



# WHEATLAND COUNTY

## Councillor Monthly Report

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**Councillor:** Tom Ikert

**Division:** 4

**Reporting Period:** November 2019

**Reporting Date:** November 30

### Committees / Meetings / Events – Topics of Interest

November 5 Council Meeting (See County website for video )

November 7 CMRB Land Use Committee

November 12-15 RMA in Edmonton. Very good conference. Met with Minister's of Transportation and Environment. Had good results with our resolutions.

November 19 MPC Organizational Meeting I was nominated Chair, a decision my fellow members may regret, followed by the MPC.

November 19 Capital Budget Review

November 20 GTL Gasplant tour. World class technology in our County

November 21 Wheatland Housing Organizational meeting. Glenn is Chair. Discussed strategies on new Lodge options, Passed motion that states that the existing town office site is the preferential site for the new lodge.

November 22 Meeting with Councillor Carra Re: Calgary Organics. Councillor Klassen and myself met with Coun. Carra, Rick Valdarchi ( Director of Waste and Recycling ) and Sharon Howland ( Leader at Waste and Recycling services). We had an extensive discussion of the Organics stream. The City diverts about 125,000 tons of residential organics from their landfills, this is accomplished because they spent about \$140 million on a state of the art, indoor composting facility located near the Shepard landfill. They estimate that commercial organics constitutes 60,000 tons. These are handled by various private operators. The city is aware that once the organics leave their boundaries, there is little they can do. They believe that the rules on composting need to be clarified and strengthened and are willing to help us anyway they can. Councillor Carra will be bringing Organics and Recycling forward to the CMRB board, as CRP had done extensive work on the regional aspect of the organics stream, but the report was shelved with the dissolution of CRP.

Overall the meeting accomplished more than I had hoped, going in. I really appreciate the knowledge that Councillor Klassen brings to these meetings

No Truer Political Statement has ever been uttered

“ Greater love hath no man than to lay down his friends for his life.”

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