

## Council Report

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**High Performance Governance** is all about our **Organizational Ability to Lead, Imagine New Possibilities and Achieve Operational Excellence.**

Nov. 4/24, Regular Council Meeting and Budget discussion

- Please refer to the Town of Calmar Web Site for agenda and minutes.

Nov. 11/24, Attended (participated) in the Legion's Remembrance Day Ceremony

- As always, well attended and it should be, for such an important event.

Nov. 12/24, Policy & By-law Committee

- Please refer to the Town of Calmar Web Site for agenda and minutes.

Nov. 13/24, Attended the Seniors Meeting as a member of the Seniors Club

- They seem eager to discuss the "garage" at the town yard. They don't have the bus anymore, so they don't need the "garage". Looking for a fair offer.

Nov. 13/24, Special Council Meeting

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Nov. 18/24, Regular Council Meeting

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Nov. 20/24, Leduc & District Regional Waste Management Commission

- Organizational Meeting; I was affirmed as the chair for the next year.
- Presentation; by Scott MacDougall, CAO, County of Wetaskiwin; Peter Vinall, CEO Sustane Technologies Inc. and Richard Horncastle, Director of Economic Development Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) Alberta. Peter Vinall provided background information on Sustane Technologies and shared a video demonstrating their operations in Nova Scotia. I can elaborate for those who are interested.
- Manager's Report; **Mike Pieters advised that the Commission understands that municipal waste contracts were in place prior to this amendment. Municipalities are requested to ensure that future waste collection contracts reference the Commission Bylaw and require contractors to solely use the Leduc and District Waste Management Facility (LDRWMF). In the interim, the Commission requests that municipalities make**

**their best effort to require collection contractors to utilize the LDRWMF.** Waste Tonnage, while total tonnage remains lower than in previous years, the rate of decline has slowed. Organic processing, October marked another milestone in our record-breaking outbound organics volumes, with an additional 828 MT shipped to Roseridge for processing. Soils Inventory, October was our highest month for inbound soils, with 5,223 MT received, bringing our total for the year to 16,663 MT. Site Activities and Security, the fence along Range Road 245 and the South fence line in Area 2 continue to be damaged. Construction continues on the new access road to Area 2 that will save visitors approximately 7 minutes of driving. The 2024 gull control program report was received from LGL Limited. An abandoned building in the Northwest corner of the site was demolished. Requests for Proposals (RFP), An abandoned building in the Northwest corner of the site was demolished. The RFP for the diversion pad was awarded to Omni-McCann with an anticipated construction schedule to begin in Spring 2025. Transfer building floor repair documents have been received from RJC Engineers and will be used to produce tender documents that will affect repairs likely in Spring 2025.

- Collaboration with Other Regions; Zac Sarling from the Grande Cache landfill reached out for assistance with repairing a malfunctioning scale. Within 30 minutes of receiving his request, he was connected with field service technicians from both Mettler Toledo and Dynamic Scale to address the issue.
- Health and Safety; Field Level Hazard Assessments (FLHA) and “Stop and Speak” cards are processes E360 uses to enforce a culture of safety that includes all employees on site, as well as visitors. In October, 71 FLHA’s and Stop and Speak cards were completed.
- Financial Report – Q3 2024; At the end of quarter 3, we should now be seeing revenues and expenses closer to 75%. Net excess revenues over expenses - operating currently sit at \$589K.

Nov. 21/24, Capital Region Southwest Water Service Commission

- My notes seem to be mixed up, unable to recover them, will keep trying and include them in a future report.

Nov. 22/24, Christmas in the Park

- Although it was cold, I felt that we had a great turnout.
- It was especially nice to see both our MP, Mr. Lake, and our MLA Mr. Boitchenko. Also, nice to see our new head of the Leduc RCMP detachment and some of his members.
- Special thanks to the staff, volunteers, and sponsors.

Nov. 27/24, Committee of the Whole

- Please refer to the Town of Calmar Web Site for agenda and minutes.

Nov. 27/24, Budget Open House

- Disappointing turnout, one informed individual that understands what we are doing and trying to do.

Nov. 29/24, Is Good Coffee Bar & More 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

- I attended the celebration and participated in the ribbon cutting.
- Gland to see this business enjoying success.

Nov. 30/24, Budget Open House

- Another disappointing turnout, one person with her children showed up, she is another person I would refer to as informed.
- The people we are trying to get out, don't seem interested in coming out.