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BULLETIN NO. 577

The following information is to provide a summary of County activities. Further explanations or details can be obtained by contacting the County Administration Office at 403.882.3211.

Water Presentation - Director of Environmental Services, J. Cosens presented an overview of the County water system. Included in the presentation were usages and expenses, the County's total use, historical water use, operating costs, water costs, reservoirs, municipal waterworks systems regulations and requirements, current water fees, water rates, etc. In the near future, a summary of the water presentation will be placed on the County website and in the annual report.

RFD – Sale of the 2007 Terex XR 400 Jaw Crusher – The County has not used the jaw crusher since the summer of 2014. Currently more crushing companies are purchasing jaw crushers of their own, which means more competitive pricing to have our gravel crushed by a contractor with a jaw. W. Weber moved the County of Paintearth No. 18 sell the Terex jaw crusher by sealed bid with a reserve/minimum bid of \$175,000.00 along with a 10% certified cheque with the balance due in a certified cheque prior to picking up the unit.

RFD – Tender for UTV and Sprayer – Agricultural Services has discussed the possibility of using a UTV to spray hard to reach and rough terrain areas, where the mechanical brushing has taken place. W. Weber moved the County proceed with tendering for a UTV and sprayer.

RFD – Gravel Crushing Horn Pit 2017 – There were five tenders received in accordance with the agreement to have the remaining gravel crushed in 2016. This final crush would give the County an estimated 50,000 t of 3/4" and 19,000 t of 1 1/2" finished product. T. Hewitt moved the tender be awarded for the final Horn Pit crushing contract to Lone Pine Crushing Ltd. for 40,000 t 420 spec 3/4" with cost per tonne with 30% elimination at \$3.75 and 20,000 t 440 spec 1 1/2" with cost per tonne with 10% elimination at \$3.33 as per Administration's recommendation.

RFD – Purchase Tandem Cross Gate Gravel Trailer and Tandem Axle Converter – Council was given a listing of the tenders received which ranged from \$74,379.00 to \$111,441.75. The lowest tender received was from Hayworth Equipment Sales, Edmonton for a cost of \$74,379.00. R. Dahmer moved the purchase of a new Tandem Cross Gate Gravel Trailer and Tandem Axle Converter from Hayworth Equipment Sales for \$74,379.00 with funds from restricted surplus.

Town of Coronation Housing Authority – Correspondence was requested on collaborating to form a new Regional Housing Authority. D. Elliott moved a letter be sent to the Chairman of the Castor and District Housing Authority advising the County of Paintearth No. 18 is in favour to dissolve all existing housing boards in order to form a new Regional Housing Authority. Notification will also be sent to the other partners.

County Council Meetings – Council Meetings are scheduled for April 19, 2017 (Wednesday), May 2, 2017, May 16, 2017, June 6, 2017, June 20, 2017, July 18, 2017 commencing at 9:00 a.m. and are open to the public, delegations are always welcome. To request a time allotment, please call the office of the CAO. All requests must state the nature and subject you wish to discuss as per Section X of the County's Procedural Bylaw 605-11.

County 2017 Budget - Council is seeking input from **County residents** on their final budget that will be presented at the **April 19th, 2017 Council Meeting**. Written comments can be submitted by email to taaserud@countypaintearth.ca by April 13th. If residents wish to speak to Council regarding their budget, delegation appointments must be made prior to April 13th. To request a time allotment, please call the office of the CAO. All requests must state the nature and subject you wish to discuss as per Section X of the County's Procedural Bylaw 605-11. Copies are also available at the County Office for pickup.

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT HEARINGS **TUESDAY APRIL 19, 2017 - COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

1:15 P.M. Schedule A – General Land Use Regulations

A PUBLIC HEARING at the noted date and time above will be held for the purpose of general updates and amendments to the LUB. The proposed bylaw amendments are available for viewing on the County website at www.countypaintearth.ca or at the County Office during office hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Anyone who may be affected or claim to be affected by the above proposed amendments may make an oral or written presentation at the above noted hearing, or submit a written presentation to the County of Paintearth, Box 509, Castor, AB T0C 0X0 or by fax 403-882-3560 no later than 4:30 pm on Friday April 14, 2017.

WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY EASTER!

PLEASE NOTE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE and PUBLIC WORKS WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017 AND EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017. In case of an emergency, please contact Tarolyn Aaserud, CAO at 403.741.6203.

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE ...

Todd Pawsey, Development Officer

Emergency Management and Livestock Owner Responsibilities - The County of Paintearth is considering a policy for times of disasters to guide their emergency management response involving animals and livestock. Lessons learned from the recent Fort McMurray fires and evacuations presented some serious challenges for the volunteers in regards to animal care, livestock management, and the operation of recovery centers. In preparing for the best use of County resources during emergencies and keeping in view the priorities of human safety and property - the County would like to solicit feedback on the draft policy found on the County website. All comments are invited to be submitted either by mail or email to the County Director of Emergency Management no later than Thursday April 13 at 4:30 p.m.

Recent Development Permits Issued:

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| DP1702 | Harvey & Dawn Bargholz | SE 2-39-11 W4 | New RTM Residence |
| DP1704 | Gord and Cindy Conley | SW 22-37-13 W4 | New Residence and Shop Combination |
| DP1705 | Tom Lawrence | Lot 6 Block C Plan 933AJ (Fleet) | Renovation to Roof at Residence |

Recent subdivisions within the County are Laverne Wideman NE 20-36-12 W4, Clint and Koreena Kuziw SW 36-35-12 W4 Acreage Creation, Barry Spady NW 3-39-13 W4 Title separate – quarter split by road plan and Gord and Cindy Conley NW 22-37-13 W4 Acreage creation.

STRYCHNINE LIQUID CONCENTRATE

2% liquid strychnine concentrate will be available for purchase for the 2017 season starting March 21, 2017 through the ASB. Product will be sold in 250mL bottles at a cost of \$10.50 each. One bottle will treat 1kg of grain (e.g. a 5 gallon or 12kg pail would require 12 bottles). A minimum order of 6, 250mL bottles is required to a maximum of 72 (there are 24 bottles/case).

PRE-ORDERS WILL NOT BE TAKEN. Pickup at the County shop will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-9:00 a.m., at which time payment will be collected (**please bring a cheque**). Feel free to call ahead to Trevor Kerr at 403.740.9182 for availability.

When picking up product, please come prepared with the following information:

- Mailing address of purchaser
- Telephone number of purchaser
- Home quarter LLD
- LLD(s) where product will be used
- Type of field(s) to be treated (crop, forage, or pasture)
- Approximate infested area of each field type
- Approximate farm size

If you are picking up product for more than one landowner, please bring the above mentioned information for all landowners.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Colm Fitz-Gerald, Community Peace Officer

Spring is here and the cleanup begins for our yards and fields. Some items can be burned or thrown into a garbage pit at home. There is one thing, however, that cannot be burnt or buried on your property and that is plastics. This includes silage covers, bags, wraps, film, bale twine and cordage. These are made of polyethylene resin and are also prohibited from burning or burying.

“Disposal of agricultural plastic on farm either by burning or burying produces hazardous consequences to human and animal health, water and land resources and the environment.” It is illegal to burn prohibited debris (PLASTICS) under the Substance Release Regulation and the Environmental Protection Act. Burning these plastics releases toxic chemicals into the air and soil, if buried and will accumulate toxin over time.

So what do you do with these plastics? The silage covers, bags, etc. can be rolled and dropped off at any one of the three transfer stations in the County of Paintearth located at Halkirk (NE-24-38-16-W4), Castor (SW-3-38-14-W4) and Coronation (SW-36-36-11-W4). This also pertains to the twine, cordage and plastic jugs. There are landowners who are already doing this so I encourage you to do the same.

If you any questions in regards to the Acts please call 1-800-222-6514. They will be able to answer any questions you might have. Remember the consequences will out weight any burning. You and your family’s health is the most important asset you have, protect it.

PAINTEARTH REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT LTD.

Email: prwm@countypaintearth.ca

Michael Yakielashek, Supervisor

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE, ELECTRONIC AND PAINT ROUND-UP

Mark **Saturday, May 27, 2017** on your calendars. This will be the day for the yearly **Household Hazardous Waste, Electronic and Paint Round-Up**. Halkirk is the host community this year with collection and pickups being held in Castor and Coronation. Watch for further information in newspapers, community bulletins and posters.

SITE CONDITIONS - All sites will be wet and muddy during the next few weeks. The roads are good and passable; however when you get off road to drop off materials, those areas will be muddy. All we ask is that you do your best to get as close as possible to the existing materials.

PLEASE NOTE: SUMMER HOURS ARE IN EFFECT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017
Wednesdays 1:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Saturdays 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.