) Residential development: All residential areas shall be located in the designated areas shown on Figure 11 (Future Land Use Map)
- 2) Housing Diversity :
 - a) The Village, in cooperation with private developments and/or government agencies, will work together to provide a variety of housing types, and a range of dwellings and lot sizes to meet the socio-economic needs of existing and prospective residents.
 - b) Alternative housing types should be provided in new residential areas (i.e. apartments, row housing and duplexes).
- 3) Neighbourhood:
 - a) The Village should encourage medium density residential neighborhoods next to existing amenities and Highways
 - b) New residential development should include pedestrian walkways with lesser dependence on vehicle use.
 - c) Future residential neighborhoods should be designed with a mixture of commercial and institutional uses.
 - d) Where appropriate, infill shall be used to improve the livability and adaptability of existing neighborhoods and reduce greenfield development.
- 4) Design:
 - a) The Village may consider the aesthetic appearance of new and existing neighbourhoods
- 5) Affordable Housing:
 - a) The Village shall promote affordable housing by encouraging secondary suites in selected areas.
 - b) The Village shall work with private developers in ensuring that new development includes the provision of affordable units.
- 6) Seniors Housing:
The Village shall work in partnership with private developers and senior levels of government in providing housing for senior citizens and mature adults.

5.5 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Commercial development plays a vital role in the economic foundation of any municipality. Commercial Development is a key factor determining where one chooses to live, play and work. In the case of Rockyford, commercial development is concentrated in the Village center. The area of interest consists mainly of shops, hotels, professional and other services.

Investing in commercial development can help increase the Village capital, which is why it is paramount for the Village to seek innovative strategies to retain local business that provide goods and services to the local community.

POLICIES

- 1) Commercial Development: All commercial development shall be located in the designated areas shown on Figure 11 (Future Land Use Map).

5.7 PARKS/RECREATION/OPEN SPACE

Providing areas for residents to play, relax, socialize and exercise enhances quality of life and assist in creating a more cohesive community. The Village of Rockyford recognizes this and is committed to expanding on such facilities when needed.

Title Encumbrances: There are no encumbrances that appear to affect the proposed subdivision area.

Sewage and Water System Details: municipal services are available. Both sanitary and water lines run along the length of Main Street and Second Ave East, while only a sanitary line is located within Serviceberry Trail North. A sanitary line ties into the line on Service Berry Trail, cuts through the middle of the parcel that is the subject of this application and then joins the line on Main Street.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the application be approved, subject to the following conditions:

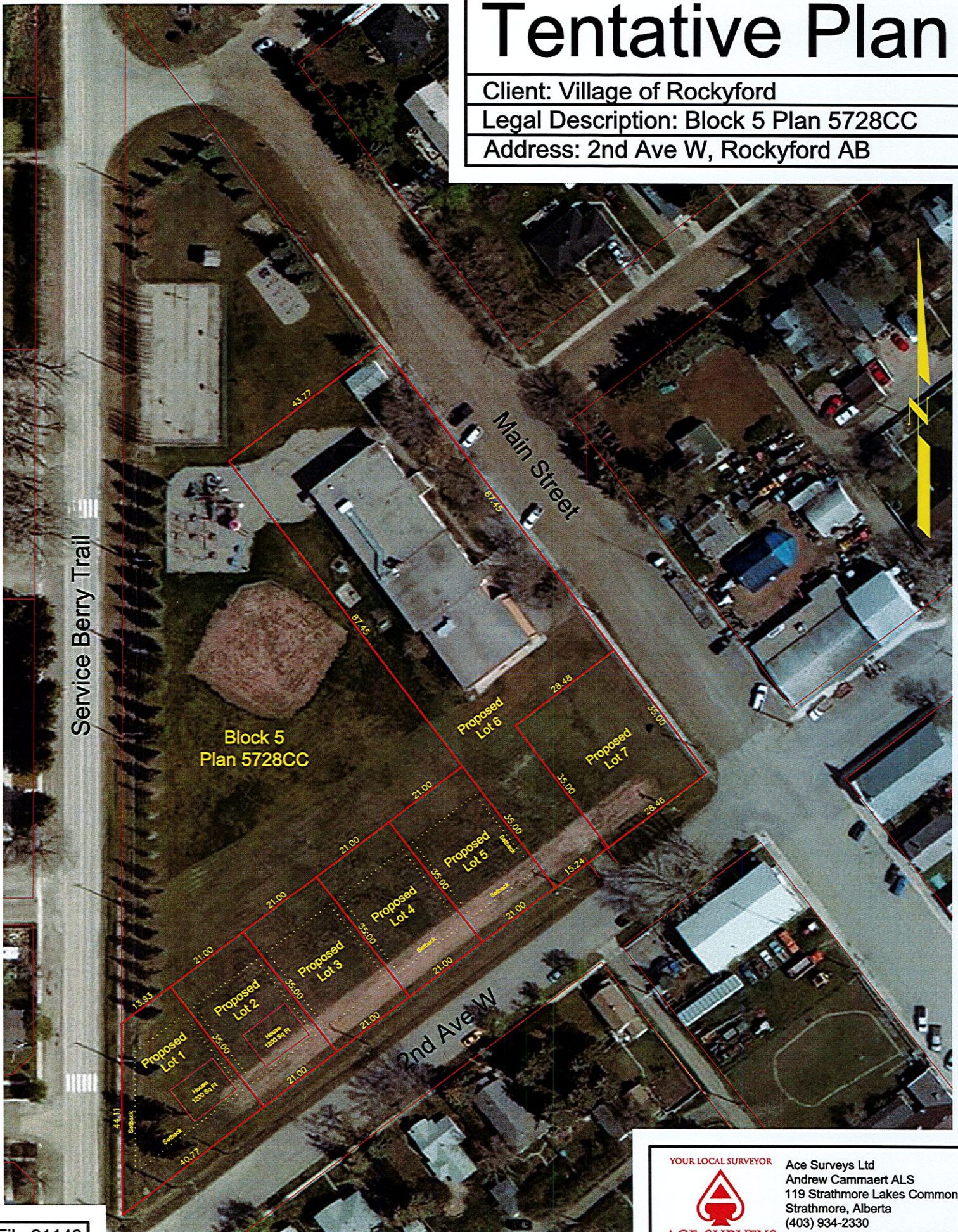
- (1) Registration of the subdivision by means suitable to the Registrar of the Land Titles Office, [Section 81 and 89 of the Land Titles Act];
- (2) All outstanding taxes to be paid to the municipality, [Section 654 (1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act];
- (3) Satisfactory arrangement to be made with the municipality for the provision of services, at the cost of the developer, [Section 655 of the Municipal Government Act].
- (4) Concurrent registration of utility easements and rights-of-way as required by relevant authorities [Section 654(1)(a) of the Municipal Government Act]. **FORTIS Alberta**
- (5) Reclassification of proposed Lots 1 through 5 inclusive from "CB" – Central Business District to "R-G" – Residential General District [Section 654(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act];

Tentative Plan

Client: Village of Rockyford

Legal Description: Block 5 Plan 5728CC

Address: 2nd Ave W, Rockyford AB



File:21143

YOUR LOCAL SURVEYOR



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REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Plan Agreement

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8B.

Background: The Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Plan was approved by Council in October 2019 and the Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Bylaw received third reading in November 2019.

At that time, the Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Agreement was not approved as it had not been finalized. There was a provision in the agreement for funding from each of the partner municipalities to go towards the hiring of an Emergency Management Coordinator so the work that is identified in the plan as being required could be accomplished.

After some staffing changes and subsequent conversations between Wheatland County and the Town of Strathmore, the agreement has now been revised and is ready for the approval of the partner municipalities.

This new agreement does not have the funding component included in it. Both Wheatland County and Town of Strathmore have hired Emergency Management Coordinators who will be working for their respective municipalities but will be allocated .25 time to work on the Regional Plan and ensure that the gaps are addressed.

Options: 1. Council can approve the agreement as presented.
2. Council can review the agreement and recommend changes that will go to the partners.

Financial Implications: With the removal of the funding requirement from the agreement, the only financial impact is potential mileage to meetings or exercises.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: That Village Council approves the Wheatland Regional Emergency Management Plan Agreement.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Columbarium Pricing

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8C.

Background: At the January 12, 2022 Regular Council meeting, Council approved the purchase of a columbarium for the Union Cemetery.

At that time, Council requested pricing information be brought forward to the next meeting. The cost of the columbarium is \$18,738 or \$585 per niche. There will be the cost of a concrete pad to place it on.

The information being provided is based on the pricing that is currently in place for the St. Rita's Cemetery.

There are 4 rows on the columbarium and the pricing is based on the row selected when purchasing the niche. Included in the cost of the niche is the first inscription – i.e. Doe, John – 1945 -

Doe, Mary – 1948 –

Once the person has passed and the year of the passing is known, it's \$400 for the additional inscription. So, when John passes in 2026, that year would be inscribed for a price of \$400 and when Mary passes in 2029, that would be \$400 as well. The current cost to have the inscriptions done in Calgary is \$298.

Top tier: \$2,000

Second tier: \$1,900

Third tier: \$1,800

Fourth tier: \$1,700

Comparatively speaking, a ground plot in the cemetery is \$500. In addition to that is the survey cost of approx., \$450, the fees to dig the grave and the cost of the monument which can run as high as \$4,500 depending on size and style.

The columbarium will offer a more cost-effective method for people to inter their loved one's cremains.

Options: 1. Council can approve the proposed rates for the columbarium niches.
2. Council can amend the proposed rates and approve an alternate fee structure.

Financial Implications: The initial cost of the columbarium will come from Capital Funding – Reserves but as the niches sell, that money will be replaced and we can establish a cemetery reserve fund for any upgrades or work that needs to be done.

Communication: Once the columbarium is placed and ready to go, we will put out notices that this is an option and the rates will be included in the notifications.

Recommendation: That Village Council reviews the proposed rate structure for the columbarium and provides direction to Administration.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Weed Inspection Agreement

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8D.

Background: The existing agreement the Village has with Wheatland County for weed inspections expired at the end of 2021. They have sent a new agreement that would cover 2022, 2023 and 2024.

In the old agreement, the fee structure was a graduating fee - \$55.00/hr. in 2019; \$56.10/hr. in 2020 and \$57.22/hr. in 2021 with a maximum of \$1,000 being billed to the municipality in any calendar year.

In the new agreement the fee is \$60.00/hr. with a maximum of \$1,000 being billed to the municipality in any calendar year and that is the fee for the life of the agreement.

In addition to approving the agreement, Council must also name the weed inspector as a designated officer for the Village which then gives the inspector the authority to act on our behalf when issuing notices or citations for violations.

Options:

Financial Implications: The weed inspection is rolled into our budget in the contracted services for streets and roads line.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: That Village Council approves the Weed Inspection Agreement with Wheatland County for the next three years.

That Village Council appoints Wheatland County employee, George Bloom as the designated officer for the purpose of weed inspections in the Village of Rockyford.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Request from MP Martin Shields

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8E.

Background: We received an e-mail from the office of the MP, Martin Shields regarding the retroactive pay for RCMP. The primary concern with the 6-year retroactive salary agreement is what the impact could be to the municipalities.

With municipalities being responsible for paying policing costs now (previously only populations over 5,000 paid and the rest were subsidized by the Province). The potential costs are outlined in the e-mail from MP Shield's office.

The request is for the municipalities to write a letter to the Minister of Public Safety addressing the concerns at the municipal level and the potential impacts this could have on us.

Options: 1. Council can direct Administration to draft a letter to the Minister of Public Safety regarding the impact the retroactive salaries would have on the municipality should we be expected to pay.
2. Council can move that a letter isn't necessary.

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: That Village Council discuss the request from MP Martin Shields and provide direction to Administration.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8G.

Background: At the January 9, 2022 regular Council meeting, Council gave three readings to Bylaw 2022-001 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw. This Bylaw was a required Bylaw and one that was missing during the MAP review. The Bylaw was sent to Municipal Affairs and the advisor sent it back stating it was missing the “Discipline” section. I asked for clarification on how we can discipline someone else’s employee and was told that we could refer it back to the County for disciplinary action, but it is a required section in the Bylaw.

The Bylaw has been revised to include a “Discipline” section and is now being brought back to Council for readings. It is a clearer process to do a new Bylaw and repeal the old.

The revision was forwarded to the advisor for review to ensure the wording would meet legislation and she confirmed that it does.

Options: N/A

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: That Village Council gives first reading to Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw.
That Village Council gives second reading to Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw.
That Village Council gives permission to proceed to third and final reading to Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw.
That Village Council gives third and final reading to Bylaw 2022-002 – Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw.

**VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
BYLAW NO. 2022-001**

BEING A BYLAW OF VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, FOR THE PURPOSE TO SPECIFY DUTIES AND POWERS OF BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

WHEREAS Section 7 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that a Council may pass a bylaw for the enforcement of bylaws. Appointment of designated Officers (Bylaw Enforcement Officers) is approved in Section 210(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26.

AND WHEREAS Section 555 of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, a person who is appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer is, in the execution of those duties, responsible for the preservation and maintenance of the public peace.

AND WHEREAS Section 556 of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that if a Council does appoint Bylaw Enforcement Officers, the Council shall establish a Bylaw specifying the powers, duties, and disciplinary procedures, including penalties and appeal procedures, for such Officers.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Village of Rockyford, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Title

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bylaw."

2. Definitions

- 2.1 "Bylaw" means Bylaws of the Municipality.
- 2.2 "Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means a person appointed as such by Village of Rockyford.
- 2.3 "Council" means Council of Village of Rockyford.
- 2.4 "Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)" means a person appointed by Council pursuant to Section 205 of the Municipal Government Act.
- 2.5 "Municipality" means the jurisdiction of Village of Rockyford.

3. Duties of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

- 3.1 The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) may:
 - a) appoint individuals as Bylaw Enforcement Officers in accordance with this Bylaw;
 - b) revoke, suspend, or modify the appointment of Bylaw Enforcement Officers in accordance with this Bylaw;
 - c) monitor and investigate complaints against Bylaw Enforcement Officers;
 - d) authorize, or require Bylaw Enforcement Officers to carry out, any powers, duties, or functions necessary to fulfill their responsibility for the preservation and maintenance of public peace.

4. Powers and Duties of the Bylaw Enforcement Officer

- 4.1 At all times, Bylaw Enforcement Officers shall:
 - a) enforce the Bylaws which Council has authorized the Bylaw Enforcement Officer to enforce, within the boundary and jurisdiction of Village of Rockyford.
 - b) follow the directions of the CAO, and report to the CAO, as required;
 - c) respond to, and investigate, complaints of Bylaw violations;
 - d) conduct routine patrols within the Municipality;
 - e) issue notices, Bylaw tags, or tickets;

Mayor

Administration

- f) assist in the prosecution of Bylaw contraventions including appearances in court to provide evidence;
- g) perform all other duties as deemed necessary from time to time, as assigned by the CAO, and;
- h) take the official oath prescribed by the Oaths of Office Act upon being appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer.

5. Complaints

5.1 Any complaint concerning a Bylaw Enforcement Officer shall be referred to the CAO of Wheatland County for investigation according to their policies and/or Bylaws.

6. Disciplinary Actions

6.1 If a complaint against a Bylaw Enforcement Officer is deemed to have merit following an investigation, the Bylaw Enforcement Officer may be suspended or terminated according to Wheatland County policies.

7. Appeal

7.1 If the complainant or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer wish to appeal the decision of the CAO of Wheatland County, the appeal shall be delivered to the CAO of Wheatland County within thirty (30) days of the receipt of notice of the results of the investigation.

8. Severability

8.1 If any portion of this bylaw is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of the bylaw is deemed valid.

9. Repeal

9.1 Bylaw 2022-001 is hereby repealed upon third and final reading of Bylaw 2022-002.

10. Effective Date

10.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon the date of third and final reading.

Read a first time this ___ day of _____, 2022

Read a second time this ___ day of _____, 2022

Received permission to proceed to third and final reading this ___ day of _____, 2022.

Read a third time this ___ day of _____, 2022

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Infrastructure Funding Agreement

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: Feb. 9, 2022

Agenda Item: 8I.

Background: In the past there was a funding agreement between the Village and Wheatland County whereby the County provided funding on an annual basis to the Village for infrastructure/recreation purposes. This was unrestricted funding and could be used for any capital project the Village deemed necessary.

That original agreement is no longer in place, and we have been presented with a new agreement which covers the next three years.

Along with a copy of the agreement, there is documentation in the package that supports how the County came to the dollar value of the funding.

Options: N/A

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: That Village Council reviews the proposed agreement and supporting documentation and provide direction to Administration.



January 25, 2022

Hon. Sonya Savage
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
324 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister:

Re: Bill 21 - Provincial Administrative Penalties Act.

The Town of Gibbons Council, at its January 12, 2022 meeting discussed a number of key issues that the Government of Alberta, two items that your ministry is specifically undertaking that are poised to fundamentally impact the lives of Albertans. The two key issues include the development of a Provincial Police Service (APPS) and Bill 21 - Provincial Administrative Penalties Act (Bill 21).

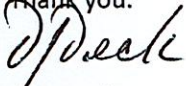
The citizens of Gibbons are proud, hardworking, dedicated, and reasonable family people who recognize that public safety is paramount, and that certain rights and freedoms may be contravened in times of disasters or pandemics for the sake of public good and done without consultation. One such example is that our citizens have for the most part, adopted the recommendations set forth by the Province during its response to the Covid-19 saga often without question.

There is however, times when citizens of Alberta must without exception, be consulted extensively in order to ensure that their voices are heard, respected, and play a significant role in creating the framework for the legislation (policy statement) being contemplated (i.e. APPS and Bill 21). Members of Council are scheduled to participate in the upcoming APPS consultations on February 1, 2022 and truly believe that should the Province be conducting these sessions without a predetermined decision in place, the concept of meaningful input from its citizenry will be realized and not just an exercise in placation.

It is the very process of inviting meaningful input from the citizens of Alberta or lack thereof of a formal consultation process in the development and adoption of the Bill 21 is why our Council is in firm opposition to its implementation without an amendment that reinstates a citizens ability to appeal traffic tickets in court versus making an application to appeal through an online submission. This erosion of due process represents one more step in the degradation of a citizens' rights and freedoms to a position where one should just "pay up" and then "shut up."

It is Council's hope that our society through the actions and policies of the Provincial Government has not become a society of where money is everything even at the expense of ones right to a sense of fairness and due process.

Thank you.



Dan Deck
Mayor

Cc: All Alberta Municipalities
All Alberta MLAs
Ab Munis
RMA
Dale Nally, MLA for Morinville – St. Albert

Provincial Administrative Penalties Act

Overview

The *Provincial Administrative Penalties Act, 2020*, will make our roads safer by introducing stronger and immediate impaired driving penalties and reducing the time it takes to enforce traffic and non-criminal impaired driving matters, to ensure impaired drivers are off the streets. It will restore critical capacity to Alberta's justice system by creating a streamlined, fast, fair and efficient method for resolving non-criminal impaired and traffic disputes to free up court time to prosecute serious criminal matters and ensure police are on the streets instead of doing paperwork or sitting in courtrooms.

Immediate Roadside Sanctions Program

The new Immediate Roadside Sanctions (IRS) Program will be introduced on December 1, 2020 and will provide a comprehensive array of serious, immediate and escalating consequences for impaired drivers—a system that has been proven to reduce impaired driving significantly in other jurisdictions. Consequences for drivers will include driver's licence suspensions, new fines, vehicle seizures, mandatory education, and participation in the Ignition Interlock Program (IIP).

Increased impaired driving consequences under the new IRS Program will include:

- Driver's licence suspensions;
- Fines of up to \$2,000;
- Increasing length of vehicle seizure up to 30 days;
- New mandatory education programs for repeat offenders; and
- Participation in the IIP for repeat offenders.

SafeRoads Alberta Branch

Most non-criminal, first-time impaired drivers will be able to deal with these penalties through SafeRoads Alberta, a new branch dedicated to providing a speedy method of resolving disputes. The new process will be significantly quicker, dealing with all matters in 30 days to ensure impaired drivers are off the roads, not the months or years it can take to go through the current administrative and court processes. Repeat offenders, impaired drivers who cause bodily harm or death, and other more serious cases will still receive criminal charges in addition to the other penalties.

In addition to saving lives and preventing needless injury, these new measures are expected to benefit Albertans in several other ways:

- Freeing up about 8 per cent of court time to ensure Alberta's prosecutors and courts can clear their multi-year backlog to prosecute serious criminal matters;
- Eliminating approximately 1,200 complex full, or multi-day trials; and
- Freeing up more than 30,000 hours of police time – ensuring police are on the streets protecting Albertans and their communities.

This new impaired driving administrative model is based on changes made in British Columbia, which has seen many positive impacts, including:

- A 36 per cent drop in impaired driving incident rates from 2011 to 2018.
- A 54 per cent drop in number of impaired driving fatalities from 2010 to 2018.
- An 8 per cent reduction in hospital admissions – even a modest decrease in emergency visits saves millions of dollars in critical capacity.
- A decrease in the median elapsed time for all types of cases (single or multiple charges), all offence types (including traffic) by 17 days from 2011-12 to 2018-19.
 - During the same time period, the median elapsed time increased by 16 days for Canada and by 7 days in Alberta.

Current	New
<p>When an officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a driver has committed an impaired offence, the driver:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is issued an administrative penalty called the Alberta Administrative Licence Suspension (AALS); • receives an immediate 15 month suspension; • receives a three-day vehicle seizure; • is criminally charged with an impaired offence. • A driver can drive again after 3 months if they install an ignition interlock device. <p>Police investigation, documentation, and testimony can often consume 5-8 hours or more per file.</p>	<p>When an officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a driver has committed an impaired offence, the driver will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be Issued an administrative penalty called the IRS FAIL. • receive an immediate 15 month driver's licence suspension. • receives a 30 day vehicle seizure. • be issued a \$1,000 fine. • be required to complete mandatory impaired driving education • if a repeat offender, or there is bodily harm or injury, they receive an escalating administrative penalty and will be criminally charged with an impaired offence. • A driver can drive again after 3 months if they install an ignition interlock device. • If a driver chooses not to participate in IIP, they will remain suspended with no ability to drive for the full suspension term. <p>Police can issue this process in an hour or less on average.</p>
<p>If a driver wishes to dispute their driver's licence suspension, they must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appear in person at an office or registry agent location to obtain, complete and file a notice of appeal with the Alberta Traffic Safety Board within 30 days. • appear before a panel, which may take approximately up to five months to schedule and resolve. 	<p>If a driver wishes to dispute their notice, they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access the website and pay the fine, request time to pay, or request a review of the sanction. • attend an oral review (phone or video) which will be scheduled within 21 days or submit request a written review. • receive the written decision within 30 days of the issuance of the notice.
<p>The driver will also have to proceed to the Criminal Courts to resolve the criminal charge. This can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A driver will also be arrested, detained for several hours to conduct further testing and be processed and then released with a requirement to return to court or face additional criminal charges. • The individual must attend at one or more initial docket appearances and ultimately at a trial. The trial process is complex and generally requires expert assistance to navigate. • Upon conviction a driver will receive a criminal punishment and a permanent criminal record. 	<p>If the driver is unsatisfied, they may seek Judicial review at the Court of Queens's Bench of Alberta.</p>

Traffic Safety Violations

The *Provincial Administrative Penalties Act* also allows for other traffic contraventions to be resolved by SafeRoads Alberta. This new online system of dealing with non-criminal traffic offences will be introduced in late 2021 and will be easier and quicker for Albertans to navigate. SafeRoads Alberta will divert nearly two million traffic tickets from Alberta's courts, freeing up court time for criminal matters, ensuring law enforcement can spend more time on the streets and less in courtrooms for violations, and avoids the necessity for hundreds of thousands of Albertan's to visit courthouses merely to pay tickets or schedule hearings.

The resources currently devoted to managing these millions of tickets can then be dedicated to addressing serious justice matters and returning police to the community.

Council Committee Report
January 2022
Darcy J. Burke

Wademsa

- AHS Hours of Work project completed
- ALS Units will remain, BLS 96hrs shift will move to 12hrs shift.
- Delta Unit will M-F 9-5:24 pm, eliminates all core flex shift models at Wademsa
- We will effectively have more units in service now
- Wademsa is the only service that is satisfied with the Provincial changes
- Wademsa committed to implementation with three weeks
- Will add two crew fulltime equivalencies
- Thank Strathmore for discontinuance of RFP
- New ambulances, GMC not available in 2022, Ford possibly within 6-8 months. May look at Mercedes.
- 2021 YTD 5460 2020 YTD 4160 31.25% increase
- Since 2009 99% increase in calls

WRC

- I was elected chairman
- Board moved to a 3 person board with equal representation
- Annual reports are completed
- BB Services at RFD lift station for maintenance
- Chamco is scheduled for pump replacement at RFD
- Operators were toured the new lagoon station at RSB
- MPE is involved with pressure issues in the north transmission line
- Covid has caused havoc with Staff at WRC
- November Revenue \$103184.63 Expense \$107673.95
- December Revenue \$115665.72 Expense \$95418.94

WFCSS

- Budget 2022 meeting set
- Wellness Bags- 300 bags prepared and widely appreciated by all recipients. Planning for 400 next year
- Women's Conference – April 9, 2022
- Lunch & Learn was cancelled due to Covid
- 5 for Life Booksale is Jan 28,29. Lots of books have been collected
- County Coats, downsized with donations going to SOS, Crisis Shelter, Pregnancy Care Centre, and two county schools
- 2021 Year end reports are very slow to come in. The board supported cao direction not to approve 2022 funding if reports are not completed
- Christmas Hamper was 279 this year, 265 in 2020

February Village of Rockyford Council report
By Bill Goodfellow

January 12 Regular Council meeting

January 19- Alberta municipalities webinar on provincial police transition

- Unanswered question to province is “who are these people that want provincial police”
- Where are the 3200 people coming from to man up and where will they get qualified and trained
- Elected officials will be excluded from oversight panels
- Timeframe of established fully functional force is questionable
- How is this going to be cheaper and better than the RCMP with no federal funding. The RCMP will have federal functions in Alberta
- Challenge for Province is to fix problems in ambulance & fire & emergency services dispatch services before trying it on a provincial police service
- Raise the awareness of the provincial agenda make it part of council meeting

January 27- operational budget

January 31- hall board

- Grant application results
- effects of covid closure
- Reno report - close to completion

Councillor Henke Report
Feb. 9, 2022

Ag Society AGM January 18 8pm

- No changes to executive or directors
- Rentals slower than previous years approx. half on weekend ice times, weekday ice times full
- No new costs for arena operations
- Ag Society will need financial reports from rodeo committee going forward
- Casino coming up in the spring
- Financial statements were reviewed, a copy has been submitted to CAO See Addendum 1

Ag Society Meeting January 18 9pm

- SEBA repayment moved until 2023 \$40000 of \$60000 needs to be paid sitting in t-bills
- Grant applications being made to cover extra expenses from County
- \$20000 from T-bill moved to pay down loan for chiller, to village
- Safeblu sent quote to bring building up to fire code spec, \$1760. Motion passed

Library Board January 24 7-8pm

- Budget reviewed and passed
- Show and Shine Date to be determined possibly Aug 20 or 27
- Cash Raffle draw date will coincide with a wine and cheese night March 2

Marigold Library Jan 29 9:30-12:30

- MLS municipal levy has been held stagnant for 3 years, scheduled to raise \$0.11 per capita in 2023
- New building is close to completion, scheduled to be under budget. A grand opening is hoping to be held on June 2022
- Board Orientation scheduled for Feb 12, hosted on Zoom

CAO Report
Feb. 9, 2022

Jan. 12, 2022 – COVID 19 Update

Jan. 14, 2022 – AHS Public Engagement

Jan. 19, 2022 – AB Municipalities webinar re Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS)

This session provided a synopsis of the Price Waterhouse report and brought forward some concerns that have been brought to the attention of AB Municipalities.

The expectations are that there will be police governance/oversight; all municipalities must have input and there should be regular reporting.

Service level should be at a minimum standard of performance that exceeds the existing.

Policing costs – the Provincial Government must fill funding gap and should be 5% lower than the current costs. Municipalities should be able to negotiate their own contract.

The importance of zero political interference on the commissions was strongly stressed.

The report has a number of 3,200 members – is this boots on the ground officers or is this combined with administrative/support staff.

How seamless will the transition be?

Will savings be realized immediately?

How will RCMP drug investigation, etc. blend

The expected cost is \$750 million/year while the current cost is \$500 million

Are we clear on those costs?

Are they accurate?

Will this be put to a referendum in conjunction with the Provincial election in May 2023.

How will it integrate with existing Sheriff's program?

Premier Kenney and Minister Madu are big proponents of this and even with Minister Madu gone from that Ministry, it isn't expected to go away.

The timeline that is proposed is : Negotiation on exit and transition – March '22 – May '23

Establishment of APPS – May '23 – June '24

Go Live – June '24 – June '25

How will this impact Municipal Police? Will there still be Municipal Police Service Associations?

\$256 million is total of 5-year cost to municipalities under 5,000 but details aren't known whether that will be subsidized or if the municipalities will pay full cost.

Logistics: How will this decrease response times?

How will employees be taken over?

Will there be centralized dispatch? Will it be the same as EMS?

How will members be distributed?

Will there be Provincial overreach into municipalities?

Where does the Province get the idea that this is what people want given the number of letters that were written?

Accountability: RCMP doesn't want to continue rural policing? Says who?

If there is no Provincial referendum, does AB Municipalities have the ability to do their own at a province wide level?

Financial: Are things like training, training facilities, recruiting, staffing factored in the costs?

How will the Province handle costs for specialized investigations?

AB Municipalities will be doing media and social media blitzes.

This will be a topic at the Spring Leader's Caucus in March.

They also spoke about the elected official engagement sessions that are being hosted by the Province.

They did say that it's staff from the GoA putting these sessions on; there will be one from Price Waterhouse, no elected officials from the Ministry and no politically natured questions could be asked.

Jan. 20, 2022 – Emergency Management Update

None of the external partners were at the meeting. Rockyford, Standard, Strathmore and the County just gave a brief update on where we stand with COVID numbers and issues.

Jan. 26, 2022 – Alberta Municipal Tax Professionals Association Webinar re Assessment

This was a free webinar put on the new Association mentioned at the budget meeting. This session went into the assessment and taxation notice deadlines and went over some of the changes to the MGA that relate to those topics. Nothing that really affects the way that we do our notices, but good information to have.

Jan. 26, 2022 – Voyent Training

I completed a hands-on training session on the Voyent Alerting system. We will now have the ability to send out notifications to our residents if there is a waterline break, or a shutdown or anything that would affect their day-to-day life.

Bylaw was contacted about vehicles on the street that are unplatd; a van in the alley that impedes garbage truck or other vehicular travel; a semi that has been parking on 4th Ave.

Notices were given to all the owners of these vehicles and Bylaw will follow up.

(Side note outside the date of this report – Bylaw came back and the van owner was given 1 hour to remove it or it would be towed. The vehicle owners said they would have their vehicles moved by the end of the day and the semi was leaving and wouldn't park on that street again when he came back)

I have been busy with budget, year end and preparing for grant reporting.

The engineer was contacted for recommendations for stamped concrete contractors and some names were provided. Two of them we have worked with before – ConSite and Mudrack; the third was Ruby Rock and while we haven't worked with them, they did do some work in Standard.

We have not received any updated information from the auditor regarding the timing of the audit. I have requested they let us know if they have time freed up before their anticipated time of July.

The columbarium has been ordered and the 50% deposit has been paid.

The outstanding tax accounts will be reviewed to determine if any should be added to the list of properties that have the arrears added to their title. This is a requirement of the MGA and must be submitted to Alberta Registries before March 31.

I will be getting T4s out within the next couple of weeks, the deadline for that is Feb. 28.