

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences



Council Highlights – November 12, 2024 Meeting

including the October 22 Public Works meeting.

Council & Public Works meetings are [live-streamed](#) on YouTube under '[County of St. Paul No. 19](#)'.

The public is welcome to observe Council proceedings from the Public Gallery in the Council Chambers, located in the Administration Building. Our next meeting, Public Works, is on November 26 at 10 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION

Council **held their Organizational Meeting on October 22**, with minimal changes to County/Regional committees compared to 2023-24 and no changes in compensation rates.

Council also **discussed their Levels of Service on October 17 and October 24**, reviewing operational and capital needs for 2025.

The County is **contributing to the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance** \$0.50 per capita, totalling \$3,643.80.

The County will be advertising lands for lease by tender for 3-year and 6-year terms, commencing January 1, 2025. Deadline to submit a bid is December 6 at 12 p.m. Visit the County website for details.

BYLAWS AND POLICIES

Bylaws and Policies can be found on the County website under '[Governance > Bylaws & Policies](#)'.

Council gave **first reading to Bylaw 2024-17 and 2024-18**, for the adoption of the Buffalo Trail South (2024-17) and Buffalo Trail North (2024-18) Intermunicipal Area Structure Plans in conjunction with the Town of Elk Point. With these, Council has **scheduled a Public Hearing for December 10, 2024, at 11 a.m.**, where affected residents can voice their approval or concerns for the proposed bylaw.

PUBLIC WORKS

Council is **providing a voucher for the Ashmont Buck of the Season silent auction** for 25 tonnes of gravel, estimated at \$450, to be delivered within the County of St. Paul boundaries. The event is being held on December 7.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

At the request of the group, the County will be **taking over management and care of the East Star Cemetery**, located at NW 11-62-12-W4.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council will **budget \$70,000 for the redevelopment of the Windsor Plant site**, allowing for potential new investors to come into the region. Administration will also be applying for NRED and SCOP grants; if successful, these grants will offset the budgeted amount.

Council **appointed ISL Engineering and Land Services** for the Regional Housing Inventory and Needs Assessment Study. The study is part of an Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant in the amount of \$195,000.

STEP Economic Development Alliance has **adopted its Strategic Priorities for 2025-2027**, including:

1. Centralized Economic Development
2. Focus on Key Industry Sectors
3. Investment Attraction
4. Partnership & Advocacy

Council **welcomed Portage College's CALP Supervisor and Newcomer Support Worker** to speak to their role in settlement services for newcomers and immigrants in the College's regions, including (but not limited to) English lessons, applying for Alberta Healthcare, enrolling in school, and obtaining jobs.

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