

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Bylaw 21O4-25 Road Closure & LEASE (SE 23 & NE 14-21-17-W4 and W 26-19-17-W4)
- Bylaw 21O5-25 Road Closure & LEASE (NE 33-14-15-W4)

BYLAWS

- Bylaw 21O4-25 Road Closure & LEASE (SE 23 & NE 14-21-17-W4 and W 26-19-17-W4) - **Motion to approve 1st reading was carried.**
- Bylaw 21O5-25 Road Closure & LEASE (NE 33-14-15-W4) - **Motion to approve 1st reading was carried.**

DELEGATIONS

- 100 Year Farm Family Awards - The 100 Year Farm Family Awards recognize families who have farmed in the County of Newell for 100 years or more. This incredible milestone reflects generations of resilience, hard work, and deep-rooted commitment to agriculture.
These 2025 Award Winning Farms were presented a sign acknowledging this milestone:
 - **Endersby Family**
 - **Philpott Honey Producers**
- Brooks Elks - Donation to Fire & Emergency Services of \$5000

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BUSINESS

- Roadside mowing is coming to a close
- Grasshopper, Bacterial Ring Rot, Fusarium Graminearum, and two clubroot surveys were completed this season.
 - Grasshopper populations are high; no signs of Bacterial Ring Rot or Clubroot.
- Bassano has high levels of Baby's Breath.
- 90 acre site of Knapweed located in Cassils area.
- Emerson Bridge Park Campground ended on a high note with a busy July - September.
- Aqueduct rehabilitation efforts are paying off due to dedication, volunteerism, and strong partnerships.
- CDC South - renovations and upgrades continue; the rose garden is coming back to life; 11 partnerships to date and bringing new life to the grounds.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- Amendment to the Recreation, Parks & Culture Services Agreement - **Motion to approve changing the term of the agreement from five years to six was carried.**
- Shortgrass Library System Budget Request - **Motion to approve the Shortgrass Regional Library System budget for 2026, as amended, was carried.**

MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUSINESS

- Officers issued 16 warnings, 23 tickets, and conducted 38 investigations.
- Municipal Enforcement Supervisor and Officer:
 - participated in an Inter-Agency Water Rescue Exercise at Kinbrook Island Provincial Park the evening of September 16.
 - Joint Operation with the City of Brooks and the RCMP resulted in 100% violation rate on Commercial Vehicles, several tickets issued for regulatory offences, one no insurance, and an impaired.
- Several County fleet units sustained damage from the severe weather event August 20. All have been to the insurance adjuster and repairs scheduled as necessary.
- Gravel road grading continues.
- Gravel Road Resurfacing Program is complete.

- Fall training is scheduled: DK Blading for Grader Operators and grading roads, Flag Person, Chainsaw Operation and Tree Felling, and Commercial Truck Driver refresher training and evaluation.
- Lake Newell Resort Blocks 1 (Blue Heron) & 4 (White Pelican) Road Rehabilitation are in progress - all of Block 1 paved, outstanding work includes landscaping & cleanup. Block 4 is ready for asphalt, landscaping and clean up to follow, estimated completion date is October 31.
- Asphalt patching and pothole repairs in progress.
- Tilley Landfill Closure almost complete.
- Traffic counts are complete across various roads in the region. Data from these counts is under Administration review and will be used to assist in paving priority decision making moving forward.
- MPE Engineering remains working on a Request for Quotation for the Lake Newell Resort Lift Station upgrades.
- Kinbrook Connection Pathway Partnership - Grand Opening was on September 25.
- Lake Newell Resort Pathway is under construction - completion date remains end of October.
- School Zone Speeding – Gem School - **Motion to accept traffic data collected as information was carried.**
- Long Range Aggregate Supply Plan - **Motion to accept as information was carried.**
- Gravel Road Construction Program - Tender Award - **Motion to award the tender to Brooks Asphalt was carried.**
- Tilley West End Lot Development Consideration - **Motion to accept as information was carried.**

POST AGENDA ITEMS

- Emergency Funding Request from Gem Community Association - Emergency Cistern Repair - **Motion to approve request was carried.**
- Appointee of County Member-at-Large to City of Brooks Recreation & Parks Committee - **Motion to approve Cathy Safronovich was carried.**
- Reeve Doerkson met with Mayor of Colwood, B.C. to discuss physician attraction & retention options. - accepted as information.
- University of Calgary is looking to make partnerships to encourage veterinary students in southeast Alberta - accepted as information.
- Brooks Newell Hydrogen Hub update - funding through ERA grant was denied and exploring new options is being considered.
- JBS Skills Canada Board meeting event update.

You can watch the meeting here > [October 9 MPC/Council Meeting](#)

The next meeting is scheduled for October 30. Join us in Council Chambers or watch the [livestream](#).

