

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences

July 12, 2022 Council Highlights

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

From the June 28 Public Works Meeting

Urban Systems presented a **draft Long Term Financial Plan Model** within the County's asset management initiative to consider levels of service, the long-term cost to deliver these services, revenue streams to fund them, as well as the risks associated with the plan.

Council approved a donation of a decorated locker and County promotional items up to a value of \$500 that will be auctioned at **Ashmunt Heritage Days**.

Council approved submitting a letter in opposition to Health Canada's proposed regulation change to mandate **health warning labels on ground beef**.

Council approved sending a letter in opposition of the proposed **changes to the current Pest Control Products Act** that would slow or impede pesticide changes, and submit it to Health Canada and Shannon Stubbs, MP.

From the July 12 Council Meeting

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

Council passed Bylaw 2022-09 related to the Land Use Bylaw 2021-13 Re: **Alternative Energy**.

Council passed Bylaw 2022-10 related to the Municipal Development Plan 2021-14 Re: **Alternative Energy**.

Council adopted the **Five Year Operating and Capital Plan** for the County. The County is required to adopt, as a minimum standard, a written three-year financial plan and five-year capital plan under the *Municipal Government Act*. The Plan can be viewed on the County's website under 'Budgets'.

Council approved the **Smoky Lake County Mutual Fire Aid Agreement** as submitted by Smoky Lake County for the period of October 2021 to October 2025.

Council moved to submit a letter to Environmental and Climate Change Canada supporting the proposal to de-list and transfer lands within the **Blue Quills National Wildlife Area** to Blue Quills University.

Council moved to file for information the Town of St. Paul's proposed Bylaw 2022-08 amendments to the **Town's Land Use Bylaw to include Social Care Housing**. Council did not have any comments or concerns pertaining to the proposed bylaw.

Council moved to award the **Regional Feasibility Study** to Expedition Management Consulting Ltd. The regional partners representing the Town of Elk Point, Town of St. Paul, Summer Village of Horseshoe

Bay and the County of St. Paul, who is the managing partner, successfully applied for an Alberta Community Partnership grant in support of the Study project for 2021/22. The partners received \$100,000 to conduct the study. Council approved the purchase of a table of eight, at a cost of \$1,000, from the **St. Paul Canadiens Alumni Foundation** for the formal dinner and presentations following the Alumni game with the Montreal Canadiens on October 29.

Council moved to provide the **Elk Point Golf & Country Club** with two loads of cold mix at \$1,525 and one load of gravel at \$400 for an estimated total of \$1,925 to be delivered when County trucks are in the area. The gravel and cold mix are for repairs and improvements to the Club's cart paths and roads.

Additional Information

The St. Paul Summer Field Day will be held on August 4 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the St. Paul Municipal Seed Cleaning Plant. Featured research plots include Regional Varied Trials - spring wheat and barley, information on intercropping pulses and cereals for silage and grazing and more! See the County or LARA Facebook pages for more information. BBQ supper at 5:00 p.m. Register by contacting Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) at 780-826-7260 or email cropping@laraonline.ca

The Association of Agriculture Fieldmen Bursary is open to Alberta students continuing their education at a College or University and who are enrolled in an agricultural or environmental science program. The \$1,000 bursary is available in each of the 5 provincial regions of the Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen. *Applications will be accepted until September 1, 2022.* Visit the County's Facebook or 'Agriculture' webpage for information.

The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Scholarship Program is designed to encourage young rural Albertans to pursue further education and, thereby, enhance the ability of these young people to make meaningful contributions to their communities in subsequent years. The \$1,000 scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is presented to one successful applicant from each of the five RMA districts. See the RMA Alberta/awards website for information. *Applications close on August 31, 2022.*

Summer is back and with it **FCSS Summer programs!** Check the 'St. Paul Regional FCSS' Facebook for information on YouRock (find a rock) and upcoming free outdoor movies in St. Paul and Ashmont. Join the free Block Party at the St. Paul Splash Park for food, games and fun on August 12 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Help prevent a fire at your rural home and property within the County this summer with a **FireSmart Assessment**. The free assessments take about 30 minutes and are conducted by trained assessors. To book an appointment contact Henry Thomson, Deputy Fire Chief – St. Paul Fire Department at 780-645-4100 or email hthomson@town.stpaul.ab.ca

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