

# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS June 23, 2010

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**□#1 Vote Rescinded For Society Land Sale** – In a recorded vote Council rescinded the motion to sell two and a half acres of Municipal Reserve land in the existing Cold Lake Industrial Park to the Islamic Society of Cold Lake for \$10,000 plus subdivision costs. Reeve Ed Rondeau and Councillors Mike Krywiak, Don Sinclair, Barry Kalinski, David Fox and Andy Wakaruk voted in favour and Delano Tolley voted against. M.D. Council had received many calls and letters from taxpayers who were concerned with the precedent of selling Municipal Reserve Land to a non-profit society.

**□#2 Grasshopper Program** – Council is putting the 2010 Grasshopper Program in place to prepare for possible high concentrations of grasshoppers. The first hatch has started and they are showing up in high numbers. The cost of aerial spraying is \$125 per mile for both sides of the roadway. Ground spraying costs are \$15.60 per acre.

**□#3 Winter Games Support** – Council voted to pay half the costs of the \$45,777.83 bill – less the non-facility costs such as food and equipment – for the use of the Bonnyville and District Centennial Centre during the 2010 Lakeland Alberta Winter Games. All municipal partners had agreed to provide facilities at no cost to the Games. Because the Centennial Centre is a Part 9 Company, owned jointly by the M.D. and the Town of Bonnyville, the Centennial Centre bills out for the usage.

**□#4 Paving Hall Parking Lots** – The M.D. will provide funds to pave the parking lots at Willow Prairie Hall and the Fort Kent Seniors Hall. If the hall boards receive grant funding for the paving projects they will return two thirds of the funds to the M.D. Willow Prairie will receive \$112,350 and Fort Kent will get \$61,860 from the M.D. for the paving projects. Both hall boards will not be eligible to apply for M.D. Special Project Grants until 2013.

**□#5 Ag Service Update** – Roadside mowing has begun in the M.D. subdivisions, roads leading to the parks, and along the Iron Horse Trail. The four sickle mowers will begin working along gravel roads in the first part of July. Roadside spraying of brush re-growth has started, along with the spraying of noxious weed in ditches and industrial yards. Weed inspectors are visiting oilfield sites within the green zone in the hunt for Scentless Chamomile. Oil companies pay for the cost of the inspector's time to inspect and hand pick any small infestations.

**□#6 Road Work** – The construction crew is working on Wolf Lake Road's second mile. Paving is almost completed on Birch Grove Road. Cement stabilizing work is being completed on Twp 610A and the crew will move on to RR 4100. The patching crew is moving on to Wards 4 and 6 in July. Four trucks have been added to the graveling program, with the crew working Saturdays to get the roads completed.

☐#7 **Briefs, Briefs, Briefs** – First reading was given to Bylaw 1460 to close and sell a 100 meters of municipal road under registered road plan 1732 EU for the purpose of using the road as a private driveway. Council will send a letter of support to the Minnie Lake Conservation Society, who object to Canadian Natural Resources directional drilling underneath the lake.

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