



Council Highlights

October 21, 2026 Vulcan County Council Meeting

Public Hearing

Bylaw 2026-026-Land Use Bylaw Amendment

A Public Hearing for Bylaw 2026-026 was held at 1:15 p.m. Bylaw 2026-026 is motivated by the addition of section 619.1 to the Municipal Government Act under Bill 28. Expected to come into force in the mid to late fall of 2026, section 619.1 provides that a pit registration issued by a Director under the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (EPEA) prevails over any statutory plan, land use bylaw, subdivision decision or development decision. Where an application is consistent with a pit registration, the municipality must approve the application to the extent that it complies with the registration. The amendment aims to help Vulcan County retain as much municipal authority as possible following the implementation of Bill 28.

More information on proposed Bylaw 2026-026 can be found [here](#). Second and third readings of Bylaw 2026-026 will be brought forward at a future Council meeting.

Bylaws & Policies

Use of Artificial Intelligence Technology Policy - APPROVED

Administration presented a new Artificial Intelligence Technology Policy for Council's consideration that provides guidance on using Artificial Intelligence technology and tools. The intent is to establish appropriate parameters and guidance for the use of AI while aligning with the Protection of Privacy Act requirements.

Initiatives and Projects

Industrial Park Land Sale Inquiry

Following the recent purchase of the last remaining large parcel available in the Industrial Park, no single parcel remains for sale that meets the interested parties' approximately 20-acre requirement. Smaller parcels remain available. The interested parties have asked whether a portion of the land set aside for Municipal Use could be subdivided and purchased. Council directed Administration to work with legal and the interested party to explore a potential conditional sale.

Municipal Collaboration

Administrative Support to the Village of Champion Update - APPROVED

Council received the CAO Administrative Support to the Village of Champion Update for information and authorized the Reeve and CAO to execute the agreement with the Village of Champion. The County will continue with other supports, including administrative, water and wastewater operations, and byelection assistance continue under the Work-in-Kind Program, provided the cost does not exceed the Village of Champion's remaining program allocation.

Rural Health, In Our Hand Letter of Support -APPROVED

Council approved providing a letter of support to the Village of Arrowwood for the Rural Health, In Our Hands Project. The project aims to test whether a community designed, locally staffed health access point can improve timely and appropriate primary health care in small Alberta Villages.

Financial Matters

3rd Quarter Financial Reporting - APPROVED

Council reviewed the 3rd-Quarter Financial Reporting submitted by Corporate Services. A copy of the report can be found [here](#).

Reserve Prices for Public Action - APPROVED

Council set the Reserve Bid pricing as recommended by Administration, for the properties included in the 2026 Public Auction on Thursday, November 5, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

2027 Cost of Living Adjustment Allocation - APPROVED

Council approved the 2027 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Allocation at a rate of 2.817%.

Other Matters

- The Annual Organizational meeting was held after the council meeting. Jason Schneider was re-elected Reeve and Laurie Lyckman was re-elected Deputy Reeve. Both will serve in these roles until October 2027.

[Click here to view the agenda and reports.](#)

[Official draft minutes will be available on Monday November 16, 2026. Click here to view.](#)

The next Council Meeting will be held on November 18, 2026.

Public Input Session is held at every Council Meeting, usually at 11:00 a.m. (always confirm the time before attending). This gives members of the public the opportunity to bring forward concerns to Council, or ask quick questions of Council - time is limited to 5 minutes. Attend in-person or contact the Manager of Legislative Services at 403-485-3102 before 4:00pm on the day prior to the meeting to attend virtually.

Presentations to Council: if you require more time to make either a presentation or request to Council, contact us to schedule a delegation, which allows up to 15 minutes. Call 403-485-3102.