



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

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Council Meeting Highlights
September 12, 2017

Delegations

I Want Wireless provided an update to Council regarding wireless upgrades in Greenview. \$1.2 million in funding was provided by the Canadian Government's Connecting Canadians 150 program to support expanded access to high speed Internet for residents throughout I Want Wireless' service area including Greenview. Greenview provided 20 per cent in matching grant funding supporting this application, to a maximum of \$250,000. I Want Wireless provided an investment of \$1.4 million in the project. Through this program, 32 new towers have been installed and over 750 customers have been upgraded to high speed service at 5 Mbps. The company is now working on building high speed access from recreational sites and other public use locations that are underserved throughout their service area.

Council accepted a presentation from the **DeBolt Golf Course** (Gunby Ranch Golf Course) for information. The golf course is municipally owned and is operated by the DeBolt Agricultural Society. Land for the golf course was donated by the Gunby family and the course has been in operation since the 1970's. The DeBolt Agricultural Society is looking at upgrades including adding 24 camp stalls and replacing the original club house. The Society may request financial support from Greenview for the work and plans will be made for fundraising and other methods of generating revenue. A formal funding request will be considered as part of Greenview's annual budget process.

Mr. Holinaty of **DeBolt Contracting** provided a presentation to Council regarding his concerns about additional development fees for failing to secure a development permit prior to beginning work on his property. He was not aware that the work in question required additional development permits and permits are now in place. Council agreed to waive the penalty based on the information provided.

Recreation

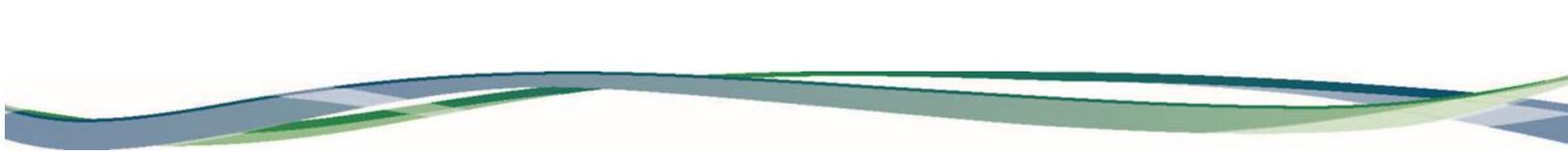
The draft **Little Smoky Recreation Area** Governance Board Agreement was accepted as information. The recreation area falls within the M.D. of Smoky River near Greenview's boundary. Since 2008 Greenview has provided grant funding to the recreation area in partnership with the M.D. of Smoky River, Town of High Prairie, Town of Valleyview, and M.D. of Big Lakes. The proposed funding model is close to the current contribution levels with 20 per cent from Greenview, 75 per cent from the M.D. of Smoky River and 5 per cent from the M.D. of Big Lakes.

Sponsorship and Funding Requests

A funding request for the **Sheldon Coates School Snack Program** was accepted as information by Council. Administration will research school snack programs and provide a report back to Council.

Council approved \$1,000 in sponsorship for the **Valleyview Enhancement Society** 2017 Christmas Gala.

A request for partnership on funding lighting upgrades to the **Norbord Access Intersection** was declined by Council. Norbord hoped to expedite the project with Alberta Transportation based on a funding partnership



with Greenview. The intersection is on Highway 40 which falls under Alberta Transportation and isn't municipal responsibility. Work on Highway 40 is in Alberta Transportation's future construction plans.

Administrative Items

Council approved the purchase of a 2017 Morris Hay Hiker **Bale Hauler** from Agriterra Equipment for a cost of \$37,044 including delivery.

A report regarding **Surplus Vehicles** was provided to Council. Requests have been made to donate surplus vehicles to the Smoky Applied Research Demonstration Association (SARDA) and Peace Country Beef & Forage Association. Council agreed to provide the vehicles to the organizations at cost.

A request regarding renovations at the **Greenview Veterinary Clinic** was tabled until further investigation by Greenview Veterinary Clinic Ltd. The clinic has a small residence upstairs which was initially built to provide temporary accommodation for students and short term use by veterinarians.

Council voted in favour of reducing the **Security Deposit Residential Access Construction Deposit** for construction located at NW 11-67-22 W5M from \$50,000 to \$5,000 per Greenview's revised Policy 4001.

A request from **Petrus Resources** to waive a penalty in the amount of \$20.00 for late payment of taxes was denied by Council.

Council directed Administration to put forward an application for an **enhanced policing position** for the Grovedale area.

Events and Meetings

- Regular Council Meeting: September 26, 2017
- Committee of the Whole: November 21, 2017
- Green View FCSS: September 20, 2017. FCSS meetings take place at the Green View Community Resource Centre.
- Agricultural Services Board (ASB): September 20, 2017

Unless otherwise specified, all meetings (except FCSS 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. FCSS meetings held at the Green View Community Resource Centre in Valleyview. The public and media are welcome to attend in person or view Council agenda packages and minutes online.

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