

CAO's REPORT

November 5, 2019

1. As directed by Council, Administration requested opportunity for Council to meet with Provincial Ministers and RCMP K Division during the RMA Fall 2019 Conference. To date, Administration received proposed meeting dates, times and locations from the following:
 - David Jackson, Chief of Staff, Infrastructure – November 12, 10:00 am at the Conference Centre;
 - Minister Leela Aheer, Culture Multiculturalism & Status of Women – November 15, 10:00 am at the Legislature Building;
 - Inspector Shane Ramteemal, RCMP K Division – November 15, 11:10 am at the Conference Centre.

Ministers LaGrange (Education) and Shandro (Health) are not attending the Conference. Responses from Agriculture & Forestry, Environment & Parks, Municipal Affairs, Service Alberta and Transportation Ministers are yet to be received.

2. An Open House is scheduled for November 29th, 2019 at the Nordegg Community Centre at 6:00 pm to discuss:
 - 1) The timing of relocating the existing mobile homes, and
 - 2) Adopting the new land use bylaw for the new mobile home park and how these two items are not related.

Administration will also provide an update on amendments and proposed amendments to the Nordegg Development Plan.

3. Remembrance Day Ceremonies take place as follows:
 - Thursday, November 7 – 10:00 am – West Central High School (School ceremony)
 - Monday, November 11 – 10:15 am – West Central High School (Rocky Mountain House Royal Canadian Legion ceremony)
 - Monday, November 11 – 10:30 am – Caroline Royal Canadian Legion

Historically, the Reeve attends the November 11 ceremony in Rocky Mountain House and the Divisional Councillor(s) attend the ceremony in Caroline to lay the wreath on behalf of Clearwater County. As per Council's policy 'Council, Board and Committee Remuneration, the Reeve and Deputy Reeve are authorized to attend and receive remuneration without Council approval. Should other Councillors wish to receive remuneration for attending a ceremony, Council authorization is required.

4. Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS) is leading a project to research, discuss, share perspectives and create possible templates for Joint Use Planning Agreements between municipalities and school boards. Delegate(s) (Council and/or Staff) from Clearwater County are invited to attend an introductory session to learn more about the project on November 20 at 1:30 – 3:00 pm in Red Deer.
5. Central Alberta Economic Partnership (CAEP) annual Fall General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 20 at 4:00 pm in Red Deer. Should any councillors other than Councillor Vandermeer wish to attend and receive remuneration, Council authorization is required.

6. Council received an invitation from Clearwater Regional Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) to attend a two-day conference, 'Family Violence: A Rural Perspective', November 21 and 22. Should any councillors other than those on the FCSS Board wish to attend and receive remuneration, Council authorization is required.
7. Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA 2020) Annual conference takes place in Red Deer, April 27 – 29. This year's theme is 'Take the Initiative! Exploring Innovations & Resiliency in Community Planning'. Conference registration is open to Council members, Chief Administrative Officers, SDAB and MPC members. Should any councillors other than those on MPC or SDAB wish to attend and receive remuneration, Council authorization is required.
8. Delinquent property taxes on three properties held for public auction on November 1 remain outstanding. No bids were made on the two Leslieville properties and the Condor property received only one bid which was below the set reserve selling price.
9. The Composite Assessment Review Board (CARB) reviewed a property owner's complaint on Clearwater County's assessment of a non-residential property at a hearing on October 10. The property's 2018 assessment value increased to \$953,710 from \$650,000 in 2017. Other similar property types also received increased assessments for 2018 to better reflect fair market value. After considering the parties' positions, the Board determined the assessed value of \$953,710 is correct, fair and equitable.

Upcoming Events

November 11 – Remembrance Day (Clearwater County Offices Closed)
November 12 to 15 – Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Fall Convention
November 20 – CAEP Fall General Meeting
November 23 – Parade of Lights
November 29 – Nordegg Open House
December 2 to 3 – Munis 101 Course
December 4 to 6 – Budget Discussions
December 6 – Annual Town/County Christmas Party
December 6 – Village of Caroline Christmas Light Up
December 11 – Central AB Mayors' & Reeves' Meeting
December 11 to 13 – 2020 Budget Discussions
December 17 – Special Meeting of Council to approve 2020 Budget
December 24 to 26 – Christmas (Clearwater County Offices Closed)