

PRESS RELEASE
Town Council Meeting
February 14, 2017

Attendance: Mayor: Glen McCaffery; Councilors: Elvina Rumak, Betty Lou Palko, Sherry Pilon, Mel Cadrain, Alexis Armit; Chief Administrative Officer: Richard Dolezsar; Director of Public Works: Todd Chahley; Delegations: 1) Sgt. Wanita Minty – RCMP Report, 2) Fire Chief Terry Pilon – Fire Department Report

The following were received and acknowledged:

- January 23, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 26, 2017 Negotiating Committee Minutes
- RCMP Report
- Fire Chief's Report
- Public Works Report
- Accounts
- Building Permit Report
- Various Correspondence

FIRE GUARD – FUEL BREAK

Council accepted the offer of Saskatchewan Environment, Wildfire Management Branch, to make a public presentation respecting the impending need to initiate risk mitigation measures to protect the Community from the potential of a wildfire disaster. The presentation has been set for 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at the Town Office.

WATER SECURITY AGENCY – ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT

Council acknowledged and accepted the January 23, 2017 Waterworks Compliance Inspection Report.

AUDITOR'S ENGAGEMENT LETTER

The Auditor's Engagement Letter provided by Darcy Spilchen, CPA, CA, CFP, CMA of Collins Barrow PQ LLP was acknowledged and accepted.

DRAFT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council provided approval of the Draft Audited Financial Statements and Auditor's Representation Letter.

NESD – ELECTOR'S MEETING

Council acknowledged the March 21, 2017 North East School Division Meeting of Electors in Tisdale and authorized attendance of the Mayor and CAO.

CONNECT ENERGY – NATURAL GAS SUPPLY AGREEMENT

Council acknowledged the Natural Gas Supply Renewal Agreement proposal presented by Connect Energy and proposed an agreement to accept a five (5) year fixed price term of \$3.25/GJ or lower.

PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE

The Town will advertise for a full time Public Works employee position.

THERESA VEUTER – 639 PRINCE STREET – HOME OCCUPATION APPLICATION

Council approved the Home Occupation application of Theresa Veuter at 639 Prince Street relating to signage and large format digital printing.

HB ROUTE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Councilor Rumak was authorized to attend the April 20 & 21, 2017 Hudson Bay Route Association Conference in Swan River.

NORTHEAST NEWCOMER SERVICES

Information received from Northeast Newcomer Services and the February 28, 2017 Refugees Welcome Here! Sponsorship/Resettlement Information Session being held in Tisdale was acknowledged.

HUDSON BAY MINOR SPORTS CONCESSION – OLDWOOD ICE TIME

Council approved the one hour extension of Arena ice time for the Oldwood Bonspiel from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. March 17, 2017.

COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

The following Committee were authorized to review applications and allocate 2017 Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program funds to community groups – Councilors Betty Lou Palko, Sherry Pilon and Treasurer Teresa Parkman. The Town has received 21 applications totaling approximately \$26,000. Comparatively the Community Grant Program provides \$14,123 for allocation in Hudson Bay.