

## COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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*Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences*

### June 8, 2021 Council Highlights

Council meetings and Public Works Meetings held during COVID-19 are streamed live on 'YouTube/County of St. Paul No. 19 Council Meeting'

***The County Administration Office and Public Works Shop have re-opened to public walk-ins. Public health measures remain in effect. Please wear a mask, stay 2 meters apart from others, and sanitize your hands.***

***Administration Office hours are extended due to the property tax deadline. The Administration Office is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until June 30. Regular open hours resume on July 2 (closed over lunch).***

#### ***Special Council Meeting – May 14 2021***

Council approved **Bylaw 2021-08 Fee Schedule** with changes to fees pertaining to **Fire Calls**. The Fee Schedule can be found under on the County website under 'Governance/ Bylaws & Policies'.

#### ***Public Works Meeting – May 25, 2021***

Council moved to enter into an agreement with **Mantle Group to crush 200,000T of 4-20 spec gravel** for the 2021 season at the Gravel Pit located at NW 21-56-7-W4.

#### ***Council Meeting - June 8, 2021***

**Bylaws can be found on the County website under 'Governance/ Bylaws & Policies'.**

Council enacted the **Littering Bylaw 2021-05** which will be used by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer in conjunction with penalties set out in the **Penalties Bylaw 2021-06** that was also enacted at the Council meeting. The Penalties Bylaw allows for penalty of \$500 for a littering first offense and \$1,000 for a second offence.

Council enacted amendments to the **Election Procedures Bylaw 2021-09**. The amendments reflect changes made to the *Local Authorities Election Act* since the 2017 election.

Council moved to increase the remuneration rates of election workers for the **2021 Municipal Election** in September 2021, as follows - Training: \$165; Election Day: \$275; Mileage: Canada Revenue Agency rate.

Council moved to ratify the **Access to Municipal Rights-of-Way Agreements with Buried Glass Inc.** (a division of MCSnet) for the following project that would provide transport fiber networks to communities within the County: Project SP-AM-RP and SP-FO-RP [from the Town of St. Paul along Hwy 29 and Hwy 36 to Foisy Tower], and Project FS-SP-WC [south of Vincent Lake along RR 94].

Council moved to award the **tender for 11 acres of standing hay** on NW-17-59-11-W4 for 2021 and 2022 to Shane Murray who submitted the highest bid of \$1,220 per season.

Council moved to uphold the resolution made at the May 11, 2021 Council meeting to deny the request to put cold mix in the cul-de-sac area of **Michaud Estates** subdivision at Vincent Lake NE-25-59-10-W4.

Council agreed to formalize an agreement with the **Ashmont & District Ag Society** to cut the grass along the south side of Railway Avenue in Ashmont at a cost of \$1,500 annually.

Council agreed to enter into an agreement with the landowner located on Lot 5, Block 4, Plan 7920741 for **removal of fallen trees** on the adjacent Environmental Reserve at Lot 11MR, Block 4, Plan 7920741.

Council moved to provide a **grant of \$1,200 to each nonprofit organization** whose revenue is negatively impacted by lack of fundraising events due to COVID-19 and which pay County utility bills. These are Mallaig & District Ag Society, Mallaig Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, Mallaig & District Museum, Ashmont & District Ag Society, Royal Canadian Legion #68 – Ashmont, and Boscombe Community Hall.

Council moved to approve a contribution in the amount of \$3,888.16, which is the municipal portion of the property taxes, to the **Mann Lake Golf Course** to offset their operating costs. The contribution will allow the golf course to continue offering children aged 10 and under the opportunity to golf for free under the supervision of an adult.

Council moved to **donate gravel and trucking assistance** to the following -

- \* To deliver clay fill and donate 120 tonne of 4-20 gravel to the Whitney Lake United Church Bible Camp.
- \* To donate 25 tonne of gravel to be delivered to Haying the 30's site.
- \* To donate 100 tonne of gravel to the Mallaig Baptist Church.

Council approved the request from the **St. Paul Regional Lions Quarterback Club** for an extension to August 31, 2021 on their 2021 loan payment. The Club has experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19 and have not held their regular fundraising events.

## **Donations**

Council moved to provide the **St. Paul & District Arts Foundation** with a donation of \$500 if they are successful with their Alberta Cultural Day 2021 grant application.

## **Additional Information**

**County Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 1 for Canada Day!**

**County Property Taxes are due on/by June 30, 2021.** A 3% penalty will be applied on July 1 on the current tax amount. Information on payment options is available on the County's website under 'Residents/Payment Options'.

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