

Town of Penhold – Council Media Release



Highlights From February 13th, 2017 Council Meeting

Penhold is moving forward on several large projects for 2017 that involves borrowing funds. First reading was given to the following Borrowing Bylaws.

1. Bylaw #738/17 Water Reservoir: The estimated cost of this project will be approx. \$3.3 million dollars. The Bylaw addresses the request to borrow \$850,000 for this project. This reservoir will be placed in the new Oxford Landing subdivision and will connect with the current water system providing a strong source of water supply for the future.
 2. Bylaw #739/17 Recreational Vehicle Park: The estimated cost of this project will be approx. \$1.1 million dollars. The Bylaw addresses the request to borrow \$650,000 for this project. This RV Park is a key development to the recreational lands around the Penhold & District Multiplex. This RV Park will provide 66 camping stalls with picnic tables, fire pits and acres of recreational lands. A great entertainment opportunity.
- Both projects will be built in 2017 and coming on stream in 2018. There will be a public hearing on the March 27th in regards to the borrowing for both projects. Information and conceptual drawings are available for viewing on the Town's website and at the Town office.

Business Licensing:

- Council has reviewed the existing Business Licensing Bylaw 619/05 and are looking to update the bylaw. The key focus is providing further clarity to various sections and offers a user friendly understanding of the bylaw. The draft Bylaw #736/17 can be reviewed on the Town's website; comments can be made to Ms. Kristina Schmidt until Feb. 23rd.
- Bylaw#736/17 will be replacing the previous Bylaw #619/05 done in 2005; fees for business licenses will remain the same however a review of the fees will be done in the fall of 2017.

Penhold Fitness Centre is now offering 24 hour use.

- With this new opportunity 45 passes have been purchased for extended hours use. FITNESS AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.
- Family Day Celebrations are set for February 20th from 1-3PM at the Lincoln Street Recreation Centre. All are welcome to come and enjoy some great family fun.

Council approved Administration to enter into a 3-year planning service contract with Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS). This agreement forms part of a regional partnership with other surrounding communities and allows the Town to use independent planners to assist in Penhold's long term/strategic growth focuses. This independent group will be key to a smart business focus in strategic growth moving into the future.

Councillors Sitter and Yargeau will be attending the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) Spring Conference and Trade Show in March.

Penhold renewed its membership with Alberta Urban Municipalities Association and Alberta Municipal Services Corporation for 2017. This association represents urban communities within Alberta and opens the doors for strong advocacy to various orders of government, training and governance tools for Penhold.

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

Council Meetings:

Regular Council Meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month starting at 6:00PM. They are open to the public and questions are welcome at the end of each meeting.

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