



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

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Council Highlights – May 11, 2021

Greenview Approves Tax Rate Bylaw

Council passed the 2021 Operating and Capital Budgets on April 27th, 2021. The Tax Rate Bylaw provides the authority to levy taxes to support those budgets. The Tax Rate By-Law is consistent with Council direction to maintain municipal tax rates at 2020 levels. Council approved the bylaw as presented with a 0% increase.

A highlight summary of changes from 2020 to 2021 appears below:

- The Rural residential municipal tax rate is the same at 2.4977%
- The Grande Cache residential municipal tax rate is the same at 7.1748%
- The Non-Residential municipal tax rate is the same at 6.6850%

Fire and Rescue Services Bylaw 20-858 Adopted

Greenview Fire & Rescue Services currently operates under Bylaw 07-517. Greenview, with the addition of Grande Cache has undergone significant changes in the Fire Services model. The Municipality has moved away from the separate fire departments model to a regional fire services model to allow for greater efficiencies and more effective deployment of resources. The bylaw ensures an acceptable level of life safety for all ratepayers and visitors, protection by aligning Council expectations, fire-rescue activities, and defines an acceptable organizational level of risk. Council moved to approve Bylaw 20-858 with amendments.

Greenview Appoints Council Compensation Review Committee Members

The Council Compensation Review Committee will impartially and fairly review the Council Compensation package. A periodic review process ensures that compensation is equitable and that it encourages participation in Council by providing remuneration which allows potentially interested electors with the fiscal ability to serve on Council. Council recommended the Committee be composed of former Councillors. The last compensation review for Council was last done in 2013 by a committee of three individuals. Council moved to appoint Herb Castle, Roxanne Perron, and Lesley Vandemark to the Council Compensation Review Committee.

Funding Approved for Grovedale Daycare

In February 2020, Council approved \$440,000.00 be transferred from the Grovedale Daycare Society Funding Reserve into a Greenview Daycare Funding Reserve to support future Greenview Daycare needs. In late 2020, the Grovedale Community and Agricultural Society put forward a proposal to construct a daycare facility in the Hamlet of Grovedale.

Council approved grant funding in the amount of \$535,000.00 to the Grovedale Community Club and Agricultural Society for the construction of a daycare facility in the Hamlet of Grovedale, Alberta with \$95,000.00 to come from the 2021 Economic Development Budget and \$440,000.00 from the Greenview Daycare Funding Reserve. Council also authorized Administration to enter into an agreement with the Grovedale Community Club and Agricultural Society for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a daycare facility in Grovedale, Alberta.

Greenview to Enter Into Agreement with Province to Receive Funding for Improvements to Kakwa Falls Trail

Alberta Parks presented at the April 20th, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting regarding funding available for the Kakwa Trail. This funding is allocated for improvements to the Kakwa Falls trail from Lick Creek Staging Area south. Several studies have been conducted in the area to identify deficiencies in the trail and identify priorities for

improvements. This area has historically been an area of interest to Council, who moved to authorize Administration to enter into an agreement with the Province of Alberta to receive funding allocated for improvements to the Kakwa Falls Trail.

Forestry Trunk Road Phase Five Construction Going Forward

During the 2020 Budget proposals Administration included the Forestry Trunk Road Phase 5 (KM 137 to KM 158) with the request of \$4,780,000.00. The budget was approved during this process. Administration submitted a Resource Funding application to Alberta Transportation on November 24th, 2020. Council directed Administration to proceed with the Forestry Trunk Road Phase 5 construction prior to receiving grant funding by Alberta Transportation with the funds to come from the 2021 roads capital budget.

Greenview to Provide Letter of Support for Mountain Metis Nation Association

Mountain Metis Nation Association (MMNA) brought forth a request for a letter of support to be submitted with their application to the Community Facility Enhancement Program for a traditional log building to include an Indigenous Interpretive Centre, MMNA offices, and a 6,000 sq. ft. community hall with a location to be determined. Council directed Administration to provide the Mountain Metis Nation Association a letter of support for development of office space, a community hall and indigenous cultural centre; to be submitted with their application for the Community Facility Enhancement Program.

Hamlet of Grande Cache to Get a New Digital Community Sign

Council moved to award the Grande Cache LED sign project to Libertelevision Inc. with an upset limit of \$132,310.00 with funds to come from the Communications Capital Projects Budget and chose a suitable sign design option.

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Upcoming Events and Meetings

- **May 18, 2021 – Committee of the Whole, Valleyview Council Chambers**
- **May 24, 2021 – Victoria Day, Administrative Offices Closed**
- **May 25, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers**
- **May 26, 2021 – Agricultural Services Board Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers**
- **June 8, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers**

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