COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Council Highlights

December 20, 2019 Council Meeting

County Transfer Stations will close at noon on December 24 and reopen on December 28

2020 Interim Municipal Budget – As per section 242(2) of the MGA, Council approved the 2020 Interim Operating and Capital Budget:

Capital & Operating Revenues	\$34,570,653
Debenture & Funding From Restricted Surplus	\$ 6,667,466
Operating Expenditures \$28,043,438	
Replacement Reserve	\$ 256,000
Debenture Repayment	\$ 801,324
Capital Expenditures	\$12,105,878
Surplus \$ 31,479	

Water Rate Changes - The Utility Bylaw was approved with new water rates resulting from a \$0.04 increase being charged by the Highway 28/63 Water Commission affecting residents in the hamlets of Ashmont, Lottie Lake and Mallaig as well as rural customers along the water line from Spedden. The residents along the water line from Elk Point to St. Paul will see a \$0.11 decrease in their rates, based on the Elk Point/St. Paul Regional Water Commission. These new rates are effective January 1, so residents will see the change on their February Billing.

Fee Schedule Bylaw was amended. The key changes include –

- marginal rate increases for 4-yard, 6-yard and roll off waste bins effective February 1st
- fire call rates align with Alberta Transportation rates
- damage deposits for all ASB Equipment Rentals have increased
- camping rates for weekly and monthly (at designated site)

Updated bylaws can be viewed in their entirety on the County website under "Bylaws/Policies".

Bilateral and Multilateral Recreation Agreements – Council approved a Bilateral Recreation Agreement with the Town of St. Paul and the Town of Elk Point to jointly cost share the net operating costs for all Class B Facilities, not including any capital expenditures. In the Multilateral Recreation Agreement with the Towns of St. Paul and Elk Point and Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay the municipalities will jointly cost share the operation of the Class "A" facilities in the region. These facilities are described in the Regional Recreation Master Plan as facilities unique to the region, being used by residents in all four municipalities and municipally owned.

Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) – A new requirement of the Municipal Government Act is for municipalities with common boundaries to create an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework. The framework identifies the services provide by each municipality, which services are best provided on an intermunicipal basis and how these services will be delivered and funded. ICFs have now been completed with all neighbouring rural and urban municipalities.

Funding Support:

- \$500 each Mallaig School Senior Girls, Regional High School Boys to attend Provincial Volleyball
- \$7,800 CG Baker Arena
- \$15,000 Elk Point Curling Club
- \$30,000 AG Ross Arena
- \$110,630 MSI Operational Funding distributed to Ag Societies and Community Halls throughout the Municipality

Christmas Hours – The County Office and Public Works Shop will close at noon on December 24 and will reopen January 2nd.

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