

Request for Decision

Title	10:00 a.m. - Bylaw 1626/23 – Road Closure Bylaw – First Reading
Proposed Motion	That Council give first reading of Bylaw 1626/23.
Administrative Recommendation	That Council give first reading to Bylaw 1626/23 to allow for the proposed bylaw to proceed to a Public Hearing to receive feedback from affected parties.
Previous Council / Committee Direction	<p><u>January 11, 2022 Regular Council Meeting</u> Motion 014/22: That Council approve the Conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement dated October 6, 2021 for Plan 1945Rs, Lot A and consent to the closure of the undeveloped road allowance in accordance with section 24 of the Municipal Government Act.</p> <p><u>April 27, 2021 Regular Council Meeting</u> Motion 264/21: That Council approve an expenditure of up to \$450,000 for the Bridge Project itemized in Attachment 1 to be funded by Road Network Reserve.</p>
Report	<p><u>Background Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The exceptional 1 in 100-year precipitation event of Spring of 2020 resulted in Bridge Culvert BF 85388 (Range Road 263 north of Highway 633) washing out. • A rented temporary bridge was installed shortly after this incident to provide access to affected residences while design and land acquisition for a replacement bridge was completed. • The land acquisition for this project necessitated consideration for closure and disposal of the referenced undeveloped road allowance. • Construction of the bridge culvert was completed in November 2021 and is currently under warranty. • The proposed closure and disposal of the undeveloped road allowance will conclude agreements associated with acquiring land from adjacent landowners to expand County's rights-of-way requirements for the replacement bridge.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In January 2022, Council gave consent to the closure and sale of the undeveloped road allowance as detailed on Schedule “A” in accordance with a conditional sale and purchase agreement. To satisfy Ministerial requirements, it was deemed that the bylaw process be utilized. The bylaw process allows for the completion of any and all requirements to conclude closure of the road allowance. The County’s legal counsel will be in attendance at the March 28, 2023 Council meeting to provide additional information to Council on the road closure requirements provided in the <i>Municipal Government Act</i> and to answer questions members of Council may have. <p><u>External Communication</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertisement for the Public Hearing on the proposed road closure will be placed in local newspapers, on the County’s website, through the County’s social media platforms, and directly to affected residents as required by the <i>Municipal Government Act</i>. <p><u>Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Municipal Government Act</i>
Implication of Administrative Recommendation	<p><u>Strategic Alignment</u></p> <p>Planned Growth – This transaction facilitates completion of the emergency bridge replacement and demonstrates commitment to the community to maintaining and updating existing infrastructure.</p> <p><u>Organizational</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration would advertise the Public Hearing and next steps in the road closure process. <p><u>Financial</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The County is responsible for fees associated with land title registration and associated legal fees. The acquisition of the land associated with the closure will take effect when all legislated requirements have been fully satisfied.
Alternatives Considered	Council could defeat Bylaw 1623/23 at first reading, resulting in the road closure bylaw not proceeding to Public Hearing.
Implications of Alternatives	<p><u>Strategic Alignment</u></p> <p>Planned Growth – A decision not to proceed with this transaction would prevent the completion of the emergency bridge replacement.</p> <p><u>Organizational</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. <p><u>Financial</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The County would assume legal costs (unknown at this time).

Follow up Action	1. Advertise the Public Hearing in accordance with <i>Municipal Government Act</i> requirements (Transportation & Engineering Services, March/April 2023).
Attachment(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bylaw 1626/23 - Road Closure Bylaw 2. Schedule "A"- Road Closure Plan
Report Reviewed by:	<p>Gary Mayhew, Director, Transportation & Engineering Services</p> <p>Scott MacDougall, Chief Operating Officer – COO</p> <p>Reegan McCullough, County Commissioner – CAO</p>

Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: *Offering a rich tapestry of historical, cultural, and natural experiences, Sturgeon County is a municipality that honours its rural roots and cultivates desirable communities. Uniquely situated to provide world-class agricultural, energy, and business investment opportunities, the County prioritizes responsible stewardship and dreaming big.*

Guiding Principles: Collaboration | Accountability | Flexibility | Excellence | Safety | Future Readiness | Affordability | Innovation

Community Outcome	Not consistent	Consistent	N/A
Planned Growth			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internationally competitive to attract, grow and sustain diverse businesses; tenacious focus on new growth and innovation 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modern broadband and digital capabilities 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low cost, minimal red-tape regulations 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reliable and effective infrastructure planning; comprehensive land use and infrastructure planning 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thriving Communities			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beautiful, surprising places with high standards; integrated natural spaces & trail systems; healthy and resilient 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaging cultural, historical, and civic amenities; strong community identity and pride 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe, welcoming, and diverse communities; small community feel and personal connection; commitment to high quality of life 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Environmental Stewardship			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean air, land, and water; Carbon neutral municipal practices; circular economy opportunities 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation of natural areas and agricultural lands; enhanced greening and biodiversity; safekeeping ecosystems 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable development; partnerships with industry and others to drive emission reductions 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Collaborative Governance			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predictable and stable external relationships; volunteer partnerships 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meaningful connections with Indigenous communities 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing community consultation and engagement; transparent and action-oriented decision making based on sound rationale 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respectful and informed debate; clear and supportive governance processes 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Operational Excellence			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaged and effective people – Council, Admin and Volunteers; continuous learning and improvement mindset; nimble and bold, with strong leadership 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality cost-effective service delivery; robust procurement and operational practices and policies; asset management and performance measurement; careful debt and reserve stewardship; long-term financial planning and sustainability 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Future focused thinking to proactively respond to emerging opportunities and challenges 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative revenue generation and service delivery models integrated strategic and business planning 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>