

## **CAO Update:**

April 11, 2017

### **Administration:**

- The siren annual test will be done on Thursday.
- Community Futures is planning an open house on Broadband Internet from 12:00 to 2:00 on April 24 in the Town office. Telus and Sniper will be there. Other local providers have been invited. It will be very interesting to see what recent developments there are, and what is coming.

### **Finance:**

- Planning for the Tax Assessor to be here for a day so people can meet with him to discuss any questions they have on their assessment. We will advertise and book appointments.
- Utilities are a bit higher than normal since there were 6 extra days between reads and the \$15 that was missed last month for Solid Waste. This was very challenging with our Utilities clerk off, so I commend those who put so much effort into getting the bills out. We are in the process of making a job offer to a temporary person to cover this.

### **Projects:**

- Lift Station E: The electrical and mechanical installation is progressing. The site is very muddy.
- MRC Upgrades: The old compressors and the ammonia have been removed. The next step is to upgrade the room to meet current fire codes.
- Sewage Lagoon Upgrades: Met with Alberta Environment on Friday to review the plans. They asked for a bit more information but agree in principal to our plans.
- Raw Water Line: Still with Alberta Environment for approval.
- Main Street North Water Line: Waiting for feedback from the MD on cost sharing.
- MRC Power: The MRC will be down on April 18, 19, and 20 to replace the electrical cables.

### **Operations and Utilities:**

- Pothole repairs are ongoing.
- Both street sweepers working.
- Crews have the rotary brush out cleaning boulevards.
- Dealing with some process issues at the water plant.

### **Planning:**

- Development questions and applications are busy up with spring approaching.
- Have revised the standard event routes based on soliciting public input over 6 weeks.

### **Emergency Services:**

- 4 duty officer calls, 2 MVA's, and 1 wildfire
- EMX 17 is planned for April 28.
- Grass burning has started and will be ongoing.
- ICS 200 training was Monday and Tuesday.

### **Community Services:**

#### FCSS/Seniors

- The Tax Clinic will extend until May 5<sup>th</sup>, because of Easter weekend falling on Friday and Monday, and the shutdown of MRC.
- Interagency is on April 25. Will be talking about Emergency Social Services, and updating agency contact information.

#### Programming

- We will be moving ahead with fireworks for July 1<sup>st</sup> as Riverboat Daze is not planning on doing fireworks this year.
- Community Clean Up will be May 7<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. We are just finalizing a few details and then posters will be out.
- Ball Hockey league starts this week. We will be starting drop in ball hockey in May.
- Home Alone Course for April 15<sup>th</sup> is full. This will be the last course offered until the Fall.

#### NLAC

- Reviewing Pool/Town Agreement.
- Lots of classes upcoming, with increases in Grade 3 and Grade 10 classes.
- Many bookings with groups to the end of June.

#### Parent link

- Looking at various sites for Parent link.
- Didn't receive MD Funding for outreach to Smith. Our application has been tabled.
- Tickets are available at the Parent Link Centre for the Dine and Learn – Littles and Literacy on May 26<sup>th</sup> at the college. It's a free dinner and a speaker who will talk about ways to engage your little ones in literacy.
- Didn't receive the Atco Grant for our Taxi program. Continuing to look for other sponsors.

## **Events List**

### **Internal**

#### April

- 15<sup>th</sup> - Home Alone
- 28<sup>th</sup> – PD Day Camp

May

- 3 – Ice User Group meeting
- 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>- Pool Ops Course
- 26<sup>th</sup>- EDC Lunch and Learn from 6-8

**External**

April

- 15<sup>th</sup>- All Seasons Market
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Volunteer Dinner at Friendship Centre

May

- 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>- Trade Show
- 13<sup>th</sup>- Farmers Market

June

- 10<sup>th</sup>- All Seasons Market
- 30<sup>th</sup>- RMSS Grad Banquet