

MINUTES

POLICIES AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Mountain View County

Minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, in the Council Chamber, 1408 Twp Rd. 320, Didsbury, AB

PRESENT: Councillor P. McKean (Deputy Reeve, Chair)
Reeve B. Beattie
Councillor A. Aalbers
Councillor K. Heck
Councillor D. Milne
Councillor J. Sayer

ABSENT: Councillor A. Kemmere

IN ATTENDANCE: Tony Martens, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Baker, Director, Operational Services
M. Bloem, Director, Planning and Development Services
M. Pawlow, Manager, Planning Services
J. Fulton, Manager, Agricultural Services
A. Wild, Communications Coordinator
V. Lodermeier, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Reeve McKean called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

AGENDA Deputy Reeve McKean advised that the agenda would be amended as follows:
5.1 Delegation Water Valley Community Association postponed
8.10 Olds College Gala

Moved by Reeve Beattie
PP15-031 That the Policies and Priorities Committee adopt the agenda of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of February 4, 2015.
Carried.

MINUTES Moved by Councillor Milne
PP15-032 That the Policies and Priorities Committee adopt the minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of January 7, 2015.
Carried.

DELEGATION Deputy Reeve McKean welcomed Dean Hunken, Scott Williams, and Allison Beaudry from FortisAlberta to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Dean Hunken, Scott Williams, and Allison Beaudry provided information regarding:
• Transmission line and Distribution Line require two separate lines

ADOPTED

- Design for paralleling of lines was submitted to County in January with a recommendation to bring forward to Council for discussion
- Prior approval required by County before brushing of trees in County road allowances
- Twinning of lines for transmission and distribution lines is a common standard used for safety measures on voltage variances between lines
- Twinning of lines is common around Service Sub-stations
- Alberta Electric System Operator's mandate for adding capacity to the area
- Twinning of lines is 1 km long
- Overhead lines most cost effective for residents
- Underground installation of lines expensive to install

Lance Ingle, adjacent landowner was opposed to the twinning of lines and brushing of trees on Twp. Rd. 314 and Rge. Rd. 30. Would preferred the utility lines be underground, the shelterbelts be preserved, and dislikes quarter being surrounded by power lines.

Glen Kershaw, adjacent landowner disputed FortisAlberta's notification process to landowners as he did not receive any information regarding twinning of the lines.

Reeve Beattie suggested FortisAlberta provide more information on their process and related costs to underground installation of lines for further discussion at a future date.

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- Brushing of trees on County land without permission not acceptable
- Twinning lines not supported by County
- Transmission and distribution lines on same pole do not meet FortisAlberta's current standards.
- Cost for underground lines to go to customer
- FortisAlberta willing to discuss ACME Road project with Mountain View County at a future date
- FortisAlberta to look at alternatives for installation of lines

Deputy Reeve McKean thanked Dean Hunken, Scott Williams, and Allison Beaudry for their presentation.

Deputy Reeve McKean welcomed Kimberly Good and Sarah Leach of Legacy Land Trust Society to the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting.

Kimberly Good and Sarah Leach provided information regarding:

- Land Trust Legacy Benefits
Conservation Easement
- Land Donations
- Landowner Compensation

- Business Plan
- County's support of additional \$40,000 for 2015
- 2015 Milestones
- 2014 Financial Summary
- 2015 Budget Revenue and Cost Forecast

Policy and Priorities Committee discussed the following:

- Grant program funded by the Province by designating crown assets to the Land Trust for application approval.
- Land Trust grant program includes stewardship, appraisal, legal cost, title registration, and a report on property to identify features that are protected through legislation,
- Conservation easements compensates for development in floodways around watershed areas.
- Benefits of Restrictive Covenant is to conserve land
- Additional funding of \$40,000 required for next few more years

Deputy Reeve McKean thanked Kim Good and Sarah Leach for their presentation.

Recess and Reconvene

Deputy Reeve McKean recessed the meeting at 10:31 a.m. and reconvened at 10:41 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Operational Services
Monthly Report PP15-033

Moved by Councillor Milne
That the Policies & Priorities Committee receive the December 2014 Operational Services Department reports as information.

Carried.

Planning and Development
Monthly Report PP15-034

Moved by Councillor Beattie
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the Planning and Development Services Department statistics as information.

Carried.

Legislative and Community
Services Monthly
Report PP15-035

Moved by Councillor Aalbers
That the Policies & Priorities Committee receive the Legislative, Community Services and Agricultural monthly report as information.

Carried.

CAO Services
Monthly Report PP15-036

Moved by Councillor Sayer
That the Policies & Priorities Committee receive the CAO Services Monthly Reports as information.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Restrictive Covenant
PP15-037

Moved by Councillor Aalbers
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend Administration to bring back for further discussion Restrictive Covenant buyer beware and the Noise Easement.

Carried.

- Big Prairie Road
Budget
- PP15-038 Moved by Aalbers
That the Policies and Priorities Committee direct administration to bring back the discussed amendments along with the amended scope for further discussion, for the Big Prairie Road.
- Carried.
- OP/AG 2015
Equipment Purchases
- PP15-039 Moved by Councillor Milne
That the Policies and Priorities Committee accept the information provided on the 2015 equipment purchase for Agricultural and Operational Services as information.
- Carried.
- 2015 Equipment
Disposal
- PP15-040 Moved by Councillor Beattie
That the Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council that Units #1.130, #1.133, #1.151, #2.191, #2.213 and a snow wing be added to the 2015 Disposal List.
- Carried.
- Comparison of
MVC ROW vs. AT ROW
Purchasing
- PP15-041 Moved by Councillor Beattie
That the Policies and Priorities Committee directs the Chief Administrative Officer to continue purchasing land following the current Policy.
- Carried.
- Rail Crossing Construction
Twp Rd 334
- PP15-042 Moved by Councillor Aalbers
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive the report regarding the rail crossing at Township Road 334 as information.
- Carried.
- Transportation Federal
Grade Crossing Regulations
- PP15-043 Moved by Councillor Beattie
That the Policies and Priorities Committee accept the Federal Grade Crossing Regulations as information.
- Carried.
- Procedure No. 1004-01
Council Remuneration and
Compensation
- PP15-044 Moved by Councillor McKean
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receive as information the updates to Procedure No. 1004-01 Council Remuneration and Compensation as information.
- Carried.
- Standing Stone Gravel
Pit
- PP15-045 Moved by Councillor McKean
That the Policies and Priorities Committee receives the Standing Stone Gravel Pit circulation as information and furthermore, do not object to Route Haul Option B using a portion of Twp. Rd. 290 turning south onto Range Road 50.
- Carried.
- Olds College Gala
- PP15-046 Moved By Reeve Beattie
Than Policies and Priorities Committee recommend to Council to sponsor \$1000 to the Olds College Gala.
- Carried.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

IN CAMERA

PP15-047 Moved by Councillor Sayer
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of
February 4, 2015 go into closed meeting at 12:03 p.m.
Carried.

PP15-048 Moved by Councillor Milne
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of
February 4, 2015 return to the open Meeting at 12:19 p.m.
Carried.

Big Prairie Gravel
Pit

PP15-049 Moved by Councillor McKean
That the Policies and Priorities direct administration to
negotiate the sale of the land with the adjacent landowner.
Carried.

PP15-050 Moved by Reeve Beattie
That the Policies and Priorities receive the directives as
Information.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

PP15-051 Moved by Councillor McKean
That the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting of
February 4, 2015 be adjourned at 12:22 p.m.
Carried.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Chief Administrative Officer