

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS October 8, 2014

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☐#1 Bonnyville Seed Cleaning Plant Scale Operational – Management at the Bonnyville Seed Cleaning Plant are finalizing the electronic integration details of getting a credit card swipe at the new scale. Operation will begin this week. The M.D. provided a tractor and land roller to assist in the esthetic upgrade and landscaping of the Seed Cleaning Plant.

☐#2 Public Safety Update – Residents will be seeing different Public Safety Officers in their Wards now that some have been shifted into new roles. Officer Shane Andexer is responsible for Wards 1 and 6, Officer Kevin Rowan is patrolling Ward 2 and 5 and Officer Serge Collette is in Wards 3 and 4. Industry Officers Steve Goguen, Ryan Sales, John Prockiw and Maciek Juszczuk will be on roads heavily used by oil and gas related vehicles. Council agreed to provide the services of Officer Bryan McWillis to facilitate a self-defense class for women in a nine-week program offered by the Dr. Margaret Savage Crisis Centre and the Lakeland Centre For Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Officers are patrolling Range Roads 474 and 461 due to increased complaints from residents regarding speeding vehicles. The speed display sign has been utilized on both roads, resulting in numerous speeding tickets being issued.

☐#3 Agricultural and Waste News – The Beaver River Regional Waste Management Commission has tendered out the 42-month contract for the hauling of all the regional waste to the Beaver Municipal Solutions landfill at Ryley. The Ag and Waste Department is applying for a \$30,000 Tire Marshalling Grant from the Alberta Recycling Management Authority to build an appropriate facility to recycle tires at the Goodridge Landfill. There is already a tire recycling area at the La Corey Landfill. The intent is to apply for the grant annually until all the landfills have a tire recycling site.

☐#4 Transportation and Utilities Update – Council agreed to proceed with the purchase of a D6 Dozer and D8T Dozer in advance of the 2015 budget to secure better pricing due to the drop in the Canadian dollar. The M.D. is saving \$38,000, but as the dollar drops, those savings may increase. The deadline date for ordering the new equipment at old prices is October 15. The Road Construction Crew is currently working on Township Road 622 and will be moving to Township Road 624 when completed. Road Oiling Crews have completed Township Road 634 and Range Road 482. They are currently finishing up Township Roads 624 and 613. Any other projects will be addressed as weather conditions allow. There are three patches of road paving to complete and then the crew will be done for the season. Roads will be assessed before winter for any additional gravelling projects. The contractor is still working on the Crane Lake Road as change orders on approach locations have extended the job completion. Hydrant extensions have been completed on the Ardmore Underground Project, but the M.D. is still waiting for TELUS to relocate a line to complete the project. One patch truck will be switching over to a plow truck after the Thanksgiving weekend, with the other three trucks on borrowed time before the first heavy snowfall. The Town of Bonnyville

alignment has been confirmed for the Moose Lake Trail and work will start this week. A contractor will start work on the Township Road 611 alignment after Thanksgiving.

☐#5 Be Prepared – The M.D. of Bonnyville is declaring November “Prepare for 72 Hours” month to educate citizens on how to be better prepared for municipal emergencies. The federal government has requested municipalities put out information on how citizens can be prepared to take care of their own needs for the first 72 hours during a municipal emergency such as a snow storm, flooding or other types of weather-related disasters. The M.D. will be doing a contest in November on Facebook to promote the concept.

☐#6 Community Services Update – The warming shack and deck for the new Tube Park at Kinosoo Ridge Snow Resort are almost complete with everything on track for the scheduled opening in November. SE Design is doing an engineering study for the possible expansion of the Cold Lake M.D. Campground. An emergency exit/roadway has been constructed at the Cold Lake M.D. Park.

☐#7 Planning and Development Update – In September, 48 Development Permits and 17 new Residential Building Permits were issued, with a year-to-date total of \$56,464,728. Year-to-date housing starts include 105 Single Family Dwellings and 26 Mobile Homes. The year-to-date total has surpassed the 2011 amount, but the Planning and Development Director expects final numbers to be below 2012 statistics.

☐#8 Funding Support – The Goodridge Social and Agricultural Society received its \$35,000 Annual Operating Grant. Council agreed to donate \$1,000 each to the Cold Lake and Bonnyville Food Banks. Council agreed to provide a \$780 Kinosoo Ridge Snow Resort Family Seasons Pass to the Bonnyville and District SPCA for its annual fundraiser. The M.D. donated \$500 to Dr. Brosseau School to host a provincial Cross Country Track Meet at Muriel Lake M.D. Park. Council agreed to purchase four \$65 tickets to the October 18 Lakeland Business of the Year Awards Dinner, which is jointly sponsored by the Bonnyville and Cold Lake Chambers of Commerce.

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