



Council Highlights



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - July 26, 2018

Redesignation of Land

- Public hearings to review an application for the redesignation of land from Agricultural to Recreation and Open Spaces resulted in second and third readings and the new designation being accepted by Council.
- The redesignation in the Municipal Development Plan, and changes to the Land Use Bylaw, will result in the landowner being able to enhance and expand their existing development of a stay and play family resort.
- First readings for Bylaw 012-2018 and Bylaw 013-2018 were held on June 28, 2018.

Long & Narrow Lake consultation

- A reply received in response to a communication sent to the Minister of Parks was received by Council for review.
- Council sent a letter of concern to Environment and Parks about consultations taking place to discuss the inclusion of the Long & Narrow Lakes region into the protected area system and a possible designation as a provincial park.
- Hosted by Alberta Environment and Parks, several Councilors attended a meeting on Monday, July 30 to discuss and provide input as part of the consultation process for municipal officials.

Amber Valley Mural Unveiling

- An invitation from the Amber Valley Community Association was reviewed by Council.
- The association made a request for the Reeve and members of Council to attend an event to unveil a mural at the Amber Valley Hall. The event takes place on August 25, 2018 at 12 (noon) and will include speeches and lunch.
- A motion for the Reeve and members of Council to attend was carried. Members of the public are also invited to attend the event.

Recreational Trailer Parks

- A public hearing to discuss Bylaw 014-2018 was held by Council. It follows first reading of the bylaw which took place on June 28, 2018.
- The bylaw removes Recreational Vehicle Parks from Rural Use and Highway Business Districts. Recreational Trailer Parks remain as a discretionary use in Special Recreation and Recreation Commercial Districts.
- By limiting the districts in which Recreation Trailer Park uses are allowed, redistricting changes will provide the public greater opportunity to provide input. Second and third readings of the bylaw were held and adopted by Council.

Northern Leaders Summit

- Council accepted an information item about an upcoming conference at which northern community leaders will meet with senior government officials.
- The Northern Leaders Conference is being facilitated in Slave Lake by the Northern Development Council on September 12, 2018.
- Council sees the event as an opportunity to speak directly with provincial officials about priorities in our region.
- A motion to authorize members of Council to attend was carried.

Business Gala Athabasca

- A sponsorship request was received from the Athabasca District Chamber of Commerce for the organization's 2018 Business Awards taking place on October 11, 2018.
- The request was a confirmation that Athabasca County would continue to sponsor the Community Spirit Award as it has in the past.
- A motion to continue sponsorship in the amount of \$350 was unanimously carried.