#1 Final Readings On Land Developments – Second and Third Reading was given to Bylaw No. 1464 to adopt the Area Structure Plan for the Estates of Long Bay with a minimum lot size of 1.5 acres and LU 485 to rezone the land from Agricultural (A) to Country Residential (CR). Final Reading was given to Bylaw 1470 for the adoption of the White Rose Estates ASP adjacent to the Bonnyville Municipal Airport and to Bylaw LU 491 to rezone from Agricultural A to Country Residential CR, with an amendment being made at the request of the Town of Bonnyville to accommodate future airport expansion. Final Reading was given to Bylaw 1459 for the Hills of Cold Lake Area Structure Plan.

#2 Planning and Development First Readings – First Reading was passed on Bylaw 492 to rezone the Hills of Cold Lake to Country Residential Estate – CR3 to allow residential development with lot sizes a maximum of half an acre with municipal water and sewer. First Reading was given to Bylaw LU 493 to amend the Aspen Grove Area Structure Plan and Bylaw 494 to amend the Land Use Bylaw for the purpose of the development of 8.5 acres into two Country Residential lots. First Reading was given to Bylaw LU 495 for rezoning Signature Estates to Country Residential CR3. First Reading was given to Bylaw 1472 for the Closure and Sale of a road allowance in the Estates of Long Bay development. First Reading was given to Bylaw 1473 to close and lease a road allowance north of Manatokan Lake at NE 34-63-7 W4M.

#3 Agricultural Services Update – The first cutting of the Roadside Mowing Program is complete, with a second cut scheduled for heavily travelled areas such as Gurneyville Road, La Corey North Road and other industry routes. Large subdivisions will also receive a second cut. The Roadside Spraying Program is also complete. Spot spraying will continue in industrial yards for noxious weeds and Scentless Chamomile. Pickups have been increased at the 6-yard bin sites because of the increased use by tourists and residents in the neighbouring urban municipalities. With the addition of a new garbage truck to the fleet, the old truck is being used to increase the pick up of recycled cardboard and compost.

#4 Busy Summer For Public Safety – Peace Officers had a busy summer patrolling the M.D.’s campgrounds and Iron Horse Trail. Quad patrols on the Trail were conducted at least three times a week. The largest issue Officers encountered were people parking their trucks along the trail. Next season signs will be erected to warn drivers not to drive on the trail. The School Resource Officer Program’s new Mission Statement is “To assist students in making informed choices through awareness, education and positive role modeling.” Each school in the region has been assigned a primary School Resource Officer to improve the ability to offer a consistent program in each school.

#5 Transportation and Utilities Update – The Fort Kent and Ardmore Lift Stations are completed and the motorized gates and programming are installed to allow access for
local septic tank sewage haulers, which in turn should reduce hauling costs charged to M.D. residents. The Road Construction Crew has lost 25 days due to poor weather, causing completion dates to be pushed back. Once the Wolf Lake Road is completed the crew will be split between the Kinosoo Ridge parking lot and construction of three miles on the Dupre Road. Weather, and the revelation of substandard materials in the roadways, have backed up the final completion of the Fort Kent Street Improvements. Engineers are recommending the water lines continue to be installed, but the road work be delayed until next spring. Road Oil has been completed on the Goodridge Road. The road oiling program is the first priority to be completed since grant funding was received for the program. Weather has delayed the Road Paving Program, with work on Therien Road completed and crews moving on to the Dupre Road. Patching Crews are working in Wards 1 and 2 for August and then will move to Wards 3 and 5 in September.

#6 Funding Support – Council agreed to provide $60,000 to the Cold Lake Hearts For Healthcare Committee to fund doctor recruitment. These funds match those previously given to the Bonnyville doctor recruitment initiative. The Fort Kent Senior Citizens Club received an additional $25,920 from Council to pay for the costs of paving the parking lot. The Club will repay two thirds of the total paving costs when it receives provincial grant funding. Eastbourne Community Hall Society received an annual Operating Grant of $15,000 and a $5,000 Special Projects Grant to help pay for a portion of the cost of renovations to the front of the community hall. The total cost of the hall renovation is $30,375. North Shore Heights Recreation Society received a $5,000 Special Project grant to assist with the construction of a new playground. The committee organizing the Alberta Amateur Baseball Council Extravaganza in Bonnyville for players aged 13-14 received a $250 donation to help with event costs.

#7 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs – Council agreed to pay $5,000 to cost share with the developer of Aspen Grove residential subdivision on the expense of installing asphalt pavement on the internal roadway. Council agreed to remove the Municipal Reserve designation in order to sell 0.18 acres for $180 to enable the construction of the intersection to the Barreyre Lake Development.

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