

Policy and Priorities Committee
January 15, 2008

Glacier Power – Request for Support by NRDC – Addition This item was added to the agenda; Glacier Power requested a letter of support in advance of an upcoming pre-hearing meeting on the 28th.

P005 (01/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that Council supports the Dunvegan project in the form of a letter prior to the pre-hearing meeting on the 28th.**
CARRIED

Policy 1220 Credit Cards – Addition The Committee reviewed a draft to amend the Credit Card policy.

P006 (01/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that Policy 1220 – Credit Cards be brought to Council for approval of the recommended amendments.**
CARRIED

Connector Road – Addition Public Works Manager Rowe presented the SRD transportation study report for the committee to review. SRD will be appearing at the Jan 22 Council meeting, to discuss the decision to pursue to eastern route for the Connector Road. The report appears to have multiple discrepancies, especially in lieu of the fact that the McNearly environmental assessment appeared to support the western route recommended by the County.

The Committee agreed to meet at 8:30 a.m. on the 22nd in order to prepare Q&A in advance of the delegation by SRD.

Transfer of a portion of the title to Canfor has not yet taken place; Public Works Manager Rowe indicated that per his conversation, R. Noce will arrange this to take place upon his return to Edmonton, or the file will be immediately transferred to Brownlee. The designation of the road can not be changed until the title is transferred, and no road use fees can be charged until that time.

P007 (01/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that the information regarding the Connector Road be accepted as information.**
CARRIED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT There were items on this agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS Proposed Gravelling 2008 Public Works Manager Rowe presented a map of the proposed gravelling for the 2008 contract year. Depending on weather conditions, PWM recommends that this program begin as early as March.

P008 (01/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Harcourt that the Committee receives the information regarding the proposed gravelling for the 2008 contract year.**
CARRIED

Proposed Brushing 2008 Public Works Manager Rowe presented a map of the routes for proposed brushing in 2008. The depth of brush removal was discussed, as was obtaining permission for additional right-of-way to increase the depth of brushing to 100' to maximize long term effectiveness of the program.

P009 (01/15/08) **RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that the Committee receives the 2008**

	brushing program information.	CARRIED										
Invitations to Tender	The Committee reviewed information about the following outgoing tenders: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brushing• Mowing• Equipment Registry											
P010 (01/15/08)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that the information about outgoing tenders be accepted as information by the Committee.	CARRIED										
Policy 3235 – LOC Road Use	A policy intended to manage the use of LOC (License of Operation) roads and industry accountability was reviewed.											
P011 (01/15/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that the Committee recommends that Council adopts Policy 3235, Use of LOC Roads by Industry in Clear Hills County.	CARRIED										
2008 Operations & Capital Budget	CAO Coad presented the County's 2006 Financial Statement and a comparison to other similar sized municipalities. The 2008 budget was presented for discussion. Changes in Operations included: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3.5% COLA adjustment• IT Support position development• Council remuneration The Capital budget identified the capital projects to be undertaken in 2008 and proposed that the County draw from reserves to pay for those, then the funds be repaid back over a 5-year period at an interest rate of 8%.											
P012 (01/15/08)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that the Policy and Priorities Committee brings a motion to Council that the amended 2008 Operating budget is adopted as presented. A recorded vote was requested: <table><tr><td><u>In Favour</u></td><td><u>Opposed</u></td></tr><tr><td>Reeve Davis</td><td>Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn</td></tr><tr><td>Councillor Bigam</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Councillor Moedt</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Councillor Harcourt</td><td></td></tr></table>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	Reeve Davis	Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn	Councillor Bigam		Councillor Moedt		Councillor Harcourt		CARRIED
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P013 (01/15/08)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that the 2008 Capital budget be presented to Council for approval whereby the County draws from reserves to pay for the 2008 capital projects and the funds drawn from reserves be paid back over a 5-year period at an interest rate of 8%.	CARRIED										
P014 (01/15/08)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Nykolyshyn that a motion be brought to Council to approve a Cost of Living Allowance adjustment of 4.7%.	CARRIED										
	Discussion took place about the mil rate and assessment.											
Risk Control Policy 1223	As part of the County's Jubilee RiskPro Training Program, one of the											

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requirements is a risk control policy. In order to remain eligible for Module 2 (from which a further two percent premium reduction will be applied) all requirements need to be successfully completed. The cost to comply with the program is many times in excess of the reduction.

The County has excellent facilities management and assessments and has had commendations from Jubilee on current practices.

P015 (01/15/08) RESOLUTION by Councillor Moedt that the draft Risk Control Policy 1223 received for information.

CARRIED

P016 (01/15/08) RESOLUTION by Councillor Bigam that the meeting is adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Date Signed

Reeve Davis

Date Signed

CAO Coad

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