



City of Lacombe

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

September 24, 2018

Presentations

Bee Keeping

Council received a presentation from Lacombe Composite High School (LCHS) teacher Steven Schultz and a number of his students about the LCHS Eco Vision Bee Wise Program, the first complete urban bee-keeping program for high school credits in Canada.

Schultz introduced students involved in the Ecovision Bee Wise project, who learn beekeeping as a credited green certificate program that benefits the environment. Students provided Council with an overview of their own learning experiences, distributed samples of honey kombucha tea and candy products created by the group and informed Council of an urban beekeeping program under development for Lacombe and central Alberta initiated by Bee Wise.

Past projects included solar energy and a greenhouse. Parties interested in beekeeping may directly contact the Lacombe Composite High School, which offers mentorship by high school students. Council was informed that LCHS had won the Greenest School in Canada 2018 (in a tie with Trinity College School in Ontario).

Corporate Services

Bylaw 461 (Smoking)

Council amended Bylaw 461 (section 5.4 and others) to provide a five-metre no smoking radius within the mapped downtown core. Council then adopted Bylaw 461, the Cannabis and Tobacco Consumption Bylaw, also known as the "Smoking Bylaw", after giving it third reading as amended.

Annual Budget and Tax Preparation Policy

Council passed a resolution to approve the Annual Budget and Taxation Preparation Policy after removing community growth as part of the calculation supporting tax rate increases. The adopted policy cites the Alberta Consumer Price Index of June 30 each year as the guideline for potential tax increases.

Financial Services

Bylaw 460 (Henner's Stormwater Outlet - Borrowing)

Council gave first reading to Bylaw 460 the bylaw required to authorize the borrowing to fund the Henner's Pond Storm Water Outlet Project, as presented.

Bylaw 462 (Borrowing - LMS)

Council approved Bylaw 462, a borrowing bylaw to fund the revitalization of a commercial area known as Lacombe Market Square after giving it second and third readings.

Planning & Development Services

Bylaw 400.17 (Zoning Amendments (C6))

Council passed a resolution to approve Bylaw 400.17, which includes proposed amendments to Land Use Bylaw 400, with respect to changes to existing definitions, the creation of the C6 District and the rezoning of three properties to this newly established district, after giving it third reading.

Utilities Services

Blackfalds Storm Water Master Plan

Council approved Administration's recommendation to inform the Town of Blackfalds that concerns relative to the original Northwest Area Master Stormwater Management Plan have adequately addressed. The City of Lacombe's concerns highlighted potential downstream impacts to Whelp Brook and Wolf Creek. The City is one of 19 stakeholders providing input for final consideration by the Alberta Government.

Council & Legislative

October 1, 2018, Committee Meeting

Council voted to schedule a Regular (Organizational) Council meeting for October 1, 2018.

Transportation Services

Taxiway Extension – Recommendation for Award

Council passed a resolution to award the Lacombe Regional Airport North Taxiway Extension contract to DB Bobcat Services Ltd. in the amount of \$123,215 plus GST.

****The next scheduled Council Organizational Meeting is on October 1, 2018, at 5 p.m.***

****The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting is on October 9, 2018, at 5 p.m.***

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