

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS March 9, 2011

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☐#1 2011 Road Oiling Priorities – Municipal District of Bonnyville Council passed the 2011 Road Oiling priority list:

RR 444 north of Hwy 28	200 metres	new
RR 451 south of Twp 610 to 604	1 mile	Rip and Relay
Twp road 610 east of RR 460	2 miles	Rip and Relay
Twp 614 from RR 482 to RR 483	1 mile	Rip and Relay
Twp 594 between RR 475 & 480	1 mile	new
Twp 610 west of RR 482	0.5 miles	new
RR 484 between Twp 620 and 622	2 miles	new
RR 463 from Hwy 55 to Twp 634	2 miles	Rip and Relay
RR 432 from Hwy 55 to Twp 643	2 miles	Rip and Relay
Twp 632 from RR 442 to RR 450	2 miles	new
RR 435 north of Hwy 55		Repair
RR 415 from Twp 630 to Hwy 55	3 miles	new
Twp 624 from RR 420A to RR 415	1.5 miles	new
Twp 620 west of Hwy 41	250 metres	new

☐#2 Fundraising Opportunity for Local Organizations – Agricultural Services is looking for local groups who are interested in earning money for cleaning roadways and landfill sites. Local groups can fundraise and help clean up local roads, subdivisions and landfills. The rates are \$60/km for Subdivisions or roads close to an urban centre; \$100/km for Landfills and Special Areas and \$40/km for Rural Roadways. Please call the Agricultural Services Department at 780-826-3951 to sign up for an area.

☐#3 Roadside Brushing Program – In 2011 the funding for the Roadside Brushing Program remains the same as 2010 at \$15,000. To qualify for funding, the resident's field must be along a developed municipal road and the landowner must apply for the program by contacting the Agricultural Service Board at 780-826-3951 prior to starting any fence clearing. The site will be inspected to ensure that the location meets the criteria of the program and the amount of funding that will be paid. Funding will be in the range from \$500 to \$2,500 per one-half mile depending on the amount of brush and rocks to be disposed of. Along those roads where the right-of-way is 66 feet in width, the landowner will be permitted to build a fence at the 66 foot right-of-way location, with the understanding that the fence will be moved when additional land is required for road building.

☐#4 Cost Sharing on Public Playground – Council agreed to share the \$101,500.00 cost of the Willow Ridge public playground on a 50/50 basis. Willow Ridge is a 55-lot residential development on Moose Lake, with similar size developments to the north and south. The Willow Ridge developer is proposing to construct a playground and soccer

field on the Municipal Reserve within the development. The public playground will be equipped with a play apparatus similar to the equipment used at school sites and to the same safety standards. On residential developments, an off-site levy of \$500 per lot is collected by the M.D. for the development of parks to serve residents in the area. There are also funds available through the money collected for Municipal Reserve dedication in lieu of dedication of land for reserve.

☐#5 Funding Support – Council agreed to purchase two tables for the 4th Annual Cowboy Gala on April 9 for a total of \$800 and to provide a painting for the Silent Auction. Council also agreed to match all funds raised by staff for the May 10 National Denim Day in support of the CURE Foundation that funds breast cancer research. A \$250 donation was given to the Mallaig Midget Hockey Team to help fund a trip to the Provincial Hockey Tournament in Caroline, AB. The team has five M.D. players. Council declined to match the Town of Bonnyville’s \$15,000 contribution to the Bonnyville Senior Citizen’s Society to fund a new bus. M.D. Council had previously denied the request for funding since the M.D. contributes significantly to a Senior’s Transportation Grant and several rural Senior Citizens halls.

☐#6 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs – First reading was given to Bylaw 1483 to lease a portion of government road allowance near the Imperial Oil Mahihkan Plant site by ATCO Electric to expand their existing substation. Council approved the purchase of an Eagle Air Cadet II Breathing Air Compressor for the Glendon Fire Hall at a cost of \$10,653.65. The new cross country ski trail has been laid at a different location in the Muriel Lake Campground in order to prevent future vandalism. Council approved the purchase of an Agricultural Services truck for \$32,851 from Bonnyville Chrysler Jeep.

For more information contact Diane Jenkinson, Communications Coordinator at 780-826-3171. Our web site is a useful way to get the information you need. **Visit:** www.md.bonnyville.ab.ca.