MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87
COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS May 23, 2012

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#1 Local Producer Nominated – The Municipal District of Bonnyville Agricultural Service Board nominated Edward and Shirley Persely and family (Persely Farms) for the ATB Farm Family Award. The Award Ceremonies are held at the Northlands Farmfair on November 3 to 11, 2012. The nominating committee looks for an active farmer that is community minded, leader in the industry and keeps a high standard in their agricultural based business. The M.D. is able to nominate a local producer every two to three years.

#2 June Toxic Round Up – The Annual Bonnyville Household Toxic Round Up is being held on Saturday, June 16 at the Bonnyville Fire Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. M.D. Council provided a $500 sponsorship to help pay for the removal of waste. The M.D. will also provide cardboard recycling and waste bins.

#3 Transportation and Utilities Update – Patching Trucks are currently assigned to Wards 3 and 5, while the third patch truck is a rover dealing with daily pothole complaints. The trucks are now doing a three week Ward rotation for optimum service. The Road Gravelling Crew has completed roads in Wards 1, 2 and 6 and is currently working in Ward 5. The Construction Crew is currently working on Range Road 485. The Road Oiling Crew is working on two miles of Township Road 632, east of Secondary Highway 892, and should then move to the Baywood Road. Thirty miles of MG 30 dust suppressant has been laid and the crew will continue to work six days a week to get the bulk of the suppression completed. Construction on the Beartrap Road will begin shortly. The overlay on Secondary Highways 660 and 892 has started and is scheduled to be completed by the end of June. The Therien access overlay will be included in the project and then the road will be turned over to the M.D. for maintenance. The M.D. is working with ESRD to resolve issues for approval of the new alignment of the roadway in the green zone for Wolf Lake Road Phase II. First Nations consultations will begin soon. The bypass roads for the Highway 55 Roundabout have been completed and construction should begin shortly with completion by mid-August weather permitting.

#4 Agricultural News – Overdrive Services from Fort Kent was awarded the Mowing Program tender. The company will look after the mowing of pavement north of the Beaver River, west of Cold Lake. M.D. mowing crews will start on subdivisions the first week of June. Strychnine sales are going strong. The M.D. is encouraging producers to pick up the product from now until the ground squirrels hibernate in late summer. The best time for the baiting program is in the spring to early summer for better bait uptake.

#5 Planning and Development Update – Final Reading was given to Bylaw1519 for a Road Closure on NW 15-64-3 W4M. Third and Final Reading was given to Bylaw LU507 to rezone the designated Country Residential (CR) zoning within the NE 13-59-6 W4M, a 50-acre parcel located adjacent to the east boundary of Kehewin First Nation, under LU122 to Agricultural (A). Final Reading was given to Bylaw LU 508 to rezone a
12 acre parcel located in the Hamlet of La Corey adjacent to the intersection of Highway 55 and 41 on Plan 112 0182, Block 1, Lot 2 from Hamlet Urban Reserve to Hamlet General District. Issues expressed by La Corey residents in the Public Hearing will be dealt with in the development agreement. Bylaw LU 509 to rezone a five acre parcel located four miles south of the Hamlet of Ardmore on the east side of Secondary Highway 892 on Part of SW 13-61-4 W4M from Agricultural (A) to Rural Industrial (RI) was given Final Reading. First Reading was given to Bylaw No. 1525 to lease a road allowance for grazing purposes North & West of NW 19062-6 W4M and Bylaw No. 1523 to close and lease a road allowance to prevent public travel West of West ½ of 19-62-2 W4M. Third and Final Reading was given to Bylaw LU 500 to rezone from Agricultural (A) to Rural Industrial (RI) and Bylaw 1498 the Area Structure Plan for the same parcel of land, now that the developer has established a ten foot berm buffer zone next to the neighbouring properties.

#6 Funding Support – The Town of Bonnyville was given a $2,500 donation to help offset the $35,000 cost of the annual Canada Day event. Glendon High School received $500 for their Graduation Ceremonies. Community Futures Lakeland was granted a $100 sponsorship for the “Biz Kids” Youth Program designed to foster youth entrepreneurship. Following the completion of the workshops, participants are provided with up to $100 seed capital to start their own business or create their own summer job. The Northern Lights Library System received a donation of $250 to support special activities and refreshments at their annual conference in Elk Point.

#7 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs – Reeve Rondeau declared June 3 to June 10, 2012 Seniors Week. The Developed Road Allowance Brush Control Policy was passed stating that “Trees and/or brush that create site line obstructions along developed road allowances within the M.D., will be controlled by the M.D. within annual budget limitations.” All M.D. campgrounds are now open for the season. M.D. Council cancelled all July meetings and scheduled August 22 as the single Council Meeting for the summer months.

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