

Council Report

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

Jan. 6/25, Subdivision Authority Meeting

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

Jan. 13/25, Seniors Coffee at Glen Park Hall

- Getting to know our county neighbours, southwest.

Jan. 13/25, Special Council Meeting

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Jan. 14/25, Seniors Coffee at Telford Hall

- Getting to know our county neighbours, southeast.

Jan. 15/25, Seniors Coffee at Calmar Seniors Club

- Staying connected with our local seniors.

Jan. 15/25, Downtown Façade Program presentation, Hayduk Lumber

- Attended the check presentation to Hayduk Lumber for the improvements to their new construction on south side of highway, looks fantastic.

Jan. 15/25, Leduc & District Regional Waste Management Commission, Board Meeting

- **Manager's Report; Waste Tonnage**, as anticipated, the yearly total tonnage dropped this year for the first time since Covid heavily impacted waste levels at the site. We recorded a 1,500 MT decrease in residential waste and a similar decrease in Construction and Demolition (C&D). **Organics Processing**, December only saw 220 MT of organic material brought to site, with none of it meeting contamination levels to be hauled off site. **Soil Inventory**, only 2 small soils jobs ran in December. As a result, we finished the year at 17,900MT of soils, reducing our stockpiles by roughly 2,700 MT. **Site Activities and Security**, fence damage along Range Road 245 and the South fence line in Area 2 continue to be damaged. Repairs to all perimeter fencing were completed in December. Operator expenses were greater in December of 2024 than in 2023. (These higher-than-expected numbers are being investigated to ensure the equipment is being

used efficiently). Collaboration with Other Regions, Recent topics of discussion have been regarding ice control measures that do not damage infrastructure, upcoming landfill gas regulations and contractors that perform site surveying. 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. Municipal Reporting, it was determined that these reports were not reading individual waste streams but only waste that was received on municipal accounts. Strong Data is working to correct these reports. Future Projects, A Request for Proposal (RFP) to draft and award for concrete work on the Transfer Building this Fall. An RFP to draft and award for GPS units for the landfill packer and dozer. Implement recommendations from the Dillon Consulting surface water report.

- **Organics Waste Audit;** We are seeing the efforts of the individual municipalities making a difference. While this audit did show that we largely have not moved from our mid-twenties contamination rate, we have seen a lowering of contamination per each municipality through their reduction initiatives. If each community continues to strive for education and connecting with residents, we should see the LDRWMF contamination reduce.

Jan. 16/25, Capital Region Southwest Water Service Commission, Board Meeting

- **Manager’s Report;** Nisku Booster Station, Disinfection of all piping has been completed, and all systems have been commissioned except for the heating and ventilation system (HVAC) due to the delay in the permanent natural gas connection. Hazardous Building Materials Assessment, in early December, a City of Leduc employee was inadvertently exposed to asbestos containing vermiculite insulation inside the Leduc County West facility. As a result of this incident and the age of some of the facilities the Commission operates out of, Administration is recommending the completion of a hazardous building material assessment in all Commission facilities, and/or municipal facilities that the Commission operates within. Municipal Developments, Administration received 9 notifications of Subdivision developments/extensions. City of Beaumont Line Extension to St. Vital Reservoir, Recent communications indicate that the City of Beaumont Engineering team is going to be sending the CRSWSC a letter outlining their ideal path forward. EPCOR Secondary Supply Line to Beaumont, Once Administration receives a response from EPCOR it will be included with the subsequent manager’s report. City of Camrose Servicing, Administration submitted the application for the Water for Life Grant Feasibility Study on November 26, 2024. The board will be updated once a response is received. 2025 Water Master Plan, Administration is working to prepare the Request for Proposals for the Commission’s 2025 Water Master Plan which is expected to go out this winter. Emergency Planning, Following the last board meeting, Administration is pleased to report that a list of emergency repair items with lengthy lead times have been identified.
- **Treasurer’s Report;** Water Sales and Purchases, are over budget by 8% due to higher than projected consumption. Revenue Variances, Interest earned is over budget at 758% due to the combination of the commission’s investment returns and earning

interest on the commission's high bank balance throughout the year. Expenditure Variances, Legal, Engineering and Other Professional fees are under budget due to less work required outside of the capital projects occurring in 2024. Seminars & Conferences fees have 66% of the budget spent. All carried forward budget amounts have been spent in the year. Line Maintenance is over budget with 144% of the budget used to date due to the emergency repairs for the Millet line including the transmission pipeline emergency repair on Rollyview road. Power and Gas are under budget as budgets include amounts for the Nisku Booster Station. Capital Expenditures, Power and Gas are under budget as budgets include amounts for the Nisku Booster Station. Capital Expenditures, Capital expenditures are below budget with 71% of the overall budget spent due to the multi-year projects. 2024 Audit, the audit report and findings along with the Commission's final financial results will be presented at the AGM on April 17, 2025. Revolving Line of Credit, As of December 31st, the commission has not utilized the line of credit.

Jan. 20/25, Regular Council Meeting

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Jan. 21/25, Policy & Bylaw Committee Meeting

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Jan. 31/25, Committee of the Whole Meeting

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