

AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
February 23, 2021
1:00 pm via GoToMeeting

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

B. DELEGATIONS

- a) 1:00 pm – 1:10 pm Constable Mark Amatto – RCMP
- b) 1:15 pm – 1:25 pm Pincher Creek Library Board
 - Letter from Pincher Creek Library
 - Pincher Creek Library Bylaws

C. MINUTES/NOTES

- 1. Council Committee Meeting Minutes
 - February 9, 2021
- 2. Council Meeting Minutes
 - February 9, 2021

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Shell Canada Response to February 8, 2021 Delegation

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

- 1. Councillor Quentin Stevick – Division 1
- 2. Councillor Rick Lemire – Division 2
- 3. Councillor Bev Everts– Division 3
 - FCSS Minutes January 18, 2021
 - ORRSC December 3, 2020
 - CMCA Spring Newsletter
- 4. Reeve Brian Hammond - Division 4
 - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association Minutes January 20, 2021
- 5. Councillor Terry Yagos – Division 5

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- 1. Operations
 - a) Operations Report
 - Report from Director of Operations dated February 17, 2021
 - Capital Budget Summary
 - Public Works Call Log
 - b) Standpipe Beaver Mines
 - Report from Director of Operations dated February 17, 2021
- 2. Finance
 - a) Carry Forward Reserve – 2020 Adjustment
 - Report from the Director of Finance dated February 17, 2021
 - b) Landfill Road Maintenance Agreement – Reserve Adjustment
 - Report from the Director of Finance dated February 17, 2021
 - c) MOST Grant and IT System Upgrades
 - Report from the Director of Finance dated February 18, 2021

3. Planning and Development

a) AES Monthly Report

- Report from Ag Fieldman February 2021

b) Request to Develop Portion of Road Plan 2623AZ SW 21-6-1 W5M

- Report from Director of Operations dated February 18, 2021

4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

- Report from CAO, dated February 17, 2021

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Fire Bill Concern

- Email from Val Michalski
- Email from Cornell VanRyk

b) Pincher Creek Emergency Services Letter

- Request for a Council Resolution Supporting Fire Smart Cross Training
- Request for a Council Resolution Supporting Continuation of the Vegetation Management Program
- Request for a Council Resolution Supporting Fire Smart Education Program

2. For Information

a) Communities in Bloom

- Letter

b) Eligibility Requirements for Acquiring and Holding Energy Licenses

- Letter from Thornhill County

c) Pincher Creek Foundation Funding Formula

- Letter from Town of Pincher Creek

d) Mandatory Entry Level Training (MELT) Program Concerns

- Letter from Cardston County

e) Coal Development Policy Concerns

- Letter from Town of Pincher Creek

f) Proposed Grassy Mountain Coal Mine and the Provincial Coal Policy

- Letter from Crowsnest Pass

g) Alberta Southwest

- Minutes December 2, 2020
- Bulletin

h) 211 Information (<https://ab.211.ca/>)

i) NGTL West Path Delivery 2022 Information

- NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) Application for the West Path Delivery 2022
- Application for the West Path Delivery 2022 (Project)
- Attachment to Commission Letter

j) STARS Thank you Letter

- Letter from STARS

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

K. ADJOURNMENT

From: Amatto, Mark
Sent: February 11, 2021 5:24 PM
To: Troy MacCulloch <AdminCAO@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>

Subject: Annual Policing Priorities

Good evening Troy,

It is that time of the year when the Annual Policing Priorities (APP's) are built, and unlike previous years, there will be no Divisional mandatories set forth by Edmonton HQ. This means that community engagement is imperative and I am here to ensure that the Crowsnest Pass RCMP are fully engaged in a consultation with the communities that we police.

I am requesting a meeting w representatives from Council so that I can hear the priorities and learn why they have been chosen. The Crowsnest Pass RCMP has an opportunity to work with Pincher Creek MD, Ranchlands 66, and the Municipality of the Crowsnest Pass, therefore I will be responsible to all parties by finding commonalities between each community and compiling them into a final report.

Please email a response with a date/time for a meeting w yourself and Council; preferably in February or early March. I am available in person or via internet-based platforms.

Thank you,

Mark Amatto (Cpl. A/NCO i/c)
Crowsnest Pass Detachment



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February 18, 2021

Re: change of Library Board bylaw, *Schedule C – Procedures for the Return of Overdue Materials*

To:

The M.D. No. 9 Pincher Creek / Troy MacCulloch
The Town of Pincher Creek / Laurie Wilgosh
The Village of Cowley / Cindy Cornish

At a regularly scheduled board meeting of Feb. 17, 2021, the Library board gave first, second and third readings to a bylaw change.

As per the Libraries Act in the Province of Alberta, Section 37(2), Bylaw transmission:

An intermunicipal library board, on passing a bylaw under section 36, shall forthwith forward a copy of the bylaw to the council of each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement respecting that board.

The council of a municipality may disallow a bylaw passed by a municipal board it has appointed. Section 38

A copy of the bylaws of the Library Board is attached. The changes are all in schedule C (pg. 7) and are highlighted in red. The change is that the library board is dropping overdue fines. The Library Board respectfully asks the Council to accept this bylaw change.

Representatives of the Library Board request to attend a regular council meeting as a delegation. Representatives will be prepared to speak to the rationale for this change.

Once the change has been ratified by all three councils I will start the process of getting signed copies for each council. Thank-you.

On behalf of the Library board,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janice Day". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janice Day,
Library Manager

**SAFETY AND USE BYLAWS OF
THE PINCHER CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

Approved by the Board on: _____

Accepted by Town of Pincher Creek Municipal Council on: _____

Accepted by M.D. No. 9 of Pincher Creek Municipal Council on: _____

Accepted by the Village of Cowley Municipal Council on: _____

The Pincher Creek Public Library Board enacts the following bylaws pursuant to Section 36 of *The Alberta Libraries Act*.

1. Definitions in these bylaws shall mean:
 - 1.1. **Board:** the Pincher Creek Public Library Board aka “The Board”.
 - 1.2. **Applicant:** a person applying for a library card.
 - 1.3. **Cardholder:** the registered user of a current library card.
 - 1.4. **Cardholder Categories:** shall include the following:
 - 1.4.1. Adult: any person 19 years and older.
 - 1.4.2. Children/Youth: any person up to and including 18 years of age.
 - 1.4.3. TAL Card borrower: a cardholder with a current TAL card. This could include non-residents with a card from another library.
 - 1.4.4. ME Libraries borrower: a cardholder whose card is registered in the ME Libraries program. This could include non-residents with a card from another library.
 - 1.5. **Good Standing:** a cardholder with no outstanding overdue items or charges
 - 1.6. **Library Manager:** the person charged by the Board with operation of the Pincher Creek Municipal Library.
 - 1.7. **Library:** The Pincher Creek Municipal Library aka “The Library”.
 - 1.8. **Library Resources:** any resources, regardless of format, that are held in the Library’s collection, or borrowed by the Library, and include but are not limited to books, periodicals, audio recordings, video recordings, projected media, paintings, drawings, photographs, toys and games, kits, and electronic databases.
 - 1.9. **Loan Period:** the period of time, as set out in Schedule B, which a cardholder may borrow library resources and includes any renewal of an original loan period.
 - 1.10. **ME Libraries:** A provincial program that allows library card holders to borrow materials from any library in Alberta that participates in the Alberta Public Library Network.
 - 1.11. **Non-resident:** any person who does not have a residence within the service area and does not pay property or business taxes within the service area (see 1.13).
 - 1.12. **Resident:** any person who has a residence within and/or pays property or business taxes within the service area (see 1.13).

- 1.13. **Service Area:** The Municipal District of Pincher Creek No.9., The Town of Pincher Creek, The Village of Cowley, The Piikani Nation, I.D. No. 4 Waterton.
 - 1.14. **TAL Card:** the Alberta Library Card allows a cardholder to borrow materials from any library participating in the Alberta Library Card program.
2. Interpreting the Bylaws
 - 2.1. The Board is a corporation established under the *Libraries Act* Section 3(4) as defined by the *Interpretation Act, R.S.A. 2000 Chapter 1-8*
3. Admittance to/Conduct in the Building
 - 3.1. The building is to be open free of charge to the public for library purposes at the hours posted.
 - 3.2. No person using the library building shall:
 - 3.2.1. Contravene any Board policy
 - 3.2.2. Create any unnecessary disturbance for other library users
 - 3.2.3. Take away any Library item from the building unless the item has been properly checked out in accordance with library circulation policies and procedures.
 - 3.2.4. Go into or stay in the Library outside of those time periods chosen for public use, unless approved by a motion of the Board or at the discretion of the library manager.
 - 3.2.5. Solicit other Library users and staff for personal, commercial, religious, or political reasons.
 - 3.3. Except with the permission of the Library Manager, no person shall:
 - 3.3.1. Consume food or drink while using the public access computers.
 - 3.3.2. Bring any animal, other than a service animal, into the building.
 - 3.3.3. Bring a wheeled vehicle or conveyance, other than a wheelchair, walker, baby carriage or stroller, into the Library.
 - 3.4. Persons who do not act in accordance with 3.2 and 3.3 shall be asked to put an end to their actions. If the action continues or the seriousness of the action justifies it, library staff will direct the person to leave the building. Library staff may also ask for outside assistance, including contacting local law enforcement officers.
 - 3.5. All persons using the Library shall comply with applicable public health regulations.
 - 3.6. No member of the public is to be left in the Library for any purpose without a library staff person or member of the board present at all times. Town of Pincher Creek staff shall have access to the Library in relation to building concerns. Law enforcement officers or fire fighters may have access to the Library under special circumstances.

4. Procedures for Acquiring a Library Card
 - 4.1. Any person may, in accordance with Schedule A, apply for a library card. Non-residents should apply for a library card at their local library. A library card is issued upon:
 - 4.1.1. Completion of an official Pincher Creek Municipal Library card application form.
 - 4.1.2. Presentation of one piece of photo identification or utility bill or bank statement bearing the applicant's permanent address (proof of residency). If a child under 16 is applying for a card, a parent or legal guardian must present the above identification.
 - 4.1.3. Presentation of payment of applicable fees as outlined in Schedule A.
 - 4.2. Applicants will receive a library card which:
 - 4.2.1. Is valid from the date of issue to the date of expiry, unless revoked by the Library Manager under 7.3.
 - 4.2.2. Remains the property of the Pincher Creek Public Library Board.
 - 4.3. An applicant may receive a TAL card if the applicant is a resident cardholder in good standing.
 - 4.4. An applicant may participate in the ME Libraries program if the applicant is a resident cardholder in good standing.
5. Responsibilities of a Cardholder
 - 5.1. The cardholder named on a library card will be the only person who may use the card. The cardholder may designate alternate people to access his/her Library records or collect holds on his/her behalf.
 - 5.2. Loss or theft of a current library card must be reported immediately to the Library. Cardholders are responsible for all library resources borrowed and all charges attributable before the loss or theft of the library card is reported.
 - 5.3. Cardholders must notify the Library of any change of contact information as soon as possible.
 - 5.4. A cardholder is responsible for all library resources borrowed on their card and will compensate the Library for all library resources damaged or lost while borrowed on their card. In the case of a child or youth, up to age of 16 years, the parent or legal guardian who signed the child/youth cardholder's application form is responsible for all library resources borrowed on that library card and will compensate the Library for all library resources damaged or lost while borrowed on that card.
 - 5.5. A cardholder will return or renew any library resources on or before the due date as provided in Schedule B.

6. Loan of Library Resources
 - 6.1. There is no charge for using library resources on Library premises or borrowing library resources normally lent by the Library, consultation with members of the library staff or receiving basic information service.
 - 6.2. Loan periods for library resources are set out in Schedule B.
 - 6.3. Library resources may be reserved and/or renewed in accordance with procedures established by the Library Manager.

7. Penalty Provisions
 - 7.1. The procedures for demanding the return of overdue resources are set out in Schedule C

 - 7.2. As per 5.4, cardholders are responsible for all charges resulting from failing to return or the late return of library resources. The fine schedule is outlined in Schedule C.

 - 7.3. A library card may be denied or revoked if the cardholder fails to satisfy the conditions prescribed in 6 or has previously shown that she/he cannot be trusted with library resources by repeated damage to or loss of library materials, non-payment of overdue fines, and/or loss or damage assessments.

 - 7.4. In case of serious dereliction, the Board may prosecute an offence under the *Libraries Act, s.41*. Such an offense is punishable under the *Libraries Act, s.41*. The range of penalties applying on conviction for such an offense is set out in Schedule C.

 - 7.5. Any fine or penalty imposed pursuant to an offence under 7.4 belongs to the Pincher Creek Public Library Board in accordance with the *Libraries Act, s.42*.

8. Service and Equipment Rental
 - 8.1 Service and Equipment rental fees are listed in Schedule D.

9. Room Rental Fees
 - 9.1. Charges for the use of Library premises not normally used for public library purposes (i.e. the multi-purpose room) are set out in Schedule E.

Read a first time _____

Read a second time _____

Chairman

Treasurer

Read a third time and adopted this __ day of _____, 20__.

SCHEDULE A – Fees for the Issuance of Library Cards

Resident Individual Adult Card Fee (19 years and older)	\$10.00/year
Temporary residents	\$10.00/year (no partial year refund) plus a \$60.00 deposit, refundable when library card and all borrowed items are returned and any fines are paid in full
Children and youth up to 18 years	Free. Youth under 16 need the signature of a parent or guardian
Associations & Businesses	\$50.00/year

Card Fees may be waived at the discretion of the Library Manager – proof of hardships may be required. All library card fees are subject to review.

SCHEDULE B – Loan Periods for Library Resources

1. All circulating resources are loaned for three weeks, with the following exceptions:
 - a. DVDs are loaned for one week.
 - b. Interlibrary loans (i.e. loan of items from libraries outside of the Chinook Arch Regional Library System) are typically loaned for three weeks unless otherwise authorized by the lending library.
2. Renewal Periods: All circulating resources may be renewed a maximum of two times for a total loan of nine weeks, with the exception of DVD recordings which may be renewed twice for a total loan of three weeks.
 - a. Extended due dates may be granted at the discretion of the Library Manager or designate in the event of upcoming travel, anticipated hospitalization or recuperation, or other foreseeable circumstances.
 - b. All renewals are subject to reservations from other cardholders.

SCHEDULE C – ~~Overdue Fines and~~ Procedures for the Return of Overdue Materials

THE FOLLOWING TABLE IS TO BE DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY.

Material Type	Charge Per Day
Children’s Materials including fiction, non-fiction, and books on CD	\$0.10
Adult and Young Adult Materials including fiction, non-fiction, large print, and books on CD	\$0.25
Children’s DVDs	\$0.50
Adult DVDs	\$1.00

C.1 Procedures for return of overdue materials

1. ~~First and second overdue notices are produced at seven and 14 days overdue.~~ The cardholder is contacted according to stated preference. It is the cardholder’s responsibility to keep contact information up to date.
2. A ~~third and final~~ notice is produced ~~100~~ 28 days after the item(s) is/are due. This notice declares the item(s) ‘lost’ and indicates the amount billed. ~~Again~~ The cardholder is contacted according to stated preference. This notice ~~may~~ is also ~~be~~ printed and mailed to the cardholder.
3. Cardholders who have reached a maximum fine of \$20.00, or have other fees owing totaling an amount greater than \$20.00, will not be allowed to borrow resources until their account is paid.
4. ~~Notwithstanding number 4,~~ Accounts may be paid in installments without loss of borrowing privileges and accounts may be reduced or waived under special circumstances at the discretion of the Library Manager.

C.2 Penalties for lost or damaged items

1. The purchase cost as listed in the library’s integrated library system (ILS) shall be charged. This charge may be waived if an exact replacement copy in new or pristine condition is provided by the cardholder and with the permission of the Library Manager.
2. In the case of books belonging to other libraries, the other library has the right to set conditions for the penalties for lost or damaged items.

SCHEDULE D – Service and Equipment Fees

Photocopying and Printing	\$0.25/page, black & white \$1.00/page, colour
Faxing	\$1.00/page, sending
Laminating	\$1.50/linear foot, minimum charge of one linear foot
Other charges, such as coffee/tea, book bags, headphones	prices as marked

SCHEDULE E – Multi-purpose Room Rental Fees

Non-profit Organizations and Private Individuals	No charge, unless there is a cost to the library
For-Profit Companies	Fee to be negotiated at time of booking

It is hereby noted these bylaws have been reviewed by the following Councils and have been ratified.

SIGNED THIS _ DAY OF _____, 20__.

TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK

Seal

Mayor

CAO

M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

Seal

Reeve

CAO

VILLAGE OF COWLEY

Seal

Mayor

CAO

**MINUTES
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:00 am
Via GoToMeeting**

Present: Reeve Brian Hammond, Deputy Reeve Rick Lemire, Councillors Terry Yagos, Quentin Stevick and Bev Everts.

Staff: Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Brian Hammond called the meeting to order, the time being 9:00 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor Quentin Stevick

Moved that the agenda for February 9, 2021 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Closed Session

Councillor Rick Lemire

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 10:00 am:

- a) Landfill Billing Structure – FOIP Section 17
- b) Beaver Mines Project Update – FOIP Section 17
- c) CAO 2020 Performance Review - FOIP Section 19

Carried

Councillor Quentin Stevick

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 11:49 am.

Carried

3. Adjournment

Councillor Terry Yagos

Moved that the Committee Meeting adjourn, the time being 11:50 am.

Carried

**MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 1:00 pm, via GoToMeeting.

PRESENT Reeve Brian Hammond, Deputy Reeve Rick Lemire, Councillors Terry Yagos, Quentin Stevick and Bev Everts.

STAFF CAO Troy MacCulloch, Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Director of Operations Aaron Benson and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Brian Hammond called the meeting to order, the time being 1:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/068

Moved that the Council Agenda for February 9, 2021 be amended to include:

- Correspondence – Information :
 - g) Letter to Premier Kenney
Letter from the City of Medicine Hat
 - h) Letter to Premier Kenney
Letter from Cypress County
 - i) Letter to Highway 3 members
Email from South Grow administrator on EV Charging stations
 - j) Letter to Premier
Letter from Phil Burpee
 - k) Letter to Council
Letter from Phil Burpee
 - l) Letter to Council
Letter from Barbara Boyer

- New Business – Landfill Billing

And that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. PUBLIC HEARING BYLAW 1325-21 ROAD CLOSURE

1. Call to Order - Reeve Hammond called the public hearing to order at 1:00 pm.
2. Advertising requirement

Reeve Hammond advised that this Public Hearing had been advertised in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act. This Public Hearing was advertised in the Shootin the Breeze on January 20, 2021 and January 27, 2021, as well as the MD website and MD Social Media pages

3. Purpose of the hearing

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive public input on proposed Bylaw No. 1325-21, which is to close to public travel and creating title to and disposing of land described as:

GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE LYING ADJACENT TO
NW¼ SEC. 31, TWP. 7, RGE. 1, W5M AND SW ¼ SEC. 6, TWP. 8, RNG. I, W5M
FORMING PART OF LOT I, BLOCK I, PLAN _____
CONTAINING 1.19 HECTARES (2.94 ACRES) MORE OR LESS
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

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3. Overview of Bylaw 1322-20

Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan gave an overview of Bylaw 1325-21

4. Presentations:

VERBAL:

Reeve Hammond asked if anyone in the audience wished to make a statement, none wanted to speak.

WRITTEN:

Reeve Hammond asked if any written submission had been received, none had been received.

5. Closing Comments

Reeve Hammond asked if Council has any further questions, there were no further questions.

6. Adjournment from Public Hearing

Reeve Hammond adjourned the public hearing, the time being 1:06 pm.

C. DELEGATIONS

a) Michael D. Sawyer – Hayduke Associates Ltd.

Michael Sawyer, of Hayduke & Associates Ltd., a Calgary based environmental and regulatory consulting company, attended the meeting at this time and presented information to Council on concerns regarding the sale of Shell to Pieidiae Energy, his presentation is attached to and forming part of these minutes.

Shell representative Jennifer L'Heureux attended the meeting to hear the presentation, and will provide further information for Council from Shell for the next meeting to ensure Council is aware of Shell's response to this issue.

Delegations left the meeting at this time, the time being 1:20 pm.

D. MINUTES

1. Committee Meeting Minutes

Councillor Bev Everts 21/069

Moved that the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on January 26, 2021 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/070

Moved that the Minutes of the Council Meeting on January 26, 2021 be approved as presented.

Carried

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3. Special Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/071

Moved that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on January 29, 2021 be approved as presented.

Carried

4. Special Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/072

Moved that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on February 2, 2021 be approved as presented.

Carried

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Signed Joint Letter – Oldman River Basin Water Allocation Order

Councillor Bev Everts 21/073

Moved that the letter co-written by the MD of Pincher Creek and the MD of Ranchland regarding the Oldman River Basin Water Allocation Order be received as information.

Carried

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Regional Economic Development Association (REDA) Letter

Councillor Bev Everts 21/074

Moved that the response letter from the Minister of Jobs, Economy and Innovation, regarding the Regional Economic Development Association, be received as information.

Carried

b) Municipality of Crowsnest Pass – Tourism Levy Update

Councillor Bev Everts 21/075

Moved that administration be directed to gather more information from neighboring Municipalities, in regards to the Southern Canadian Rockies DMO Strategy and tourism levy update.

Motion Lost

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Quentin Stevick – Division 1

2. Councillor Rick Lemire – Division 2

a) Alberta Southwest

b) Pincher Creek Foundation

3. Councillor Bev Everts– Division 3

a) ORRSC

b) Agricultural Service Board

4. Reeve Brian Hammond - Division 4

a) Joint Health and Safety

b) Pincher Creek Foundation

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- c) Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
- d) Highway #3 Association
- e) Mayors and Reeves
- f) Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
- 5. Councillor Terry Yagos – Division 5
 - a) Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
 - b) Agricultural Service Board

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/076

Moved to accept the Committee Reports and information.

Carried

Public Works Superintendent Eric Blanchard attended the meeting at this time to discuss the call logs, and left the meeting at 2:20 pm.

H. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Operations Report

Councillor Rick Lemire 21/077

Moved that Council receive for information:

- Report from Director of Operations dated February 4, 2021
- Public Works Call logs, dated February 4, 2021
- Capital Budget Summary, dated February 4, 2021

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Bylaw 1326-21 (Amending Land Use Bylaw 1289-18) Redesignation – Lundbreck Dog Park

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/078

Moved that Council give first reading to Bylaw 1326-21, being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw 1289-18 (being the Land Use Bylaw) as follows:

- Amend the Land Use District of Block 19, Plan 8111307, from “Urban Fringe - UF” to “Parks and Open Space - POS”;
- Amend the Land Use District of Lot 2, Block 18, Plan 8111307, from “Hamlet Transitional / Agricultural - HTA” to “Parks and Open Space - POS”;
- Expand the Hamlet of Lundbreck boundary to include Block 19, Plan 8111307;

The purpose of the bylaw is to allow for the development of a dog park, to clarify the zoning for Patton Park, and revise the Hamlet boundary;

AND FURTHER THAT the required public hearing by scheduled for March 9, 2021 at 1:00 pm.

Carried

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b) Agricultural Environmental Services Monthly Report

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/079

Moved that the Agricultural Environmental Services Monthly Report for January and February 2021 be received as information.

Carried

3. Finance

4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor Rick Lemire 21/080

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of January 27, 2021 to February 4, 2021.

Carried

b) Pincher Creek Foundation

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/081

Moved that the report on the Pincher Creek Foundation funding formula be tabled until the Council meeting on February 23, 2021 pending more information from administration.

Carried

I. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Letter from Avail Chartered Professional Accountant

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/082

Moved that Reeve sign the letter from Avail Chartered Professional Accountants.

Carried

b) Universal Broadband Fund – TELUS Sites in Pincher Creek No. 9

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/083

Moved that the MD of Pincher Creek sign the Universal Broadband Fund letter of support provided by TELUS to improve wireless service within the Municipality.

Carried

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c) Reinstatement of the 1976 Coal Development Policy

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/084

Moved that the information on the reinstatement of the 1976 Coal development policy be tabled until the meeting of February 23, 2021 pending further information from administration on what the reinstatement means for the MD of Pincher Creek and area.

Carried

d) Need for a Stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocate

Councillor Bev Everts 21/085

Moved that a letter be sent to RMA (Rural Municipalities of Alberta) asking for their input on any need for stronger Western Canadian Municipal Advocacy in the FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities).

Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/086

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Uncollectable Property Taxes in the County of Stettler/Seniors Housing Requisitions
 - Letter from Stettler County
- b) Letter of Thanks – Coal Policy
 - Residents in the MD of Pincher Creek
- c) Letter to Premier Kenney - COVID-19 Restrictions
 - Letter from Mackenzie County
- d) Letter to Premier Kenney
 - Letter from MD of Spirit River
- e) Police Advisory Committee Notes
 - January 20, 2021
- f) Grant Specialist report
 - December 2020
- g) Letter to Premier Kenney
 - Letter from the City of Medicine Hat
- h) Letter to Premier Kenney
 - Letter from Cypress County
- i) Letter to Highway 3 members
 - Email from South Grow administrator on EV Charging stations
- j) Letter to Premier
 - Letter from Phil Burpee
- k) Letter to Council
 - Letter from Phil Burpee
- l) Letter to Council
 - Letter from Barbara Boyer

Carried

J. NEW BUSINESS

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a) Landfill Billing

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/087

Moved that after reviewing the Landfill billing structure, the current billing structure will remain in effect;

AND THAT Council welcomes input from any business or person in regards to the impact of the current Landfill billing structure.

Carried

K. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/088

Moved that Council move in to closed session to discuss the following, the time being 3:41 pm:

- a. Peer Review for Castle Mountain Parks Summary, 2019 - FOIP Section 19
- b. Temporary Standpipe in Beaver Mines/Upgrades to Standpipe in Pincher Creek and Cowley - FOIP Section 17
- c. ICF - Municipality of Crowsnest Pass - FOIP Section 17
- d. Road Closure and Purchase Request - FOIP Section 17
- e. Road Closure and Purchase Request - FOIP Section 17

Carried

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/089

Moved that Council open the Council meeting to the public, the time being 4:55 pm.

Carried

- a. Peer Review for Castle Mountain Parks Summary, 2019

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/090

Moved that the peer review for Castle Mountain Parks submitted to the Castle-Livingstone-Porcupine Hills Recreation Advisory Group, and the Council, be received as information.

Carried

- b. Temporary Standpipe in Beaver Mines/Upgrades to Standpipe in Pincher Creek and Cowley

Councillor Bev Everts 21/091

Moved that the information on the temporary standpipe be tabled until the meeting on February 23, 2021 pending further options.

Carried

- c. ICF - Municipality of Crowsnest Pass

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/092

Moved that Council approve the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Agreement between the MD of Pincher Creek and the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, which determines shared services and the related funding percentages as agreed within.

Carried

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d. Road Closure and Purchase Request

Councillor Quentin Stevick 21/093

Moved that, as there is no benefit to the Municipality at this time, Council deny the road closure and purchase request for the E ½ 25-9-1 W5M.

Carried

e. Road Closure and Purchase Request

Councillor Rick Lemire 21/094

Moved that, as there is no benefit to the Municipality at this time, Council deny the road closure and purchase request for the road that borders SE 15-8-30 W4 and NE 15-8-30 W4.

Carried

L. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Terry Yagos 21/095

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:08 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Submission of Micheal Sawyer
Proposed sale of Shell Foothills Assets to Pieridae Energy

1. My name is Micheal Sawyer. I am the principal of Hayduke & Associates Ltd., a Calgary based environmental and regulatory consulting company. I have over 30 years professional environmental and regulatory experience and have participated in over 35 provincial, national and international regulatory hearings. The majority of my professional experience is with respect to the upstream oil and gas industry.
2. The purpose of my presentation is to alert the MD of Pincher Creek (hereafter “the MD”) to the economic and environmental risks to the MD and its ratepayers that may arise if a proposal by Shell Canada Limited (hereafter “Shell”) to sell its Waterton, Jumping Pound and Caroline sour gas fields (collectively “the Foothills Assets”) to a small and inexperienced junior oil and gas firm, Pieridae Energy (hereafter “Pieridae”), is successful.
3. Royal Dutch Shell, which owns Shell Canada Limited (hereafter “Shell”), is one of the largest integrated oil and gas companies in the World, and in Canada, with 2019 global net annual revenues of approximately \$352 Billion dollars¹.
4. Shell has profitably operated the Foothills Assets for the past 70 years. However, the Foothills Assets are currently mature or over mature and production has dramatically declined in recent years with overall production currently below 70 percent of the original production. Some fields, such as the Caroline field, are currently below 10 percent of the original production levels.
5. Additionally, Shell has accrued significant environmental and reclamation liabilities for the Foothills Assets, including sour gas plants, hundreds of sour gas well, thousands of kilometers of pipelines, various surface facilities, and thousands of hectares of surface reclamation liabilities (well sites, road allowances, pipeline R.O.W.s). While Shell has not made public the total environmental and reclamation liability for the Foothills Assets, conservative estimates put the environmental and reclamation liability at over \$2 Billion dollars.
6. In 2019 Shell proposed to sell its Foothills Assets to Pieridae. Numerous members of the public, land owners and other oil and gas producers submitted Statements of Concern to the Alberta Energy Regulator (hereafter “the AER”) raising concerns about Pieridae’s financial capability to meet its environmental and reclamation obligations and with respect to Pieridae’s lack of experience operating sour gas production facilities and the implications for public safety. In early 2020 the AER denied Shell’s application to sell the Foothills Assets to Pieridae.

¹ <https://reports.shell.com/annual-report/2019/consolidated-financial-statements/statement-of-income.php>

7. Hayduke & Associates Ltd. represented landowners in the 2019 AER regulatory proceeding with respect to Shell's proposed sale of the Foothills Assets to Pieridae.
8. By way of background, Pieridae has proposed to construct an LNG export facility in Nova Scotia. In order to successfully construct and operate that proposed LNG facility Pieridae will require a gas supply, new pipeline capacity connecting Alberta to Nova Scotia, the construction of the facility and markets for the proposed LNG.
9. An LNG plant the size that Pieridae has proposed would require ~\$15 Billion in capital expenditures to construct.
10. Pieridae's stated reason for wanting to acquire the Foothills Assets is to provide a gas supply for its LNG export scheme. However, the Foothills Assets are only producing 184 mmcf/day of natural gas whereas the LNG export scheme requires a minimum 800 mmcf/day of natural gas², a 77 percent shortfall in gas supply.
11. In order to achieve its minimum required gas supply Pieridae has stated that it intends to pursue aggressive upstream drilling of over 500 deep drilling targets to make up the current shortfall in gas supply. However this will require significant capital, ~\$14.7 Million per well³ or ~\$7.4 Billion in total. Drilling these sour gas wells also comes with significant regulatory and geological risks.
12. Pieridae does have an export sales agreement with Uniper, a German gas utility, but that contract is conditional on Pieridae making a Final Investment Decision by mid-2021 and that the gas supply cannot be fracked gas.
13. Pieridae has not completed engineering design and costing on the proposed LNG facility, a requirement before making a Final Investment Decision. Pieridae has missed three previous contractual deadlines to make a Final Investment Decision and I respectfully submit that it is likely they will miss the current deadline.
14. Pieridae has not publically disclosed the capital cost required to have a third party construct and operate the natural gas pipeline required to connect its western Canada gas supply to Nova Scotia but those costs are expected to be significant.
15. As of today Pieridae has not filed its annual report or financial statements for 2020. The following are based on Pieridae's public Q3 financial statements.
16. In Q3 Pieridae claims total assets of ~\$584 Million and total liabilities of \$534 Million. Pieridae has included a claimed ~\$478 Million in assets for the Foothills Assets as if the

² <https://pieridaenergy.com/mod/file/UploadFile/b3967a0e938dc2a6340e258630febd5a.pdf>, PDF Page 6

³ PSAC, 2015 Well Cost Study. [www.psac.ca > wp-content > uploads > wcs_sample PDF](http://www.psac.ca/wp-content/uploads/wcs_sample_PDF)

transfer of ownership has occurred when it has not. Additionally, Pieridae claims ~\$214 Million in term debt⁴

17. In Q3 Pieridae claims total revenues of ~\$197 Million, total expenses of \$252 Million for a Net Loss of \$55 Million.
18. To put the foregoing into context, Pieridae is listed on the TSX and its shares have declined in value from \$5.50 CDN two years ago to a low of \$0.12 CDN a few months ago. Pieridae is currently trading at approximately \$0.52 CDN. At current share price Pieridae's total shareholders' equity is less than ~\$82,000,000⁵.
19. Additionally, Pieridae's total capital requirements to complete its Goldboro LNG project and to cover the abandonment and reclamation costs for the Foothills assets have been estimated at approximately \$28 Billion dollars, a significant amount for a small struggling company.
20. With respect to the current Shell applications to sell its Foothills assets to Pieridae, Shell and/or Pieridae have not filed a required Site Specific Liability Assessments, or the Financial Ability/Capability Assessments with the AER as required by AER Directive 001. Additionally, Pieridae has not filed its 2020 Annual Report or its 2020 financial statements.
21. An additional risk factor is that the North American natural gas markets are in a period of significant disruption. The so-called shale boom, both in Canada and in the USA, has
22. resulted in dramatic increases in natural gas supply, distortion in the supply demand balance, and historically low natural gas prices. Current gas prices have improved slightly and are currently ~\$2.58 per gigajoule. Low natural gas prices will affect the financial viability of small, under capitalized companies like Pieridae.
23. In light of all of the above, I believe that there is significant risk that Pieridae does not, and will not, have the financial resources or experience to successfully complete its LNG export project or to safely and responsibly operate the Foothills Assets.
24. I also believe that if the proposed Shell sale of assets to Pieridae is approved by the Alberta Energy Regulator and Pieridae subsequently fails financially, that the liability for an estimated \$1 Billion+ in current environmental liability will become the financial responsibility of both provincial and federal taxpayers.
25. Additionally, I submit that if Pieridae fails financially it would likely default on its tax obligations to the MD of Pincher Creek resulting in a significant shortfall in tax revenues to the County that ratepayers would have to make up by paying higher taxes.

⁴ Debt with AIMCo carries an interest rate of >22 percent per annum.

⁵ Based on Pieridae's Q3 Financials

26. Finally, I would alert the County that if it subsequently decides that it has concerns about the proposed sale of Shell's Foothills Assets to Pieridae, that the deadline for filing Statements of Concern with the Alberta Energy Regulator with respect to this matter is 4:00 PM on February 19th, 2021⁶.
27. Subject to any questions, that is my submission.

⁶ <https://www.aer.ca/regulating-development/project-application/notices/application-1931841-etc>

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Subject: Information: Transfer of the Shell Foothills Assets to Pieridae Alberta Production Limited
Date: February 10, 2021 8:12:04 AM
Attachments: [Shell Canada Cover Letter FHS Transfer Application.pdf](#)
[Pieridae Information Letter FHS Transfer Application.pdf](#)

Dear Reeve and Councillors,

Thank you for allowing me to take a moment at the MD's Council Meeting on February 9, 2021, to correct some of the inaccuracies provided by Mr. Sawyer from Hayduke and Associates regarding the transfer of the Shell Foothills Assets to Pieridae Alberta Production Limited. I appreciate that yesterday's Council Meeting was not the forum to debate the information presented; however, I am deeply concerned about the number of false statements that formed the basis of Mr. Sawyer's presentation to you.

On October 16, 2019, Shell Canada Energy (Shell) completed the sale of the Waterton, Jumping Pound and Caroline gas plants and the gas fields which supply them (Foothills Assets) to Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd. (Pieridae), a subsidiary of Pieridae Energy Limited. As part of the sale, Shell transferred to Pieridae more than 200 experienced employees in upstream and midstream capacities who supported the Foothills Assets. As the owner and operator of the Foothills Assets, Pieridae intends to take these assets on to the next phase of their development and celebrated one year of safe and reliable operations in October 2020.

Since the sale closed, Shell has remained the licensee of, and Pieridae has owned and operated, the Foothills assets while the companies sought approval from the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) to transfer the licences and existing environmental approvals for the Foothills Assets to Pieridae. In the first application to transfer the licences, filed in late 2019, Shell and Pieridae requested the AER divide the existing operating and environmental approvals (Split Approval Applications) for Shell to retain both the regulatory and contractual liability for the management and remediation of specific environmental impacts in, around and under the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants resulting from the operation of these two gas plants.

In May 2020, the AER denied this application, noting the proposed approach would not be possible within the existing regulatory regime and would create uncertainty in the administration and enforcement on the approvals, and subsequently denied the additional applications for the field infrastructure. While surprised and disappointed by the AER's decision regarding the transfer of licences, Shell and Pieridae respect the decision and appreciate the complexity associated with the regulatory aspects of this transaction.

During the first application both companies heard feedback from the community requesting more transparency about the specific transfer applications and key elements of the transaction that would provide clarity on areas of interest, such as Pieridae's technical and financial capability.

As part of the re-application to the AER in January 2021, to transfer all licences and approvals for the Foothills Assets to Pieridae, Shell and Pieridae have provided significantly more information about

the commercial arrangements of the sale, to build understanding and clearly articulate Shell's ongoing contractual responsibility for the obligations and costs related to all past, present and future sulfolane contamination associated with the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants.

Attached is a detailed cover letter describing the application, along with a letter from Pieridae which further describes their corporate capabilities. Schedules identified in the cover letter will be shared by request only, due to the size of the file.

We'd be pleased to provide additional information about the application at any time.

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Dear Ms. Rempel and Ms. Graham:

**Re: Shell Canada Limited to Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd.
Foothills Asset Licence and Approval Transfer Application**

Shell Canada Energy, by its managing partner, Shell Canada Limited (“**Shell**”) hereby submits this cover letter to advise the Alberta Energy Regulator (“**AER**”) that Shell and Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd. (“**PAPL**”) are submitting applications pursuant to the *Public Lands Act*, *Water Act*, *Pipeline Act*, *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* (“**EPEA**”) and *Oil and Gas Conservation Act* (“**OGCA**”) to transfer all of the licences, approvals and other authorizations related to assets that Shell has divested to PAPL (the “**Transfer Applications**”), as described in greater detail below, which include the Waterton, Jumping Pound and Caroline gas plants and the gas fields that feed them (collectively referred to herein as the “**Foothills Assets**¹”). Due to the number of licences associated with the Foothills Assets, the Transfer Applications have been divided into Application Bundles, which are described in more detail in Schedule 1.

This cover letter, along with the commercial, technical and financial information included in the following Schedules, are submitted in support of all the application bundles associated with the Transfer Applications:

Schedule List:

- Schedule 1 – Foothills Licence Transfer Application Filing Strategy
- Schedule 2 – Excerpts from the Purchase and Sale Agreement
- Schedule 3 – Conduct and Access Agreement for Waterton Gas Plant
- Schedule 4 – Conduct and Access Agreement for Jumping Pound Gas Plant

¹ The Foothills Assets include 282 wells (198 active, 13 suspended, 71 abandoned), 70 facility licences (including the three gas plants) and 81 pipeline licences located in the southern Alberta foothills.

Schedule 5 – Sulfolane Plume at Waterton
Schedule 6 – Sulfolane Plume at Jumping Pound
Schedule 7 – PAPL Letter

Shell and PAPL respectfully request the AER consider the enclosed information during its review of the Transfer Applications and would be pleased to provide any additional information or clarity on the attached at the request of the AER.

1. Introduction

Shell has operated the Foothills Assets in Alberta for nearly 70 years, which includes high quality operating gas wells, pipelines and gas processing plants with long-term development potential. The Foothills Assets consist of long-life fields, low decline production, in the range of 10% per annum, with high liquids and sulphur yields. While the Foothills Assets were a cornerstone of Shell’s upstream business in Canada for decades, Shell’s global investment focus has shifted, and these assets were determined to no longer be a strategic fit. Shell maintains a strong continued presence in Canada as one of the country’s largest integrated energy companies, including a 40% working interest in the multi-billion-dollar LNG Canada project that is currently under construction in Kitimat, B.C., other upstream assets in western Canada and significant downstream operations through refining, chemicals development and a strong retail network.

On October 16, 2019, Shell, PAPL Energy Limited (“**PEL**”) and Ikkuma Resources Corp (renamed to Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd. after the transaction closed) completed the purchase and sale of the Foothills Assets, which are the subject of the Transfer Applications. PAPL, a wholly owned subsidiary of PEL, assumed operation of the Foothills Assets on October 17, 2019.

The Foothills Assets are an excellent fit for PAPL², an experienced Canadian oil and gas operator positioned to take these assets on to the next phase of their development. Further, the Foothills Assets align well with PAPL’s existing Central Alberta properties, providing further consolidation of the Alberta and British Columbia conventional foothills natural gas pools that form the core of their portfolio. The Foothills Assets have slow production decline curves and significant remaining proven developed reserves; therefore, they have a long-expected life and are currently generating positive cash flow³.

Through its acquisition of the Foothills Assets, PAPL has assumed responsibility for the long-term liability associated with the abandonment, remediation and reclamation of the Foothills Assets. Through the commercial terms of the sale, Shell has voluntarily and contractually retained liability for the ongoing management and remediation of impacts resulting from past, present and future releases of sulfolane⁴, by itself or in combination with hydrocarbons and chloride, in soils or in groundwater in, around and under the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants resulting from the operation of these two gas plants (the “**Contamination**”) until a reclamation certificate (or its equivalent) has been received. The rationale for Shell retaining contractual responsibility for the Contamination and continuing to manage and fund the remediation of the Contamination is provided below in Section 5. In addition to conducting and funding

² Please see Section 6 for more information about PAPL

³ Please see Schedule 7.

⁴ Sulfolane, the primary constituent of Sulfinol, was identified in groundwater onsite and off-site at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants in the late 1990s. Since then Shell has been actively managing this Contamination, has conducted onsite and offsite sampling and water monitoring and has worked with the AER to assess and understand the nature and extent of the impacts from the Contamination.

all ongoing management and remediation activities, Shell has also agreed to indemnify PAPL for any of PAPL's out of pocket costs or losses associated with the Contamination. The commercial terms of the sale are described in more detail in Section 4 and Schedule 2, which contains excerpts of the Purchase and Sale Agreement ("**PSA**") among the parties.

Since Shell is applying to transfer all of the licences, approvals and other authorizations related to the Foothills Assets, if the Transfer Applications are granted, PAPL will be responsible for ensuring compliance with the regulatory approvals governing the Foothills Assets in their entirety. As described in more detail below, PAPL will ultimately be responsible for the decommissioning, remediation and reclamation of the Foothills Assets at the end of life under its operating licences and environmental approvals. Shell will be contractually responsible to PAPL for performing and paying for the remediation of all Contamination resulting from the operation of the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants with the exceptions noted below. As described herein, Shell's interactions with and obligations to PAPL will be governed by the terms and conditions of the PSA and the ongoing Conduct and Access Agreements ("**CAAs**") between the parties (Schedules 3 and 4). In short, the Transfer Applications contemplate a full transfer of all regulatory approvals related to the Foothills Assets to PAPL, including regulatory responsibility for the Contamination as licensee and the responsible party; while Shell will be contractually responsible to PAPL for management and remediation of the Contamination through the PSA and the CAAs. For clarity, nothing in the contractual arrangements between PAPL and Shell is intended to derogate from the ability of the AER to take enforcement action against either PAPL or Shell in the future, as may be necessary, to ensure the Contamination is remediated in accordance with applicable environmental laws.

2. History of the Transfer Applications

In November and December of 2019, Shell and PAPL jointly submitted applications to the AER requesting the AER transfer all licences and approvals for the Foothills Assets to PAPL with the exception of the licences applicable to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants. For these gas plants, Shell and PAPL requested the AER divide the existing operating licences (D56: *Directive 56: Energy Development Applications and Schedules*) and environmental (EPEA) approvals (collectively the "**Split Approval Applications**") in order for Shell to retain both the regulatory and contractual liability for the management and remediation of the Contamination while PAPL would become the licensee for all operational matters related to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants. The intent of the Split Approval Applications was to provide assurance to both the regulator and the public that Shell would continue to be directly responsible and accountable to the AER for the Contamination, under an existing active regulatory approval that requires ongoing groundwater monitoring, regulatory reporting and updates to Risk Management Plans ("**RMP**") regarding the Contamination.

In addition to the Split Approval Applications, Shell and PAPL submitted applications to transfer all of the licences, approvals and other authorizations for the infrastructure, facilities, wells and pipelines associated with these two gas plants as well as the Caroline gas plant and the infrastructure, facilities, wells and pipelines associated with it in its entirety from Shell to PAPL (collectively the "**Field Applications**"). The Field Applications and Split Approval Applications together consisted of 282 well licences (198 active, 13 Suspended, 71 Abandoned), 70 facility licences (including the three gas plants) and 81 pipeline licences. In all, eight separate bundles were submitted to the AER for transfer.

On February 28, 2020, the AER declined the D56 Split Approval Applications for the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants, indicating the Containment and Monitoring System ("**CMS**") used for the remediation of the Contamination at these gas plants could not be licenced under D56 as *Category B080 - Custom*

Treating Facilities, as they did not fit the description and further, that the AER's enforcement options could be constrained through such a regulatory pathway. Following this decision, Shell requested the AER continue its review of the remaining licence transfer applications and EPEA Split Approval Applications.

On May 13, 2020, the AER denied the Split Approval Applications for the EPEA approvals related to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants and the Field Applications in their entirety (the "**Decision**"). In the Decision, the AER noted that the proposed Split Approval Applications would create uncertainty for the administration and enforcement of the resulting dual EPEA approvals because:

- i) operationally, it is unclear how Shell would be able to identify, and subsequently remediate only historic sulfolane, and how all other substances on the same site, including subsequent sulfolane contamination, would be identified and remediated by PAPL; and
- ii) subdividing one aspect of an approved EPEA activity, namely reclamation, for the same site between two operators would create administrative uncertainty and may also diminish the AER's ability to enforce reclamation responsibilities under EPEA.

Shell appreciates the complexity associated with the regulatory aspects of this transaction and appreciates the AER's feedback that any transfer of licences to PAPL must be efficient and simple to administer and enforce.

To address these concerns Shell is now applying for a full transfer to PAPL of all licences and approvals related to the Foothills Assets. As part of this application, Shell and PAPL have provided significantly more information about the commercial arrangements related to the purchase and sale of the Foothills Assets to clearly articulate Shell's ongoing contractual responsibility for the obligations and costs related to all Contamination associated with the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants.

The Transfer Application, which contemplates the transfer of all licenses to PAPL, will not distinguish regulatory responsibility for the Contamination versus any other contamination and remediation obligations on the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants. While Shell has contractually committed to be responsible to PAPL for activities associated with the management and remediation of the Contamination, PAPL will have overall primary regulatory accountability for these sites, assisted by the support and financial contribution of Shell in managing and remediating the Contamination.

3. Challenges Posed by the Status Quo

In the Decision, the AER noted the legislative scheme established by the *OGCA* contemplates that the licensee and the operator can be different parties within the existing regulatory framework, and that the current arrangement, whereby PAPL operates the assets while Shell remains as licensee of record, accords with the AER's regulatory framework. Since Shell is no longer a working interest participant in the Foothills Assets, this concept presents a number of legal and operational challenges to Shell and PAPL that are described below.

As the legal owner and operator, PAPL is currently responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Foothills Assets and is responsible for conducting all actions necessary to ensure compliance with applicable laws on behalf of itself and Shell. This is because while legal title for the Foothills Assets has passed to PAPL, Shell remains the licensee of record. This means that Shell is held responsible for the implementation of

corrective actions related to any non-compliance events, without operational or financial control. These circumstances also require Shell to duplicate the actions of PAPL's regulatory staff to coordinate any required reporting to the AER, in respect of assets that Shell doesn't own or operate. As a result of the majority of staff responsible for the Foothills Assets being transferred to PAPL at closing, Shell no longer has internal staffing resources necessary to properly oversee and ensure the efficacy of such actions. The expertise and resources needed to manage the assets are now housed within PAPL.

In addition to these practical operational concerns, the concept of splitting the ownership of the Foothills Assets from licensing also presents significant challenges for the future development of the related fields and capital investment for such development. Under the current arrangement, the PSA requires '*business as usual*' operations and places restrictions on PAPL's ability to carry out new capital expenditures for exploration and production until it is the licensee of record. To carry out its development plans and reinvest capital in the Foothills Assets, and for each of the parties to have autonomy over its corporate compliance record, PAPL wishes to be the licensee of record so that it may act independently from Shell, to be able to apply for new licences, as well as to amend existing licences, in order to pursue the efficient and orderly development and conservation of resources, in accordance with the AER's mandate and the public interest.

Given these challenges, PAPL and Shell submit that the continued operations of the Foothills Assets, with the current split between ownership, operatorship and licensee, would result in uncertainty, duplication, inefficiency and confusion.

4. Details of Commercial Arrangements

i) Purchase and Sale Agreement

As is typical in the sale of energy assets in Western Canada, Shell as the vendor has entered into a PSA with PAPL as purchaser, which transfers environmental liabilities for the Foothills Assets, whether past, present or future, to PAPL. However, the PSA contains an important '*carve out*' from the general principle of transfer of environmental liabilities for the Contamination. Pursuant to the PSA, Shell retains liability for the past, present and future remediation of the Contamination for the reasons outlined below. The negotiated purchase price with PAPL reflects this contractual allocation of risk and responsibilities. The PSA provides:

*"The Parties expressly acknowledge and confirm that, Vendor has retained and is therefore responsible and liable in perpetuity for the Contamination, all Losses associated with the Contamination and all remedial requirements associated with the Contamination including those imposed by a Governmental Authority or pursuant to Applicable Law."*⁵

Shell takes its contractual liability for remediation of the Contamination seriously. After the licences and approvals for the Foothills Assets have been transferred to PAPL, Shell will continue to be responsible for the following as they pertain to the Contamination on behalf of PAPL:

⁵ For detailed contractual language, see sections 11.5 and 11.6 of the PSA, which are included in the PSA excerpts provided in Schedule 2.

- the ongoing management and remediation of the Contamination;
- fulfilling the ongoing obligations of any Risk Management Plans and Remedial Action Plans pertaining to the Contamination including preparing required groundwater monitoring and well testing data and reports required by the regulatory approvals pertaining to the Contamination;
- updating portions of the regulatory approvals pertaining to the Contamination from time to time; and
- fulfilling the agreements and commitments Shell has in place with impacted landowners including providing alternative water sources.

Out of an abundance of caution, in addition to funding ongoing Contamination-related investigation, management and remediation activities, Shell has indemnified PAPL for any out of pocket losses associated with the Contamination, including those related to:

- a) PAPL's own costs and expenses to remediate the Contamination (provided the remediation is carried out in a commercially reasonable manner with reasonable and ordinary skill);
- b) all claims, including third party claims, in relation to the Contamination; and
- c) any or all losses arising from an Environmental Proceeding (as defined in the PSA) related to Contamination.

(the "**Contamination Indemnity**")

The Contamination Indemnity is an additional measure of protection that provides commercial assurance to support Shell's commitment to be financially responsible for the management and remediation costs associated with the Contamination. Shell's reimbursement of Contamination-related out of pocket costs is intended to shield PAPL from any unforeseen losses PAPL may experience as a result of the Contamination and is subject to a maximum aggregate liability of CAD \$50 Million Dollars. PAPL has certain corresponding obligations in order to claim under the Contamination Indemnity from Shell which includes several restrictions on its activities on the land proximate to the Contamination, including:

- minimizing disturbance of the Contamination, including the introduction of new exposure pathways;
- imposing limits on groundwater investigation, including restrictions on the use of groundwater produced from the groundwater wells located in the area affected by the Contamination and agreement to not modify the groundwater monitoring wells nor the CMS used to mitigate risk from the Contamination;
- operating the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants in compliance with applicable laws, including reporting releases of hazardous substances and providing information regarding the Contamination to the AER and sharing information relevant to Shell's retained responsibility for the Contamination with Shell if PAPL inadvertently has a release of a hazardous substance;
- avoiding any action that would materially increase PAPL's Contamination losses, or the size or significance of the Contamination, or accelerate Shell's remediation actions with respect to the Contamination; and
- notifying Shell of any substantial new release of sulfolane that would substantially increase the size or significance of the Contamination, materially increase Shell's costs to remediate the Contamination, or materially accelerate Shell's obligations in relation to the remediation actions required by law.

Put simply, subject to certain agreed upon limits described above, any required remediation of the Contamination will be Shell's responsibility.

ii) Conduct and Access Agreement

In conjunction with the PSA, the parties entered into long-term Conduct and Access Agreements ("CAAs") for the Jumping Pound gas plant and the Waterton gas plant.⁶ These agreements establish Shell's right to access to the Contamination-impacted lands at and surrounding each of the gas plants to carry out groundwater monitoring and other activities that are necessary in order for Shell to meet its obligation to manage and remediate the Contamination. The CAAs establish the ongoing rights and obligations of each party to cooperate and coordinate operations throughout the life of these gas plants. As explained below, due to the nature of the Contamination, it is expected the Contamination will not be fully remediated until after the gas plants have been decommissioned. The CAAs contain provisions to ensure that future owners of these gas plants will be subject to the same rights and obligations by becoming a party to the CAA. Related easements and restrictive covenants have been registered against title to provide notice of the long-term Contamination related rights and obligations to the public (including potential future owners), thereby ensuring Shell will continue to have access to the lands required to manage the Contamination in the long-term.

Copies of the CAAs that govern the rights and obligations of the parties in the future are attached to this application as Schedules 3 and 4. The CAAs also provide the framework for the ongoing management of the Contamination and define Shell's continuing role to provide technical oversight and assurance on the regulatory requirements pertaining to the Contamination⁷. The CAAs contain commitments to provide access, share data, disclose non-compliance issues, and restrict certain activities by PAPL in relation to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants (such as excavation near the Contamination). The CAAs also establish a working-level Sulfolane Working Team, and a higher-level Steering Committee as forums for Contamination-related communications and information sharing, creating a strong foundation for the cooperation and coordination that will be required for the parties to work together to effectively manage the Contamination throughout the operational life of each gas plant, and address any issues as they arise.

5. Sulfolane Contamination

As noted previously, Shell has contractually retained the past, present and future environmental liability associated with Contamination in, around or underlying the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants (with the exception of a substantial new reportable sulfolane release caused by PAPL).

Sulfolane is an organic solvent widely used in many industrial processes, including the removal of hydrogen sulfide from sour gas during gas processing. Sulfolane mixes easily with water and adsorbs poorly to soil, which means it can dissolve into and stay in groundwater, where it can be carried off-site.⁸

⁶ Since Shell is now proposing to transfer all licences related to the Foothills Assets to PAPL, the scope of the CAAs has been expanded to include Shell's contractual obligations to PAPL in respect of the remediation of the Contamination, along with providing Shell access rights to perform remediation activities related to the Contamination.

⁷ Including the applicable Risk Management Plans, Remedial Action Plans and portions of the EPEA approval that pertains to the Contamination.

⁸ The contaminant of concern and regulated parameter is sulfolane, which is the primary constituent of Sulfinol™.

The rationale for Shell continuing to fund and manage this responsibility for the Contamination is provided in this section.

Sulfolane has been used in Shell's sour gas processing units since the early 1960s and is still in use today. The Contamination was first identified in groundwater onsite and offsite at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants in the late 1990s.⁹ Since then, Shell has actively managed this Contamination, conducted off-site sampling and groundwater monitoring at each of these sites and has worked with the AER to assess and understand the nature and extent of the impacts from the Contamination. Shell has also worked with impacted stakeholders, with a particular focus on the residents located close to the gas plants. Long-term access agreements have been executed with impacted and potentially impacted landowners to permit Shell to continue to manage off-site impacts. In addition to the installation of groundwater monitoring and remediation wells, where needed, alternative water sources have been provided to impacted landowners. Shell has built strong relationships in these Foothills communities and, on behalf of PAPL, Shell will continue to fulfill commitments made to local stakeholders impacted by the Contamination and will continue to be the first point of contact for any concerns with ongoing commitments related to the Contamination.¹⁰

Since discovery of the Contamination, Shell has pioneered efforts to identify, manage and mitigate sulfolane impacts both for Shell sites and also for the benefit of other operators. Shell was instrumental in supporting the initial characterization of sulfolane, in addition to helping develop technologies that are currently being employed to remediate impacted soil and groundwater at many sites across Alberta. With respect to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants, Shell has: submitted groundwater monitoring and well testing data to the AER annually; conducted several source removal programs; installed active containment and monitoring systems; and created and managed site-specific risk management plans for sulfolane. In addition, Shell has met with the AER on a regular basis to discuss site-specific risk mitigation and remediation strategies. Maps of the extent of the Contamination plumes at each of the Waterton gas plant and Jumping Pound gas plant are attached to this application as Schedule 5 and 6, respectively.

In response to Information Requests from the AER¹¹, Shell recently updated Risk Management Plans ("RMP"), updated Conceptual Site Model ("CSM") and Remedial Action Plans ("RAP")¹² for both the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants.¹³ After the proposed licence transfer, the Contamination will continue to be monitored and remediated until such time as regulatory closure has been achieved from the AER for each of these facilities. Shell and PAPL are committed to managing the Contamination remediation activities in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment with a long-term view towards obtaining regulatory closure, which is supported and funded through PSA and the

⁹ While the use of sulfolane at the Caroline Plant continues, no off-site sulfolane has been identified to date.

¹⁰ More specifically, the ongoing Risk Management Plan for each of the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants will specify that PAPL will meet its commitments to these stakeholders through Shell's ongoing agreements and fulfillment of commitments to each of them.

¹¹ The Information Requests were received on July 31st, 2020.

¹² The Remedial Action Plan was requested under new Remedial Regulation which came into force January 2019 and associated guidance document, the *Remedial Action Plan Guide*, dated March 3, 2020.

¹³ A copy of the updated RMPs, CSMs and RAPs for the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants were submitted on November 2nd and November 30th respectively, and are available for review by the AER as part of the Transfer Applications.

CAAs. It is Shell's understanding that, after the licences related to the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants have been transferred to PAPL, PAPL will be required to submit new RMPs, RAPs and CSMs for each of these sites. Under the terms and conditions of the CAAs (Schedules 3 and 4), PAPL's RMP, RAP and CSM for each site will be substantially the same as the updated Shell RMP, RAP and CSM as they pertain to the Contamination.

There are four factors that led to Shell's decision to retain the past, present and future liability for the Contamination resulting from the operation of the gas plants which are important to understand:

- i. **Full Remediation Cannot Occur Until After Decommissioning:** As with many operational facilities, the contaminated soil underlying the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants cannot be physically accessed or removed while these facilities are operational. As a result, it is not possible to fully remove the source of the Contamination until each of these facilities has been decommissioned. Once the gas plants have been decommissioned and removed from the surface by PAPL, Shell will address the residual Contamination. Though the full remediation cannot occur until end of life, this was a known impact that will require ongoing management and long-term remediation, the vast majority of which resulted from the historic operation of the gas plants, and as such Shell determined that retaining this responsibility was the right thing to do.
- ii. **The Contamination is Not Fully Delineated Due to the Nature of the Underlying Geology:** The physical and hydrogeochemical conditions at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants are complex. Shell has been progressively advancing its understanding of these conditions through ongoing environmental assessment, monitoring and management activities over the past three decades; however, due to the nature of the geology underlying these gas plants, which consists of up to five hydrostratigraphic units including fractured bedrock, it is not easy to fully delineate the Contamination. Put simply, the fractured bedrock beneath these gas plants provides pathways for the Contamination, but these pathways are not consistent in density or direction, resulting in complexity and variability in the understanding of extent and direction of groundwater flow. Based on this geological complexity and the resulting inability to determine whether the source of the Contamination is from different time periods or release events, with the exception of a substantial new reportable sulfolane release caused by PAPL, any groundwater that is impacted with any amount of sulfolane at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants will be Contamination, and will therefore be Shell's responsibility pursuant to the terms and conditions of the PSA.
- iii. **Sulfolane Cannot be Fingerprinted:** Due to the nature of sulfolane being a component of a manufactured compound, unlike hydrocarbons, it is not possible to "fingerprint" to determine the age of the sulfolane or when it was released. As a result, it is not possible to isotopically distinguish between past, present or future releases of sulfolane – particularly minor releases – by analyzing the chemicals found in soil or groundwater. This, combined with the fact that sulfolane is still used at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants and is an integral constituent of the process for removing H₂S from the gas stream, contributed to Shell's decision to retain the contractual responsibility to manage and remediate Contamination emanating from these facilities (with the exception noted above).

- iv. **Shell Expertise:** For more than 20 years, Shell has developed significant expertise in the remediation and management of sulfolane.¹⁴ To date, Shell has pioneered and has been a leader in implementing various technologies to reduce sulfolane levels in impacted areas, including identifying and removing ongoing operational sources, remediating accessible sites or portions of sites, extracting groundwater for treatment and/or disposal, and conducting ongoing soil and groundwater monitoring, testing and additional conceptual site modelling to better understand this complex compound. Shell has also invested in research on the physical, mechanical and bioremediation of sulfolane including partnering with educational institutions like the University of Alberta and University of Calgary, to better understand the ways in which this particular contaminant behaves in the subsurface and how it can be remediated.

Ultimately, the existing Contamination for which Shell remains contractually responsible is not distinguishable from any potential future Contamination resulting from the ongoing operation of the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants (subject to the exceptions noted below). Accordingly, Shell has retained the responsibility for past, present and future sulfolane releases resulting from the normal operation of the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants, unless there is a substantial new reportable sulfolane release caused by PAPL during the operation of either gas plant. In the event of such a release, PAPL would be required to report it to the AER or applicable regulatory agency, and would then have a corresponding regulatory responsibility to clean up such release in accordance with the applicable law and its EPEA approvals and operating licences.

It should be noted that under *Directive 006: Licensee Liability Rating (LLR) and Licence Transfer Process* the Contamination-related liability comprises a significant portion of the estimated end of life remediation costs for the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants at 50% and 43% respectively. Shell is confident the estimated costs associated with the long-term management and remediation of the Contamination is reasonably reflected in the updated Site-Specific Liability Assessments (“**SSLAs**”), which were completed on May 1, 2020.

With respect to ensuring efficient and clear enforcement, upon AER approval of the Transfer Applications PAPL will be the responsible party/licensee and will ensure compliance with the regulatory approvals governing these facilities. PAPL will have the responsibility under its EPEA approvals for the ultimate decommissioning, remediation and reclamation of the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants, while Shell will be contractually and financially responsible through its contractual arrangements with PAPL for the remediation of all past, present and future Contamination at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants (with the exception noted above). Shell’s interactions with PAPL will be governed by the terms and conditions of the PSA and the CAAs. Shell and PAPL request these commercial arrangements be taken into consideration by the AER in making its determination on the Transfer Applications and that they form part of the AER’s assessment of PAPL’s ability to meet the environmental obligations associated with the Foothills Assets. As stated above, nothing in the contractual arrangements between PAPL and Shell is intended to derogate from the ability of the AER to take enforcement action against either Shell or PAPL in the future, as may be necessary, to ensure the gas plants are remediated in accordance with applicable environmental laws.

¹⁴ A guideline for this contaminant was not developed in Canada until 2005, when the CCME released first water quality guidelines.

6. PAPT's Capabilities

PAPT has been operating the Foothills Assets since October 2019 and its operational record to date demonstrates that PAPT is qualified to operate the Foothills Assets in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.

As a result of PAPT being a private company prior to the Foothills transaction, it is understandable that local stakeholders and organizations would have a keen interest in understanding more about PAPT's technical and operational expertise and financial capability to ensure long-term liability will be appropriately managed.

i. PAPT's Operational and Technical Experience:

As part of the transaction, Shell transferred to PAPT more than 200 employees who supported the Foothills Assets in upstream and midstream capacities, including operators, engineers, integrity management personnel, and other technical staff with direct knowledge and experience in operating the Foothills Assets, as well as certain Calgary-based staff who predominantly supported land, contracts and community support for the Foothills Assets. The transferred employees are familiar with these assets and trained in safe work procedures.

Further, emergency response processes, procedures and training are in place in the event of an incident. The ongoing employment of these individuals will support the continued responsible operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of resource infrastructure in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including health, safety and environmental obligations. As a result, PAPT has a highly specialized work force that is skilled and experienced in both sour gas operations as well as the ongoing development and operations of the Foothills Assets.

Additional corporate information about PAPT is attached in Schedule 7.

ii. PAPT's Financial Capability:

PAPT's unaudited condensed interim financial statements and MD&A are available on its website at <https://pieridaenergy.com/financial-reports> and are filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

7. Closing

Shell appreciates the complexity associated with the regulatory aspects of this transaction and appreciates the AER's feedback that any transfer of licences to PAPT must be efficient, simple to administer and enforce, and must ensure full regulatory responsibility for all closure, remediation, and reclamation activities for the Foothills Assets.

To address the concerns noted in the Decision, Shell is now applying for a full transfer of all licences and approvals applicable to the Foothills Assets to PAPT. As part of this application, Shell and PAPT have provided the AER with significantly more information about the commercial arrangements of the sale, to clearly articulate Shell's ongoing contractual responsibility for the obligations and costs related to the sulfolane Contamination associated with the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants.

Upon AER approval of the Transfer Applications, PAPL will have the responsibility under its EPEA approvals for the ultimate remediation of the Foothills Assets, while Shell will be contractually responsible for the remediation of Contamination at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants (with the exception noted above) until such time as regulatory closure has been achieved from the AER for each of these facilities. Shell's interactions with PAPL will be governed by the terms and conditions of the PSA and the CAAs between the parties.

Shell and PAPL are committed to managing the Contamination in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment with a long-term view towards obtaining regulatory closure, which is supported and funded through the existing contractual agreements. Shell and PAPL request that Shell's contractual responsibility for the financial costs associated with the remediation of all past, present and future Contamination at the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants be taken into consideration during the AER's assessment of PAPL's ability to meet the end of life environmental obligations associated with these gas plants, and that these commercial arrangements be taken into consideration by the AER in making its determination on the Transfer Applications.

We trust the foregoing is satisfactory and are available to provide more information upon request. If you require more information or clarification with respect to this application, please do not hesitate to contact Greg Krauss at 403-691-2971 or Greg.Krauss@Shell.com.

Sincerely,

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RE: Pieridae Information – Application Cover Letter

Dear Ms. Rempel,

In addition to the information disclosed under the cover letter submitted by Shell Canada Energy (“Shell”) and Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd., formerly Ikkuma Resources Corp., (“PAPL”) related to the transfer by Shell to PAPL of all licences, approvals and other authorizations (the “Transfer Applications”) of the Waterton, Jumping Pound and Caroline gas plants, the gas fields which feed them and related infrastructure (“Foothills Assets”), PAPL wishes to disclose additional information for consideration by the Alberta Energy Regulator (“AER”) when assessing the Transfer Applications.

Introduction to PAPL – Production Assets

PAPL has been operating the Foothills Assets since October 2019 prior to which PAPL, as Ikkuma Resources Corp., has been safely operating sour gas assets in the Alberta Foothills since 2014. Based on PAPL’s prior history of regulatory compliance and the overall quality and value of its infrastructure, properties and reserves, PAPL has demonstrated that it is technically, operationally and financially able to satisfy all of its regulatory obligations now and into the future.

PAPL is wholly owned by Pieridae Energy Limited (“Pieridae”), a public corporation (TSX: PEA.TO), which, on a consolidated basis, is Canada's only fully independent integrated LNG enterprise. Pieridae’s flagship initiative, the proposed multi-billion-dollar Goldboro LNG Facility, is both shovel worthy and shovel ready. The Goldboro LNG Facility will include two liquefaction trains, each capable of producing approximately 5 million metric tons of LNG per annum.

Pieridae is focused on developing the Goldboro LNG Facility which will be constructed on Nova Scotia’s north-east coast. Many key elements are in place including a 20-year LNG offtake contract with Uniper Global Commodities S.E., a German energy enterprise, for 5 million metric tons of LNG per annum. As well, Pieridae has received confirmation of eligibility in principle of an untied loan guarantee of up to US\$4.5 billion from the German Government for construction of the Goldboro LNG Facility and the conventional

development of the upstream resource base. Pieridae also currently owns and operates considerable natural gas upstream and midstream infrastructure as well as extensive resource properties in Alberta which will be developed during the next decade and beyond to produce natural gas which will be transported via existing pipelines to the Goldboro LNG Facility for conversion into LNG to supply the LNG committed to Uniper Global Commodities S.E. under the LNG offtake contract.

As noted above, PAPL purchased the Foothill Assets from Shell in 2019 which includes 29,000 BOE/d of natural gas production, three deep cut, sour gas processing plants (Jumping Pound, Caroline and Waterton), a 14 per cent interest in the Shantz sulphur forming plant; and 1,700 kilometres of pipelines. PAPL is now the owner, or has a working interest in, six gas plants and approximately 25 facilities in Alberta.

PAPL has a footprint stretching from northern Alberta to the U.S. border, nearly one million acres of land, production growth ranging from 40,000-50,000 BOE/d and 3,500 kilometres of pipelines. For more information regarding the asset base of Pieridae refer to the Annual Information Form which Pieridae posted to the SEDAR public data base. For more general information regarding Pieridae, refer to www.pieridaeenergy.com.

With its pre-existing assets and the acquisition of the Foothills Assets, PAPL now has an extensive asset base with a significant mix of products and third-party revenue, which has significantly strengthened its income statement and balance sheet. The low decline rate of its hydrocarbon resource base and associated liquids production provide a long-term source of net operating income which, together with Shell's continuing responsibility for the Contamination¹, will ensure that PAPL will have the financial capability to discharge all of its operational, maintenance, decommissioning, remediation, reclamation and other environmental obligations.

PAPL Experience and Leadership

Prior to the acquisition of the Foothills Assets from Shell, PAPL assembled a notable team of managers and employees who have decades of experience in operating sour gas production and infrastructure in the Alberta Foothills. The technical leadership team have worked together for more than 20 years in the Foothills of Alberta and northern British Columbia and have been active participants and leaders in deep sour gas exploration and development. The upstream technical team of engineers and geoscientists at PAPL is experienced in sour gas operations from their previous roles at Talisman, Husky and Shell.

Since 2014, the senior leadership team at PAPL has been involved in the acquisition and development of sour gas resource properties, and the acquisition, maintenance and decommissioning of related infrastructure, all of which is situated in the Alberta Foothills and northern British Columbia. Beginning in 2014, PAPL, then Ikkuma, acquired its existing assets from Talisman, Enerplus, Tourmaline, CNRL and Husky

¹ Shell has contractually retained liability for the ongoing management and remediation of impacts resulting from **past, present and future** releases of Sulfolane, by itself or in combination with hydrocarbons and chloride, in soils or in groundwater in, around and under the Waterton and Jumping Pound gas plants resulting from the operation of these two facilities (the "Contamination") until regulatory closure is achieved.

and grew primarily through acquisitions and increased production from ~80 boe/d to ~20,000 boe/d with a majority of that production being sour. Prior to the Shell Foothills Asset acquisition, PAPL's most recent acquisition occurred on December 21, 2017, with the purchase of central Alberta Foothills assets from Husky Oil Operations Limited. The existing production and new drilling inventory will provide significant new gas supply along with an extensive, well maintained, underutilized and sophisticated gas midstream system.

As part of the Foothills transaction, Shell transferred to PAPL more than 200 employees in upstream and midstream capacities, including operators, engineers, integrity management personnel, and other technical staff with direct knowledge and experience in operating the Foothills Assets, as well as certain Calgary-based staff who predominantly supported land, contracts and community support for the Foothills Assets. These employees are trained in safe work procedures, including emergency preparedness and response. Well-developed emergency response processes, procedures and training are in place in the event of an incident. The continuation of employment of these Shell-trained individuals will ensure the continued responsible operation, maintenance and decommissioning of resource infrastructure in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including health, safety and environmental obligations.

As a result, PAPL has a highly specialized work force which is specifically fit for purpose in sour gas operations and the development of the conventional Foothills Assets.

A Culture of Safety

Safety remains our top priority. PAPL is committed to following all the industry safety measures and best practices to maximize safety and minimize impact. No job is more important than protecting the safety and security of our employees, contractors, customers and neighbours.

Our talented, experienced team members have operated our acquired gas plants and other assets for decades, including international midstream projects and large petrochemical plants. We are fortunate to have them as their experience complements our senior leadership team that has worked together for over 20 years in deep sour exploration and development in the Alberta Foothills and northern B.C. The team maintains robust management systems over its gas gathering and processing infrastructure. Throughout its operations, PAPL has a strong history of compliance with its regulatory obligations concerning health, safety and the environment.

PAPL's commitment to continuing to employ more than 200 former Shell employees makes our commitment even stronger. Many of these employees were involved in building comprehensive safety, compliance and maintenance procedures that remain in place and have significant expertise in the operations of these gas plants. We are continuing to operate these assets in accordance with these processes.

Managing the integrity of PAPL's assets is a Chief Inspector with 35 years of experience, leading a team of accredited inspectors in the field, many of whom spent years operating the assets when they were owned by Shell. This team is further supported by a core group of engineers in Calgary with a broad knowledge of sour gas operations. All employees communicate daily to ensure the safeguarding of the assets, neighbours

and environment. Finally, PAPL employs independent third-party experts to provide supplementary expertise, while auditing the company’s processes, safety systems and equipment.

PAPL maintains a robust and transparent reporting culture which includes reporting, tracking and communicating proactive and reactive incidences within the company. The results are indicative of this culture, no LTI YTD in 2020 and Total Recordable Injury Frequency (TRIF) as follows.

PAPL Employee & Contractor			
	2018	2019	2020
TRIF (ytd)	0.75	0.72	0.34

COVID-19

Despite the challenging business environment during COVID-19, PAPL’s focus on safety has not wavered:

- Safety and the physical and mental health of our employees were top priorities, along with ensuring our assets continue to operate safely and efficiently. We have had no incidents of illness and continue to manage any COVID risk
- All assets have performed near 100 per cent reliability during the pandemic, no significant loss of productivity was recorded
- The priority of our return to work schedule is the health and safety of our employees

Emergency Response

The design of our facilities place safety as a top priority. Many of the engineering and process safeguards we have in place make the possibility of a major emergency remote.

As of October 17, 2019, PAPL is responsible for fulfilling duties guided by the existing Emergency Response Plans (“ERP”) for each of these assets that outlines step-by-step emergency response actions based on credible scenarios, PAPL has updated and submitted ERP’s for approval by the AER.

PAPL is committed to operating responsibly and we protect our personnel, public safety and the environment in the following ways:

- Our wells and pipelines are equipped with emergency shutdown systems that can be controlled manually at the wellsite or from our plant control rooms.
- On-going safety and emergency response training. We maintain a high level of preparedness by regularly conducting simulated emergency response drills and exercises, to date 32 have been conducted. At a recent major mock exercise at the Caroline plant, great feedback was received on the capability of the team handling the emergency situation by an Emergency Response expert in attendance.
- PAPL embarked on updating the stakeholder list and so a public consultation program was completed by phone during the spring for all Foothills areas.

- Our ERPs for all operations are in place and updated regularly. Each ERP outlines what we will do in case of a gas release, fire, explosion, hazardous material spill, transportation accident or other potential emergency, in conjunction with respective municipal emergency services.
- Our agreements with local RCMP, Fire Department, Search and Rescue and other agencies ensure a coordinated response should an emergency arise with our operations.
- Mutual Aid agreement is in place between both companies for emergency situations that require prompt coordination of resources during the transitional period.
- We also have assisted in responses to non-PAPL related emergencies such as forest fires, floods or other backcountry emergencies.

Respecting the Environment

PAPL has a unique history of asset acquisition since 2014 including a strong commitment to sustainability. All PAPL assets situated in Alberta and British Columbia apply emissions caps, carbon pricing and stringent environmental standards ensuring resources are developed in an environmentally prudent manner.

In addition, PAPL continues to integrate Shell’s Operational Management and Competency requirements into their own and is committed to carrying out its operations in a responsible way, reducing environmental impacts. For example, through the acquisition of the Foothills Assets, PAPL obtained from Shell a Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Management System describing how HSE risks are managed at Waterton, Caroline and Jumping Pound. This included documented processes, controls and measures from management to task level and incorporated mechanisms for continuous improvement. As noted previously, Shell transferred more than 200 employees in the upstream and midstream capacities who support the Foothills Assets, who are knowledgeable and experienced with the HSE Management System which PAPL continues to uphold.

There are four key areas which will remain a focus and priority for PAPL’s commitment to Environmental Management:

1. HSE Management System: Continued implementation, maintenance and improvement of the current HSE Management system which includes the following environmental aspects:
 - Flaring and Venting
 - Greenhouse Gas and Energy
 - Soil and Groundwater
 - Waste
 - Water
 - Air Emissions
 - Site Closure
 - Environmental and Regulatory Requirements
 - Inspection Investigation and Compliance
2. Leadership and Commitment: Management will continue to demonstrate leadership and commitment with respect to the HSE Management System by taking accountability for its effectiveness; ensuring that the HSE policy and environmental objectives are established and compatible with the strategic direction and the context of the organization; ensuring the integration of environmental management requirements into the organization’s business processes; and, ensuring that the resources needed for environmental management are available.

3. Operational Planning and Control: Operations and Management will continue to establish, implement, control and maintain the processes needed to meet environmental management requirements.
4. Performance and Compliance Evaluation: Continued monitoring, measuring, analyzing and evaluating environmental performance and compliance.

Reclamation

PAPL ensures the timely performance of its environmental and reclamation obligations as they relate to its existing assets. PAPL manages ongoing site closure activities, including remedial work, to meet the commitments of both the Alberta AER - Area Base Closure (ABC) program and the BC OGC - Dormancy and Shutdown Regulation.

PAPL joined the ABC program in 2019. Prior to this we continually worked towards the proper suspension and abandonment of wells, the closure of inactive wells and the obtaining of reclamation certificates in Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan. We would like to highlight that since the acquisition of Shell's Foothills Assets, and notwithstanding issues related to the COVID pandemic, including low commodity prices, PAPL has incorporated the assets into its ongoing remediation program and has continued to work towards closure on the Shell acquired inactive sites.

These obligations and related liabilities are managed with an ongoing review and execution of abandonment and reclamation activities and their associated capital requirements.

In support of site closure activities:

1. PAPL has a reclamation team conducting ongoing reviews / assessments of the newly acquired Shell Foothills Assets and are prioritizing the non-operational sites for 2021 projects. Furthermore, work has progressed in 2020 on both new assets and non-operating sites.
2. PAPL progressed the reclamation of PAPL licensed sites, depending on the stage, from Phase I & II site investigations, remediation and detailed site assessments to reclamation certificate applications. Planning and budgeting for 2021 Site Closure activities has also commenced.
3. PAPL is also currently working towards final closure of the Drilling Waste Disposal Facility (DWDF) located at the Waterton plant and Jumping Pound plant that are currently licensed to Shell.

PAPL currently has an LMR of 7.74 as of October 3, 2020. If the AER accepts Shell's application to transfer all the licences to PAPL, the full range of post-closure liability obligations described above will be formally allocated to PAPL as part of PAPL's LMR rating. Prior to the acquisition of the Foothills Assets, PAPL's LMR was greater than 8.0 and the Foothills Assets themselves will have a positive impact on PAPL's balance sheet and have a resultant LMR of greater than 2.0.

Indigenous Peoples in Canada - Reconciliation is a Priority

PAPL has a rich history of respect for Canada's First Peoples, going back a number of years when our CEO Alfred Sorensen was one of the first individuals to engage with the Haisla in British Columbia when he presided over the Kitimat LNG Project. He listened to the Haisla, moved the location of the LNG facility on their advice, all while working to build respect and trust in gaining their support of that project.

Mr. Sorensen has continued that philosophy of respectful engagement with the current Goldboro LNG Project, leading to the signing of a benefits agreement in February of 2019 with the 13 Chiefs of the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs. The agreement sets the framework for how the Mi'kmaq will benefit from the development, construction and operation of the Goldboro LNG facility.

Equal opportunity and sharing of the resource was the first message delivered to the Stoney Nakoda in the summer of 2019, whose Chief and senior officials met with Sorensen and other PAPL executives just hours after PAPL announced its acquisition of all of Shell Canada's Foothills Assets, some of which have sat on Stoney traditional territory for decades.

PAPL remains committed to actively engaging with the Stoney Nakoda and other Nations of Treaty 7. Our company has positioned the relationship as one of equality in sharing the benefits of the resource. We will look at holding annual meetings to discuss this forward-looking approach and also listen to concerns and ideas as we work to grow our business. The Chiefs and First Nations businesses want a chance to participate and a level playing field in which to operate. We agree.

A Commitment to Stakeholder Engagement

Our focus of building trust and respect with Canada's Indigenous Peoples goes hand-in-hand with how we endeavour to work with the stakeholders PAPL interacts with on a daily basis.

The fact that we have advanced our multi-billion-dollar Goldboro LNG Project speaks to the commitment our employees and leadership have to proper community and stakeholder engagement.

Since the project's inception, our company has built strong local ties in the rural Nova Scotia community where we will build the LNG facility. Whether it be conversations over a coffee or the more formal setting of the Community Liaison Committee, a cross section of local residents and PAPL meet twice a year to offer project updates and listen to concerns with the focus of finding solutions.

In Alberta, the acquisition of three deep cut gas plants and other natural gas assets in the fall of 2019 introduced a new layer of engagement for the company, which was made much easier through the employees who joined PAPL as part of the deal. Many live in the communities that surround our new family of assets, working at our facilities that produce the energy many rely on every day.

PAPL remains committed to being a good neighbour, working with communities where we live and operate, with a strong focus on maintaining the trust and respect that has been built up over the years. Giving back demonstrates our commitment to being part of a community. We have a clear policy of financial support that outlines how individual groups can access funding for things that truly make a difference. PAPL takes pride in supporting local initiatives such as education through high school STEM scholarships, safety through emergency services and culture through rodeos.

Being forthright and upfront with landowners and stakeholders who may be impacted by our operations is an absolute: we will not compromise. PAPL and its team will continue to participate in ongoing stakeholder engagement by working with individual landowners as well as through respected groups such as the Waterton Advisory Group, Sundre Petroleum Operators Group and West Central Stakeholders Group.

Our team in the community goes into every relationship with trust in mind: build the trust with an authentic view to help solve any issues or problems that arise. We can then share the voice of the community back to the company so that we are making the best decisions to the benefit of all.

Reserve Information and Quality of Assets

PAPL's reserves have increased significantly over 2018 due the acquisition of significant volumes of low decline, long-life reserves in the southern Alberta Foothills. Overall, the proved, developed, producing ("PDP") base decline of the corporation is now at ~ 10 per cent (based on 2020, PDP forecasts), which is one of the lowest in industry. This decline will provide a very reliable base production from which the corporation will grow significantly in the next few years to supply the Goldboro LNG Facility in Eastern Canada.

PDP gas reserves have increased 399.0 Bcf (95.1 MMBoe) from 2018 to 2019 yearend, including yearly production depletion and early economic termination of some wells, due to lower forecast commodity prices, as compared to 2018.

Total PDP reserves are 62 per cent of the total reserves, and proven developed reserves are 69 per cent of total, which, amongst our peer companies, would be considered conservative. Our Proved Undeveloped ("PUD") category represent only 6 per cent of the total reserves' category (10.3 MBoe out of 183.6 MBoe), which could also be considered to be very conservative amongst our peers.

PAPL's 2P, total proved ("TP"), and PDP reserves all increased relative to 2018. The acquisition of reserves late in 2018 was complimentary to our existing reserve base, since we were able to consolidate working interests and eliminate superfluous costs in the field, that result from scattered working interests and lack of ownership in certain midstream facilities. We saw PDP value more than double year-over-year to \$593 million, versus \$245 million, despite a 10 to 20 per cent decrease of forecast commodity prices from 2018 to 2019.

2019 Independent Reserves Evaluation

Deloitte conducted an independent Reserves Evaluation effective December 31, 2019, which was prepared in accordance with definitions, standards and procedures contained in the Canadian Oil and Gas Evaluation Handbook and NI 51-101. The Reserves Evaluation was based on “IC4” average price from four Independent Consultant Evaluators, including Deloitte, McDaniel, Sproule and GLJ and foreign exchange rates at January 1, 2020 as outlined in this release.

Stated reserves are company gross basis (working interest before deduction of royalties without the inclusion of any royalty interest) unless otherwise noted.

Canadian Domestic Forecast^a

Year	Light Oil	Natural Gas	Natural Gas Liquids			Operating Cost Inflation Rate (%/Year)	Exchange Rate (\$US/\$Cdn)
	Canadian Light Sweet Crude ^(b) 40 ^o API (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Alberta AECO (\$Cdn/Mcf)	Edmonton Propane (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Edmonton Butane (\$Cdn/Bbl)	Edmonton Pentanes Plus (\$Cdn/Bbl)		
Historical							
2013	93.36	3.17	38.54	77.44	103.52	0.90 per cent	0.97
2014	94.00	4.50	42.93	59.43	101.47	1.90 per cent	0.91
2015	57.00	2.69	5.35	33.70	55.15	1.10 per cent	0.78
2016	52.22	2.16	8.71	31.45	52.43	1.40 per cent	0.75
2017	62.11	2.16	27.56	40.96	62.85	1.60 per cent	0.77
2018	75.39	1.61	29.54	45.93	81.62	2.30 per cent	0.77
2019	66.93	1.80	27.00	39.40	62.65	1.50 per cent	0.75
Forecast							
2020	71.58	2.05	24.04	37.56	74.21	0.00 per cent	0.76
2021	75.33	2.32	28.75	44.41	78.15	1.75 per cent	0.77
2022	77.51	2.60	33.14	50.19	80.48	2.00 per cent	0.78
2023	79.77	2.74	34.16	51.67	82.77	2.00 per cent	0.79
2024	81.60	2.82	35.00	52.88	84.66	2.00 per cent	0.79
2025	83.46	2.91	35.85	54.09	86.56	2.00 per cent	0.79
2026	85.34	2.97	36.71	55.33	88.49	2.00 per cent	0.79
2027	87.19	3.03	37.55	56.53	90.4	2.00 per cent	0.79
2028	88.97	3.10	38.37	57.69	92.22	2.00 per cent	0.79
2029	90.79	3.16	39.19	58.87	94.09	2.00 per cent	0.79

Escalation rate of 2 per cent thereafter

(a) Forecast prices were estimated using the average of the escalated price forecasts of four independent reserve evaluators, namely Deloitte, GLJ Petroleum Consultants Ltd., McDaniels & Associates Consultants Ltd. and Sproule Associates Limited.

(b) Edmonton Par prior to 2014.

Net Present Value (NPV) Summary

PAPL's crude oil, natural gas and NGLs reserves were evaluated using the IC4 forecast pricing and foreign exchange rates at January 1, 2020, as described above. The NPV value is prior to the provision for interest, debt service charges, and general and administrative ("G&A") expense. It should not be assumed that the NPV of future net revenue estimated by Deloitte represents the fair market value of PAPL's reserves.

Summary of Net Present Values of Future Net Revenue as of December 31, 2019 ^(a)

Before Income Tax, Discounted at (%/year)

<i>Reserves Category</i> ^(b)	0	5	10	15	20
	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(M\$)
<i>Proved</i>					
<i>Developed Producing</i>	650,900	727,433	592,649	488,584	414,212
<i>Developed Non-Producing</i>	-147,525	34,892	47,582	39,169	29,825
<i>Undeveloped</i>	139,569	107,626	85,020	68,412	55,840
<i>Total Proved</i>	642,944	869,950	725,250	596,165	499,877
<i>Total Probable</i>	1,081,994	557,455	337,203	225,212	160,768
<i>Total Proved plus Probable</i>	1,724,938	1,427,405	1,062,453	821,377	660,645

(a) Forecast prices and costs – see "Pricing Assumptions – Forecast Prices and Costs – December 31, 2019" in the company's AIF.

(b) Values reflect abandonment and reclamation costs for all existing wells assigned reserves and for all future locations assigned reserves in the Deloitte Reserves Report in the aggregate amount of \$536 million (undiscounted) for total proved reserves and \$538 million (undiscounted) for total proved plus probable reserves.

Reserve Volume

The corporation has grown substantially year over year. It added 158 per cent to its PDP reserve volume, including depletion, due entirely to its acquisition of the southern Foothills Assets. Total proved plus probable ("TPP") reserves grew by 123 per cent, while the corporation maintained its very conservative booking of TPP versus PDP, as indicated above.

Summary of Oil and Gas Reserves as of December 31, 2019 ^(a)

<i>Reserves Category</i>	Light/Medium Crude Oil		Conventional Natural Gas ⁽¹⁾		Natural Gas Liquids		Sulphur		Total BOE	
	Gross (Mbbbl)	Net (Mbbbl)	Gross (Mmcf)	Net (Mmcf)	Gross (Mbbbl)	Net (Mbbbl)	Gross (Mlt)	Net (Mlt)	Gross (Mboe)	Net (Mboe)
<i>Proved</i>										
<i>Developed Producing</i>	-	-	753,221	667,300	29,585	21,832	6,353	2,598	155,122	133,049
<i>Developed Non-Producing</i>	-	-	87,769	72,822	3,544	2,861	155	91	18,172	14,998

<i>Undeveloped</i>	-	-	44,884	41,430	2,792	2,235	500	412	10,273	9,140
Total Proved	-	-	885,875	781,552	35,921	26,928	7,008	3,101	183,567	157,186
Total Probable	-	-	331,392	295,976	13,154	10,007	2,557	1,923	68,386	59,337
Total Proved plus Probable	-	-	1,217,267	1,077,529	49,075	36,935	9,565	5,023	251,953	216,523

(a) Natural gas volumes include associated, and non-associated gas.

Operational and Financial Highlights

With the acquisition of the Foothills Assets, PAPL added close to 29,000 boe/d of production, which has already had a positive impact on PAPL's financial outlook.

The company's quarterly results have improved significantly over the past three quarters due to the growth of PAPL's operations from its acquisitions. This continuation of the transformational growth demonstrated in the year ended December 31, 2019, will provide PAPL the liquidity it needs to operate the assets.

Pieridae recorded substantially higher metrics in revenue, net operating income ("NOI"), adjusted funds flow from operations ("AFFO") and daily production in Q1, Q2 and Q3 2020, over the previous year's performance.

Q1 results were released May 28, 2020. Highlights include:

- Revenue of \$74.0 million in Q1 2020, an increase of \$51.0 million or 222 per cent compared to Q1 2019 which includes NGLs and Condensate revenue of \$23.4 million, as well as third-party processing fees of \$6.8 million
- Petroleum and natural gas revenue increased by \$41.4 million or 178 per cent compared to Q1 2019
- NOI increased by \$14.1 million or 273 per cent compared to Q1 2019
- AFFO increased by \$12.6 million or 1,845 per cent compared to Q1 2019, and cashflow from operations improved from a deficit of \$17.1 million to positive cash flow of \$6.4 million reflecting the combined potential of PAPL's asset base

Q2 2020 results were released August 12, 2020 and, once again, PAPL recorded solid results during ongoing pandemic and challenging market conditions.

Highlights include:

- Revenue of \$68.6 million in Q2 2020, an increase of \$55.2 million or 412 per cent compared to Q2 2019
- NOI increased by \$21.2 million or 1,101 per cent compared to Q2 2019
- AFFO increased by \$19.0 million or 291 per cent compared to Q2 2019
- Q2 2020 average production was 43,791 boe/day, an increase of 28,423 boe/day or 185 per cent compared to Q2 2019

Q3 2020 results were released November 13, 2020 and, once again, PAPL recorded year-over-year increases in revenue, NOI, AFFO and production during ongoing market volatility. Highlights include:

- Revenue (net of royalties) of \$54.6 million in Q3 2020, an increase of \$41.4 million or 315% compared to Q3 2019
- NOI increased by \$2.1 million or 76% compared to Q3 2019
- AFFO increased by \$0.9 million or 13% compared to Q3 2019
- Q3 2020 average production was 38,209 boe/day, an increase of 23,552 boe/day or 161% compared to Q3 2019
- Completed deferred maintenance to ensure the continued, safe and reliable operation of our assets

PAPL's results show resiliency over the past three quarters as many companies continue to face the economic uncertainty of COVID-19 and its harsh impacts on the energy industry. PAPL completed planned maintenance of our assets in the third quarter, including the partial turnaround at our Jumping Pound Gas Plant, that had been previously deferred due to the pandemic. This work is necessary to ensure we continue to operate safely and reliably. Resulting lower volumes did impact the bottom line but was necessary to ensure there is no compromise to the safety of our employees, contractors and community. Volumes continue to recover in the fourth quarter, with October's production averaging approximately 44,100 boe/day, a 13% improvement from September.

PAPL's 2021 guidance ([link to press release](#)) was released December 7, 2020, which anticipated strong financial growth in 2021, including continued improvement of key metrics such as: NOI, AFFO and production, with an increased upstream capital budget. Nearly half of the Company's \$45-\$55 million upstream capital budget is comprised of investments for the safe and reliable operations of our assets. As part of our commitment to safety and our regulatory obligations to maintain gas gathering and processing infrastructure, we have two partial gas plant turnarounds planned in 2021, one at Caroline and the other at Jumping Pound.

According to filings for August 12, 2020, PAPL currently holds almost 800,000 net acres of land situated in Western Canada and has over 1 Tcf of proved and probable conventional natural gas reserves. PAPL maintains more than 400 producing net natural wells in Alberta and British Columbia.

On October 16, 2019 PAPL entered into a fully drawn senior secured non-revolving term Credit Facility for \$206.0 million. The Credit Facility is repayable in full on October 16, 2023; however, PAPL has discretion to repay the principal in whole or in part any time prior to this date upon 90 days written notice to the lender, without penalty. PAPL used the proceeds of the Credit Facility to partially fund the acquisition of the Foothills Assets, repay the existing \$50.0 million term debt facility with AIMCo in full, fund letters of credit required for existing and purchased assets, and to satisfy all fees and expenses associated with the Credit Facility and Acquisition.

As of June 3, 2020, PEL's shares were listed on the TSX under the symbol PEA.TO.

Pieridae's unaudited condensed interim financial statements and MD&A are available on our website at www.pieridaeenergy.com and are filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Closing

The Foothills Assets align well with PAPL's existing Central and Northern Alberta properties, providing further consolidation of the productive Alberta and British Columbia conventional Foothills natural gas corridor. The assets consist of long life, low decline production, in the range of 10 per cent, with very high liquids and sulphur yields. As conventional oil and gas assets, they have slow production decline curves, there are significant remaining proved developed reserves, and therefore, they have a long-expected life and are currently generating positive cash flow.

PAPL has been safely operating the Foothills Assets since October 17, 2019. PAPL has adopted the high standards set by Shell on safety, environmental matters and stakeholder engagement for the acquired assets and we also continue to carefully and safely manage our existing infrastructures. PAPL is an excellent candidate to take over the licenses and responsibility of operating these assets given our competent workforce and history of relevant experience.

Yours Sincerely,



Yvonne McLeod
President, Pieridae Alberta Production Ltd.

cc.

Pincher Creek and District



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FCSS Board Meeting, January 18, 2021 – Virtual 6:30 PM Minutes – signature copy

1.) **Call to order:** Kathy Verhagen call the meeting to order at 6:40 PM

Present: Kathy Verhagen, Bev Everts, Don Anderberg, Alice Wagenaar

Absent with regret: Mary Kittlaus, Stephanie Smith, Roxanne Debroux

Staff present: David Green

Confirmation of Quorum: A quorum was present

2.) Approval of Agenda

**Motion 12 / 255 / Wagenaar
That the agenda be approved as circulated.
Carried**

3.) Approval of Minutes of November 16, 2020

**Motion 12 / 256 / Anderberg
That the minutes of the November 16, 2020 meeting be approved as circulated.
Carried**

4.) New and on-going Business

- a.) Food Centre – Alice presented an update on Food Centre operations and statistics.
66 Food Hampers were distributed to 33 families in December
The Napi “One-Pot-Wonder” program continues to be very successful.
240 Hampers were distributed through the Legion and the Napi Association
Customers at the Co-op contributed 238 bags of food
There have been donations of beef
The “General’s Quarters” provided 150 meals.
The Food Centre has hired an administrative assistant for 4 hours per week.

- b.) South Region Community Health Needs Assessment Report: This report is the result of a practicum research project conducted by a student from the University of Saskatchewan. Professional oversight was provided by Stasha Donahue, Senior Advisor/Health Equity/Public and Primary Healthcare, AHS South Zone. The report has been completed and will be released shortly.
- c.) Emergency FCSS COVID grants: The reporting deadline for these grants (FCSS and Lions Club) is March 31st.
- d.) Website development: Deferred
- e.) Civil Society Grant opportunity: The Government of Alberta has initiated a \$20M grant to be used to establish sustainable “Civil Society” projects. \$7M is to be used in round one (deadline is January 20) and the balance (\$13M) is to be applied for in the second round (deadline to be announced). The grant information can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/civil-society-fund.aspx>
- f.) FCSS Advocacy Package: This information package is being prepared by FCSS Agencies across the province. It will provide MLA’s and various Ministries with current information on all FCSS activities.
- g.) Social Needs Assessment: The final draft of the Social Needs Assessment was discussed. It was noted that this assessment is one in a long line of studies and assessments done since 2005.

In many ways, it underscores needs already understood, but at the same time, provides justification for many of the items identified in the Town’s current strategic plan. Further, the Assessment will provide material for use in various up-coming community grant applications and provide direction for our own FCSS as we move toward a new fiscal year.

It is clear that not all “social needs” can be addressed at the municipal level. Things such as mental health services and regional health fall under the mandate of our provincial government. Although the statistical section of the report was built using the most recent Stats Canada data (2016), not much has changed in the interim. It was recognized that the Assessment identifies “challenges and problems”, and that the solutions to those are now up to our provincial and municipal governments and related agencies and committees. FCSS is one of those agencies.

Because FCSS continues to facilitate our local Interagency Group, it was suggested that we focus on the consolidation and distribution of any and all key information related to “social need” in the community. One aspect of that project is currently under way and is being coordinated through Community Services. FCSS has, and will

continue to play a role in the preparation and dissemination of that material. Further, we will engage the information resources available through our provincial partners to make certain that information is up-to-date and KEPT up-to-date.

Motion 12 / 257 / Anderberg

That the Social Needs Assessment - August 31 Draft be approved as provided by Nichols Applied Management and that preparations be made to present the report to Joint Councils at the earliest convenient date.

Carried

The report will be coil-bound and made available following a press release.

5.) Date for Next Board Meeting – February 15th, 2021 at 6:30 PM (possibly a virtual meeting with call coordinates to be sent one week in advance)

6.) Adjournment: There being no further business, Don declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____., 2021

* _____
Coordinator

* _____
Director

***Note: to be signed as per Motion 12 / 259 / February 16, 2021**



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2020; 6:00 pm
Virtual Meeting

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, December 3, 2020, at 6:00 pm virtually via GoTo Meeting.

Attendance:

Executive Committee:

Gordon Wolstenholme, Chairman, Remotely
 Jim Bester, Vice Chair, Remotely
 Don Anderberg, Remotely
 Jennifer Crowson, Remotely
 Doug MacPherson, Remotely
 Margaret Plumtree, Remotely
 Ian Sundquist, Remotely

Staff:

Lenze Kuiper, Director
 Tara Cryderman, Executive Assistant

Chairman Wolstenholme called the meeting to order, the time being 6:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Ian Sundquist

THAT the Executive Committee approve the December 3, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: Jennifer Crowson

THAT the Executive Committee approve the November 12, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

None

4. New Business

a. Draft 2021 Budget

The Budget notes were presented and discussed.

The reserve account was discussed.

A mid-year subdivision fee adjustment was discussed, should there be an absolute need. ORRSC does bill quarterly, so we could go back to the membership mid-year for adjustments if needed.

The Community Futures loan program was mentioned.

ACTION: To further investigate the Community Futures loan option to determine applicability to ORRSC, and if applicable, the Director is to apply.

The Regional Assessment Review Board information was presented and discussed. It was suggested to leave the RARB as it is currently offered to the membership.

The 2021 Draft Budget, the 2021 Membership Fees and the 2021 GIS Fees were presented and discussed.

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee approve the 2021 Draft Budget, as presented;

And that the proposed 2021 Budget be forwarded to the Board of Directors, at their Annual Organization Meeting, scheduled for January 7, 2021, for further deliberation.

CARRIED

b. Covid 19 Update

An update on the Covid 19 mitigation measures for the Administrative Office were discussed.

As of November 27, 2020, the ORRSC Administration Building remains opens by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling to main office.

The Planners are encouraged to attend as many meetings as possible virtually.

All appeals are encouraged to occur virtually whenever possible.

Some staff members are working from home, as encouraged by the Alberta Government.

c. Bill 48 Update

An update on Bill 48 was provided.

Bill 48 is part of the Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act.

The changes, and their impacts, to ORRSC, and in general, were discussed.

Staff are monitoring the process of this bill.

d. Annual Organizational Board of Directors Meeting

The annual Organizational Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled on January 7, 2021 completely virtually via GoTo Webinar.

This platform has the capacity to allow the entire membership to participate, as well as a polling feature for voting.

e. Subdivision Activity 2020

The subdivision activities up to November 30 were reviewed.

There has been a total of \$217,980 in Subdivision Fees collected in 2020.

5. Accounts

a. Office Accounts

i. Monthly Office Accounts, October 2020

Moved by: Doug MacPherson

THAT the Executive Committee approve the Office Accounts for October 2020, for the amount of \$10,139.35.

CARRIED

ii. Payments and Credits for September 2020

Moved by: Jennifer Crowson

THAT the Executive Committee approve the Payments and Credits for September 2020.

CARRIED

b. Financial Statements

(i) Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2020 and Comparative Income Statement - Actual to October 31, 2020

Moved by: Margaret Plumtree

THAT the Executive Committee approve the Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2020, and the Comparative Income Statement - Actual to October 31, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED

(iii) Details of Account - October 31, 2020

The details of account, as of October 31, 2020, was presented for information.

6. Director's Report

The Director provided an update on his activities since the last Executive Committee Meeting:

- Monitoring financial situation
- Policy updates ongoing
- Bylaw update ongoing
- Vehicle maintenance / winter tires
- GIS roll out training ongoing
- Grant writing

7. Executive Report

Members of the Executive Committee provided updates on their activities, and information regarding their Municipalities:

Ian Sundquist:

- New business within the region
- Development application for an expansion of an agricultural operation being presented at an upcoming MPC meeting
- ICF Committee discussions ongoing

Margaret Plumtree:

- Covid-19 impacts and restrictions being monitored
- Mandatory Mask Bylaw discussions ongoing
- Grant funding for a new initiative within the Town

Doug MacPherson:

- Daycare will be complete by end of year; opening in January 2021
- Administration Office project will be completed by March 2021
- ICF discussions ongoing

Jennifer Crowson:

- Mandatory Mask Bylaw passed
- Covid-19 impacts and restrictions being monitored

Don Anderberg:

- Mandatory Mask Bylaw discussions ongoing
- Dairy Queen construction has begun
- Several other businesses are either opening or investigating the area
- NE Area Structure Plan public consultation stage
- Recreation Master Plan ongoing
- Business licenses have increased
- Budget deliberations

Jim Bester:

- Requested clarification on a rezoning procedure

Gordon Wolstenholme:

- Car Wash is not open
- Covid-19 impacts and restrictions being monitored

8. Adjournment

Following all discussions, Chair Gordon Wolstenholme adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:21 pm.

CHAIR: _____

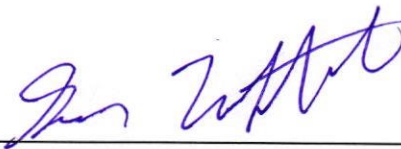




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RISKS... THEN & NOW

Bev Everts, MD Councillor for Division #3

What does a new Grandbaby, early in 2021, have to do with me being your Division 3 M.D. Councillor? For me, a great deal right now. Difficult to explain, but the accompanying photo adds context.

Wendy Ryan and I in the winter of 1988: back then we could still downhill ski with babes (Will & Bruce) on our backs, even ride T-Rex... all six of us (Marie and Matthew between our legs). Yep... seems kinda crazy now I agree, but when our little ones were born, we had a lot of opportunity to determine our own level of risk.



PHOTO BY BEV EVERTS

With the current government's removal of the 1976 Coal Development policy, without public consultation in June 2020, I feel that our ability to determine our and future generations' level of risk has come under serious threat. The risk to water quality and quantity, the risk to safe and secure food production, and even the risk to our lifestyles as we know them today, are all potentially threatened.

As your Councillor, I am proud to have worked with my fellow Councillors and administrative staff, in passing a unanimous resolution directing our Provincial Government to reinstate the 1976 Coal Policy. We also have joined with the M.D. of Ranchlands to advocate for no future changes to the current Oldman River Basin Water Allocation Order without meaningful public input.

While I respect the arguments for economic growth and local employment opportunities, the collective risks and lack of public consultation far outweigh any understanding of future benefits. Our Headwaters are our Grandchildren's future and the risk to their quantity or quality, in this Grandmother's opinion, is far too great.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Night Skiing on Green Chair 14-15

MARCH

Alpenland Demo Days TBA

Beats in the Base Concert 20-21

Fistful of Turns Banked Slalom 20-21

Tom Tataryn World's Longest Slalom 27

Beats in the Base Concert 27-28

APRIL

Beats in the Base Concert 3-4

Beats in the Base Concert 10-11

Slush Cup 11

Tentative Closing Day 11

Finally, we all continue to face the risks of a global pandemic. That collective risk is mitigated by the wise choices the majority are making. To all of you helping to keep our community safe: my heartfelt thanks.

Respectfully, Councillor Bev Everts aka Nana Bev.

ALL NEW RESIDENTS WELCOME!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Kevin Finn, President, Castle Mountain Community Association

On behalf of the entire CMCA Executive, I want to thank you all for your positive response to our membership drive. Membership doubled to almost 200 adults, and your financial generosity will permit the association to continue many of the initiatives and activities that have enhanced our community in recent years.

After several years of relative stability, a number of cabins changed hands this winter and our community gained many new members. On behalf of the community association, I want to welcome all new residents. At Castle Mountain we love our kids, we love our spouses, we love our neighbours, we love our dogs, and we love skiing. But not always in that order. Welcome aboard. We

are happy to share our special alpine playground with you.

I have a few pats on the back to pass around. We hear from the public that they welcome the security of our Covid measures. KUDOS to:

- CMR management for their daily diligence in operating the resort safely during a pandemic
- CMR staff for their grace and good humor every day on our front lines.
- The volunteers who patrol the base area, lift lines and daylodge encouraging compliance with provincial public health recommendations
- The thousands of visitors to Castle Mountain who understand that we are all in this together and if we follow the rules we can all have some fun.

This afternoon I took my dog for a walk on the Yeti cross country

trail. Along the way, I picked up my dog's waste and the waste of three unidentifiable dogs. We must do better.

A big pat on the back to Castle Mountain Resort for recognizing that the term Siwash is derogatory to our aboriginal communities. Siwash is a term derived from the French word sauvage. Chinook is a term with real meaning here: The warm Chinook wind that occurs where the Great Plains meets the mountain ranges. Chinook remains one of my favourite runs on this mountain.

Finally, a great thanks to the MD of Pincher Creek for its thoughtfulness in giving a Grant in support of our community during this pandemic.

Stay safe. See you on the hill.

UPDATE FROM CMR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By Brian McGurk, Chairman

Before updating anything, I want to give a shout out to our Inside & Outside Directors and all CMR staff, for working diligently to keep us all safe - ensuring guests mask up, socially distance and continuing to disinfect our facilities so we can enjoy a bit of normalcy in this COVID-19 world. While we are not out of the woods, we have successfully passed 50 days of operation and are half way to our commitment of 100 days.

Castle has enjoyed a real resurgence in families skiing together. The Blue, Green and Huckleberry chairs are the busiest places on the mountain. To all those families, skiers as well as new Castle homeowners, welcome to our Community!

We are connected! CMR and residents started receiving water via pipeline from the MD water system effective January 19th. The Board, CMCA members and our management team are working with the MD to complete an assessment of water costs, water meters and overall maintenance fees. We will continue to update the community as we work through the process.

Following the December Board meeting, we kicked off work on the business plan. A working group led by the Board has engaged the Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) to assist us in developing a multi-year plan that aligns with our Master Development Plan. www.skicastle.ca/masterplan/

Despite some recent firm snow conditions, we have enjoyed a busy December and January. Many weekends we are seeing upwards of 1800 skiers on a Saturday, challenging staff to ensure all COVID-19 protocols are followed. We expect that even with our daily cap on skiers, we should surpass our previous high in skier visits.

On behalf of the Board, thank you for continuing to follow all Alberta's Public Health Recommendations and Restrictions to flatten the curve while we enjoy our slice of heaven.

Brian McGurk for the Board of Directors, CMR.

PARKING, PLOWING UPDATE

By Karen Harker

Good news! We've made some progress on improving our community parking and plowing woes. Thank you to all residents and staff who are moving their vehicles following snowfalls and responding to the notifications, so the snowplows can do their work more efficiently. It's making a big difference. New signs have been posted around the perimeter roads, which have helped to ensure our fire lanes are clear of parked vehicles and that fire hydrants are accessible.

Please remember to ALWAYS move your vehicle to a plowed location following snowfalls. We'll continue to send email reminders and post on the Castle Community Residents Facebook page, but our goal is that this will become a habit for everyone and we won't need to send those reminders anymore.

Remember to tell your visitors too! (Winter Village Area Map at: skicastle.ca/villagemaps)



JULIE HEINRICH

2020 DIETER AWARD WINNER

By Hamish Collins

In Australia we have a rather famous colloquialism, 'True-Blue'. It is used to describe a person who is unwavering in their commitment; extremely loyal. Like the 'Dieter (pronounced Deeter) Award' at Castle, it is one of the highest accolades you can bestow upon a person. Julie Heinrich is more than deserving of both.

In her illustrious time at Castle Mountain, Julie has had a plethora of roles & responsibilities both within the Resort and the greater Community. Continually, Julie has risen to the call of leadership, holding such positions as Front-of-House Manager, Custodial Supervisor, Volunteer Coordinator and is the current Vice-President of the Castle Mountain Community Association. Her extensive knowledge and sheer dedication have truly made her a much-needed staple of Castle Mountain.

Julie continues to follow her passions for learning about the physical and mental health of others & more importantly, how she can utilize this knowledge to benefit the lives of those around her. No doubt, many members of the Castle Community have been fortunate to experience either her rejuvenating massages

APPLAUSE PLEASE!

The Finn Frasers and her team of great bakers, Prepared and delivered 162 Welcome Chili Dinners for staff on the hill. It's never BEAN done before! Thank you to Michele, Kevin & Jillisa for heading this generous gift!

The LiftLine Team of Michele F, Karen P, Carolyn A. & Caralee M. send out our **thanks & healthy wishes** to our very talented Graphic Designer Marisol Naranjo. While producing this spring edition, Marisol was still on the road to recovery after being ill with Covid. Thank you Sol for being part of our Liftline Team and always giving your best effort even when you are tuckered out!

or taken part in her revitalising yoga sessions. These are more attributes of Julie's love language, and those who have been privileged to experience this are enriched because of it.

Most importantly, Julie has been a dear friend for those who ski/board & live at Castle Mountain. She has always been there for those in need, no matter what. Julie is the kind of person who will always lend an ear to listen, a shoulder to cry on, be a confidant, an advisor, laugh out loud with & certainly share a drink or two. Julie has given so much to the Castle Community and we are forever grateful for everything she has done.

Julie Heinrich is & always will be a 'Castle True-Blue' and I could not think of anyone more deserving to receive the Dieter Award.



PHOTO BY BAYLIE GUTHRIE

GENERATIONS OF CASTLE STEWARDS

By David Carmichael

Castle Mountain has steeps, great snow, glades, vertical and mountainous beauty. However, perhaps the most important element that differentiates Castle from the many other ski resorts in the Rockies is our community - our feeling of fellowship toward one another that is the result of sharing a common attitude toward, and love of our remote and wild Castle Mountain playground. The quality of our community may perhaps best be measured by the number of multi-generation Castle Mountain families and the extent to which they continue to contribute to all of our experiences here. Some

Castle Mountain families can boast four generations that have slid down the mountain's slopes. That's pretty amazing and not at all common at other ski resorts.

Moreover, when you commit your time to help Castle Mountain out in one of the many ways that volunteers may contribute, you will find multi-generation family names over-represented in the volunteer base. Name a Castle club, event or organization – CMR and CMCA's boards, Westcastle Ski Club, Wild West Freestyle team, Huck Fest, Maritime Night, Drifter Days, etc – all owe their

foundation and continued success in large part to people whose commitment to Castle is so deep that it's passed along from parents to children, from children to grandchildren and, in the coming years, from grandchildren to great grandchildren. Today, new families are choosing to invest in and recreate at Castle Mountain and we're excited to welcome you all to our community. Once you settle in, you might be amazed to find out that your neighbour or the stranger sitting beside you on the Red Chair is descended from one of Castle Mountain's pioneers.

YES YOU CAN



Wrap up some treats for Staff, small or large quantities. They love home cooking. Drop off at the Main Lodge.



Snowshoe or skin up the UPHILL route known as Round UP Trail. There are Yellow signs to mark the route. Remember to Pick up a \$10 Uphill Pass at the Ticket Office.



Have a picnic at Pebble Beach. Make sure you pack out your bottles.



Tour into the Cat Ski Area on Sunday & Mondays. *Some exceptions may apply.

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LIVINGSTONE SKI ACADEMY DIALS UP

By Jason Clifton, Director of LSA



PHOTO BY J. CLIFTON

What a year it has been! With students across Alberta out of school last Spring, LSA was in limbo for months. Everyone was wondering if we would lose the 2020-21 season and we were prepared for disappointing news but, we were granted an exemption to operate. Working with the school division and Castle Mountain, we introduced extensive measures to improve the safety of our student athletes and mitigate risk, while allowing them to get on the hill for scheduled training. The time on snow with the kids has been a bright spot for all of us during a time of isolation and lack of athletic opportunities. Now more than ever, the kids need connection, friendships and goals to strive for; LSA is filling that need. It is great to see the kids enjoying themselves on the slopes in the company of their peers doing what they love.

Another silver lining for LSA has been the tremendous community support for the program during the last few months. When the LSA Society was forced to cancel our major fundraiser, the LSA Fiesta, the LSAS went to work on grant writing and reaching out to the community for support. The

municipality of Pincher Creek, the Shell Legacy Grant Program, and TransCanada Energy have all contributed to the LSA this past year. This tremendous support from the community has ensured LSA can continue to offer quality programming with low tuition rates for families.

Not only has LSA been able to continue operations, but we have grown our offerings for high school students to include a work experience program. This program allows LSA students to earn high school credits for helping coach their younger peers during LSA on-hill training. Best of all, the students can also work for Castle Mountain Snow School as staff and save for college, while completing work experience hours. We are currently piloting what we have dubbed the 'Home Grown Coaches Program' with one student, and it is going great. We look forward to expanding the program next year. Students who enroll in the Home Grown Coaches Program can gain certifications such as Level 1 Ski Instructor, Level 1 Avalanche Safety Training, IFSA coaching certification, as well as earn volunteer hours and a wealth of real-world experience.

This is the fifth official year of LSA. The program is no longer new. We overcame several challenges entering into this season, all of which have strengthened the program. We have solidified ourselves as a staple program in the school division and at Castle Mountain. We look forward to working with our community partners and Castle Mountain to grow the program by expanding the opportunities the program can offer to Livingstone School students. As the students graduate from LSA and come back to coach, we will be able to begin looking at what the LSA can do for the community. This is perhaps the most exciting aspect of what we are doing this year at LSA!

COLLECTING DONATIONS

For the Pincher Creek Women's Emergency Shelter Association

MOST NEEDED:

- Personal hygiene items
- PJs, bras & underwear (all sizes)
- Towels and bedding
- Kitchen items
- Craft supplies, toys and games
- **CASH or Cheque Donations are welcome**

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POWDERDAY HAIKU

By Graham Czebere

*From above flakes fall
Skis, boards glide gently atop
A Snowblader sinks*

JEAN PATROLLIN'

By Graham Czebere, Castle Mountain Pro Patrol

Everyone understands the utility of a classic pair of blue jeans. A trusty pair of work pants when runnin' cattle, a dressy but comfy garment for that "business casual" dinner, a surprisingly flexible and responsive layer for your quarantine workout. My guess is that the wider world may not know how effective jeans are for the modern, blue-collar ski patroller.

There is a common knowledge gap between the general public and the fleet of ski patrollers you see performing avalanche control, running toboggans on the hill with injured patients, or evacuating a temperamental chairlift amidst hurricane winds. Simply because we patrollers wear snow pants on

the outside, the skiing public misses the fact that underneath jeans are highly popular and the most effective on-mountain base layer!

Why jeans, one may ask? A fair question especially when we are encouraged to purchase the latest and greatest base layer to wick moisture, enhance mobility and reduce weight. While these may seem like realistic concerns, the benefits of jeans far outweigh the perks of any other pant.

First off, jeans are warm. They offer a superior heat to weight ratio that is commonly underrepresented. Not only do they offer warmth, but on a wild mountain such as Castle, jeans offer rugged

protection akin to medieval chain-mail. Finally, jeans when ideally fitted (more of a bootcut than a skinny), allow for the perfect range of motion, not too much and not too little.

The final note to ensure that you take your skiing to the next level is to hem the jeans to land above the top of your ski boot. It is a bit longer than a "Daisy Duke" cut, and a bit shorter than simply flipping the cuff to avoid a puddle. Ultimately this comes down to individual preference.

Regardless, take it from a patroller who spends his life on the mountain, once you jean the difference, you won't go back!

FREESTYLE FUN in '21

By Greg Stamp



PHOTO BY GREG STAMP

The Castle Mountain Freestyle Ski Club welcomes athletes from all over Southern Alberta. It is organized by a parent volunteer board, and thankful to be underway this season. We've welcomed many new skiers to the FUNdamentalz group (ages 6 - 10) and maintained athlete numbers overall.

Saturdays, coaches Trevor, Mike, Eric and Dorian train athletes on

moguls, the terrain park, big mountain, jumps and more. A club focus has been on technical skiing, ensuring athletes choose lines that are great, before they drop a cliff or cat track. Our Freestylerz CanFree & All Mountain Athletes (ages 9 and up) are learning spins, grabs, comfort on bigger jumps and fine tuning their jumping form. The FUNdamentalz athletes are honing turn techniques, small jumps and comfort with steeper runs and moguls.

Late January, we set the mogul course lines and laid out the big red airbag with the help of parent volunteers. Have you wondered what that beast is? It's just what it sounds like - a large bag filled with air! It allows athletes to practice jumps and tricks in a controlled

environment with a soft landing, and progress safely while learning to execute bigger jumps and tricks. Both sites are north of the Blue Chair and above the Green Chair. It's quite the sight to see the athletes flying off the jumps and landing on the bag.

Our delayed, 2 day Christmas Camp is rescheduled to the end of our season. With competitions canceled, we will be spending more time at Castle. If you see us in our navy blue Castle Freestyle gear, ripping down the hill or pulling off a nice jump, give a holler to let the athletes know you appreciate them!

For more club information and some great pics Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/castlefreestyle

THE CASTLE COVID COVERAGE PROJECT

By Sabrina Ryans, HR & Admin Supervisor

What a wild couple of months! As a community we've made it through uncertain times; opening a ski hill during a pandemic and seeing many back-to-back sell-out days. This could not have been accomplished without the many volunteers who stepped up in the base area and day lodge, by helping guests find their way around and reinforcing Covid protocols. 33 community volunteers have covered over 110 shifts. This has been an incredible support to staff, especially during our busy weekends and holidays. The time

given, not only gave our staff a boost from the daily grind of masking compliance duty, but helped cover the days where staff were self-isolating for runny noses and sore throats, helping to protect the whole operation. Speaking of which, I want to state a huge thank you to those staff that have, and continue to do, the right thing by staying at home and following the public health guidelines. This has meant that some have not seen family or friends outside of co-workers or households since Dec 8th. As we all know,

social connections are why most of us love this place. For many, this has meant a huge sacrifice.

As we look ahead to the rest of the season, I encourage you to keep doing the right things to keep the season safe, and show kindness and compassion to the staff, so skiing remains something we all get to do everyday.

To get involved or to learn more about the Castle COVID Project please contact:

castlevolunteer@gmail.com

MOUNTAIN MOMENTS OF THE PAST

The following excerpts are from *Kenworthy S (2014). The History of West Castle to Castle Mountain Resort 1965-2007 Pg 24-26 Castle Mountain Community Association*

For skiers from outside Southern Alberta, West Castle's arrival on the provincial ski scene simply provided another choice of ski hills, but for Southern Alberta skiers, West Castle's opening brought big mountain skiing to their own backyard.

When the hill was operating and skiing was good some Pincher Creek businesses even started closing one afternoon a week to go skiing according to Brian Wright... "Skiing was born for many in the local area with the opening of West Castle

even though there was not a great lot of economic spinoff in the early years" said accountant Charlie Price.

Al Coryn was one of the Pincher Creek locals that skied West Castle in its first year of operation and he recalled the terrain being so challenging that staff were selective about who could go to the top of T-Bar #3 due to how rough the hill was.

"The only thing you could come down was the Centre run and at that time there was a wicked gully all the way down so you had to come down on skier's right. It didn't fill in until a lot later in the season. They would only let you go up to a certain point unless you looked like you could handle it."

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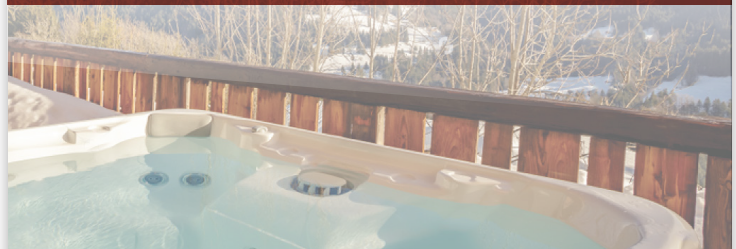
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CMCA Annual Membership Form – 2020/21



CMCA memberships are **\$20 per year, per adult**, due at the time of application/renewal. Membership is **open to all Castle residents and others with strong CMR connections**, age 18 or older. CMCA initiates and develops many projects in our community. We appreciate your membership, and your financial and volunteer support. Primary method of communication is by email. **Please email a copy/photo of your completed form, or any questions/comments, to CastleMountainCommunity@gmail.com, and eTransfer your fees and donations to treasurerCMCA@gmail.com indicating in the Notes section the name of the members your payment is covering.**

Your Name(s) & Contact Information (Please list all adults whose fees you are paying. Use back of page as needed.)

Surname	First Name	Email Address	Cell Ph #	Home Ph #	Home Location*

**Eg Home Location: Castle, Pincher Creek, CNP, Lethbridge, Calgary ... Knowing members' home locations can be useful in representing CMCA to governments.*

Your Total Annual Fees due: \$20 x #adults listed, ___ = \$ _____ **Payment Method:** Cash ___ Cheque ___ eTransfer ___ **Mail Address** Box 455 Pincher Creek T0K1W0

Your Connection(s) to CMCA (check/describe all that apply)

- Have a residence at Castle**** Cabin, suite or RV address: _____ Local ph# _____
- Work for Castle Mountain Resort (CMR)**
- Hold, or will hold, a 20/21 CMR season's pass** (Note: this, by itself, is a non-voting membership category)
- Other** (also, by itself, a non-voting membership category), please describe: _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION (Optional)

Are you joining CMCA for the first-time ___ **OR** **renewing your membership** ___? *If renewing, in what year did you first join CMCA?* _____ (approx.)

Do you have family under age 18 who regularly join you at Castle? Yes ___ No ___ *If yes, please list their ages:* _____
(Knowing this can help us improve planning of age-appropriate and inclusive events.)

In the past few years, have you:

- Done volunteer work with CMCA? If so, THANK YOU, & please describe briefly:
- Made material donations to CMCA (eg, silent auction items)? If so, again, THANK YOU, & please describe briefly:
- Made financial donations to CMCA? If so, again, THANK YOU, & please describe briefly:

This year, are you potentially interested in:

- Doing some volunteer work with CMCA?
- Making some material donation(s) to CMCA?
- Making a financial donation to CMCA? (Note: You may add a donation to your current membership fee payment.)

Thank you very much for expressing interest in any/all of these ways of support! CMCA board members will follow-up with you.

CMCA abides by the Alberta Personal Information Act and shall not sell, barter or lease any of its membership, donor or other lists as per sections 56(1)(iii) and 56(3) of this Act.

** Residents: If CMCA should resume publishing a Residents' Directory, for distribution solely among Castle residents, would you like your information included?	
Yes ___ No ___	Signature _____ Date _____

**THE CROWSNEST/PINCHER CREEK LANDFILL ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
January 20, 2021**

The regular meeting of The Crowsnest/Pincher Creek Landfill Association was held at 9:30 am
Wednesday January 20, 2021 it was a Virtual Zoom Meeting

Present: Brian Hammond, Municipal District of Pincher Creek #9
Dean Ward, Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
Brian McGillivray, Town of Pincher Creek
Warren Mickels, Village of Cowley
Emile Saindon, Landfill Manager
Dean Bennett, Landfill Operations Supervisor
Jean Waldner, Landfill Office Supervisor

AGENDA

Brian Hammond

Moved the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried. 01.20.21-1350

MINUTES

Brian McGillivray

Moved the minutes of November 18, 2020 be adopted as circulated. Carried. 01.20.21-1351

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. MSW steady.
2. Industrial cell is quiet with small jobs trickling in.
3. Staff are working on site with equipment maintenance.
4. Keeping Covid-19 protocols in place with all staff members.
5. We had a video conference with Tervita staff last week to discuss current operations and potential for 2021 contracts.
6. Transition of duties with Dean on-going as we prepare for our busy season.

Warren Mickels

Moved that the Manager's report be accepted as information. Carried. 01.20.21-1352

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Income Statement and Balance sheet to December 31st, was reviewed. Administration went over the reports and answered all the financial questions. All office records have been transported to MNP in Lethbridge. Administration is very busy working with the auditors to prepare our year end statements. The AGM should take place March 17th, 2021.

Brian McGillivray

Moved the financial statements be accepted as information. Carried. 01.20.21-1353

BYLAW DEFICIENCIES

Concerns from Alberta Registries were sent back to Brownlee LLP our lawyers. A new draft was sent to administration and forwarded to Jessica Dorian from Alberta registries. Administration talked to Jessica and she confirmed that the last changes made are satisfactory.

Brian McGillivray

MADE A SPECIAL RESOLUTION at this meeting to accept these new revised bylaws and that they be sent to Alberta Registries as soon as possible.

Carried. 01.20.21-1354

RECYCLING UPDATE

The Landfill Manager said he hasn't heard from any of our members yet since our proposals were distributed. Dean Ward said the Crowsnest Pass is still considering the proposal.

Brian McGillivray said the Town of Pincher Creek are still interested. Brian Hammond from The Municipal District of Pincher Creek said they are working out the details and should get Back to us soon.

Warren Mickels

Moved this report be accepted as information.

Carried. 01.20.21-1355

REQUEST BY DIRECTORS TO MOVE INTO A CLOSED SESSION WITH LANDFILL MANAGER

Brian Hammond moved to go into a closed session at 10:00 am

Carried. 01.20.21-1356

Warren Mickels moved to come out of this closed session 10:45 am

Carried. 01.20.21-1357

NEXT MEETING DATES

February 17, 2021	July 21, 2021
March 17, 2021 (AGM)	August 18, 2021
April 21, 2021	September 15, 2021
May 19, 2021	October 20, 2021
June 16, 2021	November 17, 2021
	December 15, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

Warren Mickels

Moved the meeting adjourn at 10:17 am

Carried. 01.20.21-1358


CHAIRMAN


ADMINISTRATION



M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 OPERATIONS REPORT

1.0 Upcoming Meetings:

- Meeting with Director on Energy Rates, Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

2.0 Discussion:

- Meeting with Joint Worksite Health Safety Committee on Wednesday, February 10, 2021.
- Meeting with CAO, on weekly meeting with Operations Tuesday, February 16, 2021.
- Meeting with Superintendent on Operations Thursday, February 18, 2021.

2.0 Public Works Activity Includes:

- Road Maintenance – Roads are being graded in all Divisions. The Public Works has grader (8) graders out on the roads doing winter maintenance.
- Review and installation of new metering stations in Lundbreck are in progress.
- Review of all Gravel Pits for reclamation.

• 3.0 Capital Projects Update:

- Bridge File 75009 – Wild Cat Ranch. Tendering of the work will happen in the spring of 2021.
- Bridge File 75377 – Local Road over Screwdriver Creek. Tendering of the work will happen in the spring of 2021.
- Bridge File 02488 – Fisher Bridge. Maintenance repairs are scheduled in the spring of 2021.
- Bridge File 74119 – Pony Truss Bridge. The proposed tender is scheduled for the end of January 2021.
- Bridge File 2224 – Lank Bridge. The proposed tender is scheduled for the end of January 2021.
- Bridge File 75265 – Local Road over Heath Creek. – The proposed engineering and design of the road are being reviewed and is in progress.
- Bridge File 07743 – Local Road over Gladstone Creek. – The proposed engineering and design of the road are being reviewed and in progress.
- Lundbreck – 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Street. – The proposed tender will happen in the spring of 2021.
- Bruder Hill – The engineering and design are in progress with a proposed tender in early spring 2021.
- Gladstone road – The proposed road construction on the road is to happen in the summer of 2021.
- Cabin Hill – The proposed engineering and design of the road is in progress.
- Hucik Hill – The proposed work is to happen in the summer of 2021.
- Landfill Road – RR 1-5. The proposed engineering and design of the road is in progress.

- Lundbreck Lagoon Aerated System – The proposed construction of a new aeration system is in the early spring of 2021.
- **Castle Area Regional Water Supply Contracts 1 (Pipeline) & Contracts 2 (Mechanical)**
 - The MD had their ribbon-cutting ceremony at Castle Mountain Resort parking lot celebrating its success on February 11, 2021.
- **Beaver Mines Water Distribution, Collection and Wastewater Treatment System.**
 - The drawings and the tender package for the Water Distribution, Collection System and Wastewater Treatment System by our Consultants will be completed by the middle of March 2021. Proposed project of start construction is in spring of 2021 with a proposed completion in 2022, once we have approval from Alberta Environment.
 - Additional information for AEP was sent on February 11, 2021, by the MD regarding the Statement of Concerns. Should the responses be considered satisfactory, the MD hopes that a Draft Approval by the Director is issued to proceed with the approval process.
- **Beaver Mines Forcemain & Lift Station**
 - The drawings and the tender package by our Consultant will be ready by the middle of March 2021. Proposed project of start of construction is this spring for all aspects of the project, with completion expected in early 2022, once we have approval from Alberta Environment.

Attachments

Program Capital Projects Status
Call Logs

Recommendation:

That the Operations report for the period February 9, 2020 to February 17, 2020, which includes the Program Capital Projects Status update and the call log, is received as information.

Prepared by: Aaron Benson <i>AB</i>	Date: February 17, 2021
Reviewed by: Troy MacCullch <i>JM</i>	Date: February 17, 2021
Submitted to: Council	Date: February 23, 2021

2021 Capital Budget Summary



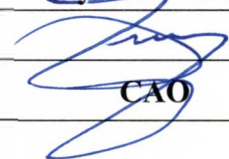
Project #	Service Area	Description	Total Cost	Sources of Project Funding				
				Grants	Debt	Reserves	Operations	Total Revenue
Infrastructure								
PW-BF-1	Bridges	Bridge File #75009 Wild Cat Ranch	580,000	580,000			580,000	
PW-BF-2	Bridges	Bridge File #75377 Local Road over Screwdriver Creek	370,000	370,000			370,000	
PW-BF-3	Bridges	Bridge File #74119 Pony Truss Bridge	170,500	170,500			170,500	
PW-BF-4	Bridges	Bridge File #2224 Lank Bridge	198,000	198,000			198,000	
PW-BF-5	Bridges	Bridge File #75265 Local Road Over Heath Creek	53,000			53,000	53,000	
PW-BF-6	Bridges	Bridge File #7743 Local Road over Gladstone Creek	46,000			46,000	46,000	
PW-R-1	Roads	Lundbreck - 1st, 2nd & 3rd Street	605,000			605,000	605,000	
PW-R-2	Roads	Bruder Hill	470,000	470,000			470,000	
PW-R-3	Roads	Gladstone	250,000	250,000			250,000	
PW-R-4	Roads	Cabin Hill	64,000	64,000			64,000	
PW-R-5	Roads	Hucik Hill	50,000			50,000	50,000	
PW-R-6	Roads	Landfill Road - RR 1&S	20,000			20,000	20,000	
	Water/Wastewater	Lundbreck Lagoon Aerated System	180,000			180,000	180,000	
BMDC	Water/Wastewater	Beaver Mines Distribution and Collection	4,119,994	4,119,994			4,119,994	
BMLF	Water/Wastewater	Beaver Mines Lift Station and Forcemain	1,950,745	1,950,745			1,950,745	
BMWW	Water/Wastewater	Beaver Mines Waste Water Treatment Facility	1,903,335	1,903,335			1,903,335	
Infrastructure Total			11,030,574	10,076,574	-	954,000	-	11,030,574
Equipment								
	Public Works	Mulcher Attachment	40,000			40,000	40,000	
	Public Works	Disc Harrow	25,000			25,000	25,000	
	Public Works	Wobbly Compactor	25,000			25,000	25,000	
	Public Works	Air Compressor and Lines	25,000			25,000	25,000	
	Public Works	Dump Trailer	25,000			25,000	25,000	
	Public Works	Tri-Axle Pup	35,000			35,000	35,000	
	Public Works	Scissor Neck Tri-Axle	90,000			90,000	90,000	
	Agriculture	Truck mounted intelligent sprayer	20,000			20,000	20,000	
Equipment Total			285,000	-	-	285,000	-	285,000
Fleet								
	Public Works	3/4 Tonne Truck	50,000			50,000	50,000	
	Public Works	3/4 Tonne Truck	50,000			50,000	50,000	
Fleet Total			50,000	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Community Services								
		Park Improvement - Lundbreck Dog Park	25,000			25,000	25,000	
Community Services Total			25,000	-	-	25,000	-	25,000
Grand Total			11,390,574	10,076,574	-	1,314,000	-	11,390,574

Legend

- Proposed Preliminary Engineering Costs
- Projects in Planning & Design Stage
- Projects in Planning & Tender Stage
- Projects in Construction Stage
- Projects in Close Out Stage
- Projects on hold

Information update to Council

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TITLE: STANDPIPE IN BEAVERMINES UPDATE			
PREPARED BY: Aaron Benson		DATE: February 17, 2021	
DEPARTMENT: Public Works and Services			
Department Supervisor		ATTACHMENTS:	
Date		APPROVALS:	
<u>Aaron Benson</u> 	<u>February 17, 2021</u>	<u>Troy MacCulloch</u> 	<u>17 Feb, 2021</u>
Department Director	Date	CAO	Date

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL:
That Council receives the information for the update.


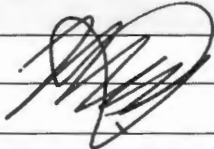
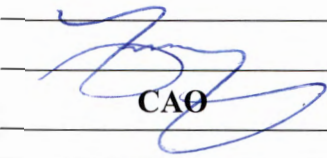
BACKGROUND:

- Communication regarding a temporary or permanent standpipe at the metering station was sent to the Beaver Mines Community Association. The standpipe will be addressed at their next meeting on their February 27th Board meeting.
- Only those with a pre-authorization account, either prepaid or charged accounts, can use the secure access terminal, which should reduce RV's and campers entering to the site.
- The new standpipe meets AEP on the safe drinking water of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act as the unit has a double backflow preventer with air gap assembly supplied. However, the standpipe will require the water licence of Beaver Mines to be amended with additional water allocated to the standpipe to meet the Government of Alberta Water Act.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- If the standpipe is located as a temporary solution, then the MD will need to relocate the unit somewhere else in the future.
- If the standpipe was located at the metering station as a permanent solution, the fire hall's design would need to accommodate the standpipe .

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Carry Forward Reserve – 2020 Adjustments		
PREPARED BY: Meghan Dobie		DATE: February 15, 2020
DEPARTMENT: Finance		
		ATTACHMENTS:
Department Supervisor	Date	1. 2020 Reserve Summary
APPROVALS:		
	Feb 15, 2021	
Department Director	Date	CAO
		17 Feb. 2021
		Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council change the restricted use of the ‘REMO surplus’ in the Next Years Completions Reserve to the Emergency Management Reserve (6-12-0-746-6740) for \$5,469.10, and further;

That Council change the restricted use of the ‘PW gravel crushing & royalties’ in the Next Years Completions Reserve to the Road Infrastructure Reserve (6-12-0-757-6740) for \$22,620, and further;

That Council change the restricted use of ‘Maycroft Road’ in the Next Years Completions Reserve to the Road Infrastructure Reserve (6-12-0-757-6740) for \$15,001.88, and further;

That Council approve all of these changes in the 2020 fiscal period.

BACKGROUND:

The MD hold funds for projects or other expenditures of operational nature that have been carried over from one year to a subsequent year in the Next Year Completions Reserve.

The funds held for REMO surplus, PW gravel and royalties, and Maycroft road in the Next Year Completions Reserve, are no longer required. In order to access these funds in the future, they must be restricted in another reserve account.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:
N/A

Reserve Summary

December 31, 2020

GL ACCOUNT STRING	Reserve (Restricted Surplus) Accounts	Opening Balance	Transfer To Reserves*	Transfer From Reserve	Ending Balance	Notes
6-12-0-740-6740	Airport	329,771	-	-	329,771	
6-12-0-742-6740	Bridge	2,139,615	400,000	(244,657)	2,294,958 (A)	
6-12-0-751-6740	Building	200,000	-	-	200,000	
NEW	Dam (Water Storage)	-	-	-	-	
6-12-0-752-6740	Equipment	2,298,901	800,000	(416,719)	2,682,182 (B)	
6-12-0-746-6740	Emergency Management	47,622	-	-	47,622	
6-12-0-748-6740	Gravel Reclamation	1,162,461	205,000	(50,828)	1,316,633 (C)	
6-12-0-753-6740	Next Year Completions	143,599	39,000	(37,956)	144,643 (D)	
6-12-0-761-6740	PCECSC Equipment	-	50,000	-	50,000	
NEW	Regional Airport Development	-	-	-	-	
6-12-0-757-6740	Road Infrastructure	2,362,843	76,321	(25,685)	2,413,479 (E)	
6-12-0-755-6740	Recycle Equipment	89,388	-	-	89,388	
6-12-0-754-6740	Regional Community Initiatives	562,044	133,430	(500,000)	195,474 (F)	
6-12-0-744-6740	Seniors Housing	200,000	-	-	200,000	
6-12-0-735-6735	Tax (Mill) Rate Stabilization	1,091,246	121,055	(7,008)	1,205,292 (G)	
6-12-0-758-6740	Water Infrastructure	843,341	33,140	(171,920)	704,560 (H)	
6-12-0-759-6740	Wastewater Infrastructure	370,495	263,951	(255,911)	378,534 (I)	
		<u>11,841,325</u>	<u>2,121,897</u>	<u>(1,710,685)</u>	<u>12,252,537</u>	

*Transfers to Reserves are all the 2020 budgeted Transfers unless stated otherwise below

(A) Bridge Reserve

Bridge File Name	Completed	Open	Total
Bridge File #8860 Beaver Mines Creek		156,962	
Bridge File #13957 Connelly Creek		38,860	
Bridge File #75009 Wild Cat Ranch		26,833	
Bridge File #75377 Local Road over Screwdriver Creek		22,003	
		<u>244,657</u>	<u>244,657</u>

(B) Equipment Reserve

Purchases	Purchase Price
AES Spray Truck	63,527
6 Way Plow Attachment - Unit# 007 Loader	22,839
Steamer Unit	15,353
Excavator (Res 20/405)	315,000
	<u>416,719</u>

(C) Gravel Reclamation

Project Name	Transfer In	Transfers Out
Hwy 22 Pit Reclamation		48,980
Bruder Pit Reclamation		1,848
HWY 3A Write Off (written off through operations)		
		<u>50,828</u>

(D) Next Year Completion Reserve

	Opening Balance	Transfer To Reserves	Transfer From Reserve	Ending Balance	Notes
REMO Surplus	16,698		(11,229)	5,469	Carryforward surplus for EMA committee - 2019 - Request for use of funds sent to EMA Committee; - 2020 used 5k for additional covid funds, sent cheques to Town and Cowley for their portion of surplus
Admin Artwork	9,611			9,611	Carryforward - Art Committee
Admin Safety Vests	1,970		(1,527)	443	Carryforward -
Bylaw RCMP Contract	200		(200)	-	
Planning Documents	47,500			47,500	Municipal Development Plan - To be complete 2021
PW Gravel Crushing & Royalties	22,620			22,620	Carryforward -
PW Line Painting	20,000		(20,000)	-	Funds originally for line painting, re restricted for crack sealing work res 20/183
PW Crack Sealing	-	20,000	(20,000)	-	Res: 20/183 - funds restricted for crack sealing work to be done in 2020
Recreation - Ag Society Roof	5,000			5,000	Res: 17/435 Contribution to Ag Society for roof repairs, 2018 - MD Supports Grant Application for new roof. Keep reserve if grant not given
Diamond Software Upgrades	5,000		(5,000)	-	Upgraded scheduled for 2019, complete in 202C
Maycroft Road	15,002			15,002	Maycroft Road- Legal fees
MRF Spray Truck Setup	-	19,000		19,000	
Chart of Accounts Project	-	20,000		20,000	
Rounding	(2)			(2)	
	<u>143,599</u>	<u>59,000</u>	<u>(57,956)</u>	<u>144,643</u>	

(E) Road Infrastructure Reserve

Project Name	Transfers Out
Road and Culvert Repair NW 20-05-28 W4M on Twp. Rd 5-4 (Res)	25,685

(F) Regional Community Initiatives Reserve

Contribution to PCCELC	500,000
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(G) Tax (Mill) Rate Stabilization Reserve

Lundbreck Hall Repairs (Res 20/274)	5,000
Lexin and Quesfire Write Off (Res 20/231)	2,008
	<u>7,008</u>

(H) Water Infrastructure Reserve**

Project Name	Transfer In	Transfers Out
Beaver Mines Water Servicing (BMWS)		151,141
Beaver Mines Distribution & Collection (BMDC)		20,779
Budgeted Transfer to Reserve	33,140	
	<u>33,140</u>	<u>171,920</u>

(I) Wastewater Infrastructure Reserve**

Project Name	Transfer In	Transfers Out	Notes
Beaver Mines Waste Water Solution (BMWW)	205,409	175,518	Transfer In - relates to a coding adjustment as a result of AMWWP received
Beaver Mines Lift Station and Forced Main (BMLF)	18,542	16,630	Transfer In - relates to a coding adjustment as a result of AMWWP received
Beaver Mines Waste Water Lagoon		11,000	
Lundbreck Lagoon (Res 20/368)		52,764	
Budgeted Transfer to Reserve	40,000		
	<u>263,951</u>	<u>255,911</u>	

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Landfill Road Maintenance Agreement – Reserve Adjustment			
PREPARED BY: Meghan Dobie		DATE: February 16, 2021	
DEPARTMENT: Finance			
Department Supervisor		Date	ATTACHMENTS: 1. Landfill Road Maintenance Agreement
APPROVALS:			
	<u>Feb 15, 2021</u>		<u>17 Feb, 2021</u>
Department Director	Date	CAO	Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council restrict the \$75,000 received from the CNPC Landfill in the Road Infrastructure Reserve (6-12-0-757-6740), in the 2020 fiscal period.

BACKGROUND:

In 2020 the MD, with CNPC Landfill, renewed the road maintenance agreement. This agreement was put into place for 5 years starting January 1 of 2018. Payments for 2018, 2019 and 2020 (total of \$75,000) were received by the MD upon signing of the agreement.

The Road Infrastructure Reserve sets aside funds for future capital road projects.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$75,000 restricted in the road infrastructure reserve.

AGREEMENT

LANDFILL ROAD MAINTENANCE

**BETWEEN THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO.9
P.O. BOX 279, PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA T0K 1W0
(hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality")**

POSTED

- And -

**THE CROWSNEST/PINCHER CREEK LANDFILL ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 668, PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA TOK 1 W0
(hereinafter referred to as the "Association")**

WHEREAS: The Municipality incurs expenses for the ongoing maintenance of the road from the Landfill site in the NW 8-7-1-W5M access, north on RR 1-5 to TR 7-2, west on TR 7-2 to RR 2-0, north on RR 2-0 to TR 7-4 (Highway 3A), east on TR 7-4 (Highway 3A) to Highway 3 (hereinafter referred to as the "Landfill Road");

WHEREAS: The majority of the traffic on the Landfill Road is accessing the landfill site;

NOW THEREFORE: The Municipality and the Association, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants, conditions and terms herein contained, agree with each other as follows:

The Association shall:

1. Pay to the Municipality on an annual basis TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00) for five (5) years starting January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022, for maintenance provided by the Municipality on the Landfill Road. Payments will be made by July 1st of each year with 2018, 2019 and 2020 payment due upon signing this agreement.
2. At the end of the five years, enter into negotiations with the Municipality for future compensation to the Municipality on maintenance for the Landfill Road based on actual costs incurred.

The Municipality shall:

1. Be responsible for the regular road maintenance required on the Landfill Road for summer and winter maintenance for 2018 through 2022 five (5) year period.

2. At the end of the five (5) year period provide to the Authority a cost analysis of maintaining the Landfill Road for the five (5) year period 2018 through 2022.
3. Enter into negotiations with the Association at the end of the five (5) year period for future cost-sharing of expenses incurred on maintaining the Landfill Road.

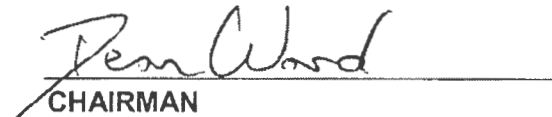
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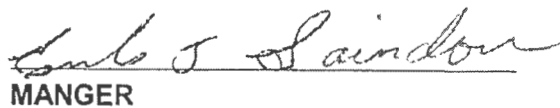
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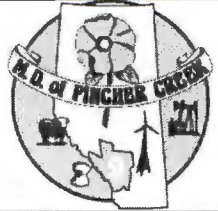
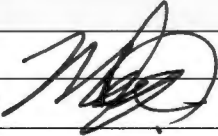
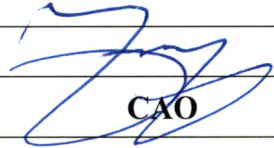

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

THE CROWNEST/PINCHER CREEK
LANDFILL ASSOCIATION


CHAIRMAN


MANGER

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: MOST Grant and IT System Upgrades			
PREPARED BY: Meghan Dobie		DATE: February 18, 2021	
DEPARTMENT: Finance			
ATTACHMENTS:			
1. Email Correspondence w/Grant Advisors			
2. 2020 Budget comparison pre and post COVID			
Department Supervisor	Date		
APPROVALS:			
	Feb 18, 2021		18 Feb, 2021
Department Director	Date	CAO	Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve the use of \$6,700 from the tax rate stabilization reserve for IT system upgrades, and further;

That Council approve the use of \$133,842.28 in MOST funds, to be applied against the loss in tax revenue in the 2020 fiscal year.

BACKGROUND:

The MD was awarded \$305,233 in MOST funding. At the Council meeting held on October 27, 2020, Council made the following resolution:

“Moved the Council approve funding additional work from home operating expenditures, as a result of COVID-19, in the amount of \$50,000 through the Municipal Operating Support Transfer”.

Included in the \$50,000 was an IT system upgrade to increase the speed when accessing our systems from home. Our system provider has been extremely slow in making the switch. They cannot guarantee the upgrade will be complete by March 31, 2021. Therefore this will likely no longer qualify for MOST funding, as the expenditure may be incurred after the March 31, 2021 deadline.

In order to ensure the MD has fully utilized the grant, the MD applied the following to the MOST Grant:

- 2020 - \$133,842.28 due to loss in tax revenue
- 2021 – \$171,390.72 contributions to community organization

Therefore, the MD will require a resolution for the use of reserve funds related to IT system upgrades.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$6,700 tax rate stabilization reserve

Meghan Dobie

From: MA Municipal Stimulus <MA.MunicipalStimulus@gov.ab.ca>
Sent: November 6, 2020 1:04 PM
To: Meghan Dobie
Subject: RE: Municipal Operating Support Transfer

Email confirmation with grant advisors.

Hi Meghan,

If you revised your tax rate after April 1 due to the pandemic, then the difference in expected tax revenue can be considered a revenue reduction and would be eligible for MOST funding.

Feel free to send any other questions our way! G.

Changed April 14, 2020.

Greg Hutchinson
Manager, Policy & Analysis
780-638-3247

Classification: Protected A

From: Meghan Dobie <AdminFinance@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2020 8:35 AM
To: MA Municipal Stimulus <MA.MunicipalStimulus@gov.ab.ca>
Subject: RE: Municipal Operating Support Transfer

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Hi Greg,

The questions keep coming 😊 ! I think this will be my last one.

On the MOST FAQ sheet, #3 speaks to lost revenue. Specifically that a comparison could be between a 2020 budget passed prior to the pandemic and a budget amended in response to the pandemic.

The MD revised their municipal tax revenue from the original 2020 budget as result of the COVID-19 pandemic. We passed a revised budget post pandemic with a 0% increase in tax revenue and as such had to make some significant cuts to our operations. Could this be considered lost tax revenue and be covered under the grant?

Thanks again for the all the help.

Meghan Dobie CPA, CMA
Director of Finance

Municipal District Of Pincher Creek No.9
P: 403-627-3130
F: 403-627-5070

From: MA Municipal Stimulus <MA.MunicipalStimulus@gov.ab.ca>
Sent: October 15, 2020 8:46 AM
To: Meghan Dobie <AdminFinance@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>
Subject: RE: Municipal Operating Support Transfer

Budget Adjustments

	Revised Budget	Approved Budget	Change	Comments
Municipal Tax Levy	11,281,275	11,868,575	(587,300)	Adjustment to keep tax rates the same
Tax Penalty	10,000	26,000	(16,000)	Extension of penalty Deadline
Total Revenue Change			(603,300)	
Council - Hotels, Travel, Training, IT	21,750	34,000	(12,250)	Cancellation of RMA and FCM, removal of computer upgrade
Admin - Training	13,690	27,380	(13,690)	Non-Union Training cut 50%
Admin - Janitor	50,000	95,100	(45,100)	New Tender signed in Jan 2020
Admin - IT	117,900	120,400	(2,500)	Removal of new computers for staff with the exception of 1
PW - Wages	2,317,730	2,437,730	(120,000)	Seasonal summer staff down from 7 to 5 (70k), Vacant Operator position will not be filled (50k)
PW - IT	85,730	93,730	(8,000)	Removal of new computers for staff
PW - Training	21,625	26,250	(4,625)	Non-Union Training cut 50%
PW - Contracted Services	921,500	1,111,500	(190,000)	Dust Control Application will now be done internally (195k), removal of shoulder pulling and ditch rehab (20k), misc. increase of 25k for any unforeseen items that come up.
PW - Gravel Crushing Royalty	200,000	250,000	(50,000)	Signed new contracts at Bruder and Mcrae. Royalties will be \$2 per cubic yard.
PW - Dust Control Product	165,000	235,000	(70,000)	Based on the dust control policy (C-PW-009) the MD is doing 34.8km of dust control work in 2020. The approved budget took a very conservative approach and included additional funds for product testing. By bringing the dust control number down by 70k, the MD will not move forward with product testing and the revised budget should be more in line with actuals.
AES - Wages	288,760	298,760	(10,000)	Revised Seasonal Staff wages + savings in Assistant Ag. Feldman
AES - Training	2,000	4,000	(2,000)	Non-Union Training cut 50%
Bylaw - Police Costing	110,000	165,000	(55,000)	Actual policing costs
Planning - Training	1,190	2,380	(1,190)	Non-Union Training cut 50%
Transfer to Tax Rate Stab	46,055	65,000	(18,945)	Lower Transfer to Balance
Total Expense Change			(603,300)	

**Council Resolution required in actuals to adjust carry forward adjustment Line Painting to Crack Sealing


AES, February, 2021

- February 1, dams and Intensive Livestock Operation (ILO) list for deadstock program
- February 2, equipment, safety, dams
- February 3, ASB Meeting, reporting, file management
- February 4, meeting follow up (next season contract/notice discussions), toxicant reporting, seed cleaning plant visit
- February 5, vacation day
- February 8 – 10, personnel & hiring
- February 8, Bistrainer (safety), contractor management
- February 9, mapping, GIS prep
- February 10, JHS meeting, deadstock bin repairs
- February 11, 12, 15 – 19, STAT & vacation time taken
- February 22, general shop & office (bringing things up from vacation time taken), SWIM meeting
- February 23, premix & rental equipment procedure for 2021
- February 24, ASB Package, policies, strategic plan
- February 25, meeting with CFIA, provincial reporting (if out yet)
- February 26, seed samples, equipment & budget

Sincerely,

Shane Poulsen,
Agricultural Fieldman

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Request to Develop Portion of Road Plan 2623AZ SW 21-6-1 W5M (McRae)										
PREPARED BY: Roland Milligan		DATE: February 17, 2021								
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development										
Department Supervisor	Date	ATTACHMENTS: 1. Email from Applicants 2. GIS Map 1:5000 Scale 3. GIS Map 1:1000 Scale								
APPROVALS:										
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Department Director	Date	CAO	Date							

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the request to develop a portion of Road Plan 2623AZ located within the SW 21-6-1 W5M, to the minimum standard (Policy No. C-PW-019), for the purpose of providing access to the SE 20-6-1 W5M.

BACKGROUND:

The MD received the attached email (*Attachment No. 1*) dated February 10, 2021, from applicants Donald (Chester) McRae and Ken McRae, requesting to construct a minimum standard road, Policy C-PW-019, on a portion of undeveloped road plan 2623AZ for the purpose of providing access to the SE 20-6-1 W5M (*Attachments No. 2 and No. 3*).

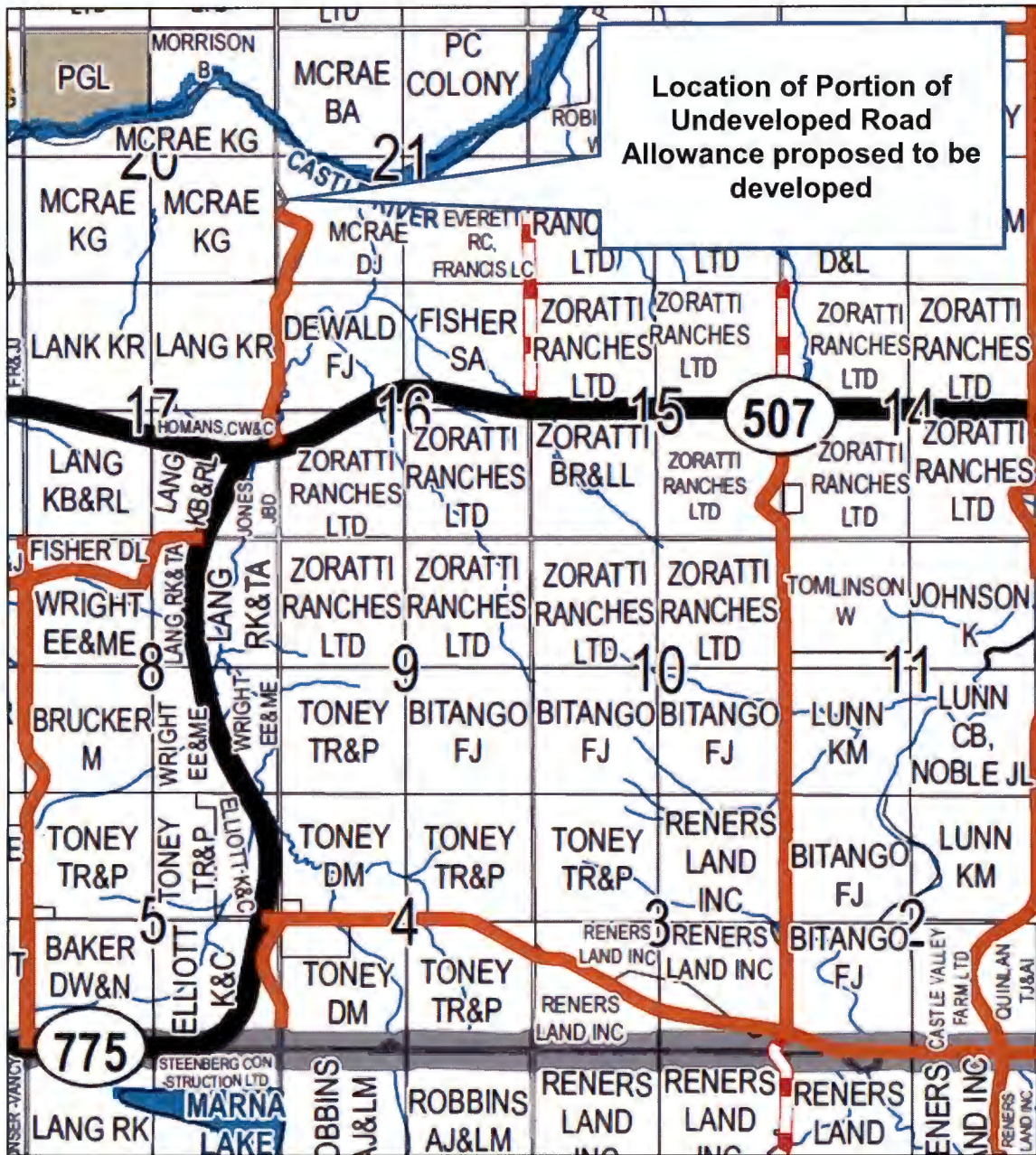
The applicants wish to develop the road to provide another (better) field access to the SE 20-6-1 W5M.

The new development will be approximately 130 metres of new roadway within the road plan, with a small portion on the road allowance between the two parcels. The Public Works department has been requested to review the proposal. At the time of preparing this report, a report from PW had yet to be received. If received prior to the meeting, it will be forwarded to Council for review and consideration.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None at this time. If the road is improved to the MD minimum standard, the ongoing cost of year round care and maintenance will be borne by the landowner.

Recommendation to Council Map Showing Location



From: [Chester McRae](#)
To: [Roland Milligan](#)
Cc: [Travis McRae](#)
Subject: Road Plan 2623 A.Z.
Date: February 10, 2021 5:30:14 PM

Roland, as discussed today at your office, Ken McRae and myself are requesting approval from the M.D. Council to approve the development of the north portion of Road Plan 2623 A.Z. as per your marked up drawing. Road to be constructed to Minimum Standard Road Design Specifications. This road development allows access to S.E. ¼ 20-6-1-5 without crossing S.W. ¼ 21-6-1-5. Any other information required please contact me.

Regards

Chester McRae



CASLEE RIVER

Portion of Road Plan 2623AZ to be developed to minimum standard

SE 20-6-1 W5M

SW 21-6-1 W5M

GRAVEL PIT

Lot 2
Blk. 1
Plan 171 0438

Rge. Rd. 1-1

NE 17-6-1 W5M

NW 16-6-1 W5M

Rge. Rd. 1-4





Portion of Road Plan 2623AZ to be Developed to Minimum Standard (130m)

UNDEVELOPED ROAD ALLOWANCE

ROAD PLAN 2623AZ

SE 20-6-1 W5M

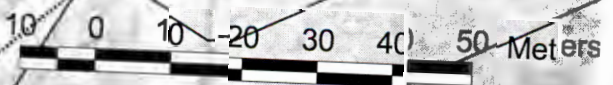
SW 21-6-1 W5M

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Entrance to Gravel Pit

RANGE ROAD 1-4

ACCESS RW (171 0437)



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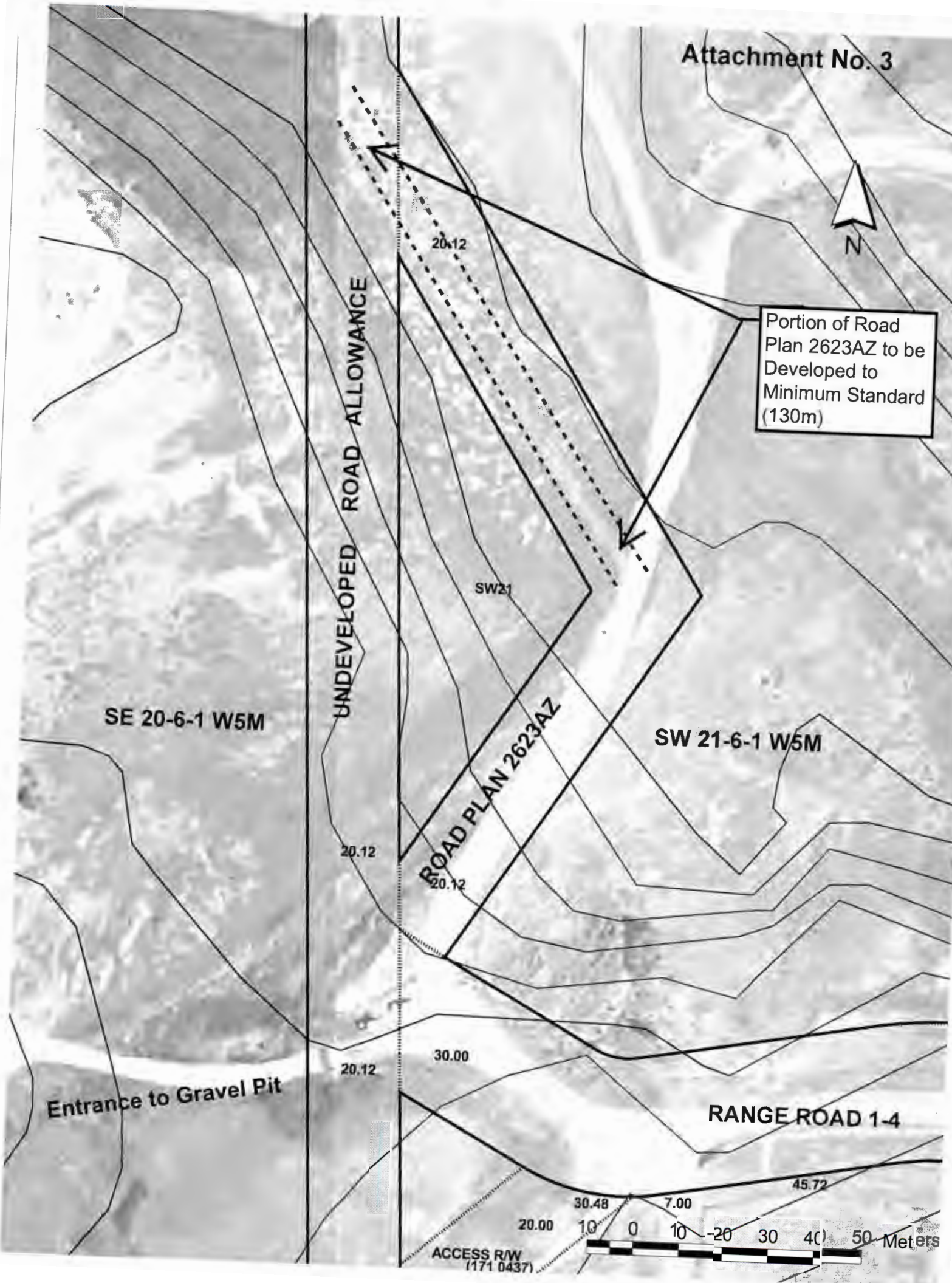
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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Feb 10, 2021 – Feb 23, 2021

DISCUSSION:

Feb 10	Post Council follow-up with SMT (Senior Mgmt Team) and Exec Asst Joint Health & Safety Committee
Feb 11	Emerging Trends with Brownlee Law Castle Regional Water Supply Commissioning at CMR
Feb 12	Meeting with MLA Roger Reid First meeting with proposed Mediator for PCESC Funding Dispute
Feb 16	Meeting with Dir Ops Water Billing prep for Mar 01 commencement Recycling Meeting with Dir. Dev. and Cao from Town
Feb 17	Covid Conference Call with Gov. of Alberta, AHS and Dr. D. Hinshaw Fire Response Process/Billing review with Dir. of Finance REMO contract review
Feb 18	Police Summit Meeting with RMA, AUMA, Min. Madu and RCMP Resident issue with land acquisition Water Rates with large users review with Admin. Assistant and Dir. Fin. PCESC letter review with Reeve, Cllr. Yagos and Dir Fin. Staff meeting with new staff member Regional Airport Meeting
Feb 19	Mediator Review with CAO from the Town REMO contract review with CAO from the Town Year-end review with Dir. Finance
Feb 22	SMT Meeting (Senior Mgmt Team)
Feb 23	Committee and Council Meetings

- Numerous other meetings throughout this period to address any issues or tasks from the Feb 9th meeting.

Upcoming Meetings

- Feb 26 – Provincial Budget Review with RMA
– Social Needs Assessment Meeting with AHS and FCSS
- Mar 01 – Planning and Subdivision
- Mar 03 – Agriculture Services Board Meeting
- Mar 04 – Admin Building Inspection for JHSC

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period Feb 10, 2021 – Feb 23, 2021.

Prepared by: Troy MacCulloch, CAO

Date: Feb 18, 2021

Respectfully presented to: Council

Date: Feb 23, 2021

From: [Valerie Michalsky](#)
To: [MDInfo](#)
Date: February 8, 2021 3:47:28 PM

Good afternoon,

I am writing to you in regard to the bill that landowner Mark Burrows received from the Municipality for fire fighting expenses. The reason I have contacted you is I am also a landowner in the MD of Pincher Creek. I am absolutely sickened by this huge bill this man has received for a fire that started on MD property.

I just recently contacted my insurance company, along with a few others, to find out if I had sufficient coverage. Turns out I just like Mark Burrows only have an automatic coverage of \$10,000. Some other insurance companies only have an included coverage of \$5,000 unless you put an extra rider onto the policy. I was shocked to find out that my insurance provider won't provide the option to purchase an additional rider on the policy to even come close to covering an amount like this. The maximum coverage my provider will cover is \$10,000! Now I am forced to find an insurance company that will hopefully cover a cost like this if something were to happen. So far all I have found is other companies will offer a rider policy to cover only up to \$30,000! So I hope you can see and understand my concern. All I have to base fire fighting costs on is the bill that Mark Burrows received for \$52,603. This concerns me because with coverage of \$30,000 I would still have to come up with another \$22,000! What if my bill was even more than Mark Burrows! This could be devastating to landowners!

I believe the MD has created some major issues and problems for the future. The MD has now made residents question whether or not they should be contacting the fire department if a fire starts. You have made people fearful and now they will assume the responsibility of fighting the fire themselves.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Valerie Michalsky

Attention: Reeve and Council M.D. of Pincher Creek

Recent events have revealed that I have a potential liability for costs incurred if emergency personnel are dispatched to my property. My personal insurance would cover up to \$25,000 but it seems that this may not be enough and I know of others that do not have anywhere near this kind of coverage.

My request is simple, for now. Please have Administration calculate and communicate how much (as a % of current taxes) all property taxes in the MD would have to be raised in order for any firefighting costs be funded completely by the MD.

It seems that when a fire occurs in this windy part of the world, the last thing we want is for someone to delay asking for assistance because they are concerned about the ultimate cost of doing so.

Thank you in advance for responding to this request.

Cornell Van Ryk



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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

February 16, 2021

Attention: MD Council

SUBJECT: Request for a Council Resolution Supporting a Fire Smart Cross training program for the Pincher Creek Area

FRIAA (the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) has funded several projects in the Pincher Creek MD starting with the Wildfire Mitigation Strategy and includes several education projects as well as a vegetation management project and other pre-incident plans.

Last year PCESC utilized funds from FRIAA to do an exercise at Castle Resort to provide training to our mutual aid partners.

We are applying for funding to continue collaborating with our mutual aid partners by conducting a cross training exercise which addresses the skills needed on a wildland urban interface incident in 2021.

Part of the submission is a requirement for a MD council resolution supporting this project.

I am requesting that MD council approve a resolution supporting this project.


David Cox
Chief
Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission



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February 16, 2021

Attention: MD Council

SUBJECT: Request for a Council Resolution Supporting continuation of the vegetation management program for the Castle Resort Area

FRIAA (the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) has funded several projects in the Pincher Creek MD starting with the Wildfire Mitigation Strategy and includes several education projects as well as a vegetation management project and other pre-incident plans.

Last year PCESC utilized funds from FRIAA to do a vegetation management program at Castle Resort. Limits on funding left some outstanding work identified in the treatment prescriptions approved for the resort.

We are applying for funding to continue the vegetation management work in 2021.

Part of the submission is a requirement for a MD council resolution supporting this project.

I am requesting that MD council approve a resolution supporting this project.

David Cox
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February 16, 2021

Attention: MD Council

SUBJECT: Request for a Council Resolution Supporting a Fire Smart Education program for the Pincher Creek Area

FRIAA (the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta) has funded several projects in the Pincher Creek MD starting with the Wildfire Mitigation Strategy and includes several education projects as well as a vegetation management project and other pre-incident plans.

Last year PCESC utilized funds from FRIAA to purchase media time, both print and radio, to make people aware of the value gained by Fire-smarting their property.

We are applying for funding to continue this education plan in 2021.

Part of the submission is a requirement for a MD council resolution supporting this project.

I am requesting that MD council approve a resolution supporting this project.

David Cox
Chief
Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission



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- Volunteer training and recognition opportunities. Related to the above point.
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- A template on how to celebrate and acknowledge staff and volunteers for their leadership and commitment to their community.
- Assessment of current service delivery as a benchmark against other similar sized municipalities complete with recommendations for improvements and sharing of sector proven solutions.
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On behalf of our Alberta Recreation & Parks Association and Communities in Bloom Alberta, we hope you will include us in your plans to Celebrate, Educate and Support your valued staff and volunteers.

For more complete information please visit our website at <https://arpaonline.ca/program/cib>.





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February 11th, 2021

Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) – Directive 067 Feedback,
Suite 1000, 250 – 5 Street SW,
Calgary, Alberta
T2P 0R4.

Re: Thorhild County concerns regarding proposed changes to AER Directive 067
“Eligibility Requirements for Acquiring and Holding Energy Licences and Approvals”

AER/ Dear Regulator

At its February 9th, 2021 meeting the Council of Thorhild County unanimously passed a motion directing that this Comment Letter be forwarded to the AER outlining our municipality’s significant concerns regarding proposed changes to Directive 067 which fail to address non-payment of levied municipal taxes by Licence Holders of provincially regulated oil and gas properties.

As an example – and since the province’s adoption of the PERC (Provincial Education Requisition Compensation) Grant – Thorhild County (for the four (4) tax years 2017-2020) has been required to write off (excluding additional permitted penalties) over 6.9% of its annual budget revenues through this 4 year period owed the County by local oil and gas Licence Holders. Further; these municipal tax defaults have resulted (just in Thorhild County) in the loss of \$400,292 levied for municipal collection in support of the Province’s ASFF (Alberta School Foundation) and \$65,787 levied to support Seniors Housing.

In principle Thorhild County Council supports any changes to this Directive which better protects the interests of all Alberta residents. It is encouraging to see the AER proposing changes which will protect the required funding of the province’s Orphan Well Fund and ensure the payment of all provincial fees and royalties. However; it is disappointing to see that the AER has elected to ignore calls (for more than three years now) from over eighty (80) rural municipalities seeking to ensure that the AER (and the Province of Alberta) act to protect municipal taxation and security powers relating to insolvent Licence Holders (or those continuing operations under bankruptcy protection).

Simply too many operators are defaulting on municipal taxes owed (including School and Seniors Foundation levies) which are assessed by (and ultimately owed to) the Province of Alberta. It is frustrating that the AER has ignored these municipal calls and decided not to address these well documented and often communicated concerns.

Thorhild County Council requests that the AER include the following three (3) necessary amendments in conjunction with the current update of Directive 067:

1. "Section 5 – Maintaining Eligibility" the AER should immediately revoke the Licences of continuing viable Licence Holders choosing not to pay all (or any) of their municipal tax obligations;
2. "Section 4.5) – Unreasonable Risk (Obtaining General Licence Eligibility)" the AER should not authorize or permit the purchase or transfer of any Licences involving an existing oil or gas Licence Holder (or operator) currently in default of any municipal tax obligation anywhere in Alberta; and
3. "Section 4.5) – Unreasonable Risk (Obtaining General Licence Eligibility)" the AER should initiate steps with the assistance of the Alberta Government (Municipal Affairs) to ensure that municipalities are recognized as secured creditors (through any bankruptcy involving Licence Holders) to secure and collect that municipality's (and the province's) taxes levied and owed.

Our communities, and particularly Alberta's rural communities, are the municipalities that own and are expected to safely maintain the important infrastructure necessary for the oil and gas industry to succeed. As a partner in this success the fair assessment and collection of municipal taxes (including provincial taxes levied for school and seniors) is foundational to the support and maintenance of this infrastructure by our municipality.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding these requested changes to the update of Directive 067.

Sincerely,



Reeve Kevin Grumetza
Thorhild County

CC. Glenn van Dijken MLA
Provincial Caucus
Member Communities – RMA
Member Communities – AUMA



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February 9, 2021

Reeve and Council
M.D. of Pincher Creek #9
Box 279
Pincher Creek, AB
T0K 1W0

Re: Pincher Creek Foundation Funding Formula

Dear Reeve and Council,

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Pincher Creek passed the following resolution at their February 8, 2021 regular meeting of Council;

That Council for the Town of Pincher Creek receive and approve the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Committee recommendation to both the Municipal District and the Town Councils that the Pincher Creek Foundation revised funding formula be phased in over a five (5) year plan, the first percentage change to take place in 2022, with the final funding formula being approximately 60% Municipal District and 40% Town by 2025, adjusted slightly with the Village of Cowley funding.

Accordingly, the Town of Pincher Creek respectfully requests consideration of same. Trusting this information to be satisfactory and in anticipation of a favorable response, we await your reply in due course.

Yours Truly,

Laurie Wilgosh

Laurie Wilgosh LGA, CAO
Town of Pincher Creek

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cc: Pincher Creek Foundation



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Cardston County

February 9, 2021

The Honourable Jason Kenney, M.L.A., Premier of Alberta
Office of the Premier
307 Legislature Building
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Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

RE: Class 1 Mandatory Entry-Level Training (MELT) Program Concerns

Dear Premier:

As a rural municipality that is highly dependent on the agricultural sector, we have become increasingly concerned with the deadlines, costs, and training opportunities related to the Class 1 MELT program. While we understand and appreciate the rationale behind MELT, we believe that the unintended results of the program require consideration and hope to work together to develop practical solutions.

The effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on Albertans is unprecedented, and agricultural sector workers are no exception. An extension of the March 1, 2021 deadline for the MELT Knowledge and Road Test would greatly assist in providing relief for the agricultural sector workers who have been disrupted by the pandemic. To accomplish this, we ask that you consider extending the March 1, 2021 deadline for the MELT Knowledge and Road Test by a minimum of six months.

In addition, we have heard from many of our residents that access to training is a serious issue, particularly in rural areas. Offering the Class 1 MELT Knowledge and Road Tests throughout the year in various locations across the province would improve the ability for our rural residents to access the required training.

We applaud the Province for establishing the “Driving Back to Work” program, aimed at subsidizing 90% of MELT expenses for 300 unemployed Albertans. Despite these efforts, the financial burden required to acquire MELT certification remains as a significant barrier to employed Albertans in rural communities. We ask that the Province consider solutions to minimize the financial burden. Potential solutions include but are not limited to: reducing minimum instructional hours, supporting and developing cost-saving technologies to reduce instructional hours such as online training, and expanding the Canada-Alberta Job Grant (CAJG) criteria to enable more agricultural sector employers to qualify for grant funding.

Working together to develop solutions for these concerns will be of significant benefit to agricultural sector workers, rural communities, and the province as a whole. On behalf of

Cardston County Council, we thank you for the consideration of our request.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randall M. Bullock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Randall M. Bullock, B.Mgt. (Finance)
Reeve

Cc:

The Honourable Devin Dreeshen, M.L.A., Minister of Agriculture and Forestry
The Honourable Ric McIver, M.L.A., Minister of Transportation
Mr. Joseph Schow, M.L.A.
Alberta's Municipal Districts
Town of Cardston



February 8, 2021

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Honourable Jason Kenney
Office of the Premier
307 Legislature Building
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Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6
premier@gov.ab.ca

Re: Coal Development Policy for Alberta Reinstatement

Dear Premier Kenney,
Please be advised that Council for the Town of Pincher Creek passed the following resolution at their February 3, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting;

That Committee of the Whole for the Town of Pincher Creek direct administration to prepare a letter of support to the Premier and related ministries, similar to the one prepared by the Municipal District of Pincher Creek, requesting reinstatement of the 1976 Coal Development Policy for Alberta.

Accordingly, the Town of Pincher Creek is respectfully requesting the immediate reinstatement of the June 15, 1976 Coal Development Policy for Alberta, which was rescinded on June 1, 2020.

In addition, the Town of Pincher Creek respectfully requests that the Government of Alberta begin public consultation with all stakeholders in Alberta on any proposed revision to this policy.

The Town of Pincher Creek looks forward to the engagement of stakeholders, other municipalities and Provincial Departments as this process moves toward a broader public consultation.

Trusting this information to be satisfactory.

Yours Truly,

Laurie Wilgosh

Laurie Wilgosh LGA, CAO
Town of Pincher Creek
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cc: Minister of Environment & Parks, Honourable Jason Nixon aep.minister@gov.ab.ca
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February 5, 2021

VIA Email

Troy Sorensen, Councillor
Town of Edson
Box 6300
Edson, AB T7E 1T7

Dear Mr. Sorensen:

Re: Proposed Grassy Mountain Coal Mine and the Provincial Coal Policy

On behalf of the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass Council we feel it is incumbent upon ourselves to provide a response to your email of January 25th and draft letter to Premier Kenney with respect to the proposed Grassy Mountain Coal Mine and the Provincial Coal Policy.

As mentioned in your letter to Premier Kenney; in terms of competition for future coal produced at the Grassy Mountain Coal Mine, there would be no competition for the Vista Coal Mine as this mine produces thermal coal as opposed to metallurgical coal which are two entirely different products with two entirely different markets/customers for those products. The Cardinal River mine has reached the life expectancy for that particular site and in effect has been mined-out without looking at further costly expansion. The Grande Cache Mine while being a metallurgical coal mine has also been noted to be a costly mine to operate with an unstable history of maintaining operations.

The Grassy Mountain Coal Mine is not being proposed on the site of pristine mountain wilderness. The mine is actually resurrecting a site which was previously mined in the 1950's and 1960's which when operations ceased was walked away from with little to no thought about reclamation. We anticipate that the operations at Grassy Mountain will actually leave the site in a better environmental state than how it currently resides.

Furthermore, the Grassy Mountain Coal Mine was permissible under the 1976 Coal Policy as being listed as Category 4 lands which were previously disturbed by mining activity. The project has been underway for the last six years and from our viewpoint has been approached as being mindful of the

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environmental impacts, mindful of the needs of our community, and mindful in their approach to being open and transparent as to the planning for mitigation of all negative impacts.

Councillor Sorensen, just as you are proud of Edson's history based on coal mining, an economic driver for your community that we never opposed, the foundation of Crowsnest Pass was also built around coal mines and our economic viability to this day is tied to coal mining. Our Council is fully cognizant of the fact that coal mining is a way of life in this corner of the province and has a direct impact on our economy both in sustaining our citizens through gainful employment whether it be at the Teck mines just across the border from us in British Columbia, or through a resurrected venture located partly in our community which can also gainfully employ our citizens and provide countless economic spinoffs to our community.

With that being said, we wish to unequivocally state that we are also focused on the potential impacts to the surrounding environment and impacts to our watershed and the potential effects on communities downstream. We understand and share in the concerns being raised across the region, but also have faith that the technologies being planned by Riversdale will measure up to the environmental standards of today and serve to mitigate the potential hazards of an industry of this nature. This project will enable our community to once again enjoy the vibrant, resource-based economy that so many of our fellow communities in Alberta have been built on.

Thank you for your consideration of our point of view, we hope to find common ground with our neighbors and fellow citizens of this province and hopefully clear up some of the misconceptions being promoted by various sources. We ask that you and your Council please lobby the provincial government in support of the Grassy Mountain Coal Mine.

Sincerely,



Mayor Blair Painter
Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
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cc:

Premier Jason Kenney	Clearwater County	M.D. Greenview
Sonya Savage, Minister of Energy	Town of Cochrane	M.D. Ranchland
Jason Nixon, Minister of Environment	Foothills County	Town of Nanton
Roger Reid, MLA for Livingstone-Macleod	Town of Fort MacLeod	Town of Okotoks
Mayor Kevin Zahara, Town of Edson	Town of High River	Town of Pincher Creek
Town of Banff	Town of Hinton	MD of Pincher Creek
City of Calgary	Town of Jasper	Town of Rocky Mountain House
Town of Canmore	City of Lethbridge	Rocky View County
Town of Cardston	M.D. Bighorn	Yellowhead County

Alberta SouthWest Regional Alliance

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday December 2, 2020 - Zoom

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Board Representatives

Barney Reeves, Waterton
 Jim Bester, Cardston County
 Brent Feyter, Fort Macleod
 Blair Painter, Crowsnest Pass
 Victor Czop, Nanton (alt)

Dennis Barnes, Cardston
 John Van Driesten, MD Willow Creek
 Warren Mickels, Cowley

Resource Staff

Bev Thornton, AlbertaSW

1. Call to Order and Welcome
 Executive Director called the Organizational Meeting to order, to appoint Executive Officers and Signing Authorities.
2. Election of Executive
 Moved by Victor Czop THAT the current Executive representatives continue in their respective positions for another term.
Carried. [2020-12-713]
 The AlbertaSW Executive Officers for the upcoming term are:
 Dr. Brian (Barney) Reeves, Chair
 Mr. M.J. (Jim) Bester, Vice-Chair
 Mr. Scott Korbett, Secretary Treasurer
3. Appointment of Signing Authority
 Moved by Brad Schlossberger THAT the current Designated Signing Authorities be appointed for another term.
Carried. [2020-12-714]
 The AlbertaSW Designated Signing Authorities remain as:
 Dr. Brian (Barney) Reeves
 Mr. M.J. (Jim) Bester
 Mr. Scott Korbett
 Mr. Brent Feyter
4. Approval of Agenda
 Moved by Dennis Barnes THAT the agenda be approved with addition of letter from MW Willow Creek ICF Subcommittee.
Carried. [2020-12-715]
5. Approval of Minutes
 Moved by Jim Bester THAT the minutes of November 4, 2020 be approved as presented.
Carried. [2020-12-716]
6. Approval of Cheque Register
 Moved by Brad Schlossberger THAT cheques #2863 to #2876 be approved as presented.
Carried. [2020-12-717]
7. Yellowstone to Yukon proposed project
 This proposed project is still in development and AlbertaSW participation still to be determined. Additional information will continue to be shared with the Board and stakeholders.
8. Letter from MD-WC ICF Subcommittee
 As part of the MD of Willow Creek Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework, a Regional Economic Development Subcommittee has written to the AlbertaSW Board with an invitation to be part of the

discussion and determine how to work together on next steps.
Moved by Blair Painter THAT the Board accept that invitation with appreciation for the opportunity to support the collaboration.
Carried. [2020-12-718]

9. Regional Promotion update

Accepted as information.

10. EV Funding follow-up

SouthGrow is in process of applying to be an administrator for Natural Resources Canada Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program.

The Community Energy Association, our partners in British Columbia, are also applying for the same program.

Since these are different provinces applying for federal funds, it is felt there is no conflict in providing letters of support for both applications.

Moved by Dennis Barnes THAT we send a letter of support for each project.

Carried. [2020-12-719]

11. Government of Alberta update

Jim Bester provided a report of the December 1, 2020 on-line meeting with the Hon. Doug Schweitzer, Minister of Jobs, Economy, and Innovation, MLA Martin Long, Parliamentary Secretary for Small Business and Tourism, REDA Chairs and Managers and senior department staff.

12. Executive Director Report

Accepted as information.

13. Round Table Updates

Accepted as information.

14. Board Meetings

➤ January 6, 2021-no meeting scheduled

➤ February 3, 2021-Zoom meeting

➤ March 3, 2021-Zoom meeting (TBD)

15. Adjournment

Moved by Blair Painter THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Carried. [2020-12-720]

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Chair

Secretary/Treasurer

Alberta SouthWest Bulletin February 2021

Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA) Update

❖ Invest in Alberta/Xperience Magazine

This Annual Economic Developers Alberta (EDA) publication for 2021 is a “double feature” to highlight industries, experiences and investment opportunities across the province. **A copy has been sent to each AlbertaSW CAO. 15,000 hard copies are distributed; digital version is available at: <https://investalbertamag.ca/digital-issue/>

- Invest in Alberta section features a short profile of each REDA (pages 17-21).
- Xperience Alberta section has a feature story about Peaks to Prairies EV Charging Station Network (pages 14-17); a mention that AlbertaSW Crown of the Continent is a Top 100 Sustainable destination (page 27); and, an ad placed by the Regional Innovation Network of Southern Alberta (RINSA), on behalf of all partners (pages 40-41).

❖ Energizing Agricultural Transformation (EAT)

On Ag awareness Day, February 23, the University of Lethbridge will announce new initiatives and a speaker series that is intended to help connect research programs to producers and businesses in our regions. This will address next steps identified by the AlbertaSW EAT Resource Roundtable and will extend to include RINSA partners to reach a broader southern Alberta audience. Watch for details!



❖ Alberta Regional Dashboard

We are ever more needful of data to help identify trends and develop next steps. We are turning new attention to information available via the Alberta Regional Dashboard. This provincial resource can be “sliced and diced” in different ways, by municipality or by pre-defined regions. Check it out at <https://regionaldashboard.alberta.ca/#>

❖ Comments and trends in municipalities in AlbertaSW

- infrastructure projects include municipal upgrades, solar installations, residential subdivisions
- summer demand for outdoor recreation has continued into the winter; ski hills are having a successful season
- communities note an increase in number of businesses licenses and new development
- residential real estate sales have increased by as much as double in some communities



❖ Crown of the Continent Geotourism Council completing strategic plan

The planning for 2021 was addressed in two on-line sessions with partners from British Columbia, Alberta and

Montana. All partners have fewer resources, and it is valuable to have clear, shared priorities. We appreciate having Alberta Environment and Parks, Alberta Jobs, Economy and Innovation, Travel Alberta, Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC), and Parks Canada contributing ideas and perspective from our region.

❖ Southern Alberta Business Succession Partnership

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February 17, 2021

RE:

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) Application for the West Path Delivery 2022 (Project) under section 214 of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act (CER Act) Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (Commission) Procedural Direction No. 4 and Information Request No. 3

As directed by the CER, NGTL encloses a copy of NGTL's Procedural Direction No. 4 and Information Request No. 3 CER.

TC Energy is a leading North American energy infrastructure company with over 65 years of experience and has an industry leading safety record. We are committed to building and operating our natural gas system safely. From design and construction to operation and maintenance, safety is an integral part of everything we do.

We strive to engage stakeholders early and often. We believe engagement is a two-way process and invite communities, landowners, and other interested stakeholders to share their questions and concerns with us so that we can provide information, follow up, and, where possible, incorporate input into our plans. Please do not hesitate to contact our Public Affairs department in regard to the proposed Project.

Sincerely,

Preston Seier
Public Affairs, Canada West

Attached
C11532-1_CER_Procedural_Direction_No._4_NGTL_West_Path_Delivery_2022
C11532-2_CER_IR_No._3_NGTL_West_Path_Delivery_2022



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Dear Mr. Scott, Mr. Yee and Mr. Ducharme:

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Application for the West Path Delivery 2022 (Project)
under section 214 of the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act (CER Act)*
Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (Commission)
Procedural Direction No. 4 and Information Request No. 3**

On 22 January 2021, O'Chiese First Nation (OCFN) filed redacted evidence on the Canada Energy Regulator's (CER) online repository titled O'Chiese First Nation Violation Review Nova Gas Transmission Ltd. West Path Delivery 2022 Project (Report). The un-redacted version was also filed with the CER on 22 January 2021. In the Report, OCFN identified a number of concerns about how the Project affects their ability to exercise Inherent and Treaty Rights and offered preliminary recommendations for mitigation and accommodation measures.

On 29 January 2021, NGTL filed its redacted reply to the Report on the CER's online repository, followed by an un-redacted version on 2 February 2021.

The Commission requires additional information is required from NGTL, as set out in the attached Information Request (IR). NGTL must respond on or before **23 February 2021** and serve a copy of their response on OCFN.

The CER holds regulated companies accountable to conduct all activities safely to eliminate or reduce risk to people, property and the environment. The CER interprets these responsibilities in a manner consistent with the *Constitution Act, 1982*, including subsection 35(1), which recognizes and affirms the existing Aboriginal and Treaty rights of the Indigenous peoples of Canada.

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Any order or decision issued by the Commission can include conditions. Conditions outline requirements that a company must meet in relation to a project. The Commission's standard conditions require companies to implement all of the commitments and undertakings that are set out in the project application and/or during the review process. Additional conditions are included to address issues specific to a project, to address potential concerns, and to ensure the project can be undertaken in a manner that is safe and protects people and the environment. All conditions imposed by the Commission are enforced pursuant to the CER Act.

The Commission has decided to provide an opportunity for interested persons and NGTL to comment on draft conditions, if they should wish to do so. The Commission will issue proposed draft conditions on or before **25 February 2021** and allow OCFN and interested persons to file comments by **11 March 2021**. NGTL will be allowed to file comments on or before **18 March 2021**, as set out in **Appendix I**. All relevant issues and concerns brought forward by Indigenous peoples will be considered by the Commission with the intent that issues and concerns will be mitigated to the extent possible.

Draft conditions reflect how potential concerns with a project may be addressed. The Commission notes that **releasing draft conditions in advance of a decision is not an indication of the Commission's upcoming decision to either approve or to deny the Application. Rather it is a tool, to assist in collecting information from interested persons, to assist the Commission in making its decision.**

As noted in the Commission's Procedural Decision dated 16 December 2020, transparency is a cornerstone of project reviews and regulatory decisions and helps ensure procedural fairness and robust consideration of all information before decisions are made. While the Commission recognizes some Indigenous knowledge requires confidential treatment, the Commission appreciates that the parties filed redacted versions of the Report and reply on the CER's online repository. The Commission encourages interested persons to continue to file any correspondence on the online repository, when possible.

The Commission appreciates the filings made by OCFN and NGTL thus far. The Commission welcomes any additional information interested persons wish to provide in accordance with the timelines set out in Appendix 1. This information may help the Commission better understand the potential effects of the Project on the exercise and practice of Indigenous and Treaty rights and to identify appropriate mitigation measures. Following the opportunities for comment set out in Appendix 1, as well as NGTL's response to IR No. 3, the Commission will complete its evaluation of the Application.

The CER is dedicated to the safety and well-being of its staff, Indigenous peoples, the public, and all those with whom we work closely. For more information on how the CER is continuing its regulatory oversight during the COVID-19 pandemic, please refer to the following update issued 11 December 2020: www.cer-rec.gc.ca/CovidProcessUpdate.

The CER's preferred filing method is online through its e-filing tool, which provides step-by-step instructions. If unable to file a document online, it may be filed by email to Secretary@cer-rec.gc.ca.

The Commission directs NGTL to serve a copy of this letter on all interested persons, by **19 February 2021**.

Please contact Jess Dunford, Director, at 403-472-6280, or 1-800-899-1265 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by S. Wong for

Jean-Denis Charlebois
Secretary of the Commission

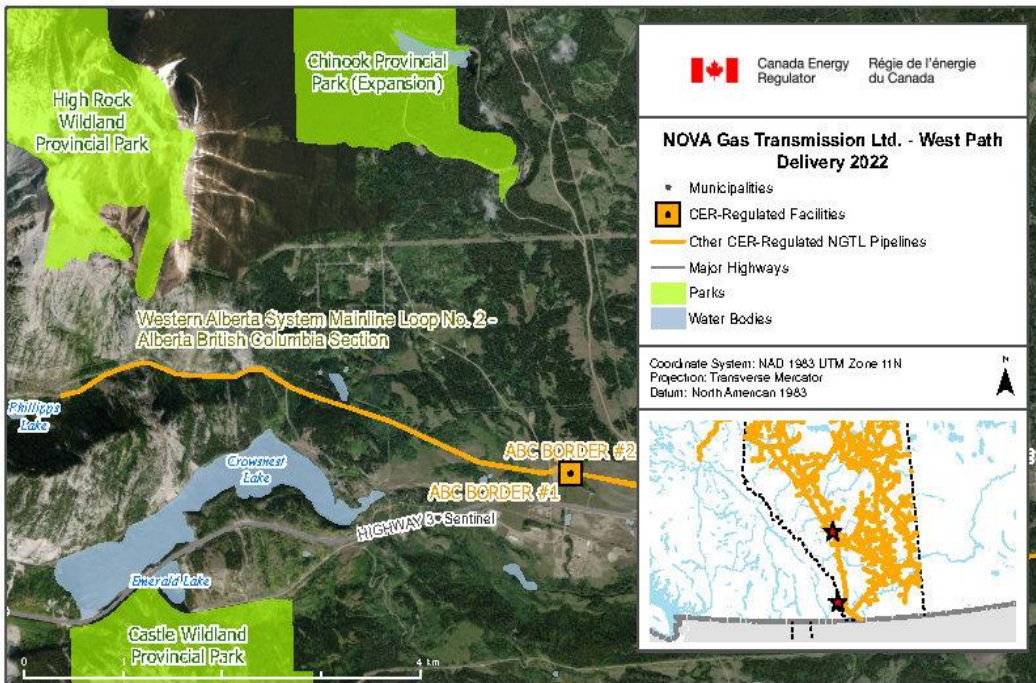
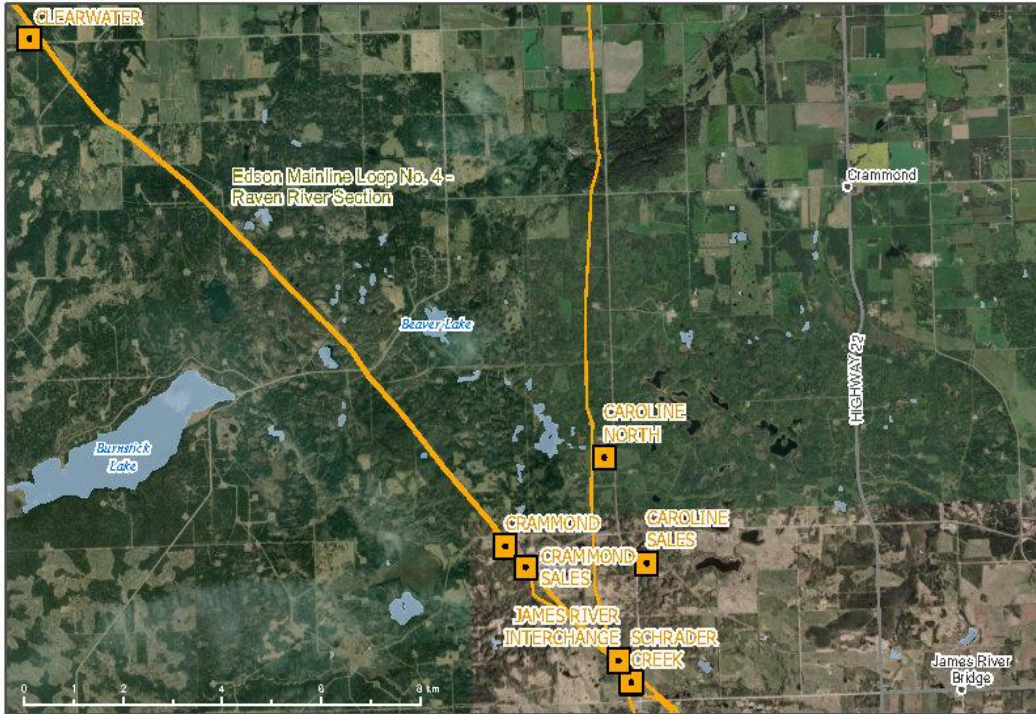
Attachments

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Appendix I – Timetable of Events

Event	Responsible	Deadline
Deadline for Reply by NGTL to IR No. 1	NGTL	23 February 2021
Draft Conditions	Commission	25 February 2021
Interested Persons File Comments on Draft Conditions and NGTL's IR No. 3 response	Interested Persons	11 March 2021
NGTL File Comments on Draft Conditions	NGTL	18 March 2021
NGTL Requested Commission Decision Date	Commission	End of Q1 2021
Anticipated Decision on the Project	Commission	End of April 2021
Time Limit pursuant to subsection 214(4) of the CER Act for Commission Decision	Commission	14 June 2021

Appendix II – Map of Project Area



The map is a graphical representation intended for general informational purposes only. Map produced by h2 CER. June 2020. Last updated on Jun 30

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Information Request No. 3

Environment and Socio-Economic Matters

3.1. Pre-Construction Survey

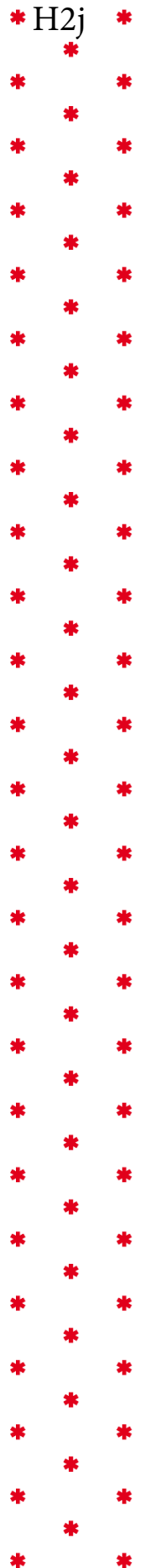
- Reference:**
- i) O'Chiese First Nation (OCFN), Redacted Violation Review Report, Section 4.1.1., Project Route Selection, Pages 7 and 39 to 41 of 64 (PDF pages 14 and 46 to 48 of 71), [C11142-1](#)
 - ii) NGTL, Response to OCFN Evidence, Page 7 of 7 (PDF page 9 of 12), [C11329-1](#)
 - iii) [CER Filing Manual](#), Guide A.2 Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment, A.2.6.1 Identification and Analysis of Effects

Preamble: In reference i), OCFN states it was not consulted during the route selection process, and that NGTL did not inform OCFN of the potentially impacted culturally sensitive site (OCFN-158) until after the project notification application was submitted. The Reference also states that what OCFN could view during Historical Resource Impact Assessment fieldwork was limited.

In reference ii), NGTL states that should OCFN identify and provide it with the specific location of the OCFN-158 4c site and additional information for any other identified cultural or Traditional Land Resource Use sites in the Project area, NGTL will work collaboratively with OCFN to determine additional mitigation measures that may be required, on a case-by-case basis.

Reference iii) states that a Proponent must describe the methods used to predict the effects of the project on the biophysical and socio-economic elements, and the effects of the environment on the project. Reference iii also assumes a valued component-based approach to effects assessment where the application focuses on those biophysical or socio-economic elements, or a subset of those elements, that may be affected by a project and are of concern or value to the public and Indigenous peoples.

- Request:** Please provide:
- a) a description of how NGTL will facilitate the collection of outstanding information regarding identified OCFN culturally sensitive sites along the proposed route, prior to the start of construction for that segment(s) of the pipeline; and
 - b) a description of how NGTL will support the resolution of issues and concerns on the collection of information from these outstanding sites, prior to the start of construction for that segment(s) of the pipeline.



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February 17, 2021

Reeve Brian Hammond
M.D. of Pincher Creek
Attn: Troy MacCulloch, CAO
Sent via email: CAO@mdpincercreek.ab.ca

Dear Reeve Hammond:

Words cannot begin to express the depth of gratitude that we feel for the M.D. of Pincher Creek Council and its residents. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to STARS. You fly with STARS on every mission, bringing hope and a chance at life.

Thank you for including STARS as one of your chosen MOST Grant recipients with your recent contribution of \$10,000.00. Your leadership and devotion ensure that the residents of the M.D. of Pincher Creek, and your neighbors, continue to have access to the highest level of emergency critical care. You are a vital part of a province-wide effort that safeguards a health and safety network, 24/7, and our partnership is testament to many lives saved.

Thank you for continuing to stand by our side in the ***“fight for life.”***

Glenda Farnden
Sr. Municipal Relations Liaison
STARS Foundation