

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

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Council Highlights - April 27, 2020

Tax Payment Plan Options

Council gave third and final reading to Bylaw 20-849 "Tax Payment Plan" to allow for the payment of taxes in installments. This change will enable Greenview to have a tax payment plan in place to provide taxpayers with additional options for the payment of their property taxes. To apply for the Tax Payment Plan, an application form must be completed no later than January 31 of the year in which the taxpayer wishes to enroll in the plan.

Council approves 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets

Council passed 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets as presented. The Operating Budget includes revenues of \$143,896,706. and expenses of \$172,317,485.00 with \$30,000,000 to be transferred from restricted reserves. The Capital budget of \$81,126,615 will be fully funded from Capital Reserves. Council acknowledged the fact that due to unprecedented flooding and COVID-19, some required projects may arise.

Council Appoints 2020 Pest Inspectors

Greenview Council appointed the 2020 annual pest inspectors – Dennis Haglund, Maureen Bly, Hazel Edwards, Jennifer Hammell, Terri Hoddinott, Brenda Jantz, Sue LePage, Cheylin Patenaude, Sage Eshelman, Madeline Clough, Brendan Braes, Jennecka Olsen, and Kelly Neufeld. The Pest Inspectors work from May to October and will provide inspection services within Greenview for species listed in the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation AR/184 2001.

Weed Inspectors Back for Another Season

The annual weed inspectors were appointed in Council and will work from May to October to provide inspection services within Greenview for species listed in the Weed Control Regulation AR 19/2010. Dennis Haglund, Maureen Bly, Hazel Edwards, Jennifer Hammell, Terri Hoddinott, Brenda Jantz, Sage Eshelman, Madeline Clough and Kelly Neufeld will join team Greenview for the season.

TMIP Development Takes a Sabbatical

Following the direction of Council, administration will prepare a letter to send to the two participating municipalities in the Tri-Municipal Partnership, indicating Greenview's plan to re-evaluate the process to move forward with the development of the TMIP project due to the current economic climate and market conditions affecting the energy sector in the area. Greenview's Economic Development department will bring a few small projects to completion and wrap them up appropriately for a restart of the project at a later date.

Valleyview Health Centre Foundation Requests Funding for Therapeutic bath for Acute Care Ward

The Valleyview Health Centre Foundation has requested grant funding to purchase a therapeutic bath for the Acute Care ward at the Valleyview Hospital. Council directed administration to send a letter requesting a copy of the Alberta Health Services funding denial and further information on additional funding sources before rendering a decision.

Greenview Approves Inter-Municipal Collaboration with Yellowhead County

Council approved the inter-municipal collaboration framework with Yellowhead County, establishing a framework for future collaboration and outlining shared services.

Greenview Hopes to Secure Alberta Works Career and Employment Contract in Grande Cache

Greenview Council has given the go-ahead for Green View Family and Community Support Services to submit a proposal to provide employment services out of the FCSS office in Grande Cache. Services would include access to employment computers, a job board, assistance with resume writing and interview skills, faxing resumes, providing resources on job searches and budgeting, as well as acting as a conduit for clients applying for income support. If successful in the application process, these services would begin June 1, and the contract would remain in place until March 31, 2022.

Council Honorariums

Council previously moved (MOTION: 20.04.238.) to approve the 2020 per diem average of \$3,717.00 per month, along with the regular monthly honorarium of each Councillor and the Reeve, retroactive to March 1, 2020, and continuing until restrictions are lifted on public meetings due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. Council approved an adjusted monthly per diem of \$4,717.00 along with the regular monthly honorarium for the Reeve, retroactive to March 1, 2020 and continuing until meeting restrictions are lifted as per the previous motion.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- May 11, 2020 Regular Council Meeting
- May 12, 2020 MPC Meeting
- May 19, 2020 Committee of the Whole Electronic Meeting

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