

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences



April 14, 2020 Council Meeting Highlights

Due to COVID-19, the Council meeting was streamed live on YouTube and future Council meetings during the pandemic will be streamed on YouTube.
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Audited Financial Statement Synergy Chartered Accountants presented its Audited Financial Statement to Council. Council made a motion to accept the financial statement which will be posted on the County's website.

Purchase of property Council made a motion to purchase 1.88 acres of land located on SW 2-56-5-W4 from the owners and to pay the legal cost to transfer the property. No access gate was constructed and the property was left without an approach when the County upgraded North Valley Road.

Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Fire Protection Services Agreement The County entered into an Agreement which outlines the rights and obligations of the County's Fire Department, based out of Elk Point, to provide firefighting and fire protection services to Fishing Lake Metis Settlement. The Agreement is in effect to December 31, 2024.

Waste Management Council passed a motion to provide free weekly garbage pickup for Camp Whitney from June 15 to September 1 (if the Camp is operational). Council also approved the request from the MD of St. Paul Foundation for the use of a roll off bin for one week to remove abandoned goods from a property at its Elk Point location. The bin/delivery charges will be waived but the MD of St. Paul Foundation will pay the tipping fees.

Whitney Lake Lagoon Council passed a motion to send a letter to K & S Salt Plant such that the County will no longer accept its wastewater at the Whitney Lake Lagoon because of the high chloride levels from their holding tanks. The County will continue with testing at the Lagoon to ensure levels of chlorides do not continue to climb.

Economic Response to Agricultural Producers A letter will be sent from the County to the Provincial and Federal Ministers of Agriculture, local MP/ MLAS, the Rural Municipalities Association and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities advocating for agriculture producers in these unprecedented times.

Request for Gravel Council passed a motion to provide St. Paul Municipal Seed Cleaning Association with up to 225 tonnes of gravel to be delivered to their yard at no cost.

Carbon Tax Council passed a motion to send a letter to the Federal Government expressing the County's disapproval of the 50% increase to the carbon tax that was implemented on April 1st.

Axel Restriction by Alberta Transportation An axle weight restriction of 90% was placed by Alberta Transportation on secondary highway 881 from the junction of Highway 29 to Highway 28 which means restricted access to the Seed Cleaning Plant. With COVID-19, the Federal Government declared agriculture as an Essential Service. Council passed a motion to send a letter to Alberta Transportation opposing the road restriction due to the impact it will have on local producers.

Additional Information:

Transfer Station Summer Hours Transfer Stations will revert to Summer Hours on May 1. See the Evergreen Waste Management website www.evergreenwaste.ca for the summer hours and locations of the Transfer Stations.

Spring Cleanup from May 11 to 23 Residents can dispose of fridges, freezers and water coolers that contain Freon without paying the \$20 Freon removal fee during Spring Cleanup. *The fee waiver is valid only during Spring Cleanup.* Items should be taken to a Transfer Station located in the region. For locations and hours see www.evergreenwaste.ca

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