



Town of Penhold – Council Media Release

Council Meeting ~ Highlights

Date: November 9th, 2015

Mayor Cooper referred council to the video presentation that is also on the town's website showing pictures from the War Memorial Event held at the Multiplex Nov. 5th. The video clip for the Memorial event will be aired on November 11th from Calgary TV commemorating communities remembering our fallen loved ones. A special thanks to all who made the event possible and the guests who attended making this evening so memorable.

The Fire Department personnel spent most of Thursday night working with the RCMP on a pedestrian hit and run. WE SO APPRECIATE the Penhold Fire Team and Chief Pendergast on how competently this and other tragedies are handled.

CAO Binnendyk brought council up to speed on a number of projects currently occurring in town.

Land Balancing: the land beside the Multiplex is being elevated as part of the flood mitigation focus ensuring the protection of any future flooding waters. A concept and details of the work is available for viewing at the town office. This project will continue until freeze up and the remainder will be done in the spring.

Wakasoo Avenue South: is part of the project that is instrumental in keeping future flood waters to the east side of Wakasoo Ave. The road has the first lift of asphalt and will be finished next year. The pathway will be graveled and paved next year. The landscaping is not part of this project and will be looked at in the budget deliberations. Lighting along the road is still to occur in November. This will be from Lucina Street moving south to the entrance of the Laebon development.

Water Reservoir upgrades: Other than several minor deficiencies this project is done with reporting yet to be finalized.

Electronic Highway Billboard: is scheduled to be installed by the end of November. The base work and electrical is complete.

The new residential district has now been completed across from the multiplex. Abbey Master Builders is moving forward to develop a group of 5 new townhouse units.

Tax Sale: There remains several outstanding tax accounts that the town is required to address under the Alberta Municipal Government Act (MGA). All information has been filed and sent to vested interest parties. A tax sale has been set for November 30th at the town council chambers beginning at 10:00am for 5 manufactured homes and 2 houses. As required the respective accounts have been posted.

Halloween Night: The fire department and the CPO were both out participating in the evening making it fun for many trick or treaters and providing a safe environment for the evening. THANK YOU to the Community Peace Officer and Fire Personnel who participated.

Public Works: Making ready for winter.

- All fire hydrants have been flushed and blown out for the onset of winter.
- The last fall sweeping has just been finished.
- Rear lane alleys and roads are being graded
- Border Paving has finished the road repairs in town
- Proform has now completed the sidewalks for this year
- Public works yard is getting ready to haul winter sand in for intersections.
- Pruning of trees is continuing
- Fertilizing of trees and shrubs is occurring
- Shrub beds cleaned up
- Splash Park has been winterized
- Fountains removed and lines cleared out

Public Works staff has been focused on dealing with repairs on behalf of the South Red Deer Regional Sewer System working in the lift stations on several pumps and getting the muffin monster repaired. This being part of the Maintenance contract the town has with the Commission.

Red Deer County has approached the Town to consider participating in a joint municipal emergency plan. Council supports the regional thinking and approved this partnership for a regional joint collaboration of emergency services. This project will identify emergency personnel that are trained to help in time of disaster as well as agencies that need to be contacted in an emergency. The project will include Red Deer County; Sylvan Lake; Innisfail; Penhold; Elnora and Delburne. This will be ongoing compiling information over the next year with the project scheduled for completion in September 2016.

For complete reports and information on this meeting please visit the Town of Penhold Website http://www.townofpenhold.ca/Council_Briefing.php

Council Meetings:

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month starting at 6:00PM. They are open to the public. Questions are welcomed at the end of each meeting.

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