



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

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Council Highlights – March 23, 2021

Greenview Pledges Support for Lemonade Day to Foster Youth Entrepreneurship

Northern Alberta Lemonade Day is the perfect opportunity for communities to get engaged, demonstrate passion and show kids they care while training the next generation of entrepreneurs through a free, fun, engaging and empowering activity. From pre-kindergarten to high school, youth of all ages are encouraged to register and set up an official lemonade stand on June 19, 2021. Council voted to approve a sponsorship of \$500.00 with funds to come from the Economic Development Miscellaneous Grants to Organizations budget.

Council Grants COVID-19 Funding Assistance to Little Smoky Ski Hill Area

The Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 is requesting assistance from Greenview and Big Lakes County to assist with costs incurred by the Little Smoky Ski area regarding COVID-19. The ski hill incurred additional expenses during the 2020/2021 calendar year in the amount of \$28,607.04 due to COVID-19 related expenses. The three municipalities, Greenview, Big Lakes and Smoky River, have a cost-share partnership agreement for the Little Smoky Ski area and are part of the governing board. Council moved to approve the grant request in the amount of \$9,535.68 to the Municipal District of Smoky River for the Little Smoky Ski area, with funds to come from the Economic Development Miscellaneous Grants to Organizations budget.

Sturgeon Lake Bible Camp Fundraiser Donation Approved

The Sturgeon Lake Bible Camp is a summer camp attended by families and children within DeBolt, Valleyview, High Prairie, Little Smoky and surrounding communities. The organization is holding their annual fundraiser from April 10 to April 11, 2021, as an online silent auction to raise funds for the upcoming camp season. This camp is not receiving government funding, and limited support is anticipated from private and individual donations. Funds will be used to pay for operational and staffing costs and upgrades to facilities and equipment. Council moved to approve an in-kind donation valued at \$300.00 with funds to come from the Economic Development Miscellaneous Grants to Organizations budget.

Grande Cache Recreation Centre Retaining Wall Repair Approved

The Grande Cache curling rink retaining wall was initially constructed with used railroad ties. This wall is imperative to support the earthworks from the parking lot located between the Grande Cache Recreation Centre and the Grande Cache Community High School. The wall is presently collapsing and has been identified as a hazard. Council voted to award the Grande Cache Curling Rink Retaining Wall tender to Paving Stone Plus Ltd. from Edmonton, Alberta in the amount of \$163,983.75 plus GST, with funds to come from the 2021 Capital Budget. Council also approved a 10% contingency for this project.

Tax Due Dates for Non-Residential Classes Extended for 2021

Prior to 2020, the annual due date for non-residential taxes has been June 30. In 2020, due to economic circumstances, the provincial government asked municipalities to defer the due date for payment of non-residential taxes. Greenview deferred the date from June 30 to September 30 at that time. In the interest of demonstrating continued support for non-residential property taxpayers, Council approved the due date of September 30, 2021, for Class 2-Non-Residential property and Class 4-Machinery & Equipment, and November 15, 2021, for Class 1-Residential and Class 3 Farmland.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- **April 2, 2021 – Good Friday, Greenview Administration Offices Closed**

- **April 5, 2021 – Easter Monday, Greenview Administration Offices Closed**
- **April 13, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers**
- **April 20, 2021 – Committee of the Whole, Grande Cache Public Service Building**

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