

# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS August 26, 2015

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**□#1 New Traffic Safety Bylaw Regulates Moose Lake Trail** – Municipal District of Bonnyville Council passed Traffic Safety Bylaw No. 1610 that provides rules for the Moose Lake Trail and regulates the parking of unattached trailers on M.D. controlled streets and roads. The bylaw states that motorized vehicles are not allowed on the Moose Lake Trail, with the exception of Mobility Aids. Off-Highway Vehicles will not be allowed to operate in the road allowance or ditch directly adjacent to the surfaced trail area. These vehicles will have to travel in the ditch across the road from the trail. The bylaw also states that unattached trailers cannot be parked upon any road or street in the M.D. Public Safety Officers will issue penalties for infractions.

**□#2 Transportation and Utilities Update** – The Bridge Replacement tender for BF72755 over Jackfish Creek was awarded to Carmacks Enterprises Ltd. for \$838,718, including Engineering and Contingency of \$1,042,470.80. The Construction Crew is completing work on Township Roads 630 and 643, as well as working on Range Road 451. Once this work is done, the crew will move to Range Road 485 and Township Road 604A. The crew will finish the season on Township Road 611A east of Highway 28. The Oiling Crews are working on Range Roads 461, 415 and 435. All oiling projects are scheduled to be completed this year. The Paving Crew has completed Township Road 622, the salt shed floor, Crawford Estates and the loops in the North Shore Heights subdivision. The crew is currently working on the Whispering Spruce subdivision, and should complete paving the first section of Baywood Road this week. The crew will then move to Township Road 632 and Fort Kent to complete the season. Gurneyville Road is scheduled to be completed by October 31. The Fort Kent sidewalks are scheduled to be completed by mid-September. The Ardmore Storm Pond construction is complete. The Ardmore Underground contractor is scheduled to be finished by the end of September. Moose Lake Trail paving is complete. MG30 application on roads is completed, with some spot areas left to work on. Line painting will start at the beginning of September. Work on the La Corey grader shop/fire hall is scheduled to be finished by October 31.

**□#3 Agricultural and Waste Services** – The Roadside Mowing staff are conducting the second pass of ditches on main arterial roads and mowing to the fence line. The majority of M.D. subdivisions have had the roadsides and Municipal Reserve's mowed twice. To date, a few producers have taken advantage of the Grasshopper Control Program. Construction is complete on the bin sites in Hillside Estates and Moose Lake Meadows, with fencing to be completed in September. Construction on the Willow Ridge bin site will start this week.

**□#4 Planning and Development Update** – In June, 48 Development Permits and 12 New Residential Building Permits were issued. In July, 39 Development Permits and 10 New Residential Building Permits were issued. The 2015 year-to-date total Development Permit value is \$24,484,419, which is approximately 50 percent lower than last year. Subdivision applications are also down 50 percent from 2014. Year-to-date 2015 housing

starts include 39 Single Family Dwellings and 6 Mobile Homes. Council agreed to take further action, including legal action if necessary, with a landowner on Crane Lake, to reclaim the shoreline area he has disturbed, returning it to a state that aligns with the Environmental Guidelines for shoreline development. Council agreed to share fifty percent of the cost with developer Britannia Construction for an intersection treatment on Highway 28 accessing the hamlet of Cherry Grove. The agreement will remain open for one year. Final reading was given to Bylaw LU 553 which provides a clear definition of what is considered a dwelling, providing clarity on how many dwellings are permitted on a single lot. Final Reading was also given to Bylaw 1602 and Bylaw LU 552, an Area Structure Plan for NE 2-62-2 W4M, for a residential development of 46 lots. First Reading was given to Bylaw 1608 to close and lease a portion of Spruce Avenue in Evergreen Estates, SW 19-61-6 W4M. First Reading was given to Bylaw 1609 to close and lease Township Road 621A, adjacent to the north boundary of SW 7-62-6 W4M. Council passed a resolution to Close Road Diversion Road Plan 5264 JY within NE 14-63-5 W4M.

**□#5 Council Supports World Junior “A” Challenge Bid** – Council agreed support the local bid to bring the 2016 World Junior “A” Challenge to Bonnyville. If the bid is successful Council will provide a \$15,000 Team Sponsorship and pay for half the cost of the Bonnyville and District Centennial Centre (The Town of Bonnyville will pay the other half). The Challenge will bring six hockey teams – two Canadian, one Russian, one U.S and two from other European countries – to the tournament. The economic spinoff to the community is projected to be over \$2 million, with promotional coverage of the gold medal game on TSN.

**□#6 Funding Support** – The Riverhurst Community Hall, Fort Kent Senior Citizens Hall and the Willow Prairie Agricultural Society received Annual Operating Grants of \$35,000. The Dupre Community League received an annual Operating Grant of \$5,000 and a Capital Grant of \$2,825 to cover half the cost of installing bleachers at the ball diamonds. Council agreed to provide a \$1,500 donation to the Bonnyville and Cold Lake Chambers of Commerce for the Lakeland Business of the Year Awards Gala on October 23 and to purchase four tickets totaling \$260.

**□#7 Briefly, Briefly** – The M.D. received a Federal/Provincial Small Communities Fund Grant of \$5,820,000 for the Ardmore Underground Utilities Rehabilitation Project. The total cost of the project is \$8.73 million. The September 9 Council Meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, September 8 at 11 a.m. Last day of the camping season is September 13.

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