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COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor activities and updates for March 2024.

- Attached is my March write-up, “Notes from Council,” for my website, as well as a poster for the Local History Night in Milo on April 5th.
- Attended the Municipal Development Plan Committee meeting on March 5th.
 - Further discussion of what we would like to see addressed in the new MDP based on what is contained in or neglected in the 2012 MDP.
- Attended District 20 (Champion) Fire Association meeting on March 5th. Discussion was had on the potential for building, storage and wash bay addition to the Village-owned lot whereon the fire hall was built.
- Attended the Regular Meeting of Council on March 13th.
- Attended Oldman River Regional Services Commission Executive meeting on March 14th.
 - Subdivision revenue is up a bit. Otherwise an ordinary Executive meeting.
- Attended the Firefighter Appreciation dinner in Carmangay on March 16th to thank our local firefighters for their service.
 - Good food and entertainment.
- Attended Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference in Edmonton from March 17th to 20th.
 - Took the Elected Officials Education Program offering on Strategic Planning.
 - Joined councillors in meeting with Minister of Environment to discuss the potential for developing a marina at the Lake McGregor Recreation Area, which is the northeast corner of my division, given the collaborative opportunity with the Village of Milo and the need for better access on and off the lake, especially in emergencies. We also discussed the drought situation and the support of the County for the Eyemore Dam.
 - Joined councillors in meeting the RCMP to discussion detachment boundaries as their intersect with Vulcan County and the need for that to possibly be reviewed. Also discussed victim services.



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- Joined councillors in meeting the MLA Schow who is also the Minister of Tourism and Sport. We discussed the need for potential grant funding support for recreation facilities in the County, particularly the Lomond arena.
- Joined councillors in meeting with the Minister for Seniors and Housing. Councillors Lyckman and Nelson gave an excellent update on the Marquis building project and need to move that forward. They spoke of the need for the province to look at projects that aren't so much "shovel ready" but "shovel worthy." Should funding be approved, however, the Marquis foundation will be able to move forward very quickly.
- **Constituent Matters:**
 - Received an inquiry regarding the new Municipal Development Plan and how it must comply with the Alberta Land Stewardship Act.
 - Received comments regarding complaint based bylaw enforcement and how it can sometimes become a game of neighbours endlessly complaining about neighbours. Wishes enforcement would find establish more infractions on their own.