VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD AGENDA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

December 8, 2021 via Telus BusinessConnect

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- 2. ADOPT AGENDA
- 3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT
- 4. DELEGATIONS
- 5. ADOPT MINUTES
- A. Minutes from November 23, 2021, Regular Meeting
- 6. FINANCIAL REPORTS
- A. Bank Reconciliation November 2021 Village
- B. Bank Reconciliation November 2021- WRC
- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES
 - A. Response Letter from Municipal Affairs re FIR Extension Request
- 8. NEW BUSINESS
- A. Interim Spending Allowance 2022
- B. Holiday Hours
- C. Utility Billing Reversal Request
- D. ATCO Gas Utility Right of Way Request
- E. Budget Meeting Date
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE
- A. Village of Standard Organizational Meeting
- 10. OTHER BUSINESS
- 11. ACTION ITEM LIST REVIEW
- 12. CLOSED SESSION
- A. Personnel Matters

Pursuant to FOIPPA Section 17 - Disclosure Harmful to Personal Privacy

B. Correspondence

Pursuant to FOIPPA Section 23 - Local Public Body Confidences

- 13. OUT OF CLOSED SESSION MOTION
- 14. REPORTS
- 15. ADJOURNMENT

Dec 2021 public works report

- 1. Shut down men's and women's washroom's for winter and cleaned all washrooms.
- 2. Tim's glass out to do quote on broken window's at prp
- 3. Martin's pest control out assess bat situation at prp'
- 4. Cleaned at PRP
- 5. Repaired and Put up Christmas lights.
- 6. Golden hills out to pick up sound system from prp.
- 7. JAD air testing out to do air quality testing at prp.
- 8. Fire hydrant ran over at 4th and 1st street e assisted wrc in getting valve shut off to hydrant. WRC contacted Alta west hydrant repairs. Hydrant repaired.
- 9. Repaired trailer and had Darcy build ramps for loading snow blower.
- 10. Cleaning shop and hauling garbage from shop to dump.
- 11. Getting equipment ready for winter.

MINUTES VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD REGULAR MEETING November 23, 2021

ATTENDANCE

Mayor

Darcy Burke

Councillors

William Goodfellow

Leah Smith

Tyler Henke arrived at 7:03 p.m.

Kathleen Morin

Administration: Elaine Macdonald

Delegation: April Geeraert

Consultant: Devin Diano, CEO, Palliser Regional Municipal Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. AGENDA

RES 255-2021

Moved by Councillor Morin that the agenda be accepted with the following amendments:

ADD

8I. Approval for Councillor attendance at the ASHA regional meeting.

8J. COVID regulations at Prairie Ridge Park

Carried

3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

RES 256-2021

Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that Council accepts the Public Works report as presented.

Carried

4. DELEGATION - April Geeraert

Council received a presentation from April Geeraert regarding the "Magic of Christmas" event that is being planned by herself and Dalia Cheshire. They requested that Council consider contributing \$500 to go towards the horse and sleigh rides that will be available that evening.

RES 257-2021

Moved by Councillor Morin that the Village contribute \$500 towards the Magic of Christmas horse and sleigh ride.

Defeated

5. MINUTES

5A. Minutes from the October 13, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council.

RES 258-2021

Moved by Councillor Henke that Council approves the minutes of the October 13, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

Carried

5B. Minutes from the October 26, 2021 Organizational Meeting of Council.

RES 259-2021

Moved by Councillor Morin that Council approves the minutes of the October 26, 2021 Organizational Meeting of Council as presented.

Carried

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes November 23, 2021 9' FINANCIAL REPORTS

Bank Reconciliation September, 2021 - Village

Village for the month of September, 2021 be accepted as presented. Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that the bank reconciliation for the **KES 500-5051**

Carried

Bank Reconciliation September, 2021 - WRC

the month of September, 2021 be accepted as presented. Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that the bank reconciliation for WRC for **KES 561-2021**

Carried

Bank Reconciliation October, 2021 - Village

Village for the month of October, 2021, be accepted as presented. RES 262-2021 Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that the bank reconciliation for the

Carried

Bank Reconciliation October, 2021 - WRC

month of October, 2021 be accepted as presented. Moved by Councillor Henke that the bank reconciliation for WRC for the **KES 563-5051**

Carried

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Presented by Devin Diano - CEO Palliser Regional Municipal Services 8A. CN Subdivision - Cash in lieu of land dedication request

Subdivision #59/004 to allow for each in lieu of deferred land. Moved by Councillor Henke that Council approves the amendment to **KES 564-2021**

Carried

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator 8B. Request from Golden Hills School Division

Hills School Division for the PA system that was left in Prairie Ridge Park. Moved by Councillor Morin that Council approves the request from Golden **BES 565-5051**

Carried

8C. Christmas Dinner

8' NEM BOZINEZZ

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

Council/Staff dinner until COVID restrictions change. Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council defers the planning of a **KES 766-2021**

Carried

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator 8D. Christmas Light Up Contest

Up Contest with the prizes to be the same as the previous year and judging KES 567-2021 Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council approves the Christmas Light

to take place December 18, 2021.

Carried

8E. Alberta Provincial Police Service Transition Study Engagement Session Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 268-2021

Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Mayor Burke and Administrator Macdonald be the Village representatives that attend the engagement session.

Carried

8F. Future Board/Voting Structure for WRC Presented by Darcy Burke, Mayor

RES 269-2021

Moved by Councillor Henke that the WRC Board structure be changed so that each partner appoints one representative and one alternate and that each partner has one vote.

Carried

8G. Handi-Bus Association Presented by Elaine Macdonald. Municipal Administrator

RES 270-2021

Moved by Mayor Burke that Administration writes a letter to the Wheatland Regional Partnership members regarding a per capita based municipal contribution to the Handi-Bus Association and that the discussion be held at the upcoming Regional Partnership meeting.

Carried

8H. Letter to Mayor of Strathmore re dispatch services Presented by Darcy Burke, Mayor

RES 271-2021

Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that this item be added to the agenda for the upcoming Regional Partnership meeting.

Carried

8I. Approval to Attend ASHA Regional Meeting
Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 272-2021

Moved by Councillor Henke that Council approves Deputy Mayor Smith's attendance at the ASHA Regional Meeting in Calgary Dec. 1, 2021.

Carried

8J. COVID Regulations at Prairie Ridge Park Presented by Darcy Burke, Mayor

RES 273-2021

Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that the REP program be followed for all spaces in Prairie Ridge Park.

Carried

- CORRESPONDENCE
- 9A. Letter from Village of Hussar re Organizational Meeting.
- 9B. Letter from Wheatland County re Organizational Meeting

RES 274-2021 Moved by Councillor Morin that the letters from the Village of Hussar and Wheatland County be accepted as information.

Carried

9C. Response Letter from Municipal Affairs re FIR Extension Request

RES 275-2021 Moved by Mayor Burke that this item be tabled until the December meeting for discussion.

Carried

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes November 23, 2021 9D. Marigold Library Board Congratulatory Letter and Reports

Marigold Library Board as information. **KES 549-5051** Moved by Councillor Henke that Council accepts the correspondence from

Carried

9E. Congratulatory Letter from Premier Kenney

RES 277-2021 Moved by Councillor Morin that the letter from Premier Kenney be

Carried accepted as information.

9F. Congratulatory Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs

accepted as information. Moved by Councillor Henke that the letter from Minister McIver be RES 278-2021

Mayor Burke called for a 5 minute recess at 9:10 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS .01

II. YCLION ILEM FIST REVIEW

15' CLOSED SESSION

meeting at 9:16 p.m. pursuant to Section 26 - Testing Procedures, tests Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council goes into a Closed Session KES 579-2021

and audits.

Carried

Administrator were included in the Closed Session meeting and all All Councillors in attendance at the meeting and the Municipal

Councillors affirmed that they were alone, no one could hear them and they

had no recording devices on.

Session meeting at 9:42 p.m. Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council comes out of the Closed **KES 280-2021**

Carried

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION MOTION

access until air quality testing has been done. Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Prairie Ridge Park be closed to public **KES 281-2021**

Carried

Community Centre temporarily and the Village will cover the costs. **KES 282-2021** Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that the playschool be moved to the

Carried

14 REPORTS

representatives attend the Community Futures Wild Rose orientation KES 783-7071 Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that both the primary and alternate

session.

Carried Moved by Councillor Morin that the reports be accepted as presented.

Carried

RES 284-2021

Administrator Mayor

15. ADJOURNMENT

RES 285-2021	Mayor Burke moved that the meeting be adjourned at 10:04 p.m. Carried
	Mayor
	Administrator

VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD MONTHLY CASH STATEMENT Month Ending November 30, 2021

	Current Year	Last Year
Net Balance as at October 31, 2021	\$ 104,776.01	\$ 60,207.09
Receipts for Month	\$ 77,884.89	\$ 165,438.24
Interest Earned	\$ 52.42	39.82
Transferred from T-Bill	\$ 93,502.50	\$ 84,000.00
	\$ 276,215.82	\$ 309,685.15
Less:		
Disbursements	\$ (168,477.41)	\$ (106,379.14)
Bank Charges	\$ (90.78)	\$ (91.51)
Auto Debit Alarm Fee	\$ (56.69)	\$ (56.69)
PAD School Taxes	\$ -	\$ -
Transferred to T-Bill	\$ (60,000.00)	\$ (60,000.00)
G/L Balance Nov 30, 2021	\$ 47,590.94	\$ 143,157.81
Bank Reconciliation		
Bank Balance at Nov 30, 2021	\$ 75,006.74	\$ 128,093.27
O/S Cheques	\$ (27,415.35)	\$ (64,474.22)
O/S Deposits	\$ -	\$ 79,538.76
Deposit not posted	\$ (0.45)	\$ -
Bank Balance Nov 30, 2021	\$ 47,590.94	\$ 143,157.81

 Mayor	
Administrator	

Wheatland Regional Corporation Monthly Cash Statement November 30, 2021

Net Balance as at October 31, 2021 Interest Earned Transfer from T-Bill	\$ 1,188.11 \$ 1.26 \$ 0.00 \$ 1,189.37
Transfer to T-Bill Account Disbursements	\$ 0.00 \$ 0.00
G/L Balance as at November 30, 2021	<u>\$ 1,189.37</u>
Bank Reconciliation: Balance as at November 30, 2021	\$ 1,189.37
Sub Total Less Outstanding Cheques	\$ 0.00
Balance as at November 30, 2021	<u>\$ 1,189.37</u>
Mayor	Administrator



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November 8, 2021

Ms. Elaine Macdonald Chief Administrative Officer Village of Rockyford PO Box 294 Rockyford AB T0J 2R0

Dear Ms. Macdonald:

Thank you for your recent correspondence to the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, requesting an extension for the annual filing of financial information with Municipal Affairs. As Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, I am pleased to respond on his behalf.

Section 278 of the *Municipal Government Act* stipulates that a municipality must submit its financial information return, the auditor's report on the financial information return, the financial statements, and the auditor's report on the financial statements to the Minister by May 1 of the year following the year for which the financial information return and statements have been prepared.

From time to time, extensions may be granted to municipalities if situations arise that would make it difficult for a municipality to submit its financial reporting. In the past, extensions have been approved for catastrophic events (such as loss of a municipal office) or a vacancy of either the Chief Administrative Officer or Chief Financial Officer.

While I appreciate your proactive approach in this matter, it would not be appropriate to approve an extension so far in advance of the deadline, particularly given that the 2021 Financial Information Return package has not yet been sent to municipalities. We anticipate municipalities will be notified of the 2021 Financial Information Return package and filing instructions early in January 2022.

I encourage you to re-evaluate this situation once you have received the Financial Information Return package, and if you believe a need for an extension remains, please resubmit an extension request via email to lgs.update@gov.ab.ca after March 2022. If you have any further questions or require additional assistance, please contact a Municipal Financial Advisor, toll-free by first dialing 310-0000, then 780-427-2225.

Yours truly,

Gary Sandberg

Acting Deputy Minister

cc: Ryan Edwards, Manager of Information Services, Municipal Affairs

Subject: Interim Spending Allowance 2022

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: December 8, 2021

Agenda Item: 8A

<u>Background</u>: As we approach the new year, we don't have an approved operating budget for the Village beyond December 31, 2021. We will still have expenditures and financial obligations that must be met until the 2022 Operating Budget has been approved by Council. However, we don't have the authority to spend money without a budget or permission from Council to do so.

Historically, we have received permission from Council to spend up to ¼ of the previous year's budget to cover those expenses until the budget is approved.

Options:

Financial Implications: The monies expended will be part of the 2022 budget and will show in the financials as such.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: THAT Village Council approves the expenditure of up to one quarter of the 2021 Operating Budget

totalling \$206,500.

Subject: Holiday Hours

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: December 8, 2021

Agenda Item: 8B

<u>Background</u>: The Village has previously closed operations between Christmas and New Year's. This year, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day fall on the weekends so there will be Stat Holiday days during the week. December 27th and 28th will be Stats in lieu of the 25th and 26th, and Jan. 3rd will be in lieu of Jan. 1st.

The proposal to Council is that the operations shut down at the end of the workday on December 23rd and resume on Jan. 4th. During the period of closure, the residential garbage would still be collected – commercial garbage would be collected on the same day. In the event of a heavy snowstorm event, Public Works will be available to clear snow.

Options: 1. Council can approve the closure of the operations of the Village from December 24th to January 3rd inclusive

2. Council can deny the closure of the operations of the Village from December 24th to January 3rd inclusive and only close on the Stat holidays – December 27th and 28th as well as January 3rd.

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: Notice will be published regarding the closures.

Recommendation: THAT Village Council discusses the Holiday Hours and provides direction to Administration.

Subject: ATCO Gas Utility Right of Way Request

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date:

Agenda Item: 8D.

<u>Background</u>: There is a new gas service going into the Village and the documents regarding that are in the Council package. There is a piece of land owned by the Village where the pipe would cross and to facilitate their access to that, they have submitted a "Utility Right of Way" Agreement request.

The property is where the electronic sign is located and it's a small parcel which likely wouldn't hold anything in addition to the sign. The right of way would give them workspace if they ever had to work on the pipeline and ensures that that area is kept clear of anything that would obstruct their ability to perform that work.

Options:

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: THAT the Village Council agrees to enter into a Utility Right of Way Agreement with ATCO Gas for

the property legally described as Plan 1710553; Block 11; Lot 2



Subject: Budget Meeting Date

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date:

Agenda Item: 8E.

Background: We must create the 2022 Operating Budget for the Village. The budget meeting is not one that is part of the regular scheduling of meetings and as such requires a Council motion to establish the date and time of the meeting.

I would propose we look at mid to end of January to allow for the preliminary work to be done. I don't know where the requisitions from Palliser, WADEMSA. WFCSS and the Housing Body will sit in the upcoming year and those are large items in our budget. We also don't know where WRC rates will land and this affects revenue and expenses in our budget.

Options:

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: THAT the Village Council sets a date and time for a budget meeting.



VILLAGE OF STANDARD

P.O. Box 249 Standard, Alberta T0J 3G0 Tel: (403) 644-3968 email: cao@villageofstandard.ca

November 16, 2021

RE: Village of Standard Organizational Meeting October 19th, 2021

Please be advised that Martin Gauthier was appointed as Mayor and Carol Allard as Deputy Mayor.

Committee/ Board	Councillor	Alternate
Drumheller & District Solid Waste Management	Carol Allard	Larry Casey
Palliser Regional Municipal Services	Adam Sommerfeld	Carol Allard
Wheatland & District Emergency Medical Services Association	Adam Sommerfeld	Martin Gauthier
Wheatland Family & Community Support Services	Richard Bryan	Martin Gauthier
Wheatland Housing Management Body	Martin Gauthier	Larry Casey
Wheatland Regional Corporation	Martin Gauthier	Larry Casey
Community Futures Wild Rose	Richard Bryan	Adam Sommerfeld
Regional Emergency Advisory Committee		
Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Intermunicipal Development Plan	Richard Bryan Carol Allard	

Martin Gauthier <u>marty.gauthier@icloud.com</u> Mayor 403-934-7687 Carol Allard <u>carolallard1@gmail.com</u> Deputy Mayor 905-327-7536 Richard Bryan <u>tctman@hotmail.com</u> Councillor 403-615-3632 Larry Casey <u>lrcintheloops@gmail.com</u> Councillor 403-901-9708 Adam Sommerfeldt <u>sommerfeldt.a@gmail.com</u> Councillor 403-644-2905

Sincerely,

Yvette April, CAO Village of Standard

Council Information Re: Other Committees

Committee/ Board	Councillor	Alternate
202 (40	(CUA):161	
Standard Municipal Library	Larry Casey	Carol Allard
Wheatland Regional Partnership (every 3 months)	All Councillors	member 10, 2021
Three Villages Meetings (every 3 months)	All Councillors	sese he advised that Martin Cautha
Ag Society AGM	Marthin Gauther	Committeel Equid
Disaster Services Committee	All Councillors	nights bloss socials a valiation of
Standard Fire Department AGM	Adam Sommerfeld	li
Standard Community Facility Enhancement Society Beautification Group/Memory Lane	Richard Bryan	E NOOVER OF THE HARD BOTTON TOWNS OF
Rodeo Society	Larry Casey	
ISDAB Member (Intermunicipal Subdivision Development Appeal Board)	Carol Allard	Larry Casey

COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST

	Potation Boundary	Drogress/Ctatus	Date Completed
	Action Kequested	FLOBICSS/status	pare combiered
	Unsightly Premises	Ongoing	
	e-mail Council information about fine revenue	Complete	Oct. 14, 2021
	Get speed limit signs for each end of Elevator Rd	We can get signs but poles are hard to come by	
9	Get additional information from Service Line Warranties		
	Apply for extension for FIR from Province	Letter sent	Oct. 18, 2021
	Write letter to WRP regarding Hand-Bus Contribution discussion at WRP meeting	Letter sent	Nov. 29, 2021
	Add dispatch discussion to WRP agenda	Request for both handi-bus and dispatch were sent to Yvette for addition to the agenda	Nov. 24, 2021
	Move Playschool to community centre	Contacted playschool teacher and relayed message	Nov. 24, 2021

Council Committee Report November 2021 Darcy J. Burke

WADEMSA

- Call Volumes -4884 YTD represents a 30.2 % increase in the same period of time
- Long service awards discussed and dinner will be held in December 1, 2021
- Town of Strathmore RFP for dispatch services information provided
- Core Flex Shifting announcement, Wademsa placed #5 in highest priority. Funding is imminent at this point unsure of timing. Will add 10 more staff at approximately \$1.2M
- Board reviewed the Accreditation Canada report
- Supper with CAO Witty to present his employee review
- Met with CAO Witty and Hendricks regarding staffing issues, situation ongoing and long term at this point

WFCSS

- Lunch & Learn had 25 participants
- Community Coats program has started with boots available this year. Spread the word.
- Christmas Hamper is underway, with many volunteers
- Home Support has 26 clients

Wheatland Regional Corporation

Meeting postponed

Wheatland Housing Management Body

- Attended with Councillors Goodfellow and Smith
- Reports provided by staff
- Vaccine mandated for board members passed
- Dec 1 ASCHA meeting. Councillor Smith approved to attend
- Dec 15 Resident Christmas Party and Board
- Social Housing report waiting list Rockyford (0) Stathmore (32), Gleichen (1), Standard (1),
 Caresland (1).
- Councillor Smith can report the balance of the meeting. I enjoyed the meeting, lots of information with very capable staff.

Councillor Report November 2021 Tyler Henke

Nov 4. Community Futures Wild Rose

- We remained on the board for Community Economic Development Took on a role in the Management/Personnel Committee
- $\hbox{-} \ {\sf CFWR} \ encourages \ municipalities \ to \ promote \ their \ services.$
- Board Orientation and General meeting to take place on Dec 4th. Representative and alternate are requested to attend. Approved by council.

Council Report Councillor Bill Goodfellow November 2021 council report

November 23 council meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS: November Kathleen Morin

Remembrance Day Ceremony November 11th

Rockyford Community Centre

November 12th @ 5pm -530

- *Meeting was very illuminating with the nice new hall lights working so well and brightly that the need for a dimmer was discussed and quoted \$1000
- *hall was in need of a freshening-up with paint and volunteers requested to save costs
- *new electrical installed
- *new stage in place
- *how to complete the finishing on the stage in a cost reasonable manner
- *budget reviewed comparing budgeted to actual
- *jump in lumber costs since affects budget thus some items will have to be put on delay
- *quote for sound system \$2100

Rockyford Library Meeting

November 29th @ 7pm -9

- *25 new members since June
- *programs are still running for 18 and under
- *Library sign wanted for Service Berry Road
- *Library Christmas Market Fundraiser December 11th
- *Membership fees with be implemented in the new year; students \$5, adults \$10, families \$20
- *Marigold pays for many things for our library and members get access to all of these
- *hoping to obtain movie licence for library movie showing
- *would like a big banner for the library
- *would like a big sign near the library entrance
- *minutes, treasury report, WFCSS, budget

Regular Council Meeting

November 23rd @ 7pm -10

CAO Report December 8, 2021

Nov. 1 - 15 — Vacation

Nov. 17 - CMOH Update

This update was repeating the REP regulations and a Q & A period for municipal representatives

Nov. 23 – MAP Review

The documents that were required to be submitted to Municipal Affairs relating to the MAP review were sent. The only outstanding item is the Bylaw Officer Bylaw amendment and it's waiting for review by the County.

Nov. 23 – Assessment Audit Requirement

The assessment audit was done prior to my vacation. The auditor from Municipal Affairs was out and the only note he had for us was the inclusion of the names of the people we were naming as Designated Officers for the Village. This was done at our Organizational Meeting and once I had the minutes completed, the applicable motion was forwarded to him and he acknowledged receipt.

Nov. 24 - CMOH Update

Concerns over the new Omicron variant were discussed. No new measures are anticipated at this time. The studies continue regarding the speed of transmission and whether or not the existing vaccines are effective against it.

The items that Council had requested be added to the Wheatland Regional Partnership meeting were submitted to be added to the agenda, but the meeting has been postponed to Feb. 7.

I continue to work on the budget variance, GL adjustments and early budget work.