



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16

"A Great Place to Live, Work and Play"

For Immediate Release

Council Meeting Highlights

March 24, 2015

Bylaws

Bylaw 15-742 Municipal Development Plan (MDP) received first reading. The previous MDP was adopted in 2003 and the updated MDP clarifies current policies and is written for consistency with the Land Use Framework and *Land Stewardship Act*. Consultation regarding the MDP will be conducted through online survey, public advertising of request for comments and open houses. Open houses will be held in Grovedale, Grande Cache, DeBolt and Valleyview in conjunction with the Ratepayer Barbeques.

The Tax Rate Bylaw 15-741 received first reading. The 2015 tax rate will be unchanged from 2014. The bylaw will be brought forward for second and third reading at the April 7, 2015 Council Meeting.

Delegations

Grande Prairie Ski Club representatives provided a presentation regarding the Nitehawk Recreation Area. Greenview Council approved a four year funding commitment from 2015 to 2018 totalling \$1,424,646 over the four years. In 2015 the funds will include \$100,000 for energy costs and \$355,000 in capital equipment replacements for a total of \$455,000. Funding is contingent on Greenview receiving annual financial statements and an Acknowledgement of Capital Compliance Form prior to funds being released.

100th Anniversary of the Grande Prairie Railway

Summer 2016 will be the 100th anniversary of the railway in Grande Prairie, Alberta. Bob Patterson from the Grande Prairie & District Oldtimers Association provided a presentation to Council regarding his organization's plans to bring an old locomotive and cars from the Alberta Railway Museum to Grande Prairie for the celebration next summer. The old steamer would be hauled from Edmonton to Hinton to access the Alberta Resources Railroad for travel by rail to Grande Prairie. They plan to provide passenger rides from Grande Prairie to Hythe and Grande Prairie to Sexsmith. The cars may also act as a mobile museum with stops at communities along the railroad. Council will provide a letter of support for this initiative.

Recreation Facility Upgrades

Greenview will complete \$150,000 in upgrades to existing recreation facilities in Spring 2015. Facilities to be upgraded include Swan Lake, Grovedale Fish Pond, Kakwa Campground and the Southview Rest Stop. All sites will receive information kiosks and upgraded signage; bear proof garbage and recycling containers for Kakwa and Southview; Kakwa will also receive additional picnic tables; floating docks and gravel pads will be installed at the Grovedale Fish Pond; and a viewing gazebo for Swan Lake.

Donations

Greenview's surplus computer equipment will be donated to non-profit organizations. Items not required by non-profits will be offered to the public for a nominal fee; any remaining items will be sent for recycling. Organizations interested in the used IT equipment and computers must apply prior to August 31, 2015. Letters of Request from non-profit organizations may be addressed to Shane Goalder, Information Systems Technician at 4806 36 Ave. Box 1079 Valleyview, Alberta T0H 3N0. An updated listing of available surplus equipment will be publicly available once the non-profit donations are complete.

2015 Fire Guardian Appointment

Jeff Francis and Derian Rosario were appointed as Greenview's Fire Guardians under Bylaw 10-64. Fire Guardians are charged with issuing and enforcing fire permits and enforcement of the *Alberta Forest and Prairie Protection Act*.

Young's Point Road Tender

The Young's Point Road Chip Seal Coat and Other Work will be awarded to ACP Applied Products of Acheson for \$731,910.00

Equipment Purchases

- A Recycle Ranger will be purchased in partnership with the Town of Valleyview based on equal funding from each municipality to a maximum of \$12,500.
- Barbeque Trailer \$45,800.00. The barbeque will be manufactured by C.C. Welding & Fabricating of Grande Cache for use at community events.
- Recreation Services will purchase an APS-3 L1/L@ GPS+GLONASS RTK rover and base station for \$24,377.68 (USD). The equipment will be utilized as part of the Recreation Enhancement and Inventory Program.
- 2015 John Deere Tractor with Loader \$158,447.75
- 2015 Wishek 842N Heavy Disc \$45,800.00
- 2015 Riteway F332 Landroller \$38,300.00
- 2015 Rogers PTF 100 3 Point Hitch Sprayer \$14,988.73
- Two 2015 Wheatheart Heavy Hitter Post Pounders in the total amount of \$25,900.00
- Two 2014 Yamaha Grizzly 700 Quad ATVs in the total amount of \$23,400
- Continental Cargo Trailer \$6,583.50
- 2015 John Deere Tractor with Loader & 3 point hitch rough cut mower \$88,132.12
- 2015 Water Tank Trailer \$7,819.10
- 2014 MS Gregson T500 Field Sprayer \$22,600.00

Events and Meetings

- Regular Council Meetings: April 7 and 28.
- Committee of the Whole: April 21.
- Municipal Planning Commission: April 8.
- Green View FCSS: April 15. FCSS meetings take place at the Green View Community Resource Centre.
- Agricultural Services Board (ASB): April 29, 2015.

Unless otherwise specified, all meetings take place in the Council Chambers at the Administration Building in Valleyview beginning at 9:00 am. ASB and FCSS meetings begin at 9:30 a.m. The public and media are welcome to attend or observe our Council Chambers live stream via the internet. To view our live feed please visit our website at www.mdgreenview.ab.ca and click on the Live Stream link.

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