

# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS August 28, 2013

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**□#1 Gravel Supply Locked In** – Municipal District of Bonnyville Council agreed to sign a 10-year gravel supply contract with JMB Crushing Systems ULC for 200,000 tonnes per year at \$25 per tonne for the first five years and \$27 per tonne for the remaining five years. JMB will be responsible for hauling, loading and stockpiling the material. The contract contains specific gravel requirements and specs, and states that the M.D. can reject the gravel if it does not meet the standards specified. The M.D. is still looking at acquiring additional gravel from the County of Two Hills, but the contract has not been signed.

**□#2 Transportation And Utilities Update** – Council awarded the Ardmore Street Improvement Phase 1 tender to KRAN Construction of Nisku for \$1,766,136.35 for a total construction budget (including Engineering and Contingency costs) of \$2,090,136.34. Council approved the budget for the design and tender process for the Ardmore Street Improvement Phase 2 for a maximum of \$2.5 million. The project will be completed in 2014. Council awarded the Reconstruction Tender for Township Road 632, from Range Road 423 to 800 metres west, to Site Energy Services for \$479,087.76 for a total project cost of \$529,087.76. Council agreed to purchase an asphalt Paver, with a leveling ski attachment for \$394,000 and a pickup feeder for the Paver for \$179,500 bringing the total price for the whole unit to \$573,500. Council also agreed to purchase three additional pieces of equipment to take advantage of a year-end discount of \$143,000. Council agreed to purchase a new Reclaimer to replace the old mixer and tractor unit, a Pad Foot Packer and Pneumatic Packer for a total of \$911,000.

### **Road construction and maintenance Update**

The Road Construction Crew is completing work on Township Road 622 and is moving to Range Road 440.

The Road Oiling Crew has completed Township Road 630 west of Highway 41, Range Road 452 south of Highway 28, Township Road 604 and Range Road 420A. Crews are currently working on Township Road 624 east and west of Secondary Highway 897, Township Road 630 east of Cold Lake and Range Road 443 north of Highway 28. The next jobs scheduled will be Range Road 435, Range Road 415 and Township Road 621. The T&U Department had Finning do a Paver Demonstration on six miles of overlay work on Township Road 630 west of Highway 41, staff used the Paver to complete Township Road 634 and have now moved to Range Road 435. Paving is complete on Beartrap Road. Paving on Township Road 611 and Range Road 485 will start this week. The contractor is currently working on the subgrade and base work on Range Road 470. The contractor is finishing the west side concrete work in Fort Kent and will be paving the main street as soon as it is ready.

Line painting is being done this week. The timber salvage permit has been purchased for the new alignment of Wolf Lake Phase 2 and the M.D. is waiting for the legal survey to register the road. The right-of-way will be ready for bushing this fall. The Deep Patch Crew has completed the Riverhurst Road realignment and is currently working on the Cold Lake Industrial Park. Road graveling is complete. The Dust Control MG 30 Crew is

working on the last of the road requests for 2013. The installation of the aeration system is currently underway at the Fort Kent Lagoon. The drying bed installation is completed at the Ardmore Lagoon and de-sludging of lagoon cells at Fort Kent and Ardmore has been completed as well.

**□#3 Planning and Development Update** – Development is heating up in the M.D. of Bonnyville. In June, 85 Development Permits and 37 New Residential Building Permits were taken out. In July, 90 Development Permits and 31 New Residential Development Permits were taken out for a year-to-date total of \$68,728,486. Year-to-date Housing Starts total 18 Mobile Home Units and 160 Single Family Dwellings surpassing the 2012 total of 135 Single Family Dwellings. Council gave Final Reading to Bylaw No. 1542 to close and lease 550 feet of Range Road 464 from south of Township Road 646, to allow the homeowners to use the road as a driveway; Bylaw Nos. LU 526 and 527 to rezone part of SW 6-60-5-W4M from Agricultural ‘A’ to Country Residential ‘CR 2’ and Bylaw No. LU528 to rezone part of SE 30-61-5-W4M from Agricultural ‘A’ to Rural Industrial ‘RI’. Council gave Final Reading to Bylaw No. 1539 and Bylaw No. LU 523 to develop a policy regarding setback distance for developments and subdivisions in close proximity to oil and gas wells and facilities. The bylaw states that a 100 meter setback distance for active sites and a 30 meter set back distance for abandoned and reclaimed sites will be required. Final Reading was given to Bylaw No. 1540 and Bylaw No. LU 524 to amend the Area Structure Plan (ASP) and rezone part of NW 10-61-6 W4M from Agricultural “A” to Country Residential “CR3” for Fortier Estates to develop 23 lots with a piped water system. First Reading was given to Bylaw Nos. LU 529 and LU 530 to amend the ASP for Elk Haven Estates and to zone from country Residential CR1 to CR for allow for the subdivision of lots with an area of 1.5 to 3 acres. First Reading was given to Bylaw No. 1544 for adoption of the Green Hills Estates ASP (located 2.5 miles north of Cherry Grove) and First Reading was given to Bylaw No. LU 531 to zone from Agricultural A to Country Residential CR1. First Reading was given to Bylaw No. 532 for the rezoning of a three acre parcel within SE 26-63-7 W4M to Intensive Recreation to develop a 14 stall RV Park at Manatokan Lake. The Park would have three cabins and a concession for camping supplies. First Reading was given to Bylaw No. 1545 to adopt the Twin Creek Area Structure Plan east of Moose Lake and south of Bonnyville. Council passed a motion to set a deadline of September 30, 2013 for the developer to complete the Riverhaven intersection treatment.

**□#4 Agricultural News** – Council agreed to provide \$441 in funding for a study being done by the Alberta Beef Producers into the economic impact wildlife has on livestock producers. All rural municipalities have been asked to contribute based on population. The first pass of Roadside Mowing has been completed and now the crew is re-cutting arterial roads and giving them a full cut to the bottom of the ditch to try and remove as much brush as possible. Waterfowl in fields has become a problem as birds start flying south. The M.D. has six water fowl scare cannons that can assist farmers that are experiencing problems with ducks and geese eating their crops that are still in the field. There is no charge for the rental, but a damage deposit is required. Rental is only for a two week period to allow for other users. All bin site upgrades should be completed by the end of September. There will be new fencing for North Shore Heights, Beaver Dam

and Marie Lake, as well as cement stabilization, with cold mix on top, at Cherry Grove. K&K Recycling is making their rounds to all M.D. landfills collecting metal. Over 100 cubic yards of cardboard has been collected every two weeks this summer because all the insulation for the new pipelines being built in the area comes in cardboard boxes.

**☐#5 Funding Support** – Flat Lake Community Hall received their \$35,000 Annual Operating Grant. The Bonnyville Braves Midget AA Baseball Team received a grant of \$250 to assist with travel costs to represent Alberta in the Western Canadian Baseball Championships held on August 15 to 18. Council approved the delivery of a half-day Self Defense Class to the women in the Dr. Margaret Savage Crisis Centre by the School Resource Officers. Council agreed to provide the new North East Region 7 Sexual Assault Services office with used furniture.

**☐#6 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs** – Council passed Bylaw No. 1543 Weight Restriction and Road Ban Bylaw which provides for a more general exemption of M.D. vehicles being operated on a banned road. Council proclaimed September 9 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day. Council agreed to no longer provide recreational discounts to staff and Council for campgrounds and Kinosoo Ridge.

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