



Town of Penhold – Council Media Release

Highlights From June 12th, 2017 Council Meeting

Ms. Linda Crites, President of the Penhold & District Optimist Club made a presentation to Council requesting permission to hold a Charity Check Stop August 12 from 10:00AM to 1:30PM. to raise funds to continue supporting youth programs within the Town and schools. Council supported her request and commends the group on their continued support of youth programs and schools within the Town.

Council moved in support of membership to the Red Deer & District Chamber of Commerce. A further request was made to Administration to investigate the Innisfail & District Chamber of Commerce for membership and community benefits under this membership.

CAO Binnendyk reported to Council on the damaged fencing from the recent wind storm along Highway #42. The developer of the parcels identified they are working on the damaged fences in other areas and anticipate this work will be completed within the next several weeks.

On June 5th Town representatives met with Alberta Transportation to discuss suitable options for safety measures within the town; specifically traffic and pedestrian safety. Alberta Transportation identified that their Infrastructure group is starting to develop some options, based on the 2006 iTrans Consulting report, and will be in touch with the Town over the next month or so to go over possible options.

Multiplex Manager identified that the ice has been removed and maintenance is occurring on the building prior to August startup. The Fitness Centre continues to surpass last year's usage. The 24 hour electronic fobs have been a great success. With summer just around the corner the Summer Fun staff is busy getting ready for a summer filled with awesome activities for our youth. This year there is a new cultural component with our Japanese exchange student participating. The recent Pickleball Tournament drew over 100 participants over the past weekend; it was a great success and fun was had by all who participated.

2017 Construction projects:

- Main Water supply line within Melcor's ¼ section for access into the new water reservoir has now been completed.
- Water reservoir project is set to go; a pre-construction meeting with Scott Builders was held. This project will take approx. 12 months to complete.
- Robinson Avenue drainage work is occurring with anticipated completion by the end of June.
- Alleyway drainage work on the south side of the Palisades Development has been completed.
- Recreational Vehicle Park anticipated start date is July.
- Lee Street walks and road repairs are planned for this construction season.

Penhold Crossing Commercial Plaza is under construction; anticipated opening fall 2017.

June 15th Town of Penhold and Red Deer County have a joint public meeting at the Penhold Multiplex, in the Library from 6:00pm to 9:00 pm, to discuss and possibly finalize the Inter municipal Development Planning document that focuses on long term growth for Penhold and the surrounding area.

June 22nd – Come and meet with Council at a BBQ from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. Come join us at the IGA parking lot for a burger and an opportunity to meet with your Town Councillors. Come celebrate the grand opening of two new businesses as well.

If you see staff from Public Works going around connecting to the hydrants they are busy flushing water lines. The water is pushed into the sewer lines to clean the sewer system at the same time; accomplishing three jobs being done at one time. Please use caution around workers. Administration forwarded a lengthy list of recommended files to be destroyed. This listing follows the destruction of records as outlined by Alberta Municipal Affairs. Council approved the destruction of records.

Council approved to move forward and open utility right of ways adjacent to Atco Gas Pipelines to connect the path system within town. The adjacent land owners are being requested to open the areas so the town can move forward with the path development.

The Sani-dump station will no longer be free access to everyone. As soon as the new system is installed residents can obtain up to 10 tokens from the Town Office for use over this season at no charge. After 10 uses of the Sani-dump there will be a \$ 5 fee for residents. All non-residents will pay \$10 per use. Further information will be supplied upon installation.

Thinking about holding a Community Block Party? Check out the Town's website for tools to assist you in planning a neighbourhood block party; including steps required if possible road closure needed.

Council approved Mr. Frank Watson with Bow Valley Property Valuers, as our assessor and supports a 3 year contract to continue with assessing the Town of Penhold.

Council approved Administration to move forward in doing some upgrades in council chambers. The changes will occur over the summer and will be in place for the fall.

Council moved to support the upcoming Central Alberta Women's Outreach Society Charity Golf Tournament as a Hole Sponsor.

Council moved that the August 14th Regular Council Meeting be cancelled.

Council Meetings:

Regular Council Meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Mondays 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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