

VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
AGENDA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 14, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPT AGENDA
3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT
4. DELEGATIONS
5. ADOPT MINUTES A. Minutes from June 9, 2021, Regular Meeting
6. FINANCIAL REPORTS A. Bank Reconciliation May 2021 – Village
 B. Bank Reconciliation May 2021- WRC
 C. Bank Reconciliation June 2021 – Village
 D. Bank Reconciliation June 2021 - WRC
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES
8. NEW BUSINESS A. Cancellation of August 2021 Regular Council Meeting
 B. Centennial Flag Replacement
 C. Blue Cross Grant Application
 D. AUMA Energy Grant Application
 E. Heavy Item Pick Up
 F. Storage Lot
 G. Vulcan Spock Days Invitation
 H. Date for October 2021 Council Meetings
9. CORRESPONDENCE A. Letter from Turner Valley re Letter of RCMP Support
 B. Letter from Village of Holden re RCMP Support
 C. Letter from Lac La Biche County re RCMP Support
 D. Letter from Town of Beaverlodge re RCMP Support
 E. Letter from Town of Thorsby re RCMP Support
 F. Letter from Town of Viking re RCMP Support
 G. Letter from Village of Standard re RCMP Support
10. OTHER BUSINESS
11. ACTION ITEM LIST REVIEW
12. CLOSED SESSION
13. OUT OF CLOSED SESSION MOTION
14. REPORTS
15. ADJOURNMENT

July 2021 public works report

1. Graded alleys and village yard.
2. Hung flowers on main st.
3. Replaced leaking hose on bulk water.
4. Bucked up fallen tree at CC.
5. Trimmed hedge at Village office.
6. Fixed broken picnic tables at LCP.
7. Met with arborist to discuss what trees need trimming.

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
REGULAR MEETING
June 9, 2021
via TELUS Business Connect Meetings

ATTENDANCE Mayor Darcy Burke
Councillors William Goodfellow
Leah Smith
April Geeraert
Dalia Cheshire

Administration: Elaine Macdonald

Council conducted the meeting via TELUS Business Connect Meetings.

1. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Burke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. AGENDA

RES 116-2021 Moved by Councillor Geeraert that the agenda be accepted with the following additions:

ADD

- 8F. Library and Playschool Personnel Retirements
- 8G. Development Proposal
- 8H. Quotes for Pipe Replacement at Lagoon
- 8I. Quote for Fire Pump controller at Water Treatment Plant
- 8J. Financial Reviewer for Library
- 8K. Appointment of Library Manager
- 9L. Letter from Town of Claresholm re "Walk to Breathe"
- 12. Closed Session pursuant to Section 17, FOIP Act -- disclosure harmful to personal privacy.

Carried

3. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

RES 117-2021 Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council accepts the Public Works report as presented.

Carried

4. DELEGATION

5. MINUTES

5A. Minutes from the May 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council.

RES 118-2021 Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that Council approves the minutes of the May 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

Carried

5B. Minutes from the May 19, 2021 Special Meeting of Council.

RES 119-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council approves the minutes of the May 19, 2021 Special Meeting of Council.

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mayor
Administrator

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

8. NEW BUSINESS

8A. Capital Budget

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 120-2021 Moved by Councillor Goodfellow that Council directs Administration to investigate if the water leak in the alley behind Main Street at 1st Avenue can be included in the finding for the 1st Avenue project due to the circumstances.

Carried

RES 121-2021 Moved by Mayor Burke that Council gives direction to Administration to contact MPE regarding the fee difference between the 2018 project and the 2021 project.

Carried

RES 122-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council gives direction to Administration to investigate the cost of doing the sidewalks and street lights on the second block of Main Street, both the stamped concrete and regular concrete.

Carried

8B. Property Tax Deferral

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 123-2021 Moved by Mayor Burke that Council implements the tax deferral program in the same manner as 2020 with the same dates.

Carried

8C. Rescinding Motion 075-2021

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 124-2021 Moved by Councillor Geeraert that Council rescinds Motion 075-2021.

Carried Unanimous

8D. First Quarter Budget Variance

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 125-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council accepts the first quarter budget variance as information.

Carried

8E. Tender for Water Valve Abandonment at Rosebud Gas Co-op and Water Treatment Plant

Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 126-2021 Moved by Councillor Geeraert that Council awards the two (2) valve abandonment projects to Knibb's Developments Ltd., with the work at Rosebud Gas Co-op to begin as soon as possible.

Carried

8F. Library and Playschool Personnel Retirements

Presented by Councillor Cheshire

RES 127-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council directs Administration to purchase thank you cards and make a gift basket with Centennial items for the two retirees.

Carried

Mayor
Administrator

8G. Development Proposal
Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 128-2021 Moved by Mayor Burke that Council agrees with the proposed development providing it includes the western style porch as indicated.
Carried

8H. Quote for Lagoon Pipe Replacement
Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 129-2021 Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council directs Administration to get additional information regarding the type of piping, the use of screw piles and rip rap around the pipes on the one quote.
Carried

8I. Quote for Fire Pump Controller at Water Treatment Plant
Presented by Elaine Macdonald, Municipal Administrator

RES 130-2021 Moved by Mayor Burke that Council gives direction to Administration to get a second quote on the VFD and fire control panel.
Carried

8J. Financial Reviewer for Rockyford Library
Presented by Councillor Geeraert

RES 131-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council approves Shaylene Koester as the financial reviewer for the Rockyford Library.
Carried

8K. Appointment of Library Manager
Presented by Councillor Geeraert

RES 132-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Council appoints Lisa Bennett as the library manager.
Carried

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- 9A. Letter from IDP 9 re Provincial Policing.
- 9B. Letter from Town of Falher re Support of RCMP.
- 9C. Letter from Town of Mayerthorpe re Policing.
- 9D. Letter from Town of Stavely re RCMP Support.
- 9E. Letter from Village of Milo re RCMP Support.
- 9F. Letter from Town of Claresholm re Provincial Police
- 9G. Letter from Village of Rycroft re RCMP Support.
- 9H. Letter from Town of High River re Coal Exploration
- 9I. Letter from Village of Caroline re RCMP Support
- 9J. Marigold Library Systems Reports.
- 9K. Marigold Library Systems Financial Statements.
- 9L. Letter from Town of Claresholm re "Walk to Breathe".

RES 133-2021 Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that Council directs Administration to draft a letter of support for the RCMP.
Carried

RES 134-2021 Moved by Councillor Geeraert that Council accepts the correspondence as information.
Carried

10. OTHER BUSINESS

11. ACTION ITEM LIST REVIEW

RES 135-2021 Moved by Councillor Cheshire that Village Council accepts the Action Item List review as information.
Carried

12. CLOSED SESSION

RES 136-2021 Moved by Deputy Mayor Smith that the Closed Session meeting be deferred to the July Regular Council meeting.
Carried

13. OUT OF CLOSED SESSION MOTION

14. REPORTS

Mayor Burke added to his report that he had attended the Strathmore/Wheatland Chamber of Commerce meeting where he gave them some information on what the Village has been working on and is planning. Items included Bullarama; subdivision of lots; economic development and new commercial development. If we provide the Chamber with posters and/or information about events, they will publicize them. They are getting ready to do a roadshow to familiarize themselves with what's going on in the region.

Deputy Mayor Smith noted that Council had been provided a response letter from the Wheatland Housing Management Body to Wheatland County regarding some concerns they raised about the requisitions.

RES 137-2021 Moved by Councillor Geeraert that the reports be accepted as presented.
Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

RES 138-2021 Councillor Cheshire moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:13 p.m.
Carried

Mayor

Administrator

Mayor
Administrator

VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
MONTHLY CASH STATEMENT
Month Ending May 31, 2021

	Current Year	Last Year
Net Balance as at April 30, 2021	\$ 38,627.04	\$ 9,172.48
Receipts for Month	\$ 85,074.46	\$ 102,725.70
Deposit not posted	\$ 15.00	\$ 452.00
Interest Earned	\$ 58.69	\$ 28.16
Transferred from T-Bill	\$ 380,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	<u>\$ 503,775.19</u>	<u>\$ 132,378.34</u>
Less:		
Disbursements	\$ (458,976.00)	\$ (85,508.90)
Bank Charges	\$ (92.49)	\$ (70.05)
Auto Debit Alarm Fee	\$ (56.69)	\$ (56.69)
Transferred to T-Bill		\$ -
No pennies Adj	\$ -	\$ 0.01
G/L Balance May 31, 2021	<u>\$ 44,650.01</u>	<u>\$ 46,742.71</u>
Bank Reconciliation		
Bank Balance at May 31, 2021	\$ 77,226.40	\$ 62,980.37
O/S Cheques	\$ (32,576.39)	\$ (49,966.85)
E-transfer not shown in bank		\$ 50.00
O/S Deposits	\$ -	\$ 33,679.19
Bank Balance May 31, 2021	<u>\$ 44,650.01</u>	<u>\$ 46,742.71</u>

Mayor

Administrator

Wheatland Regional Corporation
Monthly Cash Statement
May 31/2021

Net Balance as at April 30/2021	<u>\$ 209.63</u>
Interest Earned	\$ 4.70
Transfer from T-Bill	<u>\$ 16,300.00</u>
	\$ 16,514.33
Transfer to T-Bill Account	\$ 0.00
Disbursements	-\$ 16,333.07
G/L Balance as at May 31/2021	<u>\$ 181.26</u>
Bank Reconciliation:	
Balance as at May 31/2021	\$ 16,514.33
Sub Total	
Less Outstanding Cheques	<u>-\$ 16,333.07</u>
Balance as at May 31, 2021	<u>\$ 181.26</u>

Mayor

Administrator

VILLAGE OF ROCKYFORD
MONTHLY CASH STATEMENT
Month Ending June 30, 2021

	Current Year	Last Year
Net Balance as at May 31, 2021	\$ 44,650.01	\$ 46,742.71
Receipts for Month	\$ 187,468.39	\$ 186,480.86
Deposit not posted	\$ -	\$ -
Government of Alberta	\$ 31,119.00	\$ 50,000.00
Interest Earned	\$ 58.78	\$ 63.65
Transferred from T-Bill	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 50.00
	<u>\$ 388,296.18</u>	<u>\$ 283,337.22</u>
Less:		
Disbursements	\$ (293,689.77)	\$ (67,194.84)
Bank Charges	\$ (64.83)	\$ (44.07)
Auto Debit Alarm Fee	\$ (56.69)	\$ (56.69)
Duplicate posting	\$ (15.00)	
School Taxes	\$ (20,414.46)	\$ (15,859.02)
PAD Alberta Capital	\$ (11,528.75)	\$ (11,528.75)
Transferred to T-Bill		\$ (110,000.00)
G/L Balance June 30, 2021	<u>\$ 62,526.68</u>	<u>\$ 78,653.85</u>
Bank Reconciliation		
Bank Balance at June 30, 2021	\$ 99,073.20	\$ 85,656.59
O/S Cheques	\$ (38,587.68)	\$ (7,454.74)
O/S Deposits	\$ 2,041.16	\$ 452.00
Bank Balance June 30, 2021	<u>\$ 62,526.68</u>	<u>\$ 78,653.85</u>

Mayor

Administrator

Wheatland Regional Corporation
Monthly Cash Statement
June 30/2021

Net Balance as at May 31/2021	<u>\$ 181.26</u>
Interest Earned	\$ 1.56
Transfer from T-Bill	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
	\$ 182.82
Transfer to T-Bill Account	\$ 0.00
Disbursements	\$ 0.00
G/L Balance as at June 30/2021	<u>\$ 182.82</u>
Bank Reconciliation:	
Balance as at June 30/2021	\$ 182.82
Sub Total	
Less Outstanding Cheques	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance as at June 30, 2021	<u>\$ 182.82</u>

Mayor

Administrator



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Cancellation of August 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: July 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 8A.

Background: In our Procedural Bylaw, it states that regular Council meetings will be conducted the first Wed. of each month except for August when Council takes a break. If something emergent arises, a Special Meeting can be called.

Options: 1) Council can cancel the August regular meeting of Council.
2) Council can vote to hold a regular Council meeting in August.

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: Notice will be posted of the cancellation should that be Council's decision. Regular notice of a meeting will be posted if Council decides to hold a meeting.

Recommendation: *THAT Village Council follows the Procedural Bylaw and cancels the regular Council meeting for the month of August.*



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Centennial Flag Replacement

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: July 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 8B.

Background: The flag we ordered for the Centennial, is faded and worn. This was originally designed to be a temporary fixture to fly during our Centennial year and the material used was known to have a short life span.

A replacement flag was not included in the 2021 budget.

Council is being asked to have a discussion regarding this flag, was the intent to have it for the Centennial year only or is this something that Council wants flying into the future?

If it is to be a more permanent thing, we will have to look at options for sturdier material that will weather better and the monies to cover the cost will have to be found.

Options:

Financial Implications: If Council would like the flag to be replaced, the monies are not budgeted for and would have to be taken from another line.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: *THAT Village Council discusses the Centennial flag to determine if it should be taken down or replaced.*



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Blue Cross Grant Application

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: July 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 8C.

Background: Blue Cross has a grant called *2021 Built Together*. This grant can be used to fund infrastructure projects that promote wellness and active living. There will be four grants of \$50,000 each awarded, and those will be split by region – Edmonton/Calgary/a secondary city/rural and indigenous community.

The program is designed to fund infrastructure projects that promote active living. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to,

- outdoor adult gyms,
- cycling paths,
- construction or replacement of playgrounds,
- skate parks, and
- outdoor rinks.

The application is quite comprehensive and requires a lot of information that will take time to gather. The applications are being accepted now through Sept. 30, 2021. If Council determines we should apply for the grant, we need to know what the project would be so we can start the information gathering process as soon as possible.

Options: 1. Council can decide if we should apply for the Blue Cross 2021 Built Together grant, and choose a specific project that would be the focus of the application.
2. Council can decide not to submit an application.

Financial Implications: If the project selected by Council, any monies over and above the grant amount of \$50,000 would have to come from our sources.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: *THAT Village Council discusses the application for the Blue Cross 2021 Built Together grant and select a project to put the funding towards.*



2021
BUILT TOGETHER
APPLICATION PACKAGE



BUILT TOGETHER PROGRAM AND ELIGIBILITY



PURPOSE

The *Built Together* healthy communities grant program, funded by Alberta Blue Cross through our community foundation, supports free, publicly accessible infrastructure projects that promote wellness and active living. In 2021, four \$50,000 grants will be awarded and split by region (Edmonton/Calgary/secondary city, rural and Indigenous community).

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any Alberta-based and operated community group or organization that is supporting publicly accessible community amenities that promote active living. This can include community leagues, school councils, municipalities and other non-profit organizations.

WHO IS INELIGIBLE?

- A project that has already received funding through this program (formerly, the Healthy Communities Grant Program).
- Religious or sectarian organizations.
- Organizations based or operating outside of Alberta.
- Projects that are programming and not infrastructure specific.
- Political organizations.
- Competitive sports teams and private clubs.
- Contract fundraisers or lobbyists.
- Organizations seeking funding for infrastructure projects not open to the public.
- Infrastructure that requires a fee to access.



FILLING OUT YOUR APPLICATION

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR APPLICATION?

1. A comprehensive project plan

Comprehensive project plans should include as much background information as possible. The following should be included in your application:

- An explanation of why your group is applying.
- An explanation of how your proposed project will support active living.
- Expected outcomes of this project and how you will measure its success.
- The need for the proposed infrastructure.
- Relevant research.
- Information on who is anticipated to use the infrastructure.
- Realistic project timelines.
- Three to five pictures of space where infrastructure is being proposed.
- Blueprints and or pictures of proposed project or suggested equipment (optional, three to five pictures maximum).

2. Demographic information (only applicable for projects located in Edmonton or Calgary)

Please provide a screenshot of the neighbourhood demographic information in which your project would be located.

- For Edmonton-based projects— please use overview from yegishome.ca/communities. Instructions for how to include this in your application can be found at ab.bluecross.ca/pdfs/demographic-edmonton.pdf.
- For Calgary-based projects— please use overview from calgary.ca/CSPS/CNS/Pages/Research-and-strategy/Community-profiles/Community-Profiles.html. Instructions for how to include this in your application can be found ab.bluecross.ca/pdfs/demographic-calgary.pdf.

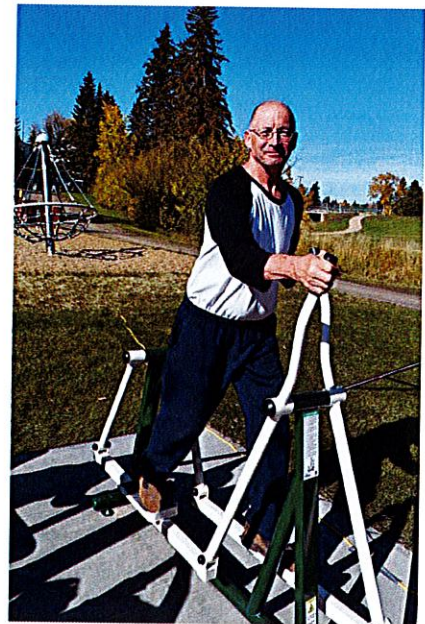
3. Project financials

- Project budget.
- Quotes from builders (if available).
- A current listing of funds raised to date (if available).
- List of pending grants (if available).

4. Three letters of reference

The key purpose of the letters of reference are to attest to the role of your organization in the community, the intent of the project and how it will support active living in your community.

We encourage the submission of letters from people who have a direct connection to your project. This could include, but is not limited to, parents, community members, teachers, principals, police officers and any person directly involved in the community. Consider adding a fourth letter from a community member who will benefit from the project.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

The final day to submit your application is September 30, 2021, at 11:59 p.m.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Applications should be submitted via email to BuiltTogether@ab.bluecross.ca. If you do not have access to email, mail applications to

**Alberta Blue Cross
Community Impact**
10009 108 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3C5

Please ensure your application is complete and includes all requested information before submitting. Due to COVID-19, please submit your applications through email if possible.

WHEN WILL SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS BE NOTIFIED?

Successful applicants will be notified by December 31, 2021.



ORGANIZATION NAME

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CONTACT DETAILS

Contact person	Contact title	Phone	Email
Address		City	Province
			Postal code

PROJECT DETAILS

Name of project				
Address of proposed location				
City	Province	Postal code	Expected start date (YYYY-MM-DD)	Expected completion date (YYYY-MM-DD)
Are you affiliated with a religious or political organization? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Have you spoken to anyone at Alberta Blue Cross about this application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, if so, please provide name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Where did you hear about Built Together?				
Have you applied for this grant before (formerly under the name of Healthy Communities Grant Program)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, if so, please provide year and the project name of project if different _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No				
If your group were to receive a Built Together grant of \$50,000, what additional funding would be required to begin building your project?				
Is your group or organization active on social media? If so, please provide handles and platforms you are active on (for example, Instagram—@AlbertaBlueCross).				
If you are successful in receiving a Built Together grant, are you willing to provide recognition and permanent acknowledgement to Alberta Blue Cross? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				



IS YOUR APPLICATION COMPLETE?

BEFORE YOU SUBMIT, PLEASE ENSURE YOUR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE WITH THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW.

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- Expected outcomes of this project and how you will measure its success.
- The need for the proposed infrastructure.
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- Information on who is anticipated to use the infrastructure.
- Realistic project timelines.
- Three to five pictures of space where infrastructure is being proposed.
- Blueprints and or pictures of proposed project or suggested equipment (optional, three to five pictures maximum).

2. For Calgary and Edmonton applicants only:

Please provide demographic information.

Please provide a screenshot of the neighbourhood demographic information in which your project will be located.

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3. Project financials

- Total project budget.
- Quotes from builders (if available).
- A current listing of funds raised to date (if available).
- List of pending grants (if available).

4. Letters of reference

Three letters of reference.

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

I confirm that this application in its entirety is truthful to the best of my knowledge.

Name of applicant _____

Signature of applicant _____

Date (YYYY-MM-DD) _____

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REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: AUMA Energy Grant Application

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: July 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 8D.

Background: AUMA is now assisting with municipalities getting grants for energy reduction projects. I met with Kyle Kasawski and discussed some of the options that may be available to us. I had thought of window and door replacements at Prairie Ridge Park as a possibility, but this will have to be looked at because the payback could be longer than 10 years.

This is a process where AUMA sends out an auditor to assess your energy consumption and potential savings. There is no cost for the audit. AUMA then does the paperwork for the grant and fronts the municipal share which we pay back using the savings we realize on the utility bills. Some grants are stackable, meaning that we may not have a municipal portion as a different grant may be enough to cover that amount. But if we had to utilize AUMA's program of putting that money up front, we would not adjust our budget to reflect a savings so we are budgeting the same, but we would pay back AUMA with the difference between what we actually spend and what we budget. The drawback is that if we don't realize the projected savings, we have to come up with the money to pay back AUMA from another source.

We have to send AUMA a letter indicating that we would like to proceed, and we would start with an audit of our facilities to see if there are areas that would benefit from this program.

Options: 1. Council can agree to send a letter to AUMA to begin the groundwork for an energy management grant.
2. Council can say no to sending a letter to AUMA.

Financial Implications: If we don't realize the savings projected, the amount to pay back AUMA would have to come from other sources.

Communication: N/A

Recommendation: *THAT Village Council discusses the AUMA Energy Management program and provides direction to Administration.*

At AUMA, we serve **COMMUNITIES** *not shareholders.*

Our energy retrofit specialists work with members to customize solutions, from site assessment to the turnkey installation of building improvements.

And along the way, we will work with you to maximize grant funding opportunities for your capital renewal projects through our Energy Management Services.

Funding opportunities are available that may apply to your community buildings.

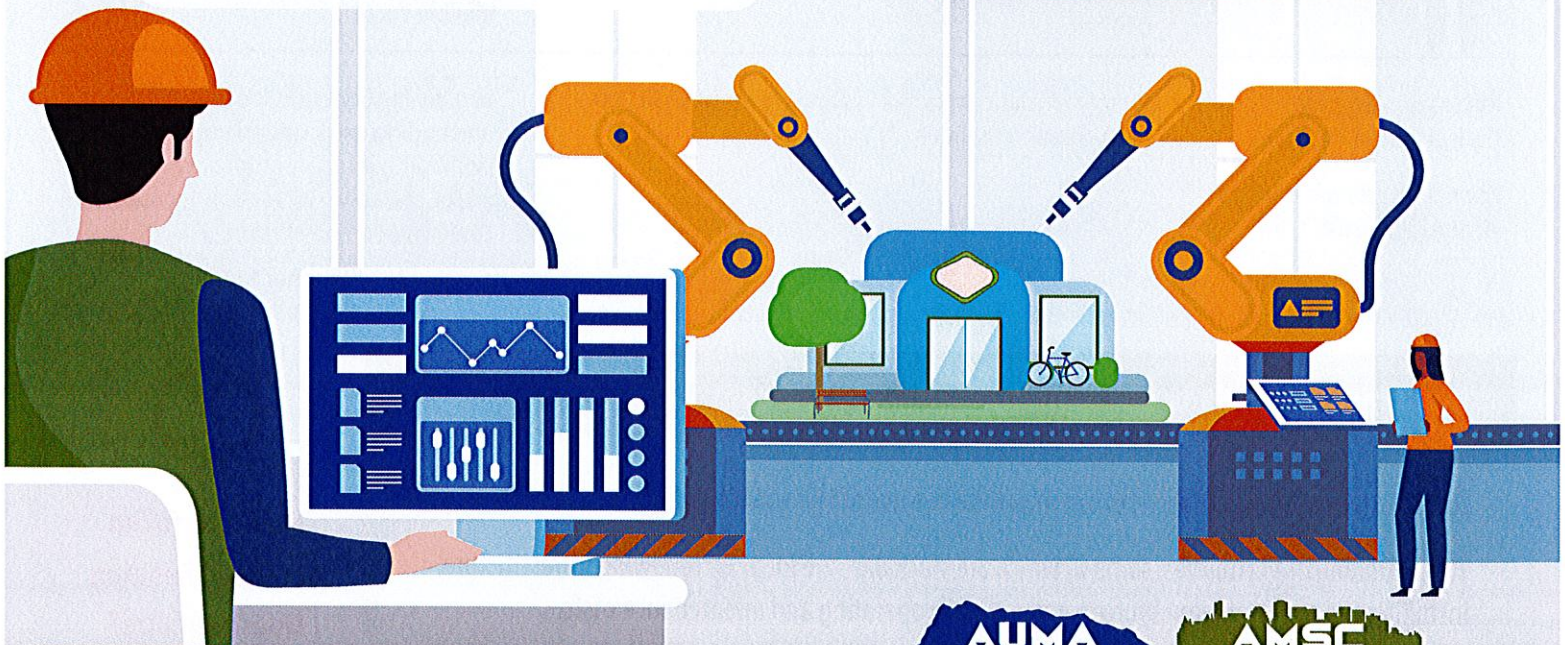
Funding opportunities

Over \$1.6 billion of grant funding has been announced that expands the existing pool of rebates, grants, and incentives available to municipalities and not-for-profit organizations to retrofit, repair, and install energy efficient upgrades in community buildings.

Don't miss out on these opportunities to have your facility renewal projects funded.

**Interested in retrofitting
a community building?**

***Contact our team and
we'll review the funding
opportunities available to you.***



Talk to us about your funding opportunities.

310-AUMA | energymanagement@auma.ca | auma.ca/energymanagement

Do you qualify for these current funding opportunities?

Funding Source	Project Type	Funding	Important Details
Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program (GICB) <i>Infrastructure Canada (INFC)</i>	Retrofits, repairs and upgrades to existing buildings.	Funding up to \$25 million	Funding can cover up to 80% of eligible retrofit costs up to \$10 million. Funding can cover up to 60% of eligible retrofit costs over \$10 million. Stackable with other funding!
Community Buildings Retrofit (CBR) <i>Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)</i>	GHG reduction retrofit, capital projects	Funding up to \$5 million	Funding can cover up to 80% of eligible costs. Funding provided is a combination of grant and loan. Stackable with other funding!
	GHG reduction study	Grant up to \$200,000	Funding can cover up to 80% of eligible costs. Single or multiple buildings.
	Building recommissioning	Grant up to \$55,000	Funding can cover up to 60% of eligible costs.
	Energy monitoring & analysis	Grant up to \$25,000	Funding can cover up to 80% of eligible costs.
Recreation Energy Conservation Program <i>Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC)</i>	Energy efficiency retrofits for recreation facilities	Funding up to \$750,000	Eligible facility types include, arenas and curling rinks, aquatic centres and swimming pools, multiplexes, athletic parks, and other recreation-focused facilities deemed eligible. Stackable with other funding!



Don't miss out. Talk to our team today.

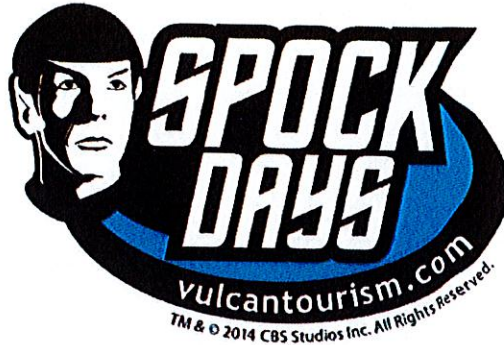
Our Energy Management Services can maximize the use of this grant funding.

These funding opportunities, some of which are stackable, are ideal for renewing infrastructure, installing renewable energy sources, and reducing operating and maintenance costs.



Have you taken our Grant Funding Questionnaire?





On behalf of the Spock Days Committee,
you are invited to participate in the
Spock Days Parade on
Saturday Aug 14th, 2021

2021 is seeing the return of some of the fun things we used to take for granted. We are planning on a revised version of the Town of Vulcan's Spock Days, our annual community event organized by the Vulcan Spock Days Committee that will take place August 14th. We are hoping to bring some joy and happiness back into the community and we would like you to join with us to do it through our parade.

You are welcome to enter a float, vehicle (large/ small, new/antique) animals, family float, decorated bikes, and recorded music on your float, just about anything that will bring a smile and some happiness to those along the route is welcome. Our parade is a candy parade, and you are encouraged to hand out candy by someone walking beside your parade entry. No liquid treats preferred. **If there is Covid concerns, we will not hand out candy during the parade.**

Let us know that you are intending to join us and tell us what you are entering by sending your reply to Elaine at the Vulcan Tourist Centre and remember there is no cost to participate. **Line up starts at 9:30 am August 14th in the parking lot at the Vulcan Ice Arena located at 705 Elizabeth Street. The parade will start at 10 am and there will be a parade route map available on site.**

Thanks so much for helping to bring back the smiles and fun into our community by being part of our annual Spock Days Parade! If you have any question or comments, please contact Elaine at ekoskela@townofvulcan.ca or call 403-485-2994.

Live Long and Prosper

Bonnie Ellis
Town of Vulcan
Community Services Manager
Spock Days Committee Member



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Date for October 2021 Meetings

Prepared By: Elaine Macdonald

Council Meeting Date: July 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 8H.

Background: Our regular Council meeting date would be October 13, 2021. The general election is October 18, 2021. We couldn't have an Organizational meeting prior to the election, and we have historically held both the Organizational meeting and the regular meeting of Council the same night in October. The Organizational meeting must be held before Nov. 1, 2021.

Section 192(1) of the MGA – Except in a summer village, a council must hold an Organizational meeting annually not later than two weeks after the 3rd Monday in October.

The election is on the 18th, but the results are not official until 22nd of October, so we can't have the Organizational meeting on the 20th.

Council has the option of holding the regular meeting on the 13th and then the Organizational meeting on the 27th or can postpone the regular meeting to the 27th and have both the same evening. The next regular Council meeting would then be November 10.

- Options:**
1. Council can hold the two meetings on different dates – Regular meeting Oct. 13 and Organizational meeting Oct. 27.
 2. Council can postpone the Regular meeting to the 27th and have both meetings the same night.

Financial Implications: N/A

Communication: No communication is required if we hold the regular meeting on the original date. We would advertise the Organizational meeting date. If Council postpones the regular meeting, we would have to notify residents of that change.

Recommendation: *THAT Village Council discusses the possible dates for the October meetings and provide direction to Administration to ensure we are in compliance with the MGA.*



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 16, 2021

Honorable Kaycee Mandu
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
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Dear Minister Mandu:

Re: Town of Turner Valley Support for RCMP

On behalf of Council, I am sending this letter to confirm support of the current policing services that are provided by the RCMP. The Town of Turner Valley has a good relationship with our RCMP detachment and Council is very satisfied with the level of service and degree of responsiveness we receive in our community.

Our Council has reviewed the information for the proposed provincial police service (APPS) and is quite concerned with the plans to replace the RCMP with the APPS, especially regarding the potential financial burden this may cause both municipalities and ratepayers in these unprecedented times. In addition to the economic impacts of this proposal, there is no evidence that making this change will improve the current levels of service received in our community and this region.

We strongly encourage the Government of Alberta to focus their efforts to working with the RCMP to achieve the desired results that our communities and residents deserve and need.

Sincerely,

Barry Crane, Mayor

cc: Premier Jason Kenney
Council, Town of Turner Valley





Honourable Kaycee Madu
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta

Re: Proposed Provincial Police Force

The Village of Holden joins the many other communities, both urban and rural in voicing their opposition over the proposed Provincial Police Force. The RCMP have been a core in the Village of Holden for many years and have served our community with great distinction. They are a vital part of our community.

The Provincial Government's is reducing the MSI funding in the near future. Municipalities are already stretched thin and the cost of funding a Provincially controlled Police force would far exceed what our municipality could afford. It is our view that attention be spent on ways to tweak what is already in place in the way of making it better rather than starting with a whole new policing service.

Our Council supports the continuation of the RCMP, and opposes the APPS. It is our view there is not adequate proof to suggest that a Provincial Police Force would be better equipped and/or provide a better service to our community than the RCMP. Therefore, justification for the increased costs that would be associated with this new policing service is highly questionable.

In closing, the Village of Holden Council does not support the Fair Deal Panel recommendation to establish a provincial police force. It is our wish to protect our community from this burden due to this endeavor.

The Village of Holden stands with:

- The 65% of the respondents to the Fair Deal Panel survey that voiced opposition to a Provincial Police Force
- The County of Paintearth No. 18
- The County of St. Paul
- Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
- Town of Didsbury
- Town of Magrath
- Town of Edson
- Village of Hill Spring

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- Town of Morniville
- Town of Redcliff
- Village of Rycroft
- Town of Claresholm
- Town of Mayerthorpe
- Smokey Lake County
- Any and all other citizens, municipalities, and organizations who have yet to voice their opinions.

Respectfully,



Amanda Cox
CAO for Village of Holden

cc:

The Honourable Jason Kenny, Premier
The Honourable Rick McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Alberta Municipalities





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Office of the Mayor

June 23, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Madu:

On behalf of Lac La Biche County Council, I wish to express our support for the continuance of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) service as Alberta's primary law enforcement agency. The RCMP are an iconic and well-respected law enforcement agency that Canadians turn to in times of need throughout our country—Alberta should not be an exception to this rule.

Moreover, we are concerned that the change from RCMP services to provincial police would mean a significant increase in the amount of taxes for the average citizen, whether through a rise in provincial taxes or a new burden placed on municipalities to pay for the policing that they need. This is especially important as we aim for a significant economic recovery as the end of the COVID-19 pandemic nears.

Lac La Biche County has also spent a significant amount of time building a collaborative, productive and positive relationship with the local RCMP detachment. Introducing a new police force at this time would put the fruitful dialogue and significant improvements in our local policing in jeopardy.

We look forward to having an open dialogue with the Province as to the outcome of the continuance of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Thank you for taking our concerns into consideration

Sincerely,

Omer Moghrabi
Mayor, Lac La Biche County

cc: Lac La Biche County Council

Ken Van Buul, Chief Administrative Officer

Premier Jason Kenney

MLA Laila Goodridge, Fort McMurray – Lac La Biche

MP David Yurdiga, Fort McMurray – Cold Lake

Barry Morishita, President, Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA)

Paul McLauchlin, President, Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)

Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs

RMA Members

AUMA Members

Feb 25, 2021

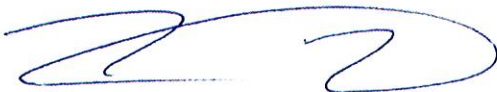
Honorable Premier Jason Kenney
307 Legislature Building
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Dear Honourable Premier Kenney,

At the February 22 Town of Beaverlodge Council meeting, Council passed a resolution to forward a letter in support of the RCMP. Specifically, Council wanted to express its satisfaction for the level of service our community receives from the RCMP detachment in Beaverlodge and the regional support from the detachment in Grande Prairie. Additionally, the Town of Beaverlodge strongly believes that the RCMP should remain as the foremost policing force in the Province of Alberta and that Alberta should not transition to a Provincial Police Service.

We strongly believe that there is opportunity to greatly improve our Province's Judicial System and the apparent gaps due to the lack of Prosecutors and the subsequent return of repeat offenders to our community.

Respectfully,



Gary Rycroft, Mayor, Town of Beaverlodge

cc: Minister of Justice and Solicitor General Kaycee Madu
cc: Minister of Finance and MLA Travis Toews
cc: AUMA President & Chair Barry Morishita



May 31, 2021

Premier Jason Kenney
Office of the Premier
307 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

Dear Premier Kenney,

RE: Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Provincial Policing

This letter is presented as a token of support on behalf of the Town of Thorsby towards the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and also as a motion of opposition to the Provincial Government's recent proposal for an Alberta Provincial Police force.

After reviewing the Fair Deal Panel's Report to Government (as well as the many letters currently circulating from Municipal elected officials) the Council of Town of Thorsby is voicing its firm opposition to the APPS (Alberta Provincial Police Service).

There are several particularly concerning items identified in the Fair Deal Panel's report, namely:

- The Fair Deal Panel's recommendation to proceed with developing a proposal for a Provincial Police force, despite only 35% of Albertans believing the police force would contribute to the desired outcome of helping Alberta better assert itself with the Canadian federation.
- Provincial and municipal governments possibly absorbing \$112.4 million policing costs currently covered by the federal government (which would be in addition to the increasing policing costs incurred by municipalities under the Police Funding Model).

Furthermore, and perhaps most importantly, we have an excellent relationship with our local RCMP detachment and feel no need to replace them with a Provincial force. The RCMP in Town of Thorsby have always been responsive to community needs and feedback, and have consistently delivered professional, quality public safety services in our communities. In addition, ongoing collaboration between both Detachment and Thorsby's Council has resulted in a positive and adaptive presence in the region.

We have not been provided with adequate proof that the formation of the APPS would result in better outcomes for Albertans, especially when considering the Provincial Government's reduction into MSI funding over the next few years and considering the infrastructure maintenance investments that all Canadian municipalities face over the coming years. Town of Thorsby Council is urging the Government of Alberta to listen to Municipal Leaders as well as the results of the Fair Deal Panel's report and shift efforts to Improving RCMP relationships and resource in the Province. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any comments or concerns.

Respectfully,

Rod Raymond
Mayor



cc.

- The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier premier@gov.ab.ca
- Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs minister.municipalaffairs@gov.ab.ca
- Kacee Madu, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
- Barry Morishita, president of Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
- Paul McLaughlin, President of Rural Municipalities Association
- RCMP Town of Thorsby Detachment: Dwayne.A.MOORE@rcmp-grc.gc.ca
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Re: Proposed Provincial Police Force.

The Town of Viking joins the many other communities, both urban and rural voicing their opposition over the proposed Provincial Police Force. The RCMP have been a core in Viking for many years and have served our community with great distinction. They coach our sports teams, belong to clubs, and participate in various Town activities.

The Provincial Government's is reducing the MSI funding for the foreseeable future. Many urban areas are struggling with infrastructure maintenance deficits over the coming years. Most local government budgets are already being stretched beyond their limits. How are we going to fund a Provincial Police Force? The Province will mandate municipalities to pay, thereby forcing local councils to increase municipal taxes to fund Provincial downloading.

The Town of Viking respectfully suggests that there are much more serious issues that your government should be dealing with. This council does not see the current policing model as broken. Therefore, why does your government see the need to fix it? It is our opinion that the Provincial government needs to seriously re-evaluate its priorities.

Many other Towns expressed the following sentiment, and this Council endorses the statement:

The Provincial Government continually encourages (and legislatively mandates) that municipal governments work together in a cohesive manner, perhaps they should take a page from their own book rerouting the funds allocated for research of an Alberta Police Service towards building stronger relationships with the RCMP and with Federal Partners.

The Town of Viking also council stands with:

- The 65% of respondents to the Fair Deal Panel survey that voiced opposition to a Provincial Police Force.
- The County of Paintearth No. 18
- The County of St. Paul
- Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
- Town of Didsbury
- Town of Magrath
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- Town of Mayerthorpe
- Smokey Lake County
- Any and all other citizens, municipalities, and organizations who have not voiced their opinions, yet.

Respectfully

Don R. McLeod
CAO

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "DR McLeod".

cc

The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
The Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Rachel Notley, Leader of the Official Opposition
Jackie Lovely, MLA Camrose
AUMA Members
RMA Members



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May 9, 2021

Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
The Honorable Kaycee Madu
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Re: Village of Standard Support for the RCMP

On Behalf of Council I am sending you this letter joining our municipal neighbors in confirming support for our current policing system.

Council has no issues with the current service we are receiving from our RCMP detachment. A new system would be a burden on our economic system and we do not see where a new police force would improve efficiency or quality of life for the Village and surrounding area. We see it being costly and discouraging to our rate payers to have them replaced.

Council agrees with other municipalities whose letters have been copied to us that the focus should be on working with the RCMP not replacing them.

Sincerely,



Joe Pedersen
Mayor,
Village of Standard

Council Committee Report
June 2021
Darcy J. Burke

Wademsa

- YTD 1893 calls (1581 in 2020) 19.7% increase
- Medical control protocols new version is out and completed
- Hiring more casuals
- Conference call with arbitration for number of days needed in June 2022
- Possible reduction in requisition amounts for 911 dispatch for 2022
- Rob's contract has been signed
- Ambulance order delayed due to Covid and no chassis available

Wheatland Regional Corporation

- Parcon has completed work at the reservoirs
- Loan agreement for Truck Fill station has been signed
- Memory Lane discussion regarding water usage
- Phase 3 last payment released
- Revenue \$141,946.30 Expenses \$122,637.42
- GIS system retraining on June 7
- Rockyford distribution pump problems when RFD required high flow

Wheatland Family Community Support Services

- Request to carry forward 2020 operating surplus has been submitted
- Cyber insurance
- Outcome measures reporting
- Handibus service to rural
- Additional funding to indirect programs
- Records destruction
- Website update
- Resident survey in the mail

Wheatland Regional Partnership

- Handibus discussion
- Community updates

Council Report for Leah Smith
July 14, 2021

June 9 - Village Regular

June 10 - WHMB Regular

- Discussion on Covid protocol going forward
- Number of inquiries increasing
- Discussion on taking back home care for lodge residents.

June 14 - WHMB Building

- Looking a finalizing building plans
- Almost done a building budget

June 21- Naming Ceremony

June 30 - Tour sewer lagoons

CAO Report
July 14, 2021

June 2, 2021 – Benefits Webinar

June 7, 2021 – Wheatland Regional Partnership Meeting

June 8, 2021 – Election Training

June 15, 2021 – Monthly Emergency Management meeting with County, Strathmore, Standard, Hussar, Randy Tiller (AEMA Field Officer), Public Health Officer.

June 16, 2021 – Population Estimates Methodology: This was initiated because of the 2019 budget announcement that the GOA would shift to provincially developed population estimates. Municipalities will no longer be required to submit our own census data, the Province will use estimations annually. This is of importance for funding/grant allocations; independent growth indicator and program planning. Annual estimates will be produced based on usual resident population using federal census data for the usual residents, not the shadow population. They haven't decided whether to use January or July as a cut-off date. Populations will be estimated using the starting data from the federal census and then using vital statistics numbers that record deaths and births in a particular location. The only problem with this is that if someone dies in BC while visiting, that is recorded in BC vital statistics – the same as if a person has a baby while vacationing outside of their home area, that birth is recorded in that area. These are things that will be worked out – it could be done using mailing addresses or driver's license addresses but that isn't necessarily accurate either – for e.g., County residents have a mailing address in Rockyford but can't be counted as our population and if someone doesn't update their driver's license when they move, they will still be counted in their old municipality.

June 23, 2021 – Disaster Recovery Program Workshop: This workshop covered the basics of the disaster recovery program and some of the issues other municipalities have encountered when establishing recovery centers – such as “extra” people trying to access the recovery funds.

I will be reviewing our bylaws and documents to determine if we have guidelines for emergency expense limits. For the recovery claims, the review process is quarterly so if you have an event in April, you won't hear if you have been approved until at least June, but the bills still have to be paid before then.

If insurance is available for an item or an event and we choose not to have it, it is not recoverable through the DRP.

If we had an event in the Village that qualified under the DRP, we would act as the agents for any residents that were affected. DRP will not cover full replacement of any item – for example, if a resident loses a 72” TV, DRP will cover the cost of a 32” TV because that will get them back to basic functionality. If you have brand new granite countertops, you will get the cost of granite countertops.

During an event record keeping is critical. It's best to have scribes who take notes of everything that was said and done so the justification is recorded and doesn't rely on someone's memory. The province will want to see all documentation.

June 24, 2021 – Election Training

June 25, 2021 – AUMA Energy Management meeting – met with AUMA regarding potential grants for energy reduction in municipal buildings.

June 28, 2021 – Meeting with AHS, Town of Strathmore, and Wheatland County to discuss the potential of a pop-up vaccine clinic. I agreed to meet with the AHS rep to look at the community center as a potential location for the clinic and subsequently a date was selected, and the clinic will run July 14 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. that day.

June 30, 2021 – Update with Dr. Hinshaw – this was the last weekly update with Dr. Hinshaw. With the final phase of re-opening, there is no need for regular updates. There may be bi-weekly check-ins to stay on top of how the Delta variant is shaping things in the province but that is the only thing really being monitored at this time.

The RCMP was notified of the damage to the Centennial signs and have been in contact with the person that admitted to bending the signs. Videos and pictures were provided to the officer, but one was corrupted when it was forwarded to the prosecutor's office so he will come out to get another copy of that one video.

Notification of property tax deferral was sent out to all property owners and posted on our website and Facebook page.

The letter of support for the RCMP was done and mailed to applicable provincial bodies along with all the municipalities.

Barry Munchrath did an assessment of the trees that need to be cut down or trimmed and has set a date of July 12 to come out to do the work.

Sent an e-mail to Ross Murphy of Midoram Concrete about the second block of Main Street but haven't received a response to date.

We received the \$50,000 Municipal Stimulus grant.

Approved the service on the water distribution pumps. Still don't have any additional quotes or information about the lagoon repair.