Strategic Business Plan

County of St. Paul No. 19

The Strategic Business Plan for the County of St. Paul No. 19 is intended to serve as a guide for programs, services and the operations of the municipality as well as coordination of the development of new programs and services based on identified areas of greatest opportunity and improvement.

Developed by the residents, staff and Council of the County of St. Paul, the Strategic Business Plan reflects the multifaceted and dynamic needs of the municipality. The strategic planning process has resulted in a plan unique to The County of St. Paul, to better serve the residents of the municipality.

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Strategic Business Plan – 2012

Vision:

The County of St. Paul is a vibrant community which values a high quality of life, balancing rural heritage with a diverse economy

Core Values:

Balance

Respect

Fairness

Integrity

Accountability

Service/Serving

Guiding Principles:

- 1) Balance the rural character of the County with regional vitality, orderly growth and diversified economic opportunities.
- 2) Promote environmental stewardship and conservation of natural resources.
- 3) Foster innovation and research to improve the community.
- 4) Seek collaborative approaches for effective service delivery and quality of life improvement.
- 5) Strive for operations efficiency and stability to provide affordable services to residents.

Goal 1 - Improved Infrastructure Management			
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update
Categorize roads for oiling, grading, gravel, construction, and plowing	Leo/Sheila	June 2012	Quarter 1 – Administration staff have met with Accurate Assessment and Urban Systems to map out a process to categorize roads and service levels. Will be used in the asset management project.
Examine the use of MG30 for road oiling (desktop exercise)	Leo/Ken		
Complete an asset management project to determine life of assets within the municipality	Sheila/Darlene	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 - Administration staff have met with Accurate Assessment and Urban Systems to map out a process to record our linear assets in the GIS system.
Examine transfer stations for snow removal to increase efficiency of snow removal	Leo/Dennis	Jan 2012	
Road and Bridge Construction			
CNRL paving 0.5 miles to Lindberg Plant	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Laurier Lake 1 mile	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – Cancelled until 2013
CCS tender repairs	Leo	2012 Season	
Langdon Rd 1 mile *CNRL contribution	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
CNRL Paving 5.5 miles * grant available	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
WNW 12-57-07-W4M bridge file	Leo	2012 Season	
Bugera Rd 2 miles *CNRL contribution	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
N. Valley Rd 3miles *pending resource grant	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Stark Rd 1.5 mile	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – Being surveyed. Waiting for Transportation for approval
Dakin Rd 1 mile	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Bridge File 77775	Leo	2012 Season	
Tkachyk Rd brushing	Leo	2012 Season	
Beau Rivage 2 miles	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress

Abilene Rd 1 mile	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Owlseye Rd 1 mile	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - Waiting for approve from
·			Environment
Roeder Rd 2 miles pending water line	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Flat Lake Rd ½ mile bridge file	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Beaver Rd 2.5 miles	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
St. Lina Tender repairs – Bridge file	Leo	2012 Season	
Oiling and Dust Control			
Pavement to CNRL plant 0.5 miles *resource grant	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Northern Valley Rd. Pavement 2 miles *resource grant	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Repaid Orr Rd for oiling	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Moose Hill slide	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Moose Hill and Murphy Rd. Patching	Leo/Bobby	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
Murphy road check for overlay	Leo/Bobby	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Pavement Hwy 41 to Rg Rd 61 5 miles	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
*resource grant	Leo		Quarter 1 – III progress
Pavement Rg Rd 64 0.5 miles *resource	Leo	2012 Season	Quarter 1 – In progress
grant	Leo		Quarter 1 – III progress
Zenko Rd – re-oiling	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Danyluk Rd – re-oiling	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Ron Plante South 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Armistice Rd (after water line	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
construction) 3 miles	KCII		Quarter 1 10A
North Rg Rd 91 1.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
RR 84 1.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
French Quarters 2.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Crestview Rd & Development 2 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
South St. Paul 1.5 miles			·
Ternovoy Rd 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA

Chamberland Rd 1.5 miles Sunset Bay Rd 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Flat Lake Rd 2 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Dolstad Rd 1.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Willow Grove Cemetery	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Ashmont Development (south) 0.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
West Mallaig 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
St. Lina South 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Transfer Station Rd Mallaig 0.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
Railroad Ave – Mallaig (reclaiming) 0.5 miles	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA
St. Lina North 1 mile	Ken	2012 Season	Quarter 1 - TBA

Goal 2 – Successful Safety Program				
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update	
Adapt tailgate meeting forms to be more job specific	Bryan	April 2012	Quarter 1 - Form updated and in use. Awaiting feedback from staff.	
Increase the number of safety meetings with staff	Bryan	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 - Ongoing	
Develop a safety rewards program	Bryan	March 2012	Quarter 1 - Under review.	
Make safety vests and gloves more accessible to staff	Bryan	Jan 2012	Quarter 1 - More inventory for staff.	
Emergency disaster training should be completed for all staff	Dennis/Bryan	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 - Scribe course offered in March to applicable staff. Look into Incident Command System training for all staff in 2012.	

	Goal 3 – Effective E	xternal Committees	S
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update
Review the library board structure and committee	Sheila	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – Irene VanBrabant provided an update to Council regarding County Library Board role and responsibility. I spoke to Northern Lights regarding this issue during AAMDC Spring Convention. Will provide recommendation to Council later in Spring.
Review regional economic development – Community Futures – Portage College Funding – HUB funding increase	Sheila	March 2012	
Review agricultural external committees including LARA and AESA	Dennis	Feb 2012	
	Goal 4 – Transpare		
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update
Weekly County print ads in both Elk Point and St. Paul regarding what we do and what we are doing	Sheila	Feb 2012	
Process understanding for public – education regarding services and accessing services	Sheila	Jun 2012	
50 th anniversary celebration	Sheila	May 2012	Quarter 1 – 50 th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for Saturday, June 9, 2012 at the Public Works Shop from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Some 50 th Anniversary promotional items will be ordered pens/travel mugs.
LUB/MDP public consultation	Dennis/Krystle	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 - Tentative Date April 26, 2012
Increase website content	Paulette	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 - Added Policies, St. Paul Alberta News & Linked, Agricultural Newsletter, our new Brochure promoting the County/Town and the regular monthly add ons. The Town & County video promoting Dr. Recruitment will be added when ready.

FCSS newsletter to be published twice a year	Janice/Debbie	Ongoing	Quarter 1 - 1 st issue was sent out January 2012.
Council and staff reporting on conferences and training	Council/Staff	Ongoing	
Public survey of services	Paulette	Jul 2012	Quarter 1 -Questions for the Survey are welcome.
Send out a request for day labour list of contractors – also request safety credentials for contractors	Sheila	Mar 2012	Quarter 1 – an advertisement will be put in the local papers the 1 st week of April according to our new policy.

Goal 5 – Examine Enhanced Services				
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update	
Waste Storage Sites for Sunset Bay and Garner Lake	Dennis	Nov 2012		
Explore joint Lagoon with the County of Two Hills for Lac Sante area	Sheila	Sept 2012		
Laurier Lake park – examine the feasibility	Sheila/Leo	Dec 2012		
Explore Tank loaders for non-potable water	Sheila/Dennis/Leo	Dec 2012		
Explore water to interested developments	Sheila	As requested		
Reclamation of Non-potable wells in subdivisions	Sheila	Nov 2012		
Explore business case to support LED lighting with ATCO (new)	Sheila	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – New policy regarding request for lighting indicates that LED lighting will be used for new lights	
Explore the cost of providing water to the whole County	Sheila	Jun 2012		

Purchase additional front load bins	Dennis	Dec 2012	
Coyote bounty for predation control	Dennis	April 2012	Quarter 1 – The Coyote bounty commenced in January and was completed on March 20 with 1414 coyotes being brought in for a total of \$21,210.
Beaver control – problem areas	Dennis	Dec 2012	
Explore transportation options (removed to Edmonton)	Janice	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – Bus is running from St. Paul to Edmonton. Driving Miss Daisy should be operational in May 2012 – will be able to provide service to wheelchair clients. Another volunteer is willing to take clients. Any requests from residents should be forwarded to FCSS.
Examine additional hours for Elk Point transfer station	Dennis	March 2012	
Examine expanding recycling program	Dennis	Sep 2012	
Water quality should be improved in Ashmont and Mallaig	Bryan	2013	Quarter 1 - Treatment upgrades for Ashmont ongoing.
Upgrade Mallaig lagoon for sewage truck dumping	Bryan	Sep 2012	Quarter 1 -Discussion with Leo on construction ongoing.

Goal 6 – Specific Equipment				
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update	
Upgrade mower and side arm	Dennis	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – Approved in the 2012 budget	
Shop building efficiency – lighting and overhead doors, air handling and heating.	Sheila/Ken	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – Administration is presenting recommendations to Council regarding energy efficiencies as per our MCCAC grant approval as part of the 2012 Budget.	
New 2012 Equipment and Capital Assets				
14M grader	Leo	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 - ordered	
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Rock truck	Leo	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 - Received -Purchased \$402,800.00
Bobcat	Leo	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – Removed from 2012 budget
Gravel truck tandem	Leo	Jun 2012	
Ashmont/Mallaig Fire Hall	Sheila/Dennis	Dec 2013	
Pick-ups (\$100,000)	Leo	Jun 2012	Quarter 1 – Budget reduced to \$70,000
Playground Floating Stone	Leo/Ken	Nov 2012	Quarter 1 - Cancelled until 2013
Mower for West Cove	Leo/Ken	May 2012	Quarter 1 - Mower was bought for Grass
		,	Cutting Crew
Stoney Lake Playground	Leo/Ken	Nov 2012	Quarter 1 - Cancelled until 2013
Power at Stoney Lake campground	Leo/Ken	Nov 2012	Quarter 1 – Due date by late fall
Lindbergh Playground	Leo/Ken	Nov 2012	Quarter 1 - Cancelled until 2013

Goal 7 – Proficient Organization				
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update	
Administrative Re-Organization – Finance Officer, transfer of utilities duties	Sheila	Jan 2012	Quarter 1 – Darlene Smereka has moved into the role of Finance Officer – this move was advantageous during yearend audit. Paulette Mudryk has taken over the duties of Utilities processing – this transfer has gone very smoothly. COMPLETE	
Succession Planning	Sheila	Dec 2012		
Team Building for all staff	Sheila	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – presentations on Employee Benefits – Blue Cross has been presented. BBQ's at Public Works every other Friday at lunch. Plans for bowling??	
Planning and Development Summer Student	Sheila	May 2012	Quarter 1 – presented in the 2012 Budget	
Automated vehicle locating (Public Works)	Sheila	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – presented in the 2012 Budget	
Wi-fi at the shop to allow for repair research	Sheila	Feb 2012	Quarter 1 - COMPLETE	

Explore guaranteed wage changes	Sheila	Jan 2012	Quarter 1 – approved in Council with salary negotiations. COMPLETE.
Increase Blue Cross benefits	Sheila	Jan 2012	Quarter 1 – Health Spending Account approved with salary negotiations. COMPLETE.
Explore a health spending account	Sheila	Jan 2012	Quarter 1 – approved with salary negotiations. COMPLETE.
Explore rewards for staff who properly utilize sick days	Sheila	Sept 2012	
Professional training for shop techs to keep up with current technology	Leo	Dec 2012	
Joint Bellamy training for Public Works and Office staff	Sheila/Leo	Dec 2012	
Professional training for all staff	Sheila	Dec 2012	
Dealing with difficult people training	Sheila	Dec 2012	
Dedicated safety officer	Sheila		

Goal 8 – Responsible Policy						
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update			
Explore year round burning permits to decrease false calls	Dennis	Sept 2012				
Contributions to political parties policy	Sheila	June 2012	Quarter 1 – policy approved at March 2012 Council Meeting. COMPLETE.			
Rural addressing sign policy	Sheila	June 2012	Quarter 1 – policy approved at March 2012 Council Meeting. COMPLETE.			
Procedure for dealing with ratepayer/resident's concerns and difficult issues (per policy ADM-10)	Sheila	June 2012				
Street light request policy	Sheila	June 2012	Quarter 1 – policy approved at March 2012 Council Meeting. COMPLETE.			
Pathways at lake subdivision policy	Sheila	June 2012				
Fee schedule bylaw	Sheila	June 2012				

Council Policies	Sheila	June 2012	Quarter 1 – Council Remuneration policy approved at March Council Meeting. COMPLETE.
Heavy Equipment Contracted Services Policy	Sheila/Leo	June 2012	Quarter 1 – policy approved at March 2012 Council Meeting. COMPLETE.
Replacement of dust controls following new road construction	Sheila/Leo	June 2012	
Explore shelter belt policy for new road construction	Sheila/Leo	June 2012	
Develop FCSS Policy and Procedure	Janice	June 2012	Quarter 1 – policy approved at March 2012 Council Meeting. COMPLETE.
Consistent speed limits within subdivisions	Sheila/Leo	June 2012	

Goal 9 – Foster Safe and Healthy Communities					
Action	Lead	Target Date	Quarterly Update		
Develop a regional emergency					
management plan	Sheila/Dennis	Dec 2012			
Develop disaster social services plan					
Work towards developing new fire halls	Sheila/Dennis	2013	Quarter 1 – presented in the 2012 budget.		
in Ashmont and Mallaig	Silella/Dellills	2015	Quarter 1 – presented in the 2012 budget.		
Develop a "welcome baby" program			Quarter 1 – COMPLETE – welcome baby		
	Janice	Dec 2012	packages have been sent to St. Paul Health		
			Unit.		
Have a Seniors Festival	Janice	Dec 2012			
Participate in Rural Crime Watch	atch Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – Fan out calling system has been		
	Janice	DCC 2012	updated. Produced pamphlets for Rural		

			Crime Watch and continue to photocopy as needed.
Promote an Elder Abuse Awareness	Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – Grant application has been sent in – waiting from response.
Provide a "mom's and tot's" program	Janice	Ongoing	Quarter 1 – New Coordinator hired for Ashmont Mom's and Tot's starting on April 5, 2012.
Encourage volunteerism by the public	Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – increased volunteers by 2 people. One will do senior visits.
GPS for 911	Sheila	Jun 2012	
Training for emergency vehicles in rural addressing	Linda	May 2012	
Explore a Community Peace Officer to enforce bylaws, road bans, unsightly properties, speed limits – generating revenue to repair infrastructure as well as saving on court costs	Sheila	Jun 2012	
Clean up unsightly areas	Sheila	Dec 2012	
Work with Wellness Center to insure quality medical care	Steve/Tim	Dec 2012	
FCSS to meet with schools twice per year for needs assessment	Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – Janice met with Bridgette Noel February 29, 2012 to review needs within County schools.
Have joint board meetings with the Town of St. Paul FCSS	Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – meeting with Town of St. Paul FCSS to occur April 3, 2012.
Aid residents with income tax and seniors benefits	Janice	Dec 2012	Quarter 1 – Seniors income tax is very busy this quarter. Staff/Volunteers will be attending Mallaig, Ashmont, and Heinsburg to complete tax returns on scheduled days. Heinsburg was done March 27 – no seniors showed up.