



## **Council Highlights**



### **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - July 10, 2018**

#### **Fly-In Barbecue**

- Council heard an update about ongoing planning for the 2018 Fly-In BBQ from the Airport Committee.
- There are a variety of things to take in at the event including a Barry Pendrak Airshow from 12-12:30 pm, a car show, events for the kids, a variety of displays and a free BBQ lunch.
- It was noted that road access to the airport will be closed during the airshow. Spectators are asked to arrive on the airport grounds before that time for the best view of the show.
- The event runs from 11 am to 2 pm on July 21 and takes place at the Athabasca Regional Airport.

#### **Krazy Creek water transfer**

- Council reviewed an information item about the public consultation process for the Skeleton Lake Stewardship Society (SLSA) and its proposal to create a drainage swayle to help capture spring runoff from Krazy Creek.
- Alberta Environmental confirmed a public consultation process will be part of a review of the application. It will directly involve all groups of landowners and users of water along Krazy Creek and be run by SLSA and Alberta Environment.

#### **Rural Transportation Pilot**

- An application for funding from the Alberta Government's Rural Transportation Pilot project will not go forward.
- The grant application was submitted by the Town of Athabasca with the support of Athabasca County to put in place a new Athabasca TappCar Program.
- A letter from Alberta Transportation explained the proposal fell short in terms of regional collaboration and linkages to broader public transportation systems. It also didn't include cost-sharing from a funding partner.

#### **Wandering River Meeting**

- Athabasca County is organizing a community meeting in Wandering River to talk with residents about items of concern to them.
- The meeting was initiated by Division 9 Councillor Penny Stewart as a way to increase the level of dialogue with residents in the County's most isolated community.
- The meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 14 beginning at 6:30 pm. Items for discussion are being gathered from residents until the meeting to allow enough time to gather background for the meeting.

#### **Athabaska Ultra 100**

- At the June County Council requested clarification from the Athabaska Ultra 100 board about its decision to cancel the Ultra.
- The board explained in a letter they have valued the cooperation and collaboration of all partners over the past year and a half but explained unforeseen circumstances and logistical challenges led to the cancellation of the event.
- The letter confirmed all registrations have been refunded and the organization is working to complete administrative tasks that will help determine the future of the event.

#### **Athabasca Bridge Replacement**

- Council received an update from Alberta Transportation regarding the Athabasca bridge replacement project.
- The updates said land negotiations are ongoing for the project and design work continues. The project is expected to be tendered in late 2019.
- Council was concerned about the timeline suggested in the update, which is a full year later than previously anticipated. The concern was added to a list of topics that will be discussed with the MLA at his next Council visit.