



## **Council Highlights**



### **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - August 14, 2018**

#### **Colinton Paving Project**

- County Council received an update on the Colinton Paving Project from the Infrastructure Services Department.
- As part of its plan to improve infrastructure in the municipality, Athabasca County entered into a joint tender with Alberta Transportation for a paving overlay and sidewalk rehabilitation in the hamlet of Colinton.
- The tender closed in mid-July and the successful bid was made by Knelson Sand & Gravel for a total cost of \$726,614. Due to the tender closing date, the work won't proceed until 2019.
- There was \$450,000 budgeted for the pavement overlay and \$217,000 budgeted for the sidewalk replacement as part of the 2018 budget.
- Council adopted a motion to enter into a contract with Knelson Sand & Gravel Ltd. to carry out the work in 2019 with funds being carried forward from the 2018 budget reserves for the project and the remainder covered under the 2019 budget.

#### **Public Hearings**

- Council reviewed an Administration Report outlining recommendations for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan to change a parcel of land from Rural Use to a Special Recreation Area.
- The applicant proposes to create a 50-site recreational vehicle park and agri-tourism feature to enhance existing amenities of the stay and play recreational area.
- Council gave first reading to the proposed amending bylaws (016-2018 and 017-2018) and scheduled public hearings to be held concurrently beginning at 9:30 am on August 30, 2018.
- All written submissions to Council on these matters, must be received by 12 (noon), August 29, 2018.

#### **RV Park Moratorium Lifted**

- Council reviewed a report from the Planning and Development Department recommending an RV Park Moratorium be lifted. It was on June 12, 2018 Council passed a resolution to put in place a moratorium on recreational vehicle parks.
- Since that time changes have been made to the Land Use Bylaw, removing Recreational Vehicle Parks as permitted uses from the Rural Use District and the Highway Business District.
- This change leaves two districts that allow for recreational vehicle parks - Recreational Commercial Use and Special Recreational Use.
- If a landowner wishes to develop a recreational vehicle park outside of these two districts, they would need to make an application to amend the Land Use Bylaw. When amending the bylaw, a public hearing must be held, presenting an opportunity for the public to provide input.
- Council reviewed the report and lifted the moratorium as a result of the changes to the LUB.

#### **Council Meeting Recording Costs**

- Council reviewed a report about the estimated costs of installing an audio/video recording and archiving system in Council chambers.
- The report outlined estimated costs totalling \$5,000 to \$20,000 dependent on the system feeding just audio and/or video. In addition, ongoing software costs are estimated to range from \$450 to \$900 per month for the hosting of the data, depending on the company selected.
- Council adopted a motion to accept the report as information.