Town of Vermilion Regular Council Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

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ADJOURNMENT

TOWN OF VERMILION MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

IN PERSON:

Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment

Councillor Robert Snow

Councillor Kevin Martin

Councillor Robert Pulyk

Councillor Paul Conlon

Councillor Kirby Whitlock

Interim Chief Administrative Officer Michael van der Torre

Manager Economic Development Mary Lee Prior

Director of Infrastructure and Planning Services Robert Dauphinee

Infrastructure and Planning Administrative Assistant Madison Barrett

REGRETS

Director of Corporate Services Brian Leibel

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>

Moved by Councillor Robert Snow "That the Agenda be accepted as presented." CARRIED.

3. <u>ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES</u>

3.1. Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council – November 5, 2024

Moved by Councillor Kevin Martin "That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of November 5, 2024, be accepted as presented." **CARRIED.**

3.2. Minutes of Organizational Meeting of Council – October 15, 2024

Moved by Councillor Paul Conlon "That the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of Council of October 15, 2024, be accepted as amended." **CARRIED.**

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

4.1. Public Commentary

Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment opened the public commentary session at 6:07 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment welcomed Justin Thompson to the meeting.

Mr. Thompson brought forward concerns regarding citations he received for his dog roaming which he disagreed with and wrote to admin addressing his concerns. Justin expressed disappointment as to how the situation was handled and would like the \$1700 worth of fines reassessed. Fine penalties have been placed on pause until the next Regular Meeting of Council on December 5, 2024 to which they will be readdressed.

Deputy Mayor Rayment thanked Justin for coming in.

4.2 Regional Emergency Management Collective Annual Report

Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment welcomed Andrew DeGruchy to the meeting.

Senior Manager of Public Safety, Andrew DeGruchy, gave a presentation on Regional Emergency Management. Andrew spoke regarding the objectives of the Emergency Management Act, 2024 projects, 2024 Activations and the 2025 program.

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Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment thanked Mr. DeGruchy for coming in.

4.3. Bylaw 29-2010 Amendment

Moved by Councillor Paul Conlon "That Council for the Town of Vermilion give third and final reading to the Bylaw 29-2010 Amendment." **CARRIED**

MOTION #24/11/144

Recorded Vote:

In Favour - Deputy Mayor Joshua Rayment, Councillor Robert Snow, Councillor Kevin Martin, Councillor Paul Conlon, and Councillor Kirby Whitlock.

Opposed — Councillor Robert Pulyk

5. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

- **5.1.** Vermilion Public Library Minutes of October 30, 2024
- **5.2.** Vermilion Public Library Revised Bylaws 2024

Accepted as Information.

6. <u>MANAGEMENT REPORTS</u>

Management for the Town of Vermilion presented their reports.

7. FINANCIAL

7.1. Accounts Payable for the period of November 1st – November 14th, 2024

Accepted as Information.

8. <u>COUNCIL ROUND TABLE</u>

Council for the Town of Vermilion presented their reports.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Gas Franchise Agreement Re-Approval – ATCO Energy Systems

Correspondence was accepted as information.

10. CLOSED SESSION

10.1. Pursuant to Part 1, Division 2, Section 17(2) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Beckie Scott Trail

Moved by Councillor Kevin Martin "That Council for the Town of Vermilion go in closed session at $7:09~\rm p.m.$ " **CARRIED**

MOTION #24/11/145

Director of Infrastructure and Planning Services Robert Dauphinee, Manager of Economic Development Mary Lee Prior, and Director of Corporate Services Brian Leibel left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Kevin Martin "That Council for the Town of Vermilion revert back to the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:33 p.m. **CARRIED**

MOTION#24/11/146

10.2. Pursuant to Part 1, Division 2, Section 17(2) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Personnel

Moved by Councillor Kevin Martin "That Council for the Town of Vermilion go in closed session at 7:34~p.m." CARRIED

MOTION #24/11/147

Moved by Councillor Robert Snow "That Council for the Town of Vermilion revert back to the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:50~p.m. CARRIED MOTION#24/11/148

11. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Being the Agenda matters concluded,	the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m
READ AND CONFIRMED ON THIS 3 rd DAY	OF December 2024 A.D.
Interim Chief Administrative Officer	Deputy Mayor

2024-11-12

CAO Michael Van Der Torre Vermilion, AB

Dear CAO Van Der Torre,

Please find attached the quarterly Community Policing Report attached that covers the July 1st to September 30th, 2024 reporting period. The attached report serves to provide a quarterly snapshot of human resources, financial data, and crime statistics for the Vermilion Detachment.

This quarter I want to update you on the status of the Body Worn Camera (BWC) rollout, which will be starting this month. We will be conducting Province-wide media releases in mid-November that will include a demonstration of the new BWC along with an update on the Alberta RCMP deployment plan. As the deployment of BWCs to each detachment will take approximately 12-18 months, I will reach out to inform you of when you are expected to receive it. Shortly before the deployment of BWCs in our communities, I will also ensure there is communication locally so that residents are aware of this new piece of equipment being used by our officers.

I also want to let you know about the RCMP Public Consultation Tool that is anticipated to be launched in early 2025. This initiative is being launched in order to solicit feedback from RCMP stakeholders with the goal of increasing transparency in policing and contribute to our vision of becoming an inherently open RCMP. This public consultation tool will be secure and confidential for all participants who will remain anonymous. I encourage your engagement in this process and if you would like more information, you can contact the Open Government Office at EnterpriseTransparency-Transparenceauseindelorganisation@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

I always remain available to discuss your community-identified policing priorities and/or any ideas you may have that will enhance our service delivery to address the priorities that are important to you. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sergeant Corey Buckingham

Corey Buckingham

Chief of Police

Vermilion Detachment







Alberta RCMP - Provincial Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name

Vermilion

Detachment Commander

Sergeant Corey Buckingham

Report Date	Fiscal Year	Quarter
November 12, 2024	2024-25	Q2 (July - September)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Crime Reduction - Property Crime

Updates and Comments:

A total of 30 checks were completed in Q2 bringing the total to 66 out of the goal of 100. This initiative is on track.

Priority #2: Police / Community Relations - Consultations and Connections

Updates and Comments:

12 public communications were completed in Q1, not 15. 11 public communications were completed in Q2 bringing to total to 23/50. This initiative is on track

First town hall was completed on October 17th at 6pm in Derwent (Q3). This initiative is on track.

Priority #3: Police / Community Relations - Police Visibility

Updates and Comments:

144 documented traffic stops completed in Q2 bringing the total to 307 of the 360 goal. This initiative is on track.

2 checkstops were completed in Q2 bringing the total to 3/6. This initiative is on track.







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Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type					
September 10, 2024	Meeting with Elected Officials					
Topics Discussed						
Regular Reporting/Information Sharing						
Notes/Comments:						
Detachment Commander attended County of Vermilian Diver to present O1 report. Come discussion was						

Detachment Commander attended County of Vermilion River to present Q1 report. Some discussion was had about Town Hall meetings and their effectiveness.

Consultation #2

Date Meeting Type					
September 17, 2024	Meeting with Elected Officials				
Topics Discussed					
Regular Reporting/Information Sharing					
Notes/Comments:					
Detachment Commander met with Innisfree Council to present on Q1 report. Discussed that a Town Hall is still being planned in Innisfree this fiscal year.					

Consultation #3

Date Meeting Type					
September 18, 2024	Meeting with Elected Officials				
Topics Discussed					
Regular Reporting/Information Sharing					
Notes/Comments:					
Detachment Commander attended Village of Mannville to report on Q1 report. Council requested to be on the list for a Town Hall as it has been a few years.					







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Crime Statistics

The following table provides policing statistics on actual offences within the periods listed. Please see the Appendix for additional information and a five-year comparison.

	Ju	ly - Septen	nber	January - December				
Category	2023	2024	% Change YoY	2022	2023	% Change YoY		
Total Criminal Code	255	345	+ 35%	1,137	1,136	0%		
Persons Crime	74	81	+ 9%	194	243	+ 25%		
Property Crime	131	203	+ 55%	734	648	- 12%		
Other Criminal Code	50	61	+ 22%	209	245	+ 17%		
Drugs Offences	4	5	+ 25%	28	24	- 14%		
Total Federal Acts	9	6	- 33%	35	35	- 100%		
Total Provincial Acts ⁴	56	64	+ 14%	176	217	+ 23%		
Municipal By-Laws	1	0	- 100%	12	7	- 42%		
Motor Vehicle Collisions	71	52	- 27%	370	281	- 24%		
Total Traffic Offences	448	380	- 15%	1,733	1,800	+ 4%		
Provincial Code Traffic	423	359	- 15%	1,626	1,697	+ 4%		
Criminal Code Traffic	25	19	- 24%	99	97	- 2%		
Other Traffic	0	2	n/a	8	6	- 25%		

Notes:

- 1. Data is extracted from a live database (PROS) and is subject to change over time.
- 2. Statistics for the July September period reflect RCMP records as of October 8, 2024.
- 3. Full-year statistics reflect RCMP records as of January 5, 2024.
- 4. "Total Provincial Acts" include records of non-offence activities that are undertaken by Detachment members, in addition to actual offences under various provincial acts. Non-offence activities may include activities under the *Mental Health Act, Coroners Act*, and other provincial legislation in Alberta.

Trends / Points of Interest

Significant increase in property crime quarter over quarter. Year over year we are trending with the average.

Motor vehicle collisions continue to trend down.







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Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	9	8	0	1
Detachment Support	3	3	0	0

Notes:

- 1. Data extracted on September 27, 2024 and is subject to change.
- 2. Soft Vacancies are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.
- 3. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments:

Police Officers: Of the nine established positions, eight officers are currently working with none on special leave. There is an active staffing action in place to fill the hard vacancy, as well as an active staffing action for an outgoing member.

Detachment Support: Of the three support positions, three resources are currently working.





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Vermilion Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual)

July to September: 2020 - 2024

October 8, 2024

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Co	mpleted"							0	ctober 8, 2024
CATEGORY	Trend	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Change 2020 - 2024	% Change 2023 - 2024	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production	>	0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Possession	\	4	7	5	3	4	0%	33%	-0.4
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking	~	5	1	2	0	1	-80%	N/A	-0.9
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs	1	9	8	7	4	5	-44%	25%	-1.2
Cannabis Enforcement	$\overline{}$	0	1	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Federal - General	\	3	2	2	5	1	-67%	-80%	-0.1
TOTAL FEDERAL		12	11	11	9	6	-50%	-33%	-1.4
Liquor Act	\	4	3	6	4	5	25%	25%	0.3
Cannabis Act	~~	1	2	1	4	2	100%	-50%	0.4
Mental Health Act	~	9	13	11	12	24	167%	100%	2.9
Other Provincial Stats	~~	37	41	25	36	33	-11%	-8%	-1.3
Total Provincial Stats	~	51	59	43	56	64	25%	14%	2.3
Municipal By-laws Traffic	_/_	0	0	5	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		17	8	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-4.1
Total Municipal		17	8	7	1	0	-100%	-100%	-4.1
Fatals	\ \ \	1	0	0	0	1	0%	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC	~~	3	8	6	10	9	200%	-10%	1.4
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		43	60	63	57	38	-12%	-33%	-1.3
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)	<u></u>	10	7	3	4	4	-60%	0%	-1.5
TOTAL MVC		57	75	72	71	52	-9%	-27%	-1.4
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	8	11	10	6	N/A	-40%	1.4
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	1	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Total Provincial Traffic	~	520	425	332	423	359	-31%	-15%	-32.4
Other Traffic	\wedge	5	28	3	0	2	-60%	N/A	-3.4
Criminal Code Traffic	√	36	23	31	25	19	-47%	-24%	-3.2
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms	~	21	19	18	21	16	-24%	-24%	-0.8
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act	~	18	22	19	13	28	56%	115%	1.1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property	1	55	57	20	25	22	-60%	-12%	-9.8
Persons Reported Missing	~~	4	1	4	1	8	100%	700%	0.8
Search Warrants	/	3	2	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.7
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		28	23	31	41	41	46%	0%	4.4
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)	\wedge	1	4	0	1	2	100%	100%	-0.1





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July to September: 2020 - 2024

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 8, 2024

CATEGORY	Trend	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Change 2020 - 2024	% Change 2023 - 2024	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		0	0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults	<	2	1	8	3	5	150%	67%	0.8
Other Sexual Offences	\\ \	4	0	0	5	2	-50%	-60%	0.1
Assault	\	26	20	25	33	30	15%	-9%	2.1
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		1	0	0	0	2	100%	N/A	0.2
Extortion		0	0	1	1	2	N/A	100%	0.5
Criminal Harassment		5	6	10	16	16	220%	0%	3.2
Uttering Threats	~	15	18	10	16	24	60%	50%	1.6
TOTAL PERSONS		53	45	56	74	81	53%	9%	8.5
Break & Enter	~	22	27	40	19	25	14%	32%	-0.2
Theft of Motor Vehicle	~~	22	17	25	14	25	14%	79%	0.3
Theft Over \$5,000	~	1	3	9	5	6	500%	20%	1.2
Theft Under \$5,000	~	44	29	41	15	28	-36%	87%	-4.6
Possn Stn Goods	~	20	26	32	12	23	15%	92%	-0.8
Fraud		15	19	21	22	15	0%	-32%	0.3
Arson	√	2	0	2	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.1
Mischief - Damage To Property		19	24	25	24	39	105%	63%	4.0
Mischief - Other	~	14	12	31	19	41	193%	116%	6.1
TOTAL PROPERTY	~	159	157	226	131	203	28%	55%	6.2
Offensive Weapons	~	7	15	8	11	3	-57%	-73%	-1.2
Disturbing the peace	\sim	8	15	5	2	15	88%	650%	0.1
Fail to Comply & Breaches	~	37	44	22	27	34	-8%	26%	-2.3
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		7	12	12	10	9	29%	-10%	0.2
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	~	59	86	47	50	61	3%	22%	-3.2
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	~	271	288	329	255	345	27%	35%	11.5

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iolation group - Traffic Offences - Traffic A	ccidents						
O 30 0030 Traffic Collision(s) - Property Damage - Reporta	hi.		Unfounded		- 		Rate
_		8	0	8	3	3	75.0%
30 0040 Traffic Collision(s) - Property Damage - Non - R	eportable	2	0	2	0	1	50.0%
3		10	0	10	3	4	70.0%
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/jolation group - Traffic Offences - Provincia	al Traffic						
ffences	st Violetiana - Provincial/Territorial	•	Unfounded				Rate
900 0010 Non-Moving Traffic - Occupant Restraint/Seatb		3	0	3		0	100.0%
000 0020 Moving Traffic - Intersection Related Violations		5	0	5		4	100.0%
00 0030 Moving Traffic - Speeding Violations - Provincia		6	0	6	3	1	66.7%
00 0040 Other Moving Traffic Violations - Provincial/Terr	itorial	10	0	10	3	5	80.0%
900 0050 Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Violations-P	rovincial/Territorial	2	0	2	2	0	100.0%
900 0060 Parking Offences (Provincial/Territorial)		1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
900 0070 Other Non-Moving Traffic - Provincial/Territorial		42	0	42	15	23	90.5%
900 0090 Fail to Stop or Remain at Accident Scene (Prov	incial/Territorial)	5	0	5	2	1	60.0%
900 0110 Driving without Due Care or Attention - Provinci	al/Territorial	1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
900 0120 Driving While Disqualified or License Suspension	n (Provincial/Territorial)	2	0	2	0	1	50.0%
900 0130 Non-Moving Traffic - Use Of Electronic Handhe	d Device / Distracting Behaviour Violations - Provincial / Territorial	2	0	2	2	0	100.0%
910 0020 Roadside Suspensions - alcohol related		2	0	2	0	2	100.0%
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Violation group - Traffic Offences - Other Criminal Code							
Traffic Offences	Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate	
9313 0020 Failure to stop after accident	1	0	1	0	1	100.0%	
	1	0	1	0	1	100.0%	

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Occurrence Stats (All Violations)

Mayor's Report From 2024/07/01 to 2024/09/30

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Giolation group - Traffic offences - Impaired Operation Related Offences		Donortod	Unfounded	^ otuol	By Chargo	Othonwico	Data
9230 0070 Operation while impaired (alcohol)/over 80mg% of Motor Vehicle		Reported 4	Unfounded 0	Actual 4	By Charge 0		Rate 50.0%
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Motor Veh./Vessel/Aircraft		Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate
33 0040 Pursuit Involved - Flight From Peace Officer		1	0	1	0	1	100.0%
		1	0	1	0	1	100.0%
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7100 0012 Liquor Act (Provincial/Territorial) - Offences Only		3	0	3	1	2	100.0%
7300 0050 Fire Prevention Act - Offences Only		1	1	0	0	0	0.0%
7300 0110 911 Act - Offences Only		2	2	0	0	0	0.0%
7300 0120 Off-Road Vehicle Act - Offences Only		1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
7300 0180 Trespass Act - Provincial/Territorial - Offences Only		4	0	4	1	2	75.0%
7300 0190 Cannabis Act (Provincial/Territorial) - Offences Only		1	0	1	0	1	100.0%
7300 0900 Other Provincial/Territorial Statutes (not otherwise specified) - Offences Only		1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
8840 0291 Child Welfare Act - Other Activities		1	0	1	0	0	0.0%
8840 0336 Mental Health Act - Other Activities		19	0	19	0	3	15.8%
8840 0341 911 Act - Other Activities		10	0	10	0	0	0.0%
8840 0376 Trespass Act - Provincial/Territorial - Other Activities		2	0	2	0	0	0.0%
8840 0381 Other Provincial/Territorial Statutes (not otherwise specified) - Other Activities		1	0	1	0	0	0.0%
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8840 0391 Firearms Act - Other Activities		Reported 3	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge 0		0.0%
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Occurrence Stats (All Violations)

Mayor's Report From 2024/07/01 to 2024/09/30

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Violation group - Other Criminal Code - Other Criminal	Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate
उद्या 0 0050 Failure to comply with undertaking	5	1	4	3	1	100.0%
10 0060 Failure to comply with order	0	0	0	1	0	0.0%
10 0070 Failure to comply with appearance notice or summons	3	0	3	3	0	100.0%
39 0010 Disturbing the peace/Causing a disturbance	15	0	15	1	8	60.0%
3470 0010 Resists/obstructs peace officer	1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
10 0020 Failure to attend court or surrender	2	0	2	2	0	100.0%
3520 0010 Fail to comply probation order	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%
3512 0010 Injure Or Endanger Other Animals	1	0	1	0	1	100.0%
nam	27	1	26	12	11	88.5%
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Violation group - Other Criminal Code - Offensive Weapons					Cleara	TICE
	Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate
3375 0055 Unauthorized possession of a firearm/prohibited weapon or restricted weapon	1	0	1	0	0	0.0%
	1	0	1	0	0	0.0%

Violation group - Other Criminal Code - Offences Against					Cleara	ınce
Morals	Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate
3450 0010 Indecent act	1	0	1	1	0	100.0%
	1	0	1	1	0	100.0%

Violation group - National Survey Codes					Clear	ance	
Violation group Mattonial Salvoy Souco	Reported	Unfounded	Actual	By Charge	Otherwise	Rate	
8999 3006 Request for Service of Legal Document - Warrant Other than Search Warrants-Criminal Code	3	0	3	0	0	0.0%	
gg99 3038 Request for service of legal document-summons, subpoena, other docs-CC	2	0	2	0	0	0.0%	,
প্র <u>মূ</u> 9 3057 Prisoners Held	1	0	1	0	1	100.0%	
8999 3064 Written Traffic Offence Warnings - Provincial/Territorial	26	0	26	2	24	100.0%	
8999 3065 Victim Services Offered - Accepted	6	0	6	1	1	33.3%	
8999 3066 Victim Services Offered - Declined	72	4	68	4	20	35.3%	
8999 3071 Victim Services - Proactive Referral	10	0	10	5	2	70.0%	
	120	4	116	12	48	51.7%	

Reported Unfounded Actual

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Violation group - Crimes Against the Person -

Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction

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42 0011 Theft under or equal to \$5000 From a motor vehicle		3	0	3	0	0	0.0%
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60 0150 Theft, forgery, misuse of credit card		1	0	1	0	0	0.0%
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AGENDA ITEM #5.3.

Office of the Executive Director Housing Division 3rd Floor, 44 Capital Boulevard 10044 - 108 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5J 5E6 www.alberta.ca

November 29, 2024

County of Vermilion River PO Box 69 Kitscoty, AB T0B 2P0

Subject: County of Vermilion River lodge requisition

Dear Alan Parkin, Michael Van Der Torre, Stacey Hryciuk, Carrie Kohlruss, Michael Diachuk and Stephanie Miller,

As you know, discussions regarding the portion of the County of Vermilion River to be considered for equalized assessment, for lodge purposes between Vermilion & District Housing Foundation and Lloydminster Region Housing Group, have been taking place for over a year now. Staff have been working with both management bodies, and we have met with both the County and the Town, as well the County and Town of Vermillion have also been discussing the options between each other.

It appears all parties agree with a 50/50 split of the County's equalized assessment for each management body, therefore, the section of the two management body's ministerial orders, that address the municipalities that may be requisitioned for lodge purposes will be amended to read as follows; County of Vermilion River, as to 50% of its total municipal assessment apportioned and reported by the County of Vermilion River.

I recognize the County is anxious to have this amendment completed on each of the management bodies ministerial orders, I am committed to doing my best to get that done by the end of the year.

If anyone has any concerns with this solution, please let me know asap. Once this amendment is complete, we will work with the Lloydminster Region Housing Group on the requisition share between their member municipalities.

Sincerely,

Dean Lussier

Executive Director, Seniors, Community and Social Services

Housing Operations, Government of Alberta

Tel 780-427-1751 Cell 780-905-7248

cc Barb Panich, Kelsey Radford, Janet Parsons

Town of Vermilion Goat Report 2024

Area	Date in	Species grazed	notes
North Brennan	June 14	Buck brush, Canada thistle, grass, aspen, silver willow, horse tail dandilion	Focused here to get Canada thistles at young stage, and chew down buck brush before the leaves get waxy
Water Treatment	July 14	Scentless chamomile, Canada thistle, sweet clover, goat's beard, grasses, coffee weed, caragana	Huge improvement to the hillside when coming in. Starting to see useful vegetation establish on rocky hills.
Pare Drive	August 13	Canada Thistle, toad flax, buck brush, caragana, scentless chamomile, tansy	Herded the sandy hillside on the east side because the bank is not stable, but needed stimulation for new vegetation establishment, Intense grazed with pens on west side
Webb's	August 19	Tansy, sweet clover, Canada thistle, sow thistle, goat's beard, alsike clover purple aster dandilion	It was late in the season for intended impact, but the animals were able to strip leaves on most plants and there was a patch of tansy still in vegetative state behind All wheel wash that was managed well
Moved out	September 20		J

North Brennan Area

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We noticed a considerable amount of improvement here with regards to the Canada Thistle. The environmental conditions for Canada thistle seemed to reduce growth somewhat compared to last years conditions being dry and ideal for the thistle to grow. However, I would say the goats taking the tops off the thistle last year at the opportune time helped to reduce the species for this year. There was competitive grass in along the areas that were grazed last year.

Last year, we knocked back some of the aspens and silver willow, but this year we fenced it out mainly to maintain some shelter for the yards there.

The stinging nettle was more prominent this year, but the goats seemed to graze some of it, but the timing for grazing nettles was a little off and they preferred it only on certain paddocks and not on others.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nFg5WcTotzg&list=PL0YEMGahlw1XfKfxxbxzQrEB3LAgKGN-5&index=44

This area is a definite highlight for the residents of Brennan. There always seems to be someone peering over the fence admiring the goats. It helps that some of the babies were only a week old when we brought them in so the cuteness factor was pretty high.

Water Treatment

This area was where we saw the most impact. Last year, we grazed some areas twice within 30 days. We used this strategy of intense grazing of only 2 day paddocks on the hillside right below the concrete blocks at the entrance to the area. Last year this area had very little ground cover and was mainly sweet clover and a small amount of brome grass. This year, the whole area had ground cover with various grasses.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1cwu6LROdU&list=PL0YEMGahlw1XfKfxxbxzQrEB3LAgKGN-5&index=62

We maintained our 2-3 day moves throughout our whole time here and I noticed improvements in the amount of weeds and the overall plant communities.

Scentless chamomile is a tough weed to tackle. The goats don't graze it consistently, but what they do is stimulate the land around it and take down other weeds to allow for grasses to compete with the chamomile.

The terrain is ideal goat country. The jagged mounds of concrete, rocks, and rubble are a goat's favourite place to play.

Video from last year of the terrain:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VezPChbGYXU&list=PL0YEMGahlw1XfKfxxbxzQrEB3LAgKGN-5&index=37

This area is basically out of the way of the public, but not the bears, we found bear scat right next to the pen one morning and the whole fence was knocked down and the goats were out. https://www.youtube.com/shorts/X6m6TY3ZBms

Pare Drive

We herded goats from the water treatment over to Pare Drive which is always a huge hit for anyone who is lucky enough to witness it. We usually let our friends and people in the community know when we are moving in case they want to join in the fun (a)

2024 move:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ItJMF2fPWbQ&list=PL0YEMGahlw1XfKfxxbxzQrEB3LAgKGN-5&index=68

2023 move:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOEkImeQQMg&list=PL0YEMGahlw1XfKfxxbxzQrEB3LAg KGN-5&index=38

Pare Drive is another spot that is ideal for goats to graze as it's a steep hillside and rough territory around culverts. The goats can do a thorough job on an area that's hard for whippers to manage safely. The other advantage to grazing is the hoof action in the soil stimulating old seeds that are laying dormant in the earth. The challenge is that if goats are penned on a hillside for too long, they can be hard on it and cause erosion. With our number of animals this year we chose to run ½ day or 1 day paddocks on the west side and then mainly graze while herding on the east embankment. This just means that we brought the goats out of the pen with the dogs to the unfenced east embankment to allow for grazing on that hillside.

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Another good option for this type of area is a control burn, which from my understanding has happened in the past as well. Both styles of management offer benefits that can compliment each other.

There was a small patch of toad flax on the east bank, but I did not see evidence of it this year, so we may have controlled it with our grazing and hand picking last year.

The was a section of bank along the west side that was fragile and host to many edible berry shrubs. We chose to skip this section as to not disturb the area.

As well, there were neighbours up on young Drive who planted some young trees at the top of the bank and we were asked to avoid them as well.

There is a lot of garbage along this roadway, and it was nice to get it cleaned up as well.

The goats provide a natural way of slowing traffic on this road as well as the people enjoy watching them as they are driving along.

Webb's

We arrived here late in the season because we prioritized the other areas. This area we targeted 90% defoliation to decrease weeds and hopefully stimulate seed banks of grasses to improve the land. The goats stripped the leaves off the vegetation but left the stalks. This is to be expected at this time of year. The Canada Thistle and Tansy was mostly headed out and the sweet clover was in late flowering stages. The goats ate some of the fuzzy tops off the thistle and almost all of the leaves. The Tansy behind Webb's was not longer vegetative, so the seed heads were not consumed, just the leaves. The Tansy patch behind the Wash was in a more vegetative stage and the goats enjoyed most of the plant parts on it.

The area right by the Tim Horton's drive-thru was quite popular with the public and I received lots of messages from people who enjoyed their morning coffee run a little extra 🕲

We did have one report of someone setting their child in over the fence, and the guardian dog, Maggy came and knocked the kid over, before the parent realized maybe this wasn't a good idea and scooped the kid back up and out of the fenced area. We are consistent with our signage of electric fence and Guardian dog on duty.

Another management option for this area is mowing or control burn. All methods can provide benefits that compliment each other depending on what your current goals are.

Other Notes

We hosted a home school field trip into the goats this year.

We took some orphan goats on a couple of days to the lodge for the residents to enjoy.

We hosted an information session on urban grazing in conjunction with Lakeland College's Research for the Ranch Field Day on September 12.

We are a demonstration site for managed grazing with the Canadian Grasslands and Forage Association. I'm also a grazing mentor for the CFGA and help other livestock graziers with building grazing plans.

We also provided our story as part of a case study for the Targeted Grazing Accreditation Course that will be launched in February 2025 with Alberta Lamb Producers and Lakeland College.

Yellowhead Grazing

Kolter and Marisa Schuebel

Vermilion, AB

Introduction

Kolter and Marisa Schuebel live just outside of Vermilion, Alberta, but started their goat business while they were still living in town. Pearman Farms Inc. was gracious enough to allow us to winter out critters at their farm for the first 3 winters of our existence. We had goals of running our business entirely on cash inputs and keeping land costs low. We had goals of eventually contract grazing but we wanted to gain experience first. We used bits and pieces of unused land and brought out portable fence system and moved our animals around for 2 years.

In 2022, Marisa called the Town of Vermilion and asked if they had any use for goats for landscaping. They said they had been discussing having goats to graze, so the timing was perfect and we set up a contract and hauled our critters in! It's been a successful 3 years so far and they have increased their budget to accommodate more goat grazing days.

We have don't some smaller projects on local ranches for fire control and have a few more booked for this fall as well.

We have two small children, and so goats are an ideal species due to their size. The kids (the human kind) can be in the pen with us while we are working and we are not worried they will be hurt.

I enjoy including people in my experiences and so I love to have people helping. Joanne Dickson has been pivotal in our operation because she can step in and completely replace me. We have built a community of people that love to help with our goat moves and we couldn't do it without all our supporters.

Livestock

- We currently have approximately 50 does and 65 goat kids.
- They are Boer kiko cross
 - Boer has growth
 - Kiko has hardiness
 - We have some Spanish which we like for the winter hair
- We have strict culling for fence crawlers.
- We cull low Body Condition Score animals that can't keep up with our management system
- We are a low input system and try and feed as little grain as possible.
- We kid in June in the nice weather out on pasture.
- We sell wethers the following June.

Dogs

- We have one Pyrenees livestock guardian dog who lives with the goats.
 - O With our number now we are in the market to get her a partner to help her.
- We have border collies for herding

Equipment information

- Electric net fencing premier 1 is the best, we have a total of 1720 feet of fence or about enough to fence in 4 acres.
- Solar fencer with a remote that turns the fence off from anywhere along the fence.
 - Having a fence remote for each truck is ideal so that anyone accessing the goats always has the ability to test the fence and turn it off and on conveniently.
- We mostly use a fenced in strategy, but there are some locations where it's more suited
 for herding so there is less of an intense impact on the plants and soil. For example; a
 sandy hillside is better to herd across and graze rather then parking the goats there
 because they can be quite rough on the hills because they like to climb so much.
- We haul water, and it's a requirement for our locations that we would have a water source we can use there. (for town we have a code for the bulk station)
- There is some concern that our animals are un supervised in town
 - It's actually probably more of the opposite problem, they are over supervised in some areas. There are always people around and we have a sign where they have direct access to us on our phones.
- To move between sites, we sometimes haul, we sometimes herd.
- Vehicles: Pick-up truck, smaller trailer owned, larger trailer borrowed,

Locations:

See maps

Grazing

- There are 2 kinds of grazing that we do.
 - Targeted weed control
 - Very specific time of year and you must prioritize your areas for weed control every year because most weeds need to be grazed at the same time to have impact
 - This is ideally 95% defoliation on weeds and then move on before they are forced to eat grass.
 - We only want 40-50% defoliation on the grass.
 - We just trample the grass and stimulate the soil so that the grass can come back and compete with the weeds.
 - Fire control
 - Grazing down the area and reduce the fuel load
 - 90% defoliation

- Urban grazing has a huge public relations component
 - People love to see the animals working
 - Pause your working tasks and take time to interact with the public
 - This is part of the job, but it also works in your favour because next time a goat is out or there is some sort of problem, they already know you and are willing to help and react positively.
 - The people of your town think they own the goats too, so make sure water is always in front of them and they always have shelter and feed.
 - Take out any lame or sick animals immediately.

Outcomes of the project

- The outcomes are dependent on the goals for each area. Currently the Town of Vermilion gives us freedom to decide how to improve and manage the areas they have given us.
- We work with them on prioritizing weed control, fire control, and make sure that we have lots of time where the fences are close to where people walk so they can enjoy the goats too.
- We also want people to be happy they have livestock in town as a method of landscaping
- Some grazing projects don't like have kids younger than 6 weeks, but we like to bring ours in at 2 weeks and grazing in a high visibility spot because people really love them.

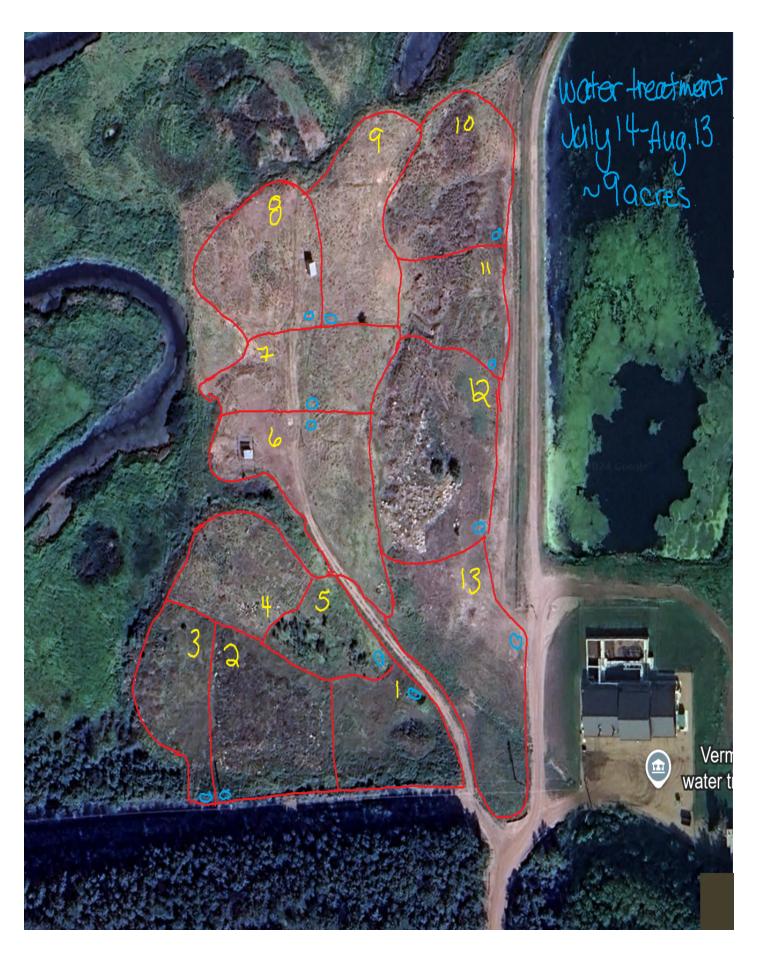
Challenges

- Due to being in town and grazing very close to people's gardens and flowers we are on call all the time. If the goats get out, it's declared an emergency.
- Wind is our main issue because it blows the fences over
- Bears frighten the dog and the goats
- Death loss to fence tangling
- Death loss to possibly eating garbage
- Watching out for poison hemlock

Gaps

- I'm slowly learning plant identification as we graze
- I like to take bouquets of plants from our locations and take them home so I can remember them and study them
- Weeds are frequently put into separate books for identification and there is not a lot of information on their nutritional content
- I would really like a camera at the waterer so that I'm not worrying about the water running out, but I also don't want more things to move around
- Portable shelters for goats

- We are using horse shelters that are meant to go on panels, they need skids added and the tarps are already ripping due to climbers so we will have to put tin on soon
- People with knowledge of running border collies for the herding parts of the job













Regular Council Meeting Agenda

November 19, 2024, 9:00 AM

Town of Kitscoty Council Chambers/ Via ZOOM Webinar

5011 50 Street

Kitscoty, Alberta, Canada

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. OPENING INSPIRATION COUNCILLOR GEORGE KUNEFF
- 3. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the November 19, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.a ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF COUNCIL - OCTOBER 22, 2024

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the October 22, 2024 Organizational Meeting Minutes as presented.

5.b REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - OCTOBER 22, 2024

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the October 22, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

5.c SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL - OCTOBER 28, 2024

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the October 28, 2024 Special Meeting of Council minutes as presented.

6. APPOINTMENTS

- 6.a 9:05 AM MICHAEL DE GRAAFF TAXES
- 6.b 9:20 AM FOOD RECYCLER MADDY FROM
- 6.c 9:40 AM LES THOMPSON TAXES
- 6.d 10:00 AM LLOYDMINSTER CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NIGEL MCCARTHY
- 6.e 10:30 AM ONION LAKE RCMP QUARTERLY REPORT SGT. JEFFREY CARTER
- 6.f 11:00 AM BEVERLY HEATHCOTE TAXES
- 6.g 1:00 PM BLACKFOOT LAGOON PROPOSED COSTS

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River select the ______ discharge method for Administration to complete detailed design and move to construction phases of the project.

7. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PRIOR MEETINGS

7.a 2025 STIP GRANT INFORMATION

Recommendation:

THAT the County of Vermilion River accept the information as presented and proceed with applying for TWP 494 from Highway 897 to RR 20.

8. COUNCIL NEW BUSINESS

8.a CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

OCTOBER 2024 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

Recommendation:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approves the Chief Administrative Officers Report for October as information.

COUNCIL MEETING AND EVENTS CALENDARS

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the Council Meeting and Events Calendars as information.

8.b FINANCE

Request for Information

8.c PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2024

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the October 2024 Public Works Monthly Report for information.

CONCERN TRACKER REPORTS

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the Current Concern Tracker Report from October 16, 2024, to November 12, 2024, and the Active and In-Progress Concern Tracker Report up to October 15, 2024, for Information.

Request for Information

8.d NATURAL GAS UTILITY

GAS ALBERTA INC. 2024 ADVANCE INFORMATION CIRCULAR - MOTION REQUIRED

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River appoint ______as proxyholder to represent the interest of the County of Vermilion River as a Gas Alberta Shareholder at the 2024 Annual General Meeting scheduled for November 26, 2024.

Request for Information

8.e AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

BILL C-293 AN ACT RESPECTING PANDEMIC PREVENTION AND PREPAREDNESS

Recommendation:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the summary of Bill C-293 An Act Respecting Pandemic Prevention and Preparedness for information.

Request for Information

8.f PROTECTIVE SERVICES

DOG ISSUES - UPDATE #2

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River accept as information the current 2025 Border Paw proposal as presented.

Request for Information

8.g PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

LIBRARIES - LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL FRAMEWORK OPERATION GRANT FUNDING 2024

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the 2024 additional funding for libraries local to the County of Vermilion River as presented and budgeted.

PRIVATE SALE AND RENTAL OF RESIDENCE AT NE-35-50-3W4M

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River list the residence at Lot 2 Block 2 Plan 9521666 within Pt. NE-35-50-3W4M privately for the price of \$525,000.00 plus G.S.T.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River rent out the residence at Lot 2 Block 2 Plan 9521666 within Pt. NE-35-50-3W4M at a competitive rate of \$2,300.00 per month that includes utilities (limited to: Natural Gas and Power) and insurance costs until such time as the property has been sold.

RECREATION AGREEMENT PAYMENT SUMMARY

Recommendation:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the summary of recreation agreement payments for 2024 as information.

PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT AND DIRECTION ON SERVICE LEVEL FOR PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS IN THE COUNTY

Recommendation:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the playground inspection reports from RMA Insurance for information and provide administration with direction for service levels for parks and playgrounds.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUNDING OPERATIONS ALLOCATION - MOTION REQUIRED

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the Community Enhancement Funding for facility, hall, and event allocations for 2024 as presented.

AWARD OF SAFETY CODES SERVICES CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River award the three (3) year Safety Codes Services contract to Superior Safety Codes Inc. and The Inspections Group Inc., effective January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027.

SAFETY CODES QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the updated Safety Codes Quality Management Plan as presented, and furthermore direct Administration to obtain approval from the Safety Codes Council for the adoption of the County of Vermilion River Safety Codes Quality Management Plan.

Request for Information

8.h GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River direct administration to apply for the Northern and Regional Economic Development Program for 2025 – 2026.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River direct administration to apply for the Small Communities Opportunities Program for 2025 - 2026.

PURCHASING OF SUBDIVISION AND HAMLET SIGNAGE

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the purchasing of hamlet signage for Tulliby Lake, Rivercourse, McLaughlin, and Streamstown.

2025 CORPORATE REPORT

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the 2025 Corporate Report as presented.

VILLAGE AND HAMLET NEWSLETTERS

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the Villages of Marwayne, Kitscoty and the Hamlet of Dewberry November newsletters as information.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the following correspondence as information:

- 1. Draft RMA District 5 Regular Meeting Minutes August 23, 2024
- 2. Mature Asset Strategy Member Update
- 3. Collaborative Stance on FCM Conference Attendance
- 4. Letter from ACE Board Requesting Interest on Held Funds
- 5. Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association Invoice
- 6. Response Letter Alberta Energy Regulator

Request for Information

9. POLICIES

9.a POLICY AD 004 PURCHASING

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve Policy AD 004 Purchasing as presented.

9.b POLICY PW006 DUST SUPPRESSION UPDATE

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve PW006 Dust Suppression as presented.

9.c POLICY SA 018 PPE – SAFETY BOOT ALLOWANCE

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve Policy SA 018 PPE – Safety Boot Allowance as presented.

10. BYLAWS

10.a BYLAW 24-21 SCHEDULE A AMENDMENT TO BYLAW 21-22 SCALE OF FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River give First Reading to Bylaw 24-21, a Bylaw to amend (Bylaw 21-22) Scale of Fees for Water and Sewer Utilities amendment to Schedule A.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River give Second Reading to Bylaw 24-21, a Bylaw to amend (Bylaw 21-22) Scale of Fees for Water and Sewer Utilities amendment to Schedule A.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River introduce for Third and Final Reading to Bylaw 24-21, a Bylaw to amend (Bylaw 21-22) Scale of Fees for Water and Sewer Utilities amendment to Schedule A.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River Council give Third and Final to Bylaw 24-21, a Bylaw to amend (Bylaw 21-22) Scale of Fees for Water and Sewer Utilities amendment to Schedule A.

10.b BYLAW 24-20 WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEM CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River give First Reading to Bylaw 24-20 Water and Wastewater Utility System Control and Management.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River give Second Reading to Bylaw 24-20 Water and Wastewater Utility System Control and Management.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River introduce for Third and Final Reading to Bylaw 24-20 Water and Wastewater Utility System Control and Management.

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River Council give Third and Final to Bylaw 24-20 Water and Wastewater Utility System Control and Management.

11. DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. DISPOSITION OF APPOINTMENT BUSINESS

12.a MICHAEL DE GRAAFF - TAXES

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the presentation by Michael De Graaff as information.

12.b FOOD RECYCLER - MADDY FROM

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the presentation on Food Recycler from Maddy From as information.

12.c LES THOMPSON - TAXES

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the presentation by Les Thompson as information.

12.d LLOYDMINSTER CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the presentation by Lloydminster Catholic School Division on its Artificial Field Turf project as information.

12.e ONION LAKE RCMP QUARTERLY REPORT - SGT. JEFFREY CARTER

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the Onion Lake RCMP Quarterly Report as information.

12.f BEVERLY HEATHCOTE - TAXES

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River receive the presentation by Beverly Heathcote as information.

- 13. NOTICES OF MOTION
- 14. COUNCIL REPORTS
- 15. CLOSED SESSION CONFIDENTIAL

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River Regular Meeting of Council move to a Closed Session at 0:00 PM with all members in attendance.

- 15.a GRAVEL PURCHASE AGREEMENT ADDENDUM ADVICE FROM OFFICIALS FINANCIAL FOIP SECTION 24(1)(a)
- 15.b ADVICE FROM OFFICIALS FINANCIAL FOIP SECTION 24(1)(g)
- 15.c DISCLOSURE HARMFUL TO INTERGOVERNMENT RELATIONS CITY OF LLOYDMINSTER ILC FOIP SECTION 24(1)(a)(ii)
- 15.d DISCLOSURE HARMFUL TO INTERGOVERNMENT RELATIONS TOWN OF VERMILION ILC FOIP SECTION 24(1)(a)(ii)
- 15.e CONFIDENTIAL EVALUATIONS CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER ANNUAL EVALUATION FOIP SECTION 19(2)

16. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion Number:

THAT the County of Vermilion River Regular Meeting of Council return to Open Session at 0:00 PM with all members in attendance.

- 17. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION
- 18. ADJOURNMENT