



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 in Council Chambers at 1606-14 Street.

- Council was presented with a comprehensive Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Report that included:
 - The third quarter financial reports
 - Development Permits as of November 5, 2024
 - Planning Update on the Municipal Development Plan

The full CAO Report can be found on the Town of Didsbury Website: <https://www.didsbury.ca/p/council-meetings>

- Council granted first reading to Bylaw 2024-13 Utility Charges. This bylaw is reviewed annually in alignment with the budget process. Along with changes to the rates, there are some other clerical revisions to the bylaw to make it easier to administer.
- Council was presented with information and options relative to having a by-election for the vacant seat on Council. In accordance with the Municipal Government Act (MGA) and the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA), Council has the option of calling a by-election to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of a Council member. Because the general municipal election is less than twelve months away, Council need not hold a by-election so long as at least five members remain on Council. Council voted to not hold a by-election.
- Council appointed Mountain View County Councillor Alan Miller as a Trustee to the Didsbury Library Board until October 27, 2025.
- Council approved to jointly apply with Mountain View County to the Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) for a Local Initiatives Grant. Previously, Council approved the exploration of a collaborative joint project with Mountain View County to determine the feasibility of improving 23 Street North of Highway 582. Our regional partners, the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission and AltaGas, have been engaged in an effort to participate in the project. The proposed funding break down is below:

Funding Contributor	Percentage of Total Project Cost	Estimated Value
STIP Grant	50%	\$2.2 million
Town of Didsbury	13.3%	≈\$586,670
County contribution to Town portion of road (reimbursed over time via Town development)	13.3%	≈\$586,670
AltaGas Contribution	5%	\$220,000
MVRWMC Contribution	5%	\$220,000
Mountain View County Township 314	13.3%	≈\$586,670
Total Estimated Project Cost		\$4.4 million