

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS April 27, 2011

Keeping you informed of the services, business and development that affect YOU!

□#1 Transportation and Utilities Update – Fort Kent streets are at the top of the list once construction season gets underway. E Construction will be installing curb, reconstructing road and paving the three blocks carried over from last year's street improvements. Council also approved a budget of \$335,000 (to be taken from reserves) for the installation of a storm sewer system this year, with the remainder of curb installation and paving to be discussed in 2012 budget deliberations. The majority of Public Works equipment has been changed over and all seasonal staff are now in place. Spring runoff has crested and crews are repairing washouts and culverts. Patch trucks are working on a limited basis to fill what they can for emerging pot holes. Work on the intersection treatment for SH 660 and RR 455 will begin shortly. Lessard Hill has been removed from the 2011 Road Construction priority list due to problems with land acquisition. Four new road projects have been added to the list: RR 433 between Twp 632 and 631; RR 485 between Twp 620 and 622; RR 481 north of Highway 55 for one mile and RR 461 from Bonnyville town limits to SH 660.

□#3 Agricultural News – M.D. Council agreed to support the Town of Bonnyville's request for a change in scope proposal for the Regional Partnership Implementation Grant to provide for a Regional Waste Management Study that would include a review of the entire region to find a regional solution to handling our Class II waste and also include identification of various recycling opportunities that could be developed on a regional basis. The M.D. is currently advertising for Metal Recycling Services for its seven landfills to be completed annually. The M.D. and the province cost share 60/40 on flooding of agricultural land that includes removal of beavers, and opening culverts and dams. Residents with beaver concerns are asked to call Agricultural Services at 780-826-3951.

□#4 Public Safety On Patrol – Now that the snow is off the ground Community Peace Officers are beginning to deal with unsightly property complaints. Regular patrols also continue to nab speeders and other traffic violators. The School Resource Officer is booked solid until the end of June as schools fit the program into their schedules.

□#5 Planning and Development Bylaws – First Reading was given to Bylaw 1486 to lease a portion of a Road Allowance north of NE 34-63-6 W4M and Bylaw 1490 for the closure and lease of the road within SW 12-60-8 W4M. Final reading was given to Bylaw 1487 to renew the lease of the road allowance adjacent to the East of NE 24-61-8 W4M. Final Reading was given to Bylaw 1469, the revised Area Structure Plan for the Riverhurst Subdivision. Lot sizes will be a minimum of three acres and the pipeline right-of-ways will not encroach onto any of the proposed lots. A turnaround/snow clearing area will be provided at the end of the internal road that butts into the adjacent quarter section.

□#6 Funding Support – Sandy Rapids Community Club received its \$15,000 annual Operating Grant and a \$4,167.45 Special Projects Grant to purchase new chairs. The

Town of Bonnyville and the City of Cold Lake each received a \$2,500 grant to assist with Canada Day celebrations.

☐#7 M.D. Wins Marketing Award – Three regional municipalities recently won a major marketing award at the annual Alberta Economic Developers Association Conference. The M.D. of Bonnyville, Town of Bonnyville and Community Futures Lac La Biche won the *Excellence in Print and Electronic Advertising Award* for the 2010 “Alberta Beach Bum” marketing campaign.

☐#8 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs – Bob Highberg was appointed the Fire Guardian for the Ardmore area.

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