



Clearwater County welcomes back new Chief Administrative Officer

(Rocky Mountain House, AB) – Clearwater County Council is pleased to announce the hiring of Rick Emmons as the new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for the County. Mr. Emmons is one of the County’s longest serving and most impactful former employees who brings invaluable experience across all departments, along with his commitment to accountability and excellence in service delivery.

“Council is excited to announce that Mr. Emmons will return to his previous position as CAO (2018-2021) to empower our staff and organization,” said Reeve Daryl Lougheed. “We look forward to working with Mr. Emmons as we prepare to soon approve Council’s draft 2022-2026 Strategic Plan. We are confident in Mr. Emmons’ ability to guide us in taking big actions and work towards the goals we’ve set out to compete in this new strategic plan.”

“Getting results requires taking action. Finding success requires taking action in a way that mitigates challenges and takes advantage of developing circumstances. New opportunities, unforeseen challenges, and changes going on in our region, the province, the country, and the world requires us to be nimble and adaptable in our Strategy.”

-Council’s Draft 2022-2026 Strategic Plan

The hiring decision is the culmination of a process that spanned several months since the resignation of the former CAO. To assist with the selection of this critical position, Council enlisted the services of Leaders International Executive Search, a recruitment firm that completed a rigorous process of planning, targeting and analysis.

The appointment of Mr. Emmons to the position of CAO of Clearwater County will take effect May 24, 2022.

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