

# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW MEDIA RELEASE

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# Council Highlights – June 28, 2022

Valleyview, Alberta

## **Grande Cache Community Events Foundation Gets Greenview Support for Ridgefest**

Ridgefest is a large annual community event held outside the Ridge restaurant on the August long weekend, which is also the weekend of the Annual 2022 Death Race in Grande Cache. The Grande Cache Community Events Foundation submitted a sponsorship request in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Ridgefest, in collaboration with the Ridge Restaurant and Lounge to help cover part of the expenses. The Ridge Restaurant and Lounge is a locally owned restaurant that has hosted Ridgefest for the past five years. Ridgefest consists of live entertainment, dancing, food, and a beer garden. A donation is made to local organizations to work security on the weekend of the event.

The Grande Cache Community Events Foundation is a non-profit organization that focuses on providing community events to enhance the quality of life for Greenview residents. Greenview Council approved a sponsorship in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Grande Cache Community Events Foundation for Ridgefest on the 2022 August long weekend, with funds to come from the Community Services Miscellaneous Grants Budget.

## **Ronald McDonald House Sponsorship Awarded**

Ronald McDonald House Charities Alberta is a registered charity (non-profit organization) and provides a home away from home for families during serious illness or injury of a child. Ronald McDonald House is located in Edmonton and an office to support families in the Peace Region is located in Grande Prairie. On September 10, 2022, Ronald McDonald House Alberta is hosting their 10th Annual Shoot for the House event at the Wapiti Shooters Cub, located in Grande Prairie. This annual clay shooting tournament raises money for Ronald McDonald House and the funds raised at this event will help support local Peace Region families needing to travel out of the region to seek medical treatment. Council approved an in-kind sponsorship of an auction item or prize valued up to \$500.00 for the Annual Shoot the House event, with funds to come from the 2022 Community Services Miscellaneous Grants budget.

#### Councillors Appointed to Represent Greenview for Wapiti Recreation and Trail Management Plan

The Wapiti Plan area has evolved into a major multi-use outdoor recreation and trail network for land and water-based activities. Several recreation facilities and trail networks have been in the area for years as well as a number of motorized associations. The types of recreational activities and user groups continue to expand and diversify as the population of the City of Grande Prairie and area continues to grow. The area is also an important economic source and contains areas of land used for lumber and pulp production, oil and gas, gravel extraction, grazing, and trapping. It is also a source of drinking water for regional communities and a cultural landscape and traditional use area for indigenous peoples. Growing recreational demand in the Wapiti Plan area has been a motivator for protecting the environmental integrity of the corridor while balancing social and economic interests. Greenview Council moved to appoint Councillor Bill Smith to represent Greenview in the planning process, with Councillor Christine Schlief appointed as the alternate.

#### **Greenview Supports Blossoming Garden of Hope**

The Tiny Hands of Hope and the Compassionate Friends of Grande Prairie presented the Blossoming Garden of Hope to the Committee of the Whole on June 21, 2022. This is a one-of-a-kind Children's Memorial Garden in the Peace Country facilitated by the Tiny Hands of Hope and the Compassionate Friends of Grande Prairie in collaboration with the City of Grande Prairie and numerous other supporters.

The vision of the Blossoming Garden of Hope "is to create a positive space for families, friends, school-age children, nurses, first responders and all those affected by the loss of a child. A place where they can celebrate, honour, & remember the little one they miss. A garden that will bring life, hope, healing, comfort & a sense of community."

Council approved a sponsorship in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Tiny Hands of Hope for the Blossoming Garden of Hope located in Grande Prairie, with funds to come from the Community Services Miscellaneous Grant Budget.

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#### **Upcoming Events and Meetings**

- July 1, 2022 Canada Day Statutory Holiday, All Administration Offices Closed
- July 12, 2022 Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers
- July 12, 2022 Ratepayers BBQ, DeBolt Public Service Building from 5 pm 7 pm
- July 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole, Grande Cache Public Service Building
- July 19, 2022 Town Hall: Proposed Legislation in Grande Cache to Restrict the Use of Firearms, 4:00 pm 5:30 pm, Eagle's Nest Hall
- July 19, 2022 Ratepayers BBQ, Grande Cache Recreation Centre from 5 pm 7 pm

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