



**Improvement District #4, Waterton**  
**July 15, 2022 - Council Meeting - 06:30 PM**

- 1 Call Regular Council Meeting to Order**
- 2 Adoption of Agenda**
- 3 Delegations**
  - 3.1 Carol Robbins Delegation at 6:30 pm
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  - 7.2 AlbertaSW Report - Keith Robinson
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  - 7.3 Waterton Chamber Meeting Report - Ken Black
- 8 Items for Discussion**
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- 9 Correspondence**
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  - 9.1.1 MP Shannon Stubbs re: Rural Economic Development
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- 11      **Adjournment**
- 12      **Council Picture**

Date: May 23, 2022

To: Canada Border Services

Re: Concerns over the closing of Chief Mountain Border Crossing

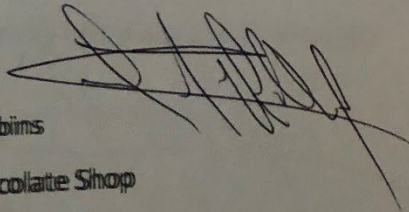
We would like to express our deep concerns, in regards to the closing of the Chief Mountain Border Port of Entry. For many years Waterton Lakes National Park has cherished the summer tourism season, that we have shared with our American visitors, and business counterparts. The closure of the crossing will have horrific impact on Waterton Lakes, Pincher creek, Standoff, and so many other communities. In the past five years it has been a significant struggle for all in tourism, we in Waterton are what we refer to as a dead end destination. People come to this National Park because they have chosen to spend their holiday in one of God's hidden gems. Waterton Lakes is part of the International Peace Park shared with Montana Glacier National Park. Each year we have a Peace Park hike with both Alberta and Montana officials, as well as any person's that choose to take part with this event. Not only to expand their knowledge on the parks but to make new friendships that will last a lifetime. Shall we be so willing to just give this historical legacy a farewell? The real question is if Carway Port of Entry is the only crossing available, how damaging this will be for Waterton. Are we willing to take that chance of loss to our tourism that we so greatly dependent on? Waterton has overcome so many adversities, the Kenow wildfire, Covid, and now the real fear of the loss of our Chief Mountain Border Entry.

I truly hope that all parties concerned can draft up a cordial meeting with our group of concerned business owners from Waterton and surrounding areas. A positive attitude creates success and makes for a happy and vibrant atmosphere for all within the community, residents and visitors alike.

Perhaps an amicable solution could be reached that would be beneficial for all. We would like to thank you for your time in regards to our concerns. I will graciously await your response to our fear of the continued closure of the Chief Mountain Border Entry.

I can be reached by telephone at 403-859-2097.

Sincerely,



Carol A. Robbins

Welch's Chocolate Shop





Canada Border  
Services Agency

Agence des services  
frontaliers du Canada

May 31, 2022

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Dear Ms. Robbins,

This is in response to your fax which I received via Superintendent Darren Baker on May 27, 2022. In your message you state that you are concerned with the potential impacts of a continued closure or the loss of the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA Chief Mountain port of entry (POE)).

As mentioned in the CBSA news release (<https://www.canada.ca/en/border-services-agency/news/2022/05/reminder-chief-mountain-border-crossing-remains-closed.html>) on May 13, 2022, the Chief Mountain POE remains indefinitely closed at this time.

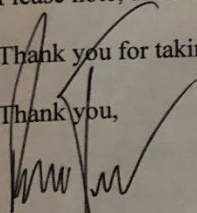
The reasons for this continued closure include the additional health screening required under the Government of Canada COVID-19 travel restrictions, the impact that travel restrictions have had on traveller volumes, and the border wait times at our busiest ports of entry.

As COVID-19 public health measures continue to ease, the CBSA will continue to review operations and services across the country. Once the CBSA has more information, it will be shared with local stakeholders such as yourself.

Please note, there are no plans to permanently close the Chief Mountain POE.

Thank you for taking the time to contact the CBSA.

Thank you,

  
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## **Improvement District #4, Waterton**

### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Council Meeting May 20, 2022 - 06:30 PM (at the Waterton Community Centre)**

Those in attendance: Chair Ken Black, Councillors: Brian Baker, Josef Pisa (virtually), and Barbara Clay (virtually)

Absent: Keith Robinson

Officials: CAO Scott Barton and AMA Troy Shewchuk (virtually)

#### **1 Call Regular Council Meeting to Order**

Chair Ken Black called the May 20, 2022, Improvement District No. 4 Council Meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

**Resolution No: 2**  
2022-032

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Ken Black

That the agenda be adopted as submitted with the addition of the Clean Lake Initiative, which will be agenda item 6.2.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Resolution No: 3**  
2022-033

#### **Minutes of April 22, 2022**

**Moved By:** Brian Baker

That the Improvement District No. 4 Council Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2022, be approved as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Resolution No: 4**  
2022-034

#### **Financial Report - April 2022**

**Moved By:** Ken Black

That the April 2022 Financial Report be approved as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **5 Parks Canada Report**

Park Canada Representatives were unable to the Council Meeting.

#### **6 Council Committee Reports**

##### **6.1 AlbertaSW Report - Keith Robinson**

Councillor Keith Robinson was not able to attend the Council Meeting due to work responsibilities.

**6.2 Clean Lake Initiative**

Clean Lake Initiative requirements were discussed including website information, supplies, and the Agreement with Parks Canada.

**7 Items for Discussion**

**7.1 Waterton Chamber Meeting**

The history and circumstances around the non-residential tax funding provided to the Waterton Park Chamber for destination marketing purposes were discussed. Council discussed the property tax implications of providing this funding with the legislative 5 to 1 maximum property tax ratio between residential and non-residential properties. Options and discussion points were reviewed. Administration was directed to arrange a meeting with the Waterton Park Chamber.

**7.2 Local Government Fiscal Framework Engagement**

Correspondence from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Local Government Fiscal Framework Engagement process was discussed by Council

**Resolution No: 8**  
2022-035

**Correspondence**

**Moved By:** Ken Black

That the Correspondence is accepted as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8.1 Town of Coaldale - Increasing Utility Fees**

**8.2 Town of Mundare - Alberta Provincial Police Force**

**8.3 Ministerial Order No. MSD:041/22 - ID4 Tax Rate**

**9 Next Meeting - July 15, 2022**

The next meeting of Improvement District No. 4 Council will be held on July 15, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the Waterton Community Centre.

Councillor Josef Pisa requested that a representative from Lakeland Golf Management be asked to attend the July 15, 2022, Meeting of Council.

**Resolution No: 10**  
2022-036

**Adjournment**

**Moved By:** Ken Black

To adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Chair Ken Black

*Scott Barton*

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CAO Scott Barton



	<b>1. Parks Canada Report</b>	Completed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : June 09, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Contact Parks Canada Superintendent and Town Site Manager to let them know that the next meeting of Council is July 15, 2022 at 6:30pm	
	<b>2. Clean Lake Initiative</b>	Completed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : June 09, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Send a copy of the Clean Lake Initiative Agreement to Council	
	<b>3. Waterton Chamber Meeting</b>	Completed: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : June 09, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Administration was asked to develop a Multi-year taxation strategy	
	<b>4. Waterton Chamber Meeting</b>	Completed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : June 09, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Arrange a meeting with the Waterton Park Chamber to discuss their marketing funding	
	<b>5. Next Meeting - July 15, 2022</b>	Completed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : June 09, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Invite Lakeland Golf Management to attend the July 15, 2022 Meeting of Council. (Meet and Greet)	
	<b>6. ID4 New Website Development - All Net</b>	Completed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : March 31, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Work with All Net to construct a new ID4/WPCA Website	
	<b>7. Preliminary Design and Development of new campground</b>	Completed: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Due date : March 18, 2022	
	Sent by : Scott Barton	
	Sent to : Scott Barton	
	Complete a preliminary design on the Pine Ridge Campground. For Discussion at the March 2022 ID Council Meeting. The Design will be developed in conjunction with AB Environment and Parks. Meet with MD of Pincher Development Department to discuss the initiative/project.	

	Fiscal YTD May 2022	2022	2022	2021	2022	2022
	Fund Center	ID 4 - Waterton Lakes NP	ID 4 - Waterton Lakes NP	ID 4 - Waterton Lakes NP	ID 4 - Waterton Lakes NP	ID 4 - Waterton Lakes NP
	Category	Budget	Actual	Actual	Budget to Actual variance	Actual to Actual variance
		Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
G/L Account		CAD	CAD	CAD		
1010101150	CON-CIBC TRUST - Bank Account		592,162.01	641,448.41	0.00	(49,286.40)
1010102120	Cash Clearing-CIBC Collector		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010102150	Cash Clearing-CIBC Trust		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010104100	Cash In Transit		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010201460	Property Tax Receivable		1,336,587.94	30,457.39	0.00	1,306,130.55
1010201200	GST Receivable - Direct		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010201240	A/R Interest		783.54	0.00	0.00	783.54
1010201270	General receivables		186,494.00	358,614.00	0.00	(172,120.00)
1010203110	Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010500100	Prepaid Expenses		3,481.85	123.60	0.00	3,358.25
1010600100	CON-Inter-Entity Zero Balancing Account		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1010600110	Inter-Entity Zero Balancing Account		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1030102100	CON-Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1030102110	Assets Under Construction - Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1030102120	Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1030106120	Other Capital Assets		105,000.00	105,000.00	0.00	0.00
1030107100	CON-Assets Under Construction		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2060101100	CON-Accumulated Amortization-Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2060101110	Accumulated Amortization - Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2060105110	Accumulated Amortization - Other Capital Assets		(105,000.00)	(105,000.00)	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL ASSETS		2,119,509.34	1,030,643.40	0.00	1,088,865.94
2010101110	CON-Accounts Payable		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010101180	A/P - General/Other		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010204100	Accrued Liabilities - Other		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010205100	GST Payable		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2040000110	Unearned Revenue		489,042.36	723,302.60	0.00	(234,260.24)
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		489,042.36	723,302.60	0.00	(234,260.24)
3010000100	Operating Reserves		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3010000110	Net Assets/Liabilities		446,514.00	440,997.30	0.00	5,516.70
	TOTAL EQUITY		446,514.00	440,997.30	0.00	5,516.70
4020200100	Property Taxes	1,349,577.00	1,349,676.17	0.00	(99.17)	1,349,676.17
4050802170	Certificates	100.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
4050802400	Permits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4070701100	Investment Income	1,200.00	1,727.64	458.89	(527.64)	1,268.75
4090200110	Fines Late Payment Penalty	8,000.00	6,528.31	7,031.57	1,471.69	(503.26)
4090801190	Provincial Grants	507,405.00	19,085.00	19,085.00	488,320.00	0.00
4090801230	Other Miscellaneous Revenue		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4090801310	Rental Revenue		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4090300100	Refund of Expenses		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL REVENUE	1,866,282.00	1,377,067.12	26,575.46	489,214.88	1,350,491.66
6010500130	Memberships	6,500.00	2,119.21	3,718.44	4,380.79	(1,599.23)
6020100110	Employee Travel-Mileage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6020100140	Employee Travel-Meals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6020100150	Employee Travel-Lodging	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6020200170	Requisitions	653,019.00	145,890.61	123,619.76	507,128.39	22,270.85
6020300170	Advertising-Other	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
6020400100	Insurance Premiums	4,200.00	1,078.41	3,190.42	3,121.59	(2,112.01)
6020500100	Freight, Courier, Postage	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
6020700160	RENTAL OPERATING COSTS & TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6021000110	Non Board Honoraria	22,000.00	0.00	0.00	22,000.00	0.00
6021400160	Utilities - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6021400190	Protective services	21,000.00	5,375.57	3,582.29	15,624.43	1,793.28
6021400240	Other Purchased Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6021600130	Office And IT Supplies	90,011.00	24,979.50	14,070.00	65,031.50	10,909.50
6021701140	Legal Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6021701230	Assessment Services	30,500.00	12,625.00	9,375.00	17,875.00	3,250.00
6021701750	General Contracted Services	0.00	1,045.84	0.00	(1,045.84)	1,045.84
6030100120	Grants-Operating	1,004,043.00	0.00	2,676.04	1,004,043.00	(2,676.04)
6060100100	Amortization - Buildings		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6060100130	Amortization - Other Capital Assets		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL EXPENSES	1,832,773.00	193,114.14	160,231.95	1,639,658.86	32,882.19
	(DEFICIT) SURPLUS	33,509.00	1,183,952.98	(133,656.49)	(1,150,443.98)	1,317,609.47

**IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 4  
INTEREST EARNED ON GRANTS  
As at December 31, 2022**

		MSI - Capital Grant			CCBF Grant			Total Deberred Revenue		
Amount Carried forward from 2021				\$ 238,315.76			\$ 83,317.60			\$ 321,633.36
	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Interest earned</u>	<u>Deposits / Expenditures</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Interest earned</u>	<u>Deposits / Expenditures</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Interest earned</u>	<u>Deposits / Expenditures</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
(Receivable)			-	238,315.76			83,317.60		-	321,633.36
Payable									-	321,633.36
Jan-22	0.27%	54.04	-	238,369.80	18.89	-	83,336.49	72.93	-	321,706.29
Feb-22	0.32%	59.06	-	238,428.86	21.39	-	83,357.88	80.45	-	321,786.74
Mar-22	0.47%	95.58	-	238,524.44	33.42	-	83,391.30	129.00	-	321,915.74
Apr-22	0.71%	138.21	-	238,662.65	48.32	-	83,439.62	186.53	-	322,102.27
May-22	1.40%	283.78	-	238,946.43	99.21	-	83,538.83	382.99	-	322,485.26
Jun-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Jul-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Aug-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Sep-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Oct-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Nov-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Dec-22	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
	0.00%	-	-	238,946.43	-	-	83,538.83	-	-	322,485.26
Receivable		-	117,409.00	356,355.43	-	50,000.00	133,538.83	-	167,409.00	489,894.26
Payable									-	489,894.26
		630.67	117,409.00		221.23	50,000.00		851.90	167,409.00	
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# Alberta SouthWest Bulletin June 2022

## Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA) Update

### ❖ Alberta SouthWest Annual General Meeting ... 20+ years of successful regional collaboration!

Planning the possibilities of regional collaboration began in 1999, and the first minutes for the formally established REDA are dated May 29, 2002. The 2022 AGM is an occasion to recognize and congratulate our 15 communities who demonstrate commitment and continuity of leadership that has resulted over 2 decades of award-winning success!

### ❖ Board Chairs

- (1999)-2002-2004: **Art Bonertz**, Pincher Creek
- 2004-2006: **Randy Janisko**, Cardston County
- 2006-2009: **Ted Smith**, MD Pincher Creek
- 2009-2010: **Dr. John Irwin**, Crowsnest Pass
- 2010-2013: **Shawn Patience**, Fort Macleod
- 2013-2017: **Lloyd Kearl**, Cardston County
- 2017-2021: **Dr. Brian "Barney" Reeves**, ID Waterton
- 2021-present: **Brent Feyter**, Fort Macleod

### ❖ Thank you to the agency partners and their inspiring presentations.

Our networks have grown over the decades! We value this support as we NAVIGATE the possibilities!

- **Natalie Gibson**, President, InnoVisions & Associates: Building a Sustainable Tourism Investment Network (BASTION)
- **Laura Hodge**, Project Coordinator, Crown of the Continent Geotourism Council: transboundary initiative-AB, BC, MT
- **William York**, Senior Engineer, EV Services ATCO: new energy initiatives; Peaks to Prairies EV Charging Network
- **Jon Mamela**, Senior VP and Chief Commercial Officer, Travel Alberta: developing tourism; promoting southern Alberta
- **Stacie Lara**, Director of Investment-Energy, Invest Alberta: strengthening opportunities for new energy development
- **Saio Yong**, Manager, Stakeholder Relations, Invest Alberta: connecting with multi-sector teams for investment attraction
- **Brock Skretting**, Head of Advocacy, Keep Alberta Rolling: preparing communities to be "film friendly" in Alberta

### ❖ After the AGM ... SpeCATular Story!

Heritage Acres Farm Museum is a wonderful spot for a barn cat named Fergie ... who had an adventure!

Fergie joined the festivities, charming guests (Peter!) during the AlbertaSW AGM.

Car doors remained open on a warm evening as equipment and supplies were loaded up after the meeting.



When Marie (EDO, Town of Pincher Creek) arrived home, to her surprise, the little furry charmer was in the backseat of her car! Fergie had hopped in, unnoticed, and made herself comfortable!

So, Fergie had a little vacation! She stayed the night with Marie and enjoyed a scenic return drive to Heritage Acres in the morning.

CATastrophe averted!

**Alberta SouthWest Regional Economic Development Alliance**

**International Economic Development Council (IEDC) Accredited Economic Development Organization (AEDO)**

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## RMA Fall 2022 Convention Invite

1 message

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Thu, Jun 30, 2022 at 8:58 AM

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Dear Chief Administrative Officers:

We are writing to inform you of a potential opportunity for municipal councils to meet with the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, at the 2022 RMA Fall Convention, scheduled to take place at the Edmonton Convention Centre from November 7-10, 2022. These meetings will be in person at the convention centre.

Should your council wish to meet with Minister McIver during the convention, please submit a request by email to [ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca](mailto:ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca) no later than August 10, 2022.

In your meeting request, please be sure to include one to three specific policy items or issues your municipality would like to discuss with the Minister.

We generally receive more requests to meet with the Minister than can be reasonably accommodated over the course of the convention. To ensure suitable consideration of requests, municipalities should be mindful of the following criteria:

- Policy items or issues directly relevant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the department will be given priority.
- Municipalities located within the Capital Region can be more easily accommodated throughout the year, so priority will be given to requests from municipalities at a distance from Edmonton and to municipalities with whom Minister McIver has not yet had an opportunity to meet.
- Meeting requests received after the deadline will not be considered for the convention, but may be considered for future meeting opportunities.

Meeting times with the Minister are scheduled for approximately 15 minutes per municipality. This will allow the Minister the opportunity to engage with as many municipal councils as possible. All municipalities submitting meeting requests will be notified at least two weeks prior to the convention as to the status of their request.

Municipal Affairs will make every effort to find alternative opportunities throughout the remainder of the year for those municipalities the Minister is unable to accommodate during the convention.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER J.  
SCOTT BARTON  
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Ottawa, June 2022

Dear CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER J. SCOTT BARTON and Council,

The economic contributions from rural communities are integral to Canada's success. Rural areas are home to many key industries such as manufacturing, forestry, agriculture, and energy.

Yet, municipalities under 20,000 residents receive less support from the federal government in comparison to their much larger counterparts. Red tape duplications and certain application requirements disproportionately burden small rural communities with very few staff.

This is unfair, unjust, and needs to be addressed urgently. As such, Conservative Shadow Minister for Rural Economic Development and Rural Broadband Strategy, M.P. Shannon Stubbs, Deputy Shadow Ministers M.P. Damien Kurek and M.P. Jacques Gourde, are seeking to convene a townhall with you to address federal funding for rural communities.

Rural Canadians must band together for fairer and more robust funding for communities all over rural Canada.

It is integral to our economy that the federal government works for everyone no matter where they live. The voices of rural Canadians need to be heard. We kindly ask you to express the three most important issues impacting your economic development as a rural community. We will use this feedback to ensure our work for rural Canada is as productive as possible and will determine the agenda for our proposed townhall. This is an opportunity to network, share your priorities, and solutions to the challenges we face.

We value hearing from you and should you wish to attend our forum, please email M.P. Stubbs at [shannon.stubbs@parl.gc.ca](mailto:shannon.stubbs@parl.gc.ca), M.P. Kurek at [damien.kurek@parl.gc.ca](mailto:damien.kurek@parl.gc.ca), or M.P. Gourde at [jacques.gourde@parl.gc.ca](mailto:jacques.gourde@parl.gc.ca).

Thank you for your time.

Shannon Stubbs, M.P.  
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**2022/23 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Program Launch**

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Our government is committed to supporting strong, resilient communities where Albertans and businesses succeed. The Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) enables municipalities and Metis Settlements to collaborate with their neighbours on local and regional priorities. This is particularly important as we work together to move forward with Alberta's economic and pandemic recovery.

I am pleased to advise that applications are now being accepted for all components under the 2022/23 ACP program. Applications must be submitted through ACP Online; access is through MAConnect at [www.maconnect.alberta.ca](http://www.maconnect.alberta.ca).

Please note the application deadlines for each component are as follows:

Municipal Internship October 1, 2022  
Intermunicipal Collaboration December 16, 2022  
Municipal Restructuring January 16, 2023  
Mediation and Cooperative Processes February 3, 2023  
Strategic Initiatives February 3, 2023

Details on the above and other program updates, including guidelines, are available at [www.alberta.ca/alberta-community-partnership.aspx](http://www.alberta.ca/alberta-community-partnership.aspx).

I look forward to continuing to work with you to strengthen Alberta's communities.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver  
Minister





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May 16, 2022

Mr. Kenneth Black  
Chairperson  
I.D. No. 04 (Waterton)  
P.O. Box 629  
Raymond AB T0K 2S0

Dear Mr. Black:

The Government of Alberta continues to build on its commitment to invest responsibly and sustainably in Alberta's communities and support local infrastructure needs. As part of this commitment, I am pleased to confirm that \$485 million will be allocated to local governments in Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) capital funding and \$30 million in MSI operating funding in 2022. Combined with \$1.196 billion in funding front-loaded in 2021, MSI capital funding over the last three years of the program, from 2021 to 2023, will average \$722 million per year.

In addition, in 2022, Alberta will receive \$255 million in federal funding under the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF).

For I.D. No. 04 (Waterton):

- The **2022 MSI capital allocation is \$117,409.**  
This amount is equivalent to 40.6 per cent of your 2021 allocation, a reduction based on year-over-year change in overall program funding from \$1.196 billion to \$485 million.
- The **2022 MSI operating allocation is \$19,085.**  
Your 2022 operating allocation will be the same as in 2021.
- The **2022 CCBF allocation is \$50,000.**  
This amount was calculated using the 2019 Municipal Affairs Population List, the most current municipal-level population data available for the purpose of calculating CCBF funding.

MSI and CCBF funding amounts for all municipalities and Metis Settlements are posted on the Government of Alberta website at [open.alberta.ca/publications](https://open.alberta.ca/publications). MSI allocation estimates for 2023, the last year of the MSI, are available on the program website at [www.alberta.ca/municipal-sustainability-initiative.aspx](https://www.alberta.ca/municipal-sustainability-initiative.aspx).

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The new Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) program is scheduled for implementation in 2024. The new funding arrangement will ensure predictable long-term infrastructure funding at sustainable levels tied to growth in provincial revenues. I recognize how important it is for you to have the opportunity to provide input on the design of the LGFF, and value your expertise in the development of the new program.

I am pleased to announce that engagement with our local government stakeholders on the LGFF program has already begun. I had the privilege to initiate the LGFF engagement process by meeting with representatives from Alberta Municipalities, Rural Municipalities of Alberta, the Metis Settlements General Council, and the cities of Calgary and Edmonton. This engagement will include a survey on the LGFF program design, which is being sent out to all local governments. The results of these consultations are anticipated to be shared with you by early 2023.

We have a busy year ahead, and I am looking forward to working with you to develop the LGFF to ensure the program reflects local priorities, while aligning with provincial objectives and respecting our taxpayers.

Sincerely,



Ric McIver  
Minister

cc: Scott Barton, Chief Administrative Officer, I.D. No. 04 (Waterton)