

Governance & Priorities Committee

Agenda

Council Chamber, Leduc County Centre, Nisku, AB **Tuesday, June 7, 2022**

1.	Order - 10:00 a.m.		
2.	Adoption of agenda		
3.	Adoption of previous minutes - April 5, 2022 Governance & Priorities meeting	٧	
4.	 Presentations a) 10:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Shain, Planner and Project Coordinator - North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance update b) 10:15 a.m Carson Hvenegaard, Engagement Assistant; David Samm, General Manager and Sarah Skinner, Watershed Programs Manager- Battle River Watershed Alliance update 	∨ ∨	D. Ohnysty D. Ohnysty
5.	10:30 a.m. County Manager's officea) 2022 Quarter 1 Reporting, ending Mar. 31, 2022b) Alberta Provincial Policing Services	√ √	R. Klimosko R. Klimosko
6.	11:30 a.m. Agricultural Servicesa) Appointment of seasonal clubroot and weed inspectors	٧	A. Van Beers
7.	11:45 a.m. Economic Development initiativesa) Economic Development and Edmonton Global update	٧	M. Gallant
8.	Noon recess		
9.	 1:30 p.m. Regional and Long Range Planning a) Municipal Development Plan: i) Implementation Program annual update ii) Monitoring Project annual update 	√	J. Evans and B. Ansaldo
10.	1:50 p.m. New Businessa) Input to identify potential legislative changes to improve local election process and Code of Conduct	٧	all of Council
11.	 2:00 p.m. Information Items a) May 11, 2022 letter from the Hon. Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta - Land Titles Office (LTO) timeline b) May 13, 2022 letter from the Hon. McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs - Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) program 	√ √	
	c) May 16, 2022 letter from the Hon. McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs - Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) funding	٧	X



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- 13. Business arising from In-Camera session
- 14. Adjournment







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Minutes

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Order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2022 by Mayor Tanni Doblanko as Chair and committee members Rick Smith, Kelly-Lynn Lewis, Kelly Vandenberghe, Larry Wanchuk and Ray Scobie present. Committee member Glenn Belozer arrived for the meeting after it commenced due to his attendance at the Wetaskiwin Seed Cleaning Co-op meeting.

Other attendees

- Duane Coleman, County Manager
- Renee Klimosko, General Manager Financial and Corporate Services
- Joyce Gavan, Legislative Coordinator
- Grant Bain, Director Planning and Development
- Dean Ohnysty, Director Community Services
- Gary Restau, Manager Information Technology System Support Analyst
- Miranda Anderson, Executive Assistant Council

Presenters

- Mary Ellen Shain, Planner and Project Coordinator North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
- Carson Hvenegaard, Engagement Assistant Battle River Watershed Alliance
- Sarah Skinner, Watershed Programs Manager Battle River Watershed Alliance

Agenda adoption

GP33-22 Committee member Vandenberghe -- that the agenda for the June 7, 2022 Governance & Priorities committee meeting be amended with the following additions:

- 10. b) Edmonton Region Waste Advisory Committee update
- 10. c) Nano Conference From Earth to Space, June 8-10, 2022 Edmonton, AB

Carried Unanimously

Previous Minutes - April 5, 2022 Governance & Priorities Committee meeting

GP34-22 Committee member Lewis -- that the April 5, 2022 Governance & Priorities Committee meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Presentation - North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

Presenter Mary Ellen Shain, Planner and Project Coordinator, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the activities of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA), highlighting the following:

- Landscape, Who Are We and What We do.
- A watershed is a big land-funnel which carries water and sediment into the North Saskatchewan River and eventually flows into Lake Winnipeg and the Hudson Bay.
- The NSWA is 57,000 Km² and affects 1.6M people.
- Management of the NSWA includes many partners (provincial government, Alberta Water Council, Watershed Stewardship Groups, Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils).
- Key responsibilities include:
 - o Report on the health of watersheds



- o Lead collaborative planning
- Facilitate education and stewardship activities
- Educational forums include "living in the shed book" and watershed Wednesday sessions.

Two individuals

Two individuals entered the council chamber at 10:09 a.m.

- The Headwaters Alliance includes the Counties of Leduc, Clearwater, Brazeau and Wetaskiwin and the Towns of Rocky Mountain House, Drayton Valley and Devon.
- The priorities in the watershed are:
 - o loss of riparian areas, wetlands and other environmentally sensitive areas
 - o impacts from extensive agriculture and industrial development
 - o risk to groundwater quality and quantity
 - o threat of aquatic and terrestrial invasive species

Staff member Nelson

Director of Enforcement Services Clarence Nelson entered the council chamber at 10:11 a.m.

- Headwaters Tour was held in 2016, 2019 and 2022.
- Summary of Riparian Health Action Plan.
- Benefits of continued partnership:
 - Collaborative partnerships
 - o Expertise and project management
 - Grant support
 - Education and awareness

Staff members Wice, Pudlowski and Lefebvre

Director of Finance Natasha Wice; Director of Corporate Services Kent Pudlowski and Fire Chief Keven Lefebyre entered the council chamber at 10:19 a.m.

GP35-22 Committee member Scobie -- that Governance & Priorities Committee receives as information the presentation by the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance.

Carried Unanimously

Staff members Mryglod and Broadbent

Director of Engineering and Utilities Des Mryglod and Director of Road Operations and Agricultural Services Garett Broadbent entered the council chamber at 10:27 a.m.

Presentation -Battle River Watershed Alliance

Presenters Carson Hvenegaard, Engagement Assistant, and Sarah Skinner, Watershed Programs Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Battle River Watershed Alliance, highlighting the following:

- Who are we non-governmental and non-profit and environmental groups.
- Municipalities in Battle River and Surrounding creek watersheds.
- Work together to assist municipalities:
 - o conserving water quality and quantity
 - o balancing economic, social and ecological priorities
 - o engaging with citizens about watershed issues and solutions
 - o creating and responding to environmental regulations
 - o planning and action for a healthy and resilient watershed
- Education programs discover your wetland, waste in watershed tour, x-stream science.
- Caring for our watersheds- EPICC Garden competition.



- Future Farmers for Freshwater is an added group aimed towards 4H groups.
- Watershed Management and Planning and Stewardship similar to NWWA:
 - Did a lot of workshops to gather information on watershed sustainability: water quantity water quality, land management and biodiversity.
 - Want to focus on the land use practices; how to create synergies with municipal development planning to support watershed management; Leduc County has been a supporter of Pigeon Lake Watershed Management initiatives. Want to take what was identified at Pigeon Lake to BRWA; would like to partner to garner grants to support this work.
 - Have worked together through the Watershed Management and Planning Camrose Source Water Protection Plan
 - Stewardship programs and workshops
 - Riparian Intactness Assessment Project
- Ways to help the BRWA this year include joining the Land and Water Advisory/Technical Committee and Invest 50 Campaign \$0.50 per capita.

GP36-22 Committee member Wanchuk -- that the Governance & Priorities Committee receives as information the presentation by the Battle River Watershed Alliance.

Carried Unanimously

Presenters Shain, Hvenegaard and Skinner and two individuals

Presenters Shain, Hvenegaard and Skinner and two individuals exited the council chamber at 10:50 a.m.

2022 Quarter 1 reporting, ending March 31, 2022

General Manager of Financial and Corporate Services Renee Klimosko provided an overview of the 2022 Q1 reporting, with directors of departments in attendance to answer questions related to their respective departments.

Staff members Gallant and Kumpula-Yung

Economic Development Coordinator Mark Gallant and Economic Development Officer Bryanna Kump-Yung entered the council chamber at 11:04 a.m.

Committee member Belozer

Committee member Glenn Belozer entered the council chamber at 11:29 a.m.

GP37-22 Committee member Smith -- that the Governance & Priorities committee accept as information the 2022 Quarter 1 report and attachments.

Carried Unanimously

Staff member Van Beers

Manager of Agricultural Services Aaron Van Beers entered the council chamber at 11:50 a.m.

Senior Management team members Wice, Mryglod, Pudlowski, Ohnysty, Lefebvre and Nelson Staff members Wice, Mryglod, Pudlowski, Ohnysty, Lefebvre and Nelson exited the council chamber at 11:51 a.m.

Appointment of seasonal clubroot and weed inspectors

Director of Road Operations and Agricultural Services Garett Broadbent and Manager of Agricultural Services Aaron Van Beers provided a recommendation for the appointments of Leduc County seasonal inspectors for the duration of their employment.



GP38-22 Committee member Vandenberghe -- that the Governance & Priorities committee approves the following seasonal employees to be appointed as Leduc County inspectors for the duration of their employment in accordance with the Province of Alberta Pests Act and Weed Control Act:

- Alyssa Wegner, Clubroot Inspector
- Garth Penn, Weed Inspector
- Hudson Slotsve, Weed Inspector
- Janette Willisko, Weed Inspector

Carried Unanimously

Recess

The meeting recessed at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with Mayor Tanni Doblanko as Chair and committee members Rick Smith, Kelly Vandenberghe, Kelly-Lynn Lewis, Larry Wanchuk, Glenn Belozer and Ray Scobie present.

Other attendees

- Duane Coleman, County Manager
- Renee Klimosko, General Manager Financial and Corporate Services
- Joyce Gavan, Legislative Coordinator
- Grant Bain, Director Planning and Development
- Gary Restau, Manager Information Technology System Support Analyst
- Miranda Anderson, Executive Assistant Council
- Mark Gallant, Economic Development Coordinator

Alberta Provincial Policing Services

General Manager of Financial and Corporate Services Renee Klimosko provided a report on the proposed Alberta Provincial Policies services.

GP39-22 Mayor Doblanko -- that Leduc County Council do not take a formal position in support or non-support of the proposed Alberta Provincial Policing services, for the following reasons:

- Lack of detailed financial information make it impossible to determine financial impacts to the County.
- Plan lacks detail on how service levels to rural areas will be increased.
- Lack of detail on the resourcing plan and the role of municipalities.
- Unclear of the potential community safety impact of this proposed new policing model.

Carried

Pro: Mayor Doblanko and Councillors Smith, Belozer, Vandenberghe, Wanchuk and Scobie

Con: Councillor Lewis

Economic Development and Edmonton Global update

Economic Development Coordinator Mark Gallant provided an update on Economic Development and Edmonton Global initiatives.

Staff members Evans and Ansaldo

Manager of Regional and Long Range Planning Jordan Evans and Planner of Long Range Planning Ben Ansaldo entered the council chamber at 1:48 p.m.

GP40-22 Committee member Lewis -- that the Governance & Priorities committee receives as information the update on Economic Development and Edmonton Global initiatives.



Carried Unanimously

Staff member Gallant

Staff member Gallant exited the council chamber at 1:59 p.m.

Regional and Long Range Planning - Municipal Development Plan Implementation Program update Manager of Regional and Long Range Planning, Jordan Evans and Planner of Long Range Planning Ben Ansaldo provided an update on the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Implementation Program.

Staff member Mryglod

Director of Engineering and Utilities Des Mryglod entered the council chamber at 2:04 p.m.

GP41-22 Committee member Vandenberghe -- that the Governance & Priorities committee receives as information the annual update on the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Implementation Program and directs administration to provide another update in the second quarter of 2023.

Carried Unanimously

Regional and Long Range Planning - Municipal Development Plan Monitoring Project update

Manager of Regional and Long Range Planning, Jordan Evans and Planner of Long Range Planning Ben

Ansaldo provided an update on the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Monitoring Project.

GP42-22 Committee member Belozer -- that the Governance & Priorities committee receives as information the annual update on the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) Monitoring Project and directs administration to provide another update in the second quarter of 2023.

Carried Unanimously

Staff members Evans and Ansaldo

Staff members Evans and Ansaldo exited the council chamber at 2:28 p.m.

Input - identify potential legislative changes to improve local election process and Code of Conduct
The Governance & Priorities Committee considered the May 16, 2022 letter from the Hon. Ric McIver,
Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs with respect to local elections and councillor accountability. It was
requested municipalities provide input to identify potential legislative changes that might enhance the
code of conduct.

It was the consensus of committee members that individual councillors will participate in the surveys on an individual basis.

Staff members Evans and Johnson

Manager of Regional and Long Range Planning Jordan Evans and Senior Planner of Regional Planning Laurie Johnson entered the council chamber at 2:35 p.m.

Edmonton Region Waste Advisory Committee update

Councillor Vandenberghe advised that as a representative on the Edmonton Region Waste Advisory Committee he is not receiving notification of meetings, agendas or meeting minutes. Councillor Vandenberghe requested administration review the process to ensure the agenda and pertinent information be provided to him as a representative on this committee.

Nano Conference - From Earth to Space, June 8-10, 2022 Edmonton, AB

GP43-22 Councillor Smith -- that Councillor Vandenberghe be authorized to attend the "From Earth to Space" Conference to be held June 8-10, 2022 at Edmonton.

Carried

<u>Pro</u>: Councillors Smith, Lewis, Scobie and Vandenberghe <u>Con</u>: Mayor Doblanko and Councillors Wanchuk and Belozer



Information items

GP44-22 Committee member Smith -- that the Governance & Priorities committee receives the following items as information:

- 1) May 11, 2022 letter from the Hon. Glubish, Minister of Service Alberta regarding the current timelines at the Land Titles Office (LTO).
- 2) May 13, 2022 letter from the Hon. McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the recent application to the Provincial Education Requisition Credit (PERC) program.
- 3) May 16, 2022 letter from the Hon. McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) capital and operating funding as well as federal funding under the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF).
- 4) May 17, 2022 copy of letter from the Town of Bon Accord to Alberta Utilities Commission in support of a thorough review of the Commission's fees and corporate profits gained from increasing utilities fees and the financial strain to municipalities.
- 5) May 18, 2022 letter from the Hon. McIver, Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs providing a copy of Ministerial Order No. MSD: 047/22 amending the Edmonton International Airport Vicinity Protection Area (AVPA) Regulation to incorporate new noise exposure forecast contours and other administrative amendments.
- 6) Councillor Lewis submission on attended meeting information for April, 2022.

Carried Unanimously

In-Camera session

GP45-22 Committee member Wanchuk -- that the Governance & Priorities committee meet in-camera in accordance the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act, Section 21(1)* to discuss Long Range Planning regional initiatives and activities.

Carried Unanimously

The in-camera session commenced at 2:58 p.m.

Revert to Governance & Priorities Committee open session

GP46-22 Committee member Belozer -- that the in-camera session revert to the Governance & Priorities committee open session.

Carried Unanimously

The Governance & Priorities committee reverted to the open session at 3:29 p.m.

Staff members Evans, Mryglod and Johnson

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Staff members Evans, Mryglod and Johnson exited the council chamber at 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment

Mayor Doblanko adjourned the Governance & Priorities committee meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Mayor

County Manager