

CAO Update:

July 5, 2016

Administration:

- Great West Life reviewed the proposed new benefit plan during a Staff meeting. There were many questions, but feedback has been positive.
- The Intermunicipal meeting took place last week. We had excellent information on the FCSS from Kyla. The Town budget for FCSS is about \$262,000 with the MD contributing \$3700 for 2 specific programs. Of this \$164,000 is funded through provincial grants. The MD residents have full access to almost all programs. Discussions continue on the Fire Services Agreement and the Intermunicipal Agreement.
- GOA grants were not approved for the CN signal crossing upgrades, so they will not be done this year.
- The North Main Street water line replacement will not be done this year. The MD businesses receive significant benefit from this line and we need to come up with a cost sharing agreement.

Finance:

- Working on the 2017 budget. Will be proposing times to meet with Council in the fall.

Projects:

- The project Manager is doing detailed project updates tonight.

Operations:

- Ongoing work with Associated Engineering & Alberta Environment on TOSL Waste Water Treatment requirements & Plan.
 - Extensive effluent characterization – trace materials required.
 - Potentially no pipeline to Lesser Slave River
 - Additional phosphate treatment may be necessary
- Reviewing Draft Sewer Master Plan Update Report

Operations

- Road Sweeping
- Pot Holes
- Line Painting – parking stalls
- Down two men – vacation
- New Operations assistant started
- Crack Sealing – Caribou : 88 to Big Fish Bay, 6 Ave SW: Caribou to 8th Street SW, Hospital Loop: 8 St NE to 4 Ave NE to 6 St NE to 6 Ave NE

- Asphalt Patch Program Finalized – 612 1A Ave SW, 116 5 St SW, 720 4 Ave NE, 312 9 St NE, 817-341 9 St NE, 513 6 Ave NE, 8 Ave, 7 St SW, 400 Birch Rd, 1012-1028 6 St SE, 725 6 Ave NW, Sunset Place 6 Ave SW, 357-108 4 Ave NE, 113 9 St SE, 800-801 Ave SW

Utilities

- New Utilities operator started
- Continued maintenance/ repair issues with Lift Station E – drop in rail
- Locates/testing/inspections for infrastructure construction
- Water leak in distribution line from WTP Reservoir – evaluating location

Engineering

- Ongoing revision of Regional Water plan information, drawings.
- Field work – GIS locates of all town static traffic control signage

Planning:

- Working with residents to close overdue development permits
- Annual bunkhouse inspections completed
- All 2011 and 2012 files are digitized. Files are almost totally restored to pre-fire condition with the rebuild expected to be complete by the end of summer.
- Will be starting work on integrating the fire smart regulations into the planning bylaws.

Regional Fire:

- The TV show promo shoot is finished.
- Intermunicipal meeting – discussed medical service levels and fire hall call out protocols.
- Preparing a report on Fort McMurray duties and responsibilities. There are many GOA meetings with GOA regarding this deployment
- 15 Fireworks permits were issued this week
- Emergency calls were as follows:

Duty officer callouts – 4

Motor vehicle accidents – 1 on Hwy 2 – 44 km east of Slave Lake – semi vs moose, 1 on Hwy 2 – 3 km west of Slave Lake (3 car MVA, 1 rolled after offset frontal, traffic detour)

These callouts saw an amazing display of teamwork and multi-agency cooperation. We are proud to be part of such an amazing regional protective services group.

Community Services:

Administration

- RMSS Graduation went well. They used the Arena this year instead of the Fieldhouse and they found the temperature to be better.
- Making some adjustments to our event contract to specify who is supposed to set up and take down, and to only have one contact person per event.

Parent Link

- Held a program at the Boreal Centre this week. Lots of positive feedback from the parents.
- Are holding a Teddy Bear picnic on July 11th
- They are having a Beach Day on July 22nd
- On July 6 and Aug. 3rd Parent Link will be going to Smith library to assist with their summer program (paid by the MD).

Seniors

- New Horizons came out for an information session. They spoke about grant writing. The Pioneer Drop-in centre will be applying for some funding.
- Working on writing a business plan to extend the half time position.
- Working on developing a training session for volunteers to be able to help seniors with Income Tax.

FCSS

- The Early Childhood Coalition met and are planning a BBQ in the Park for mid-August.
- Outback Power Pack will be having a meeting next week to plan the activities for the camp in August
- Anger Education group will be meeting next week to plan their facilitation for the fall.

Program Coordinator

- Float preparations for Riverboat Days are on Wednesday.
- Canada Day went well, slightly lower number from last year likely do to it being a long weekend and the unpredictable weather. Entertainment was a hit. A huge thanks to D Janzen Holdings who donated the truck for the stage and then went above and beyond helping with our bouncy castles and generators.
- Summer Splash is off to a good start, 30+ campers each day.
- We start the Playground Program today and will be monitoring attendance.

External

- July 8-10th- River Boat Days
- August 8th-12th – British Soccer Camp
- August 15th – Hockey School
- Oct 14-15 – Northern Volunteers Unite