

# Council Highlights



## Regular Council Meeting of November 18, 2020

**Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by Council. Council encourages its residents, businesses and stakeholders to keep in touch with Council news.**

### **Emergency Services Committee Meeting**

Council approved the following recommendations that were made at the Emergency Services Committee meeting of November 17, 2020:

- THAT a Regional Fire Budgetary Cap calculated as an equivalent percentage of the Regional Municipal Operating Budgets be set at \$1,000,000 for year one; and that the calculated equivalent percentage of the Regional Fire Budgetary Cap be included in the Flagstaff Regional Emergency Services Society master agreement going forward; and that the Regional Fire Budgetary Cap shall only be changed with approval of all Members.
- THAT a recruitment firm be hired for a Regional Fire Services Manager and propose that Flagstaff County fund the cost from fire reserves.
- THAT Flagstaff County send the Flagstaff Regional Emergency Services Society agreement and bylaws, along with the CAO reviews/comments to Brownlee for review.
- TO extend the current Fire Services Agreements and the Fire Chief Services Agreement for six months until June 30, 2021.
- To remove Emergency Management from the Flagstaff Regional Emergency Services Society master agreement.

### **Residential Dust Suppressant**

Council deferred providing direction on the draft Residential Dust Suppressant Policy and residential dust suppressant products be deferred until after the 2021 Business Plan and Budget is approved.

### **Strome Post Office—Post Master Proposal**

A response to the Strome Post Office delegation was deferred to the Council meeting on December 16, 2020 for further information.

### **Public Works Policy Revisions**

Council approved Policy PW 003 Roads with revisions as presented.

### **Town of Hardisty—Request to Partner on Infrastructure Upgrade**

Administration was directed to respond to the Town of Hardisty regarding their request to partner on an infrastructure upgrade project and request the Town of Hardisty initiates the development of a new project and/or service that may require a new cost-sharing agreement through the Town of Hardisty and Flagstaff County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) according to Section 3.3 Future Collaboration Opportunities.

### **Flagstaff Regional Solid Waste Management 2021 Budget—Revised**

The proposed draft 2021 Flagstaff Regional Solid Waste Management Association operating budget (V.2 with correction) with a total municipal requisition of \$1,254,066.78 (increase of \$516.78 or 0.04%), was approved, with a Flagstaff County requisition of \$417,202.27.

### **Flagstaff Family and Community Services (FFCS) - 2021 Budget**

The 2021 Flagstaff Family and Community Services budget of \$399,316 was approved with a commitment of \$8.70 per capita.

### **Request for Cancellation of Tax Penalty**

Council respectfully denied the request for the cancellation of the penalties levied on Roll 265110 in the amount of \$526.20.

### **Appointment of Returning Officer and Substitute Returning Officer**

Under section 13 (1) of the Local Authorities Election Act, Grace Marty was appointed as Returning Officer.  
Under Section 13(2.1) of the Local Authorities Election Act, Cheryl Bergman was appointed as Substitute Returning Officer.

### **Agricultural Service Board Meeting**

A letter will be sent to the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry expressing concern over the restructuring change and the loss of valuable research and researchers from the industry.

### **Alternative Land Use Service (ALUS) Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC)**

Flagstaff County will not renew the yearly agreement with ALUS Canada in 2021.

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