

**Town of Bon Accord**  
**Regular Meeting of Council Minutes**  
**March 17, 2020**  
**8:30 a.m.**



**PRESENT**

**COUNCIL**

Mayor David Hutton  
Deputy Mayor Lynn Bidney  
Councillor Tanya May  
Councillor Lacey Laing  
Councillor Brian Holden

**ADMINISTRATION**

Joyce Pierce, Chief Administrative Officer  
Dianne Allen, Planning and Economic Development Manager  
Ken Reil, Operations Manager  
Jenny Larson, Community Services Coordinator  
Falon Fayant, Corporate Finance Officer

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hutton called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT the agenda for the March 17, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as amended with the following additions:

***New Business – Asset Management***

***Correspondence – Office Closure***

***Correspondence – Information from Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SREMP)***

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-095**

**DELEGATION**

Auditor – Metrix Group, Phil Dirks (via telephone)

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accept the presentation from Phil Dirks, Auditor, as information.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-096**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

***Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – March 3, 2020***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the minutes of the March 3, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted, as presented.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-097**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

***Finance (attached report #1)***

***Community Services (attached report #2)***

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***Operations (PW) (attached report #3)***  
***Planning and Economic Development (attached report #4)***

Councillor May left Council Chambers at 9:50 a.m.  
Councillor May returned to Council Chambers at 9:51 a.m.

***Chief Administrative Office (CAO) (attached report #5)***

***Due to COVID 19 Pandemic many, if not all, upcoming meetings and events have been cancelled or postponed.***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accept the Administration reports, as information.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-098**

MAYOR HUTTON MOVED THAT Council take a short break at 10:15 a.m.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-099**

MAYOR HUTTON called the meeting back to order at 10:24 a.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

***Snow Removal discussion***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accept the Snow removal discussion, as information.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-100**

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Transportation Master Plan***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council approves the Transportation Master Plan as part of the Master Servicing Plans for the Town of Bon Accord, as presented.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-101**

***Water Master Plan and Sanitary Master Plan***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approves the Water Master Plan and Sanitary Master Plan as part of the Master Servicing Plans for the Town of Bon Accord.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-102**

***Stormwater Master Plan***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the Stormwater Master Plan as part of the Master Servicing Plans for the Town of Bon Accord.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-103**

***Council Laptop Quotes***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council direct administration to decline quotes for Council laptops.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-104**

***Library Board Trustees***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to approve Library Board Trustees Melanie Philbrick for a second term and Shannon Loehr for a third term.  
**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-105**

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***Sturgeon Regional Partnership Committee***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT the Town of Bon Accord continue to be a member of the Sturgeon Regional Partnership Committee.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-106**

***Bon Accord School Districts 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council decides not to recognize the Bon Accord School District's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and forward the information to the Harvest Days Committee and the local schools for their consideration.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-107**

MAYOR HUTTON MOVED THAT Council extend the Regular Meeting Council beyond 12:00 p.m. (noon).

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-108**

***Asset Management Program***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council directs staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for the Town of Bon Accord, Policies and System project. Be it therefore resolved that the Municipality commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program with the following three activities:

- Development of an Asset Management Policy, Strategy, and Plan
- Collect and compile asset information into one central database
- Municipal Workshops: Asset Management principles, in-house Asset Management capacity, data collection in the field.

Be it further resolved that the Municipality commits \$12,500 from its budget towards the cost of this initiative.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-109**

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council take a short break at 11:45 a.m.

MAYOR HUTTON called the meeting back to order at 11:50 a.m.

**BYLAWS | POLICIES | AGREEMENTS**

**BYLAWS**

***Municipal Borrowing Bylaw – Capital; Bylaw #2020-06***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the Municipal Borrowing Bylaw-Capital; Bylaw #2020-06, as presented.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-110**

***Cemetery Bylaw; Bylaw #2020-04***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the Cemetery Bylaw; Bylaw #2020-04, as presented.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-111**

***Taxation Bylaw; Bylaw #2020-14***

Taxation examples; FOIP Act 17(1) – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED THAT Council go into Closed Session at 12:15 p.m.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-112**

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COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council come out of Closed Session at 12:27 p.m.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-113**

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT the Taxation Bylaw; Bylaw #2020-14 be given 1<sup>st</sup> reading, as presented.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-114**

**POLICIES**

***Extreme Weather Policy***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the Extreme Weather Policy as presented and accepts the Extreme Weather procedure, as information.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-115**

***Council Chambers Usage Policy***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council approves the Council Chambers Usage policy as presented. Councillor Laing requested a recorded vote.

In favor: Mayor Hutton, Deputy Mayor Bidney, Councillor Holden

Opposed: Councillor Laing, Councillor May

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-116**

**AGREEMENTS**

***Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement – Spending Authority Amendment***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approve the Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement, as amended.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-117**

**WORKSHOPS | MEETINGS | CONFERENCES**

***Debbie Turner Retirement***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council direct administration to RSVP that Mayor Hutton, Deputy Mayor Bidney, and Councillor Holden will attend the retirement celebration for Debbie Turner on March 31, 2020, dependent of the COVID-19 restrictions and further directs administration to purchase a card.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-118**

***Redwater Mayor's Breakfast***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to register Mayor Hutton, Deputy Mayor Bidney, Councillor May, Councillor Holden and CAO Pierce to the attend the Redwater Mayor's Breakfast for April 17, 2020 and that registration occur on April 10, 2020.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-119**

***Volunteer Appreciation Night – April 21, 2020***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED TO table this to the March 31, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-120**

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***16<sup>th</sup> Annual Yellow Ribbon Gala***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to decline attendance at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Yellow Ribbon Gala scheduled for May 2, 2020.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-121**

***3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mayor's Golf Tournament***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council direct administration to RSVP that Deputy Mayor Bidney, Councillor Holden and CAO Pierce attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mayor's Golf Tournament being held on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-122**

***2020 Firefighter Long Term Service Awards Ceremony***

COUNCILLOR LAING MOVED to table this item to the August 18, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-123**

***56<sup>th</sup> Annual Kinsmen Rainmaker Rodeo***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council direct administration to RSVP that Mayor Hutton will attend the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Kinsmen Rainmaker Rodeo Parade and Post-Parade Reception scheduled for May 23, 2020.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-124**

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

***Mayor Hutton (attached report #6)***

***Deputy Mayor Bidney (attached report #7)***

***Councillor May (attached report #8)***

***Councillor Laing (attached report #9)***

***Councillor Holden (attached report #10)***

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the Council reports be accepted as information.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-125**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

***Incidents and Violations Reports***

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT the Incidents and Violations Reports be accepted as information.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-126**

***Announcement of Office Closure***

COUNCILLOR HOLDEN MOVED THAT Council accept the Office Closure announcement as information.

**CARRIED RESOLUTION 20-127**

***Information from Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SREMP)***

**CLOSED SESSION**

***None***

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**ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the March 17, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 1:35 p.m.

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Mayor David Hutton

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Joyce Pierce, CAO

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REPORT #1

**FINANCE**  
**MARCH 2020**

**GENERAL MUNICIPAL**

General municipal revenue collected to date includes penalties on outstanding taxes of approximately \$24K collected on January 1, 2020 and franchise fees. The new ASFF (Alberta School) requisition is expected to be issued by March 31, 2020.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Roads are in line with budget. Snow removal expenses are \$3,300 to date within the \$10,000 budget for the year. Water, sewer, and garbage sales and expenses are in line with budget.

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

The fire hall rental/grant payment has been received from Sturgeon County, slightly higher than budgeted (\$263 higher). Fire services support payment to Sturgeon County has been paid \$27K.

**ADMINISTRATION**

The audit of the 2019 financial year is complete. The transition from Winfin to iCity is still ongoing with continued training as we learn the new system and its capabilities. With Council's approval of the e-mail billing policy and procedure, administration introduced email billing to residents. Since advertising the new option in the March newsletter, five residents have signed up for e-mail billing.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

The first quarter payment of the FCSS grant has been received.

**PARKS & RECREATION**

**ARENA**

The arena is open and is generating operating revenue and expenses for the 2019-2020 season. The last day for the arena is March 20.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Work is underway on the updated website. Expenses have not been received yet.

**CAPITAL**

Sources of capital revenue will be MSI, GTF, debenture, and reserves. Administration received notification from the (ICIP) Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program that the 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 49A Street Rehabilitation Road Project, the Sidewalk Replacement Program, the Parkside Road Rehabilitation Project, and the Solar Farm project were not selected to proceed to the federal application stage.

Information released with the provincial budget regarding ICIP programming indicated that the province endorsed 76 projects towards the federal funding stage for up to approximately \$750 million. Most of the newly provincial endorsed projects were green infrastructure related projects. \$216 million of ICIP funding remains committed for future projects, of which \$137.6 million is federally allocated to municipalities with regional transit authorities.

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**Current Projects:**

*48<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 49A Street: Ongoing; Expenses to date = \$15,491*

*Solar Farm: Ongoing; Expenses to date = \$377,820*

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 Year-to-Date Variance Report (*Unaudited*)  
 for the month ending February 29, 2020

Department	2020 YTD Revenue		2020 YTD Revenue	2020 YTD Expense		2020 YTD Expense	2020 YTD Net	2020 YTD Net	2020 YTD Net	% Variance
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	
General Municipal	73,833	370,087	-296,254	0	68,963	68,963	73,833	301,125	-227,292	75%
	<b>73,833</b>	<b>370,087</b>	<b>-296,254</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>68,963</b>	<b>68,963</b>	<b>73,833</b>	<b>301,125</b>	<b>-227,292</b>	
Public Works - Roads	0	4,614	-4,614	49,534	70,004	-20,470	-49,534	-65,390	15,856	24%
Storm Sewer & Drain	0	0	0	2,766	2,956	-190	-2,766	-2,956	190	6%
Water	48,280	45,146	3,135	56,893	103,745	-46,852	-8,613	-58,599	49,986	85%
Sewer	23,755	25,883	-2,128	27,438	51,533	-24,095	-3,683	-25,650	21,967	86%
Garbage	12,286	11,933	353	14,473	28,210	-13,737	-2,187	-16,277	14,090	87%
Cemetery	2,300	917	1,383	1,090	1,605	-515	1,210	-689	1,899	276%
	<b>86,621</b>	<b>88,493</b>	<b>-1,872</b>	<b>152,194</b>	<b>258,053</b>	<b>-105,859</b>	<b>-65,573</b>	<b>-169,560</b>	<b>103,987</b>	
Fire Department	9,015	8,752	263	29,065	23,812	5,254	-20,050	-15,060	-4,991	33%
Emergency Services	0	0	0	1,844	3,119	-1,275	-1,844	-3,119	1,275	41%
Bylaw	1,163	6,539	-5,376	10,102	10,197	-95	-8,939	-3,658	-5,282	144%
	<b>10,178</b>	<b>15,291</b>	<b>-5,113</b>	<b>41,011</b>	<b>37,128</b>	<b>3,884</b>	<b>-30,833</b>	<b>-21,836</b>	<b>-8,997</b>	
Administration	693	583	110	59,412	73,544	-14,132	-58,719	-72,961	14,242	20%
Election	0	0	0	0	833	-833	0	-833	833	100%
Library	0	1,747	-1,747	30,062	9,673	20,389	-30,062	-7,926	-22,136	279%
Council	0	0	0	16,544	17,503	-959	-16,544	-17,503	959	5%
	<b>693</b>	<b>2,330</b>	<b>-1,637</b>	<b>106,018</b>	<b>101,553</b>	<b>4,465</b>	<b>-105,325</b>	<b>-99,223</b>	<b>-6,102</b>	
Community Services	11,071	7,247	3,824	12,381	16,356	-3,975	-1,310	-9,109	7,799	86%
Recreation Programs	105	1,447	-1,342	7,640	14,162	-6,522	-7,535	-12,715	5,180	41%
Parks & Recreation	0	3,404	-3,404	13,857	25,511	-11,654	-13,857	-22,107	8,250	37%
Arena	34,300	36,479	-2,179	45,366	41,237	4,129	-11,066	-4,758	-6,309	133%
Municipal Planning	3,144	950	2,194	13,162	34,242	-21,080	-10,018	-33,292	23,274	70%
Economic Development	0	0	0	12,372	19,804	-7,432	-12,372	-19,804	7,432	38%
	<b>48,620</b>	<b>49,527</b>	<b>-907</b>	<b>104,778</b>	<b>151,312</b>	<b>-46,534</b>	<b>-56,158</b>	<b>-101,785</b>	<b>45,627</b>	
TOTAL	<b>146,112</b>	<b>155,641</b>	<b>-9,529</b>	<b>404,001</b>	<b>548,045</b>	<b>-144,044</b>	<b>-257,889</b>	<b>-392,404</b>	<b>134,515</b>	
TOTAL (incl. Gen Mun.)	<b>219,945</b>	<b>525,728</b>	<b>-305,783</b>	<b>404,001</b>	<b>617,007</b>	<b>-75,081</b>	<b>-184,056</b>	<b>-91,279</b>	<b>-92,777</b>	

\*\* Please note new formatting: budget values are comprised of the current time period, not the entire year.

**Falon Fayant**  
 Finance Manager  
 Town of Bon Accord



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REPORT #2

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**  
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**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**Pickleball**

Pickleball has seen a steady number of participants. Our volunteer Grethe has been enjoying the program and says the participants have been very helpful. Pickleball runs until April 27. **Due to COVID 19 this activity has been cancelled. We are hoping to reopen in September 2020.**

**Spring/Summer Program Guides**

Preparations for the program guides have begun. They are scheduled to be mailed out at the beginning of April. **Due to COVID 19 the mailing of this guide has been postponed due to most programs being cancelled until further notice.**

**Summer Camp Employment**

Advertisement for the Summer Recreation Coordinator has been posted and several applications have been received. The Canada Summer Job grant application was submitted on February 21. **We have received a number of good resumes. We will be contacting applicants advising that we are postponing hiring and interviews until we hear further from the Provincial Government regarding Canada Summer Jobs grant.**

**Plays in the Park**

Invitations have been sent to local drama classes and groups to participate in Bon Accord's first-- Plays in the Park. I will update Council on the response from invited groups. **At this time, this is still a planned activity, will continue to monitor situation and advise Council accordingly.**

**Cemetery**

- 1 purchase of a plot
- 3 burial inquires for Spring

**Events/MEETINGS**

**Bike Rodeo BACS**

Planning for the bi-annual Bike Rodeo on June 4, at BACS is in the works. Requests for door prizes have been mailed out to businesses. Thanks to Deputy Mayor Bidney for assisting in getting a representative from the Public Health Agency to lead the helmet fittings. **Due to COVID 19 this event has been cancelled. Look to hold again in 2021.**

**Community Services Advisory Board (CSAB)**

We are currently looking for members to join the CSAB committee. Posters have been added to our Facebook page and will be added to our website. According to the CSAB bylaw, 2 current members have forfeited their seats at the table, due to missing 3 or more consecutive meetings.

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**Community Mental Health Learning Immersion**

I attended a 2-day learning immersion workshop, regarding mental health and trauma. There were great conversations regarding stigma, how to reduce stigma, and how to identify signs and symptoms of trauma in children and adults.

**Preparation for Upcoming Events**

Ongoing preparation for events:

Volunteer Appreciate Night (April) – **postponed until further notice**

Shredding Event (April 15 – May 15) – **postponed until the Town Office is open to the public again**

Feed the Families Food Drive (May) – **leave as scheduled, at this time**

Bike Rodeo (June) - **cancelled**

Seniors Week (June)

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS**

SREMP Functional Exercise (March 18) **cancelled**

Weekly Management Meetings

Sturgeon Community Resource Network & Early Childhood Development Initiative Farewell (March 27)

SASEY EC Mapping Meeting (March 30)

FCSS Edmonton Evergreen Meeting (April 9)

FCSS Evergreen Neighbourhood Meeting (April 17)

**Jenny Larson**

*Community Services Coordinator*

*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #3

**OPERATIONS**  
**MARCH 2020**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- Burnt Brush Pile at Lagoon.
- Attached options for snow removal.
- Gas lines along proposed paving project located. Depths confirmed for possible relocation by Atco.

**ROADS**

- Intersections and streets were sanded numerous times.
- 2 full snow removals completed for winter season.

**EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES**

- Regular maintenance continues on equipment and vehicles when necessary.
- Ordered truck. May be an issue with the used truck being sold.

**CEMETERY**

- Plowed snow for visitation purposes as requested.

**WATER**

- Monthly water reads occurred on March 2nd /20.
- Completed 3 Alberta 1<sup>st</sup> Calls in January.
- PLC reprogramming for pumps to be completed by end of April.
- 1 staff member attended the AWWOA conference in Banff.

**ARENA/PARKS & RECREATION**

- Staff member will be returning from injury on March 14.
- Arena will be closed as of March 20<sup>th</sup>. **Due to COVID 19 the Arena was closed March 13**

**SAFETY/TRAINING**

- Held weekly Public Works/Parks & Recreation Safety Meetings.
- 1 staff member attended Public Works Supervisor Level 1 training. Succession planning.

**Ken Reil**  
*Operations Manager*  
*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #4

**PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Emerging Trends in Municipal Law 2020

An annual workshop was hosted by Brownlee LLP facilitating topics of interest that Municipalities face on a daily basis:

- Environmental Compliance: Responding to Inspections and Investigations
- Judicial Reviews: Insulating, Mitigating, Successfully Litigating
- Council Code of Conduct in Practice
- Harassment Liability for Employees in the #MeToo Era
- Year in Review: Recent Cases and Legislative Amendments Impacting Municipalities
- Bear Pit Session

Storefront Improvement Program

The Town of Morinville is launching the Town's Storefront Improvement Program. The Program is intended to provide business owners an opportunity to enhance their commercial storefront within the identified areas.

Objectives:

- Provide financial assistance to business owners to increase their street appeal through visual upgrades to their storefronts
- To improve visual aesthetics of the commercial properties identified in the improvement zone
- Increase business sales and create more foot traffic within the improvement zone
- Encourage long-term investment in the business community

Eligibility:

- Property must be within the identified improvement area
- Property must have a valid Town of Morinville business license
- Properties and buildings shall not have any tax arrears, outstanding utility charges or any other legal claim, lien or order
- Applicants must be the registered owner of the property and/or business or their legal representative
- Funding grant will cover up to 50% of eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$10,000 per property

Amount of grant will be determined based on the following criteria:

- Benefit to the business
- Size and scope of project
- Visual aesthetics of the project

Application period is February 5 to April 30, 2020. Work to be completed by December 31, 2020

Sturgeon Public School Board

A meeting was conducted with the Superintendent regarding correspondence of February 6/2020 received by the Town. The correspondence expressed the School Board Trustee's position to the proposed development in

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close proximity to Lilian Schick School. The intent of the meeting with the Superintendent was to provide information to clarify the scope of the project.

To best facilitate this additional information directly to the Board Trustees, a request to be a delegate at the next Trustee Board meeting has been confirmed for March 11/2020. Follow-up correspondence has been provided to mitigate questions, along with schematics to demonstrate the scope of the project visually. Pictures speak a thousand words to eliminate misinterpretation of the project.

An open house for the residents is confirmed March 10/2020 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in Council Chambers. The Project Team will be in attendance to answer questions presented.

#### Council Workshop

Great discussion per department reflecting the expectations of the upcoming year. Council and Administration have a planned road map benefiting the Towns residents.

#### Mix 107.9

The Town will engage Mix 107.9 in an advertising campaign similar to last year. The contract will be based on barter, benefiting and adding value for both parties. The electronic sign will continue with promoting Mix 107.9, plus their on-line department ([www.fortsaskonline.ca](http://www.fortsaskonline.ca)). Radio advertisement will continue at peak times (morning and the drive home) promoting Bon Accords investment (land) opportunities.

#### Homeland Housing

A preliminary meeting was held with the CEO of Homeland Housing regarding senior housing for the Town of Bon Accord. Discussion provided clear direction on how to best approach senior housing and next steps moving forward. Recommendation is to consider 8-10 independent senior units to start, dependent on the 2020 Provincial Budget. A summary of the 2020 Provincial Budget announced on February 27, highlights Seniors and Housing dollars allocated (*refer to attachment*). As more discussion concludes, next steps will follow in the near future.

Of interest, Homeland Housing manages seniors housing facilities and offers four different living options: Independent Living (self-contained apartments), Supportive Living (lodge units), Supportive Housing (high-rise apartments and walk up apartments) and Affordable Housing (apartments). Homeland Housing is an amalgamation of Sturgeon Foundations and Westlock Foundation, with the region including St. Albert, Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124, Sturgeon County, Bon Accord, Gibbons, Legal, Morinville, Redwater, Clyde and Westlock County.

#### Regional Education Sessions Group (RESG)

The Regional Partners (Ministry of Labor, Bon Accord, Gibbons, Morinville, Redwater, Sturgeon County, Legal Chamber, Morinville Chamber and Redwater Chamber) met to discuss plans for 2020. The Group would like to continue with the educational workshops for small business. Legal Chamber has committed to workshops scheduled for 2020, which the Group will help promote and support. There is no need to duplicate the educational sessions in the region. The Breakfast is tentatively scheduled for October 21/20, at the Gibbons Cultural Centre. A memorandum of understanding is being drafted to provide the scope of the project, in-kind/dollar contributions and deliverables expected.

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Sturgeon County – Ag Tourism

Three county landowners have approached Sturgeon County Administration for a way to host commercial, non-farming events on their farmland. Administration is working on a new land use that would handle these and other ag-tourism requests. This proposed new land use would cover non-farming commercial events – typically weddings, but not bed and breakfasts, guest ranches or home-based businesses. Currently, anyone who would like to turn their farmland into an event venue would require a development permit, one that would specify hours of operations, on-site parking, noise mitigation measures, emergency response plans, and the anticipated number of visitors, which cannot exceed 300 per day.

Villeneuve Airport – Water Line

Sturgeon County may borrow \$1.3 million to build a water line to the Villeneuve Airport, which currently trucks all water off-site being a significant barrier to growth. The loan would finance the construction of a 200 mm water line that would let the airport pipe in water from the Villeneuve Reservoir about 2 KM away allowing for future growth. Villeneuve has been identified as growth node in Sturgeon County, with other non-airport businesses that could hook into this line. Villeneuve Airport could become an economic driver for the Edmonton Metropolitan Region, as it is a major transportation/air logistics hub and host of the Edmonton Airshow. A 2017 study by Edmonton International Airport found that Villeneuve Airport added the equivalent of \$61 million and 230 full-time jobs to the regional economy each year.

Villeneuve Landing Network may contribute to this water line project; they are finalizing membership and yet to make decisions on cost sharing or shared investment.

Edmonton & Metro Area – Property Taxes and Mill rates

Edmonton Commercial has assessed data that will formulate the 2020 tax rate. The review of non-residential mill rates in a few municipalities in 2019 reflected:

- Edmonton: 21.8496
- St. Albert: 14.5696
- Strathcona County (includes Sherwood Park): 13.2545
- City of Leduc: 12.96
- Spruce Grove: 12.6192
- Stony Plain: 11.4330
- Leduc County (includes Nisku): 10.737

An analysis to determine what current asking rates for industrial land in the Edmonton Metro Area:

- Edmonton: \$730,286 / acre
- Nisku and Leduc: \$517,203 / acre
- Parkland County and area: \$382,270 / acre

In gathering the tax rates for the area, the average taxes would have been last year (assuming the properties sold for their asking price:

- Edmonton: \$15,956.46 / acre
- Nisku and Leduc (using an average of the two tax rates): \$5,128.08 / acre
- Parkland County and area (using an average of Stony Plain and Spruce Grove tax rates): \$4,597.22 / acre

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The data concludes that developers, investors and companies will ultimately make calculated decisions on where to place capitol. To note, comparing land is not straightforward. The land may or may not have full utilities, or close proximity to utilities. Other notable factors include if the land is raw land, rough graded or ready for development. Land values differ significantly depending on whether a geotechnical or environmental site assessment was performed and what the results revealed. To add more complexity, the offset development levies will vary considerably per municipality.

Backyard Hens and Bees

Leduc residents who want to get closer to nature by extending their backyard gardening can apply starting March 30/20 to participate in the backyard hen keeping or beekeeping pilot program. Interested residents can only apply to participate in hens or bees, not both; a limited number of participants will be chosen for each program.

Pilot program applicants must live in single-family homes with fenced backyards, participate in a training session and submit a detailed application to the City of Leduc in order to receive a license. Successful applicants must bear all program costs, follow all regulated legislation/bylaws and use the eggs or honey for personal consumption only. Participants must follow city guidelines designed to ensure the safety of themselves, their families, their neighbors and the hens or bees under their care.

The city is introducing hen keeping and beekeeping first through pilot programs to ensure the programs can be evaluated effectively before wide-spread implementation is considered. Neighbor consultation will be an important aspect of the pilot project.

Secretive Municipal Government – Canada

The Town of Erin, Ontario is the 2019 recipient of the Code of Silence Award for Outstanding Achievement in Government Secrecy in the category of Municipal Government. The award is given annually by The Canadian Association of Journalists, Center for Free Expression, News Media Canada and Canadian Journalists for Free Expression, to call public attention to government departments and agencies that put extra effort into denying public access to government information to which the public has a right under access to information legislation. It has become commonplace for the Town of Erin to refuse transparency with the media and local residents on basic matters of public interest. Local officials regularly avoid interviews with the media, insist that all communication from media must go through the communications officer and CAO only by email. Those requests have been dodged or refused and officials have failed to inform the media of meetings at which major decisions have been made.

The jury also indicated five other municipalities of similar achievements in government secrecy, deserving honorable mentions: Cranbrook, BC; Morinville, AB; North Bay, ON; Cornwall, NT and Cote-Saint-Luc, QE.

Micro Cannabis Cultivation Project – Open House

The open house for the project was well attended by the residents and nonresidents of Bon Accord. ISL Engineering and Micro Developments provided detailed information outlining the project in whole. Overall comments from the attendees were very positive and supportive of this investment opportunity for the community.

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**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Development / Investment

- Inquiry on available commercial lands
- Inquiry on available commercial buildings to purchase or lease
- Application submitted for redistricting

Business and Development Inquiries

- Commercial Business

Complaints

Complaints received and investigated for this reporting period include:

- No complaints reported for this reporting period
- Ongoing monitoring of residential property (unsightly)

Business Inquiries	Compliance Certificates	Development Permits	Building Permits (Gas, Plumbing, Electrical)	Business Licenses	Bylaw Complaints	
2	0	0	4	17	0	This Period
4	3	0	7	30	0	YTD

Meetings/Events Attended/Education

- Manager Meetings – internal exchange of information & updates of Council
- Council Meetings
- Council Workshop
- GEEDT – meeting
- Regional Education Sessions Group
- Sturgeon Public School Board – Superintendent
- Open House – Micro Cannabis Cultivation Project
- Municipal Planning Services – discuss / review permits / compliance certificates
- Investigation / Inspection – complaints
- Resident Meetings – development questions and inquiries



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## 2020 Alberta Budget Summary

Prepared by ASCHA for Members  
February 27, 2020



The 2020 Provincial Budget announced on February 27 shows the government's commitment to remaining "on track" with reducing the deficit and bringing things back to balance. Primary focuses rest on economic recovery, job creation and attracting business to Alberta. While public sector employee cuts are on the horizon (reductions of up to 2.1%), spending will be maintained in many areas, including health and education.

In the areas of Seniors and Housing, the Ministry itself is receiving a .5% increase, which is reassuring given hold-the-line budgets in other ministries and departments. There will be no further cuts to housing programs beyond what was announced in the 2019 Budget, and the government has provided some more direction on how it plans to transform approaches to housing through policy and program implementation.

There were also increases to continuing and community care, emphasizing this government's shift to care in the community, with reduction of acute care expenditures. Seniors should not have to live in hospital when more appropriate housing and support solutions are available. Budget 2020 also acknowledges growing societal challenges related to addictions and mental health, with a \$40 million dollar investment and the promise of 4000 new mental health spaces across the province.

ASCHA members will need to work with their communities to build the services and supports their residents need, partnering with private industry and exploring new sustainable housing models and investing in capital more wisely. As the association representing the sector, ASCHA will strive to provide the resources, best practices and advocacy seniors housing providers require to ensure appropriate supports for seniors are available, government capital investment decisions are transparent, policy decisions are outcome-driven, and the products we offer to Albertans are sustainable and best suited to their needs.

### **Key messages in this budget related to seniors housing are:**

- There are no further reductions to HMB operating budgets beyond the cuts (3.5% on average) announced in the 2019 Budget.
- Our government is bring back a "new and improved" version of the Affordable Supportive Living Initiative (ASLI). Funding will available to deliver more continuing care spaces.
- There will be no further funding for new capital projects. Capital expenditures detailed in the 2020 budget for housing are for projects that are currently underway. The government is exploring federal partnerships and ensuring that Alberta gets a "fair deal" when it comes to funding to the provinces. There are opportunities for capital investment, but they have not been detailed as of yet.
- Capital Maintenance & Renewal funding has been reduced from \$168 Million to \$115 Million, which is a 32% decrease over 3 years, beginning in 2021. No reductions have been announced for 2020. This means that housing organizations will have less dollars in the future to maintain existing buildings and ensure vacated spaces in need of repair can remain part of the province's inventory.
- The Alberta Seniors Benefit (ASB) program will undergo transformation to align Alberta's spending with that of other Canadian provinces. Currently 27% of Alberta seniors receive this benefit compared to the national average of 6-8%. Current seniors will not see a change in their benefits,

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but some Albertans turning 65 after July 1, 2021 may no longer be eligible under the changes to the program.

- The government has reduced Special Needs Assistance spending, meaning that some seniors may no longer be eligible to receive funding under this program.
- With the government's emphasis on private-public partnerships (P3s) in 2019, there were questions about what this model might look like. Budget 2020 released specifics of its P3 model, which provides more clarity around what these partnerships might entail (page 156-157 of the Fiscal Plan)
- Implementation of the recommendations from the review of Alberta Health Services (AHS) are underway, with transformational changes coming to our provincial healthcare system. ASCHA will be monitoring the impacts, however, Budget 2020 shows that health spending will be maintained while they work on an implementation plan to incorporate recommendations from the Ernst & Young review.

**RELEVANT BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS BY MINISTRY & CATEGORY:**

**Alberta Seniors and Housing**

The overall Alberta Seniors and Housing Ministry's operating expenses received a .5% increase - a \$637 million budget in total. The details of the Ministry's budget show a decrease to the Special Needs Assistance program, which provide a savings of \$8.2 million which are reallocated to sustain seniors' financial assistance programs overall. Specific announcements highlighting the list of approved essential supports will be forthcoming. Program eligibility changes will be introduced to the Alberta Seniors Benefit Program in July of 2021 for new applicants. This will not affect seniors currently receiving the Alberta Seniors Benefit. This will need to be monitored to assess impacts to seniors and how rental and accommodation rates in seniors housing may need to align with personal affordability. Operational funding for affordable housing programs remains on course with no further reductions beyond those announced in Budget 2019, and applies only to programs owned and supported by the Alberta Social Housing Corporation. Operational surpluses will be reviewed to find cost savings, and in these cases, reductions may be considered in these cases. The intent of this budget is to work together to find efficiencies and ensure that the most vulnerable Albertans are the ones being supported through government programs.

While we don't see any new money allocated for capital expenditures in this Ministry's budget, we were told that Alberta Seniors and Housing is working on creating a capital plan and that funding may be found to support new projects. We recommend that housing providers keep their capital and redevelopment plans current and relevant.

Details and interpretations, to the best of our knowledge, are noted in the categories below:

**Seniors Benefits /Services**

There is a \$19 million increase (4.5%) to the Alberta Seniors Benefit. This reflects increases in the number of eligible seniors, not an increase in the benefit amount to individuals. Seniors will continue to retain \$322 per month in disposable income, but will not see any increases.

Special Needs Assistance (SNA) will be reduced by \$8.2 million and will be focused on the most essential supports. It is intended that it will continue to support seniors aging independently in their chosen communities. We will need to monitor the impact of this to our members tenants/residents.

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**Housing Management Bodies (HMB) – Housing Division**

The Housing Budget is maintained at the current funding levels. We know that this doesn't address increasing costs, and we will need to work together in creating innovative solutions.

Reductions in the Alberta Social Housing Corporation line item reflect the reductions to the Rent Supplement Program announced in Budget 2019. The total program reduction will be \$16 million by 2021-22. Messaging around the Rent Supplement Program continues to centre around program redesign, which is anticipated by spring of 2020. HMBs are directed to continue to halt intake and communicate that no new applications are being accepted during this temporary closure of the program, as phasing-in of the new redesign takes place. Future budget targets are currently forecasted to be slightly lower than the 2020 budget and we will need to track this very strategically.

**Seniors Lodge Disposable Income and Lodge Assistance Program**

This budget will be maintained, with consistent lodge assistance rates at \$13.23 per day per eligible client. The minimum monthly disposable income amount for lodge residents will also remain at \$322.

**Capital**

Capital Plan 2020 allocated \$417 million over three years to provide 2,000 new and regenerated affordable housing units and maintain the 26,700 units owned by the province. Of the overall capital budget, \$353 million has been allocated for family social supports and housing, including maintenance and renewal funding. Capital maintenance and renewal of existing buildings has been reduced by \$53 million (32%) in 2021 and 2022, however the current 2020 year budget will be maintained. We will need discuss solutions for capital renewals and maintenance our buildings and advocate accordingly. The budget shows a total of \$38.2 million over the next three years and most of this is for projects that are already underway; one exception is the Red Deer Integrated Emergency Shelter.

**Alberta Health**

Overall Alberta Health's ministry expenses are set to decrease by 1% from the current forecast, and project a hold-the-line budget of approximately \$20.6 billion for the next few years. The Ministry wants to achieve better outcomes and align spending with other provinces. Alberta currently spends \$997 more per person than other provinces to achieve similar, if not poorer outcomes. There is a reduction to acute care spending and an increase to community care and continuing care, which supports an ongoing shift to care in the community approaches. The Ernst & Young review identified a potential savings between \$1.5 billion to \$1.9 billion annually, and AHS will develop a comprehensive implementation plan. While the implementation plan is underway, the budget will maintain a budget of \$15.4 billion for Alberta Health Services operations. Based on the information available, we highlight the following:

**Continuing Care**

The continuing care budget shows a 1.6% increase from last year's budget for an overall budget of \$1,157 million. The budget is then reduced by \$20 million in 2021 and 2022. We will need to explore why there is a reduction in the future budget projections and advocate accordingly.



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**Acute Care**

Acute care shows a reduction of almost 4% from last year's budget. It is important to note that the forecast for 2019 is \$100 million more than last year's budget for acute care.

**Home Care**

The home care budget has been increased by 4% from last year's budget, for an overall budget of \$711 million. The 2019 budget for home care was \$682 million with a forecast of \$709 million. This means an additional \$27 million was invested in home care and the 2020 budget will only be increased by \$2 million. Future home care budget targets are only set to increase by less than 1% per year in 2021 and 2022. It will be imperative for us to monitor this, as we know that home care is essential to aging well in community and demand for home care services is growing each year.

**Capital Plan**

The capital plan includes \$164 million over three years to open new continuing care spaces as part of the new and improved version of the Alberta Supportive Living Initiative (ASLI). We anticipate a call for contracted spaces with no capital funding requirement to be the first step. Once this is done, we anticipate a call for proposals for projects that require capital investment. We have heard that this call will include refurbishing some existing buildings to meet changing continuing care needs requirements.

**Community & Social Services**

The budget for this ministry is identical to the 2019 budget. This ministry is undertaking a full review of its programs to inform thoughtful and fiscally responsible changes. We will need to hear from members how stable services for vulnerable Albertans can best be designed to meet the current and future need. Based on the information available, we provide the following highlights:

- The Family and Community Support Services (Community Supports and Family Safety) budget has increased to \$135 million. This is a 7.4% increase from the 2019 budget, although only \$108 million of the \$125 million budget from 2019 is forecasted for spending. This line item includes a new \$7 million Civil Society Empowerment Fund to support non-profit organizations and charities addressing pressing social challenges. We look forward to exploring opportunities with this new fund.
- Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) increased to \$1,290 million, which is only a slight increase from last year's budget. This does not signal an increase per person, but rather an increase in program demand.
- Homeless and Outreach Support Services will decrease by .5% and is targeted to decrease by 1% in each of the following years.
- The Disabilities Services budget increased by 2.5% from last year's budget.

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**Dianne Allen**

*Planning & Economic Development  
Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #5

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (CAO)**  
**MARCH 2020**

***Administration***

Held management meetings in March which has included discussion and planning for the upcoming spring thaw, taxation planning, business continuity planning in light of the COVID 19 virus, ICF/IDP meetings, Public open houses and public hearings on the Micro cultivation project, solar farm project and auditor presentations.

***Training***

Some members of staff are participating in the Regional mock disaster coming up on Mar 18 & 19, 2020. DEM training has been taken and more training for this course is happening in April.

***RMA***

Rural Municipalities Association conference was to run from Mar 16-18,2020 has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

***AUMA Spring Caucus***

AUMA spring caucus will be in Edmonton on Mar 25-26, 2020. Council is registered to attend.

***SREMP Agency Meeting***

I hosted the SREMP agency meeting here on Mar 9, 2020. Discussion was held on partner municipalities providing \$100,000 as bridge funding in the event of an emergency authorizing any DEM in charge of an emergency this limit to spend within the first 12 –24 hour period of an emergency if required. If the event would go beyond this amount or hours the Council would be required to declare the finances that would be required beyond this number. This course of action has been brought to Council as an amendment to the Emergency Services Agreement for today's meeting.

***ICF/IDP***

We hosted the Public open house for the IDP Bylaw on February 24, 2020, 30-35 people attended the open house, lots of good discussion was had. Areas of concern were discussed, and information was shared. This was the largest turnout of attendees at the regional open houses in Sturgeon County on the IDP's this year. The public hearing on the IDP was held at the Mar 3, 2020 regular meeting of Council, there were no registered speakers in favor or opposed and there were no guests in the gallery. The Bylaw will be presented to Council for 2<sup>nd</sup> and final readings on Mar 31, 2020 at the regular meeting of Council.

Administration continues to work with the regional member administration and consultant to move toward getting approval and details worked out prior to the April 2020 deadline.

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***EMRB Broadband Workshop***

Attended an information sharing workshop at Gibbons Mar 9, 2020 with consultant's that were working on behalf of EMRB to discuss the challenges that rural municipalities face on broadband service. The report will be coming out in August of the findings.

***SUB REGIONAL SUPPER MEETING***

Attended the sub regional supper meeting in Morinville on Mar 9, 2020 hosted by Sturgeon County and the Town of Morinville. Approximately 40 delegates attended the informal information sharing meeting. I felt the meeting was a very good information and history sharing meeting with a very positive tone also providing interesting items to consider going forward. I have provided an RFD for this meeting for Council to consider continuing staying involved with the committee moving forward.

I especially liked the comments by Mayor Barry Turner, when he shared the meaning of the dirty "A" being AUTONOMY not AMALGAMATION.

***Meetings Attended***

Management Meetings

Regular Meeting Council

ICF/IDP meeting

***Upcoming Meetings***

Regional CAO Mtg

As you can see, we have hit the ground running in the new year and are looking forward to many new programs and developments coming forward in 2020. The second month of the new year has not slowed down at all and we are excited about our future. Here we are in the third month of the year starting to wrap up a couple of projects and heading into the beginning of some very exciting and new projects for spring. Trying to address the COVID-19 pandemic in a manner that will reduce the risk of the spread of the virus and still be able to maintain operation of the organization to the very best of our abilities.

**Joyce Pierce**

*Chief Administrative Officer*

*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #6

**MAYOR REPORT**  
**MARCH 2020**

February 4, 2020	Attended regular meeting of Council
February 17, 2020	Attended Meeting with CAO Pierce
February 18, 2020	Attended regular meeting of Council
February 20, 2020	Attended Council Workshop
February 21, 2020	Attended Council Workshop
February 24, 2020	Attended IDP Open House
February 26, 2020	Attended Admin Meeting
February 28, 2020	Attended Alberta Budget Webinar Meeting
March 3, 2020	Attended regular meeting of Council
March 6, 2020	Attended Bruderheim Mayor's Supper
March 9, 2020	Attended Sub-regional Supper Meeting
March 10, 2020	Attended Land-use Bylaw Public Open House
March 11, 2020	Attended Meeting with CAO Pierce

**Notes:**

**Council Workshop:**

The workshop was very productive with each Department presenting a detailed report on the anticipated requirements for the coming year. We have had a very successful year and I believe that the Town will achieve the development to create employment without commuting!

Congratulations to all.

**Bruderheim Mayor's Supper**

The Guest speaker was Mayor Choy from the Town of Stony Plain. He spoke of the Humbolt, Sask. bus crash and the impact it had on the town. Their hockey team had a player on the bus that did not survive - Parker Tobin.

**Sub-regional Supper Meeting**

This meeting was arranged by Mayor's Turner and Hnatiw to restart the idea of a Partnership between the Communities that comprise Sturgeon County. There was good dialog and ideas presented to the group. Most of the Councillors were present as well as all of the Mayors and CAOs. It was a good productive meeting.

**Land Use Bylaw Open House**

This is probably one of the more successful open houses that Council has organized. The attendees received a good explanation of what was planned for the Town's immediate future. The proposed Cannabis Facility will bring employment to our Town and will hopefully kickstart future development.

**David Hutton**

*Mayor*

*Town of Bon Accord*



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REPORT #7

**DEPUTY MAYOR REPORT**  
**MARCH 2020**

February 13	Attended Emerging Trends by Brownlee LLP
February 17	Attended Family Day activities and enjoyed a hot dog lunch and visiting with residents.
February 18	Attended the Regular Meeting of Council
February 20, 21	Attended Council Workshop
February 25 – 28	Attended the Utility Management Conference hosted by the Water Environment Federation.
March 3, 2020	Attended the Public Hearing (IDP) and Regular Meeting of Council
March 4, 2020	Attended a meeting with Raymond Cormie, CEO of Homeland Housing. CAO Pierce and Economic Development Manager Allen was also in attendance. We wanted some ideas about how to get underway with developing some more seniors housing in town. Raymond made many good suggestions and gave us a preliminary idea of how to accomplish this. He will talk with the province on our behalf to see what funding is available. The next step may be to involve Dale Nally to advocate for us.
March 6, 2020	Attended the Bruderheim Mayor's Supper. Great networking event and great food!
March 9, 2020	Attended the Sub Regional Committee supper meeting hosted by Morinville
March 10, 2020	Attended the Public Open House for the Land Use Bylaw/Redistricting.

Attended the Gibbons Regular Meeting of Council to support the Gibbons Preschool. Over the past year they have seen a considerable increase in their rent. The enrolment is made up of 11 students from Gibbons, 6 from Bon Accord, 6 from Sturgeon County, and 1 from Redwater. Sturgeon County does support preschools in Namao and Calihoo. During the lengthy discussion there was mention that this is something we should be looking at in our ICFs. The treasurer herself lives in the county in Karen Shaw's division and Patrick Tighe is the Bon Accord Division councillor. These Sturgeon Councillors are on the County ICF committee. Approximately 25% of the students are from the county and it was recognized that Gibbons is where these families identify with. They access services in the community, attend events there, and belong to sports teams in that community. Approximately 25% of the elementary students in Landing Trail have gone through the Gibbons Preschool Program. Lorraine Berry stated how very important early childhood education is and noted that many of the FCSS supports are being cut back or eliminated. Perhaps Sturgeon County support for some of our programs is an appropriate discussion to have regarding

**Lynn Bidney**  
*Deputy Mayor*  
*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #8

**COUNCILLOR REPORT**  
**MARCH 2020**

- February 18      Attended Regular Meeting of Council.
- February 20      Attended Council Workshop.
- February 21      Attended Council Workshop.
- February 24      Attended IDP Meeting.
- February 29      NLLS  
Stable provincial funding for libraries and systems.  
Plan of service is due by the end of the year.  
Due to cancellation of government courier NLLS requires a new van for delivery. A vote was carried out supporting the purchase.  
Next Meeting May 23,2020
- March 2          Community Service Advisory Board  
Board is looking for new members.  
Our local fire department will be handing out the food bags on May29,2020. For the Feed the families food drive.  
Lots of great events coming our way:  
    Volunteer Appreciation – Tuesday April 21  
    Feed the Families food drive – Friday May 29  
    Seniors week BBQ – Wednesday June 3  
    Flag Planting – Tuesday June 30  
    Canada Day – Wednesday July 1  
    Music in the park – Tuesdays July 7 – September 8  
    Harvest Days Parade - Saturday August 8  
    Meet the community night – Thursday September 10  
    Aging people day – Thursday October 1  
    Remembrance Day – Wednesday November 11  
    Winter Wonderland – Saturday December 5
- March 03          Regular Meeting of Council / IDP Public Hearing
- March 06          Attended Brunerheim Mayor's Supper
- March 9            Attended Sub Regional Discussion in Morinville
- March 10          Attend Library Board Meeting
- March 10          Attended the Open house for LUB

**Tanya May**  
*Councillor*  
*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #9

**COUNCILLOR REPORT  
MARCH 2020**

February 13, 2020	Emerging Trends Expo- Found this very useful as a council member and for the whole of town management and talking about roles and responsibilities, in terms of employment and employee standards. WorkerRights etc.
February 18, 2020	Regular Meeting of Council
February 20, 2020	Council Workshop
February 21, 2020	Council Workshop
February 24, 2020	IDP open house in BA Chambers- good opportunity of meeting some of the surrounding residents.
March 6, 2020	Mayors Supper- Bruderheim- that was an enjoyable event, meeting and talking to surrounding town councilors as well as other groups of people.

**Lacey Laing**  
*Councillor*  
*Town of Bon Accord*

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REPORT #10

**COUNCILLOR REPORT**  
**MARCH 2020**

February 13, 2020	Attended Merging Trends conference in Edmonton
February 13, 2020	Attended Roseridge meeting. Lots of good discussion regarding Waste to Resource
February 18, 2020	Attended Regular Meeting of Council
February 20–21, 2020	Attended Council Workshop. 2 good days of discussion with Administration as well as an informative session with Municipal Affairs.
February 24, 2020	Attended Intermunicipal Development Plan Open House. Good evening with lots of information for residents and surrounding land owners. Great turnout!
February 25, 2020	Attended Seniors Pancake Supper at Jewel Box. Great time for conversation with our seniors
February 26, 2020	Attended Administration Briefing
March 3, 2020	Attended IDP Public Hearing & Regular Meeting of Council. No one came to the hearing which tells me that all of the questions from the large group were answered at the Open House.
March 6, 2020	Attended Bruderheim Mayors Supper. This was a great evening for networking and hearing about the things that are happening in Bruderheim. There were over 100 people there.
March 9, 2020	Attended the Sub-Regional Discussion Meeting in Morinville. There were many good discussions about the possible re-start of the Sturgeon Regional Partnership.
March 10, 2020	Attended Land Use By-Law / Micro Cultivation Cannabis Facility Information Session. Awesome turnout with many positive comments from our residents.

**Brian Holden**  
*Councillor*  
*Town of Bon Accord*