

AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK
April 14, 2015
Immediately following Public Hearing for Bylaw 1259-15

- A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- B. DELEGATIONS
 - (1) Pincher Creek and District Municipal Library – 2015-2018 Library Service Plan Consultation
 - Sahra Hancock, Pincher Creek & District Municipal Library
- C. MINUTES
 - (1) Council Meeting Minutes
 - Minutes of March 24, 2015
- D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - (1) Bylaw 1259-15 being a Land Use Bylaw Amendment – SE 2-7-1 W5M
 - Bylaw presented for 2nd and 3rd readings
 - (2) Verbal Update on Unauthorized Campers / Squatters on West Castle River Valley Public Land
- E. CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OFFICER’S (CAO) REPORTS
 - (1) **Operations**
 - a) Regional Water System Raw Water Intake – Update
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 7, 2015
 - b) Corporate Health and Safety Policy – Annual Review
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015
 - c) Village of Cowley – Assistance with Waterworks Operation
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015
 - d) Contribution to Alberta Invasive Species Council “Regional Invasive Plant Workshop”
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015
 - e) Cameras for Public Works Dumpster Location
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 9, 2015
 - f) Operations Report
 - Report from Director of Operations, dated April 9, 2015
 - (2) **Planning and Development**

Nil
 - (3) **Finance and Administration**
 - a) 2015 Mill Rate Bylaw
 - Report from Director of Finance and Administration, dated April 8, 2015
 - Bylaw 1260-15 presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings
 - b) Short Term Investment Opportunity
 - Report from Director of Finance and Administration, dated April 9, 2015
 - c) Library Budget
 - Proposed resolution, dated April 8, 2015
 - d) Cemetery Budget
 - Proposed resolution, dated April 8, 2015
 - (4) **Municipal**
 - a) Lighting on Wind Turbine Towers
 - Proposed resolution, dated April 9, 2015
 - b) EOEP Course on Municipal Governance – October 29-30, 2015
 - Request from Councillor Marchuk
 - c) CAO Report
 - Report from CAO, dated April 9, 2015

F. CORRESPONDENCE

(1) **Action Required**

Nil

(2) **For Information**

- a) Mediation of the Emergency Management Agreement
 - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs, dated March 17, 2015
- b) 2014 Municipal Sustainability Initiative Capital Grant Program
 - Letter from Municipal Affairs, dated March 25, 2015
- c) April 28 – Day of Mourning
 - Letter from Workers' Compensation Board, dated March 24, 2015
- d) Alberta Community Partnership Program
 - Letter Municipal Affairs, dated March 30, 2015
- e) AltaLink Castle Rock Ridge to Chapel Rock Transmission Project
 - Letter from Crowsnest Pass, dated March 16, 2015
- f) Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence
 - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs, received April 8, 2015
- g) Budget Highlights
 - Highlights from the 2015 Government of Alberta Budget

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

Councillor Grant McNab – Division 1

Councillor Fred Schoening – Division 2

- Agricultural Service Board – Minutes of March 5, 2015

Councillor Garry Marchuk – Division 3

- Alberta SouthWest Bulletin April 2015
- Alberta SouthWest – Minutes of March 4, 2014

Reeve Brian Hammond - Division 4

Councillor Terry Yagos – Division 5

H. IN-CAMERA

- (1) Legal
- (2) Personnel

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. ADJOURNMENT

Charting a Course

2015-18 Library Service Plan
consultation

SAHRA HANCOCK

Community Outreach Coordinator
Pincher Creek & District Municipal Library



- I love libraries, reading and sharing stories
- I enjoy talking to people about community development
- Since the 1960's Pincher Creek & District Municipal Library has served the communities of Pincher Creek, Cowley and the Municipal District under a Intermunicipal Board Agreement

Why we Plan

- Libraries Regulation
- Mission Statement
- Goals and Objectives
- Community Needs Assessment
- Aligns with Community Values
- Demonstrates Community Support

Mapping the Route

Planning with
You

Deliver
Services

Review and
Approve

Pick Service
Priorities

Community
planning
committee-
Mission &
Actions Items

Group Themes
What we heard

Talk to You

What should
we do to
remain
relevant and
service
oriented in
Our
community

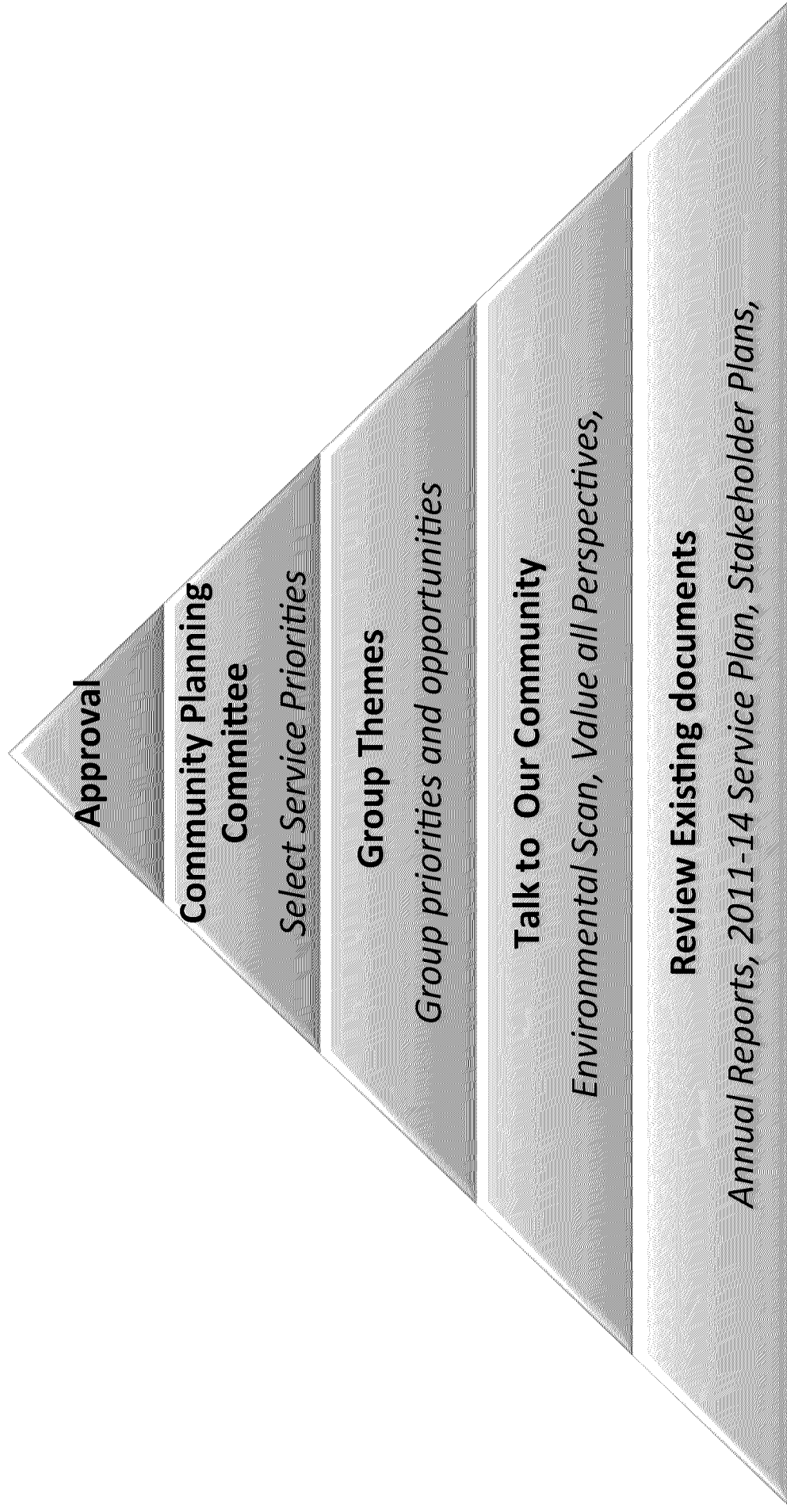
Review
Plans

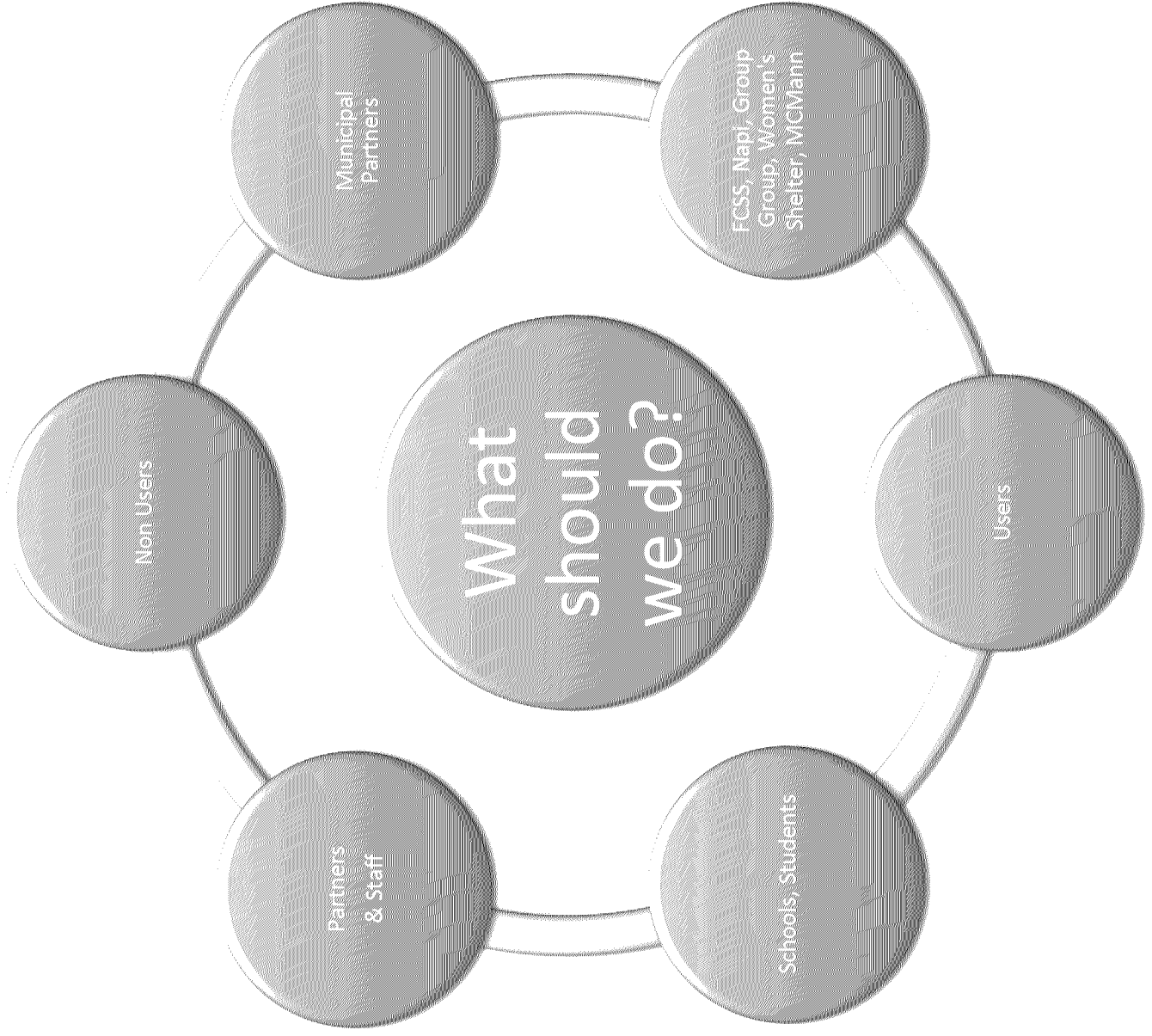
2011
service
plan

Today...



2015-18 Plan Process







Does this work?

The Pincher Creek Municipal Library will provide full and equal access to information, resources and ideas, and promote an atmosphere of life-long learning.



Central Community Resource

- **Residents will have a central source for current information about programs, services and activities provided by community agencies and organizations.**
- *Develop a web page specific to upcoming community activities and resources*
- *Increase the use of social media to advertise and promote library resources*
- *Cooperate with local interagency committees to enhance the distribution of community information*



School ready children

➤ **Children will have materials and activities that help them develop the skills needed to be ready to read, write and listen when they enter kindergarten**

- a. Increase participation of preschoolers in library activities
 - Distribute free two-year family library cards to each baby born in the community
 - Develop *Book Bundles* to help parents select books
 - Continue *Story Time* for preschoolers
 - Create a welcoming environment for small children and their parents
 - Cooperate with Parent Link and other local agencies
 - Invite preschool and kindergarten children to visit the library during the school year
- b. Expand Summer Reading Program (SRP) into Municipal District of Pincher Creek



Access to digital world

- **Residents will have access to the digital world and its growing resources and services**
 - *a. Provide four sessions per year of classes for seniors emphasizing computer basics and Internet searching*
 - *b. Offer eight open sessions per year for all ages*



Life Long Learning

- **. Residents will have access to resources needed to explore topics of personal interest and to pursue information, literacy and life-long learning.**
 - *a. Increase library card holders by 5%*
 - *b. Increase variety of programs*
 - *a. Train staff to meet the information needs of the community*
 - *b. Increase the use of social media to advertise and promote library resources*
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Library Stories

What we are doing now

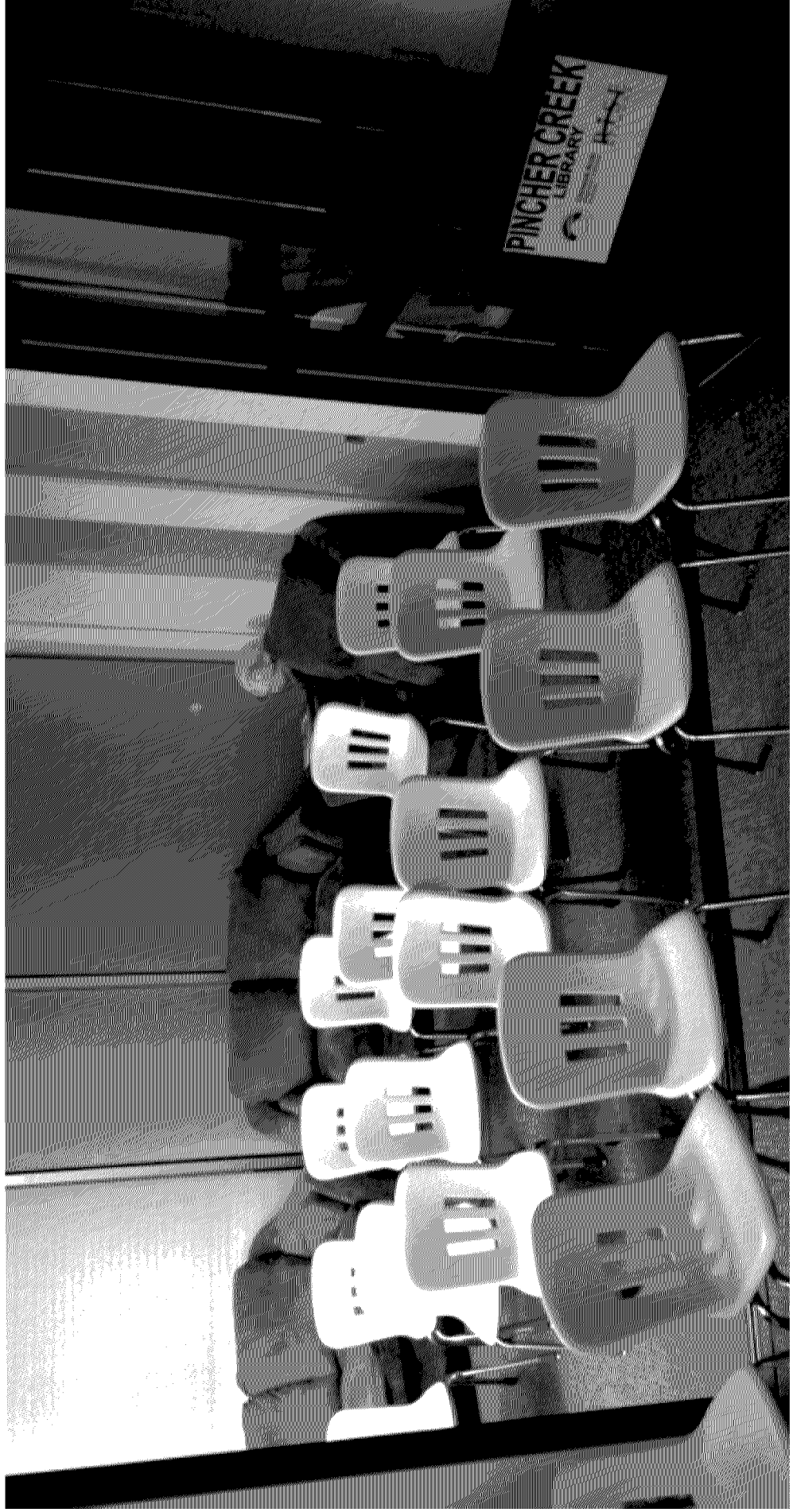
Top of their Field

Speakers





Sharing Experiences



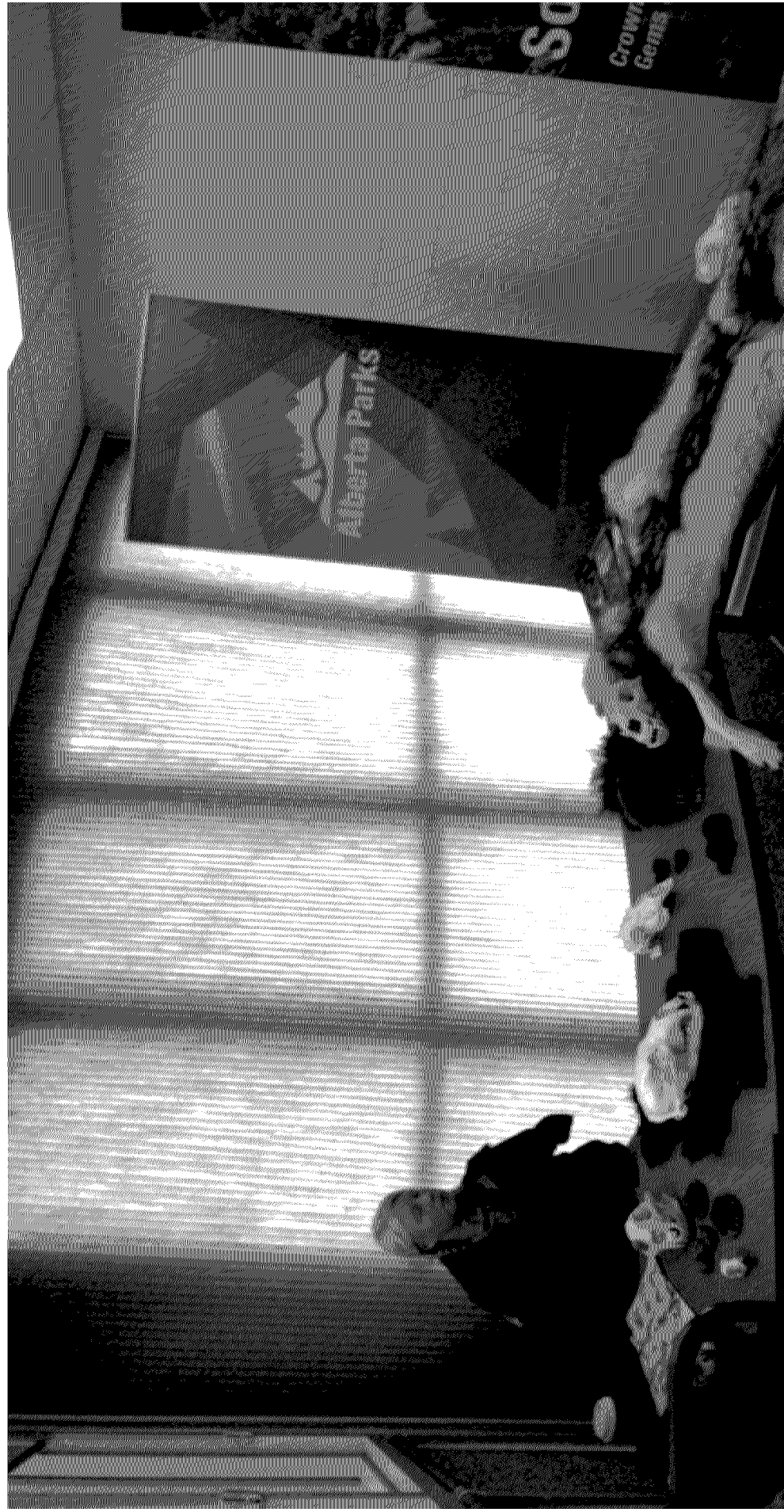
Children's
Program

Halloween Howl





Natural History Halloween Howl





Age range of participants



Speakers

Dinosaur Bones



Max & Julie Winkler

Speakers



Best attendance 60



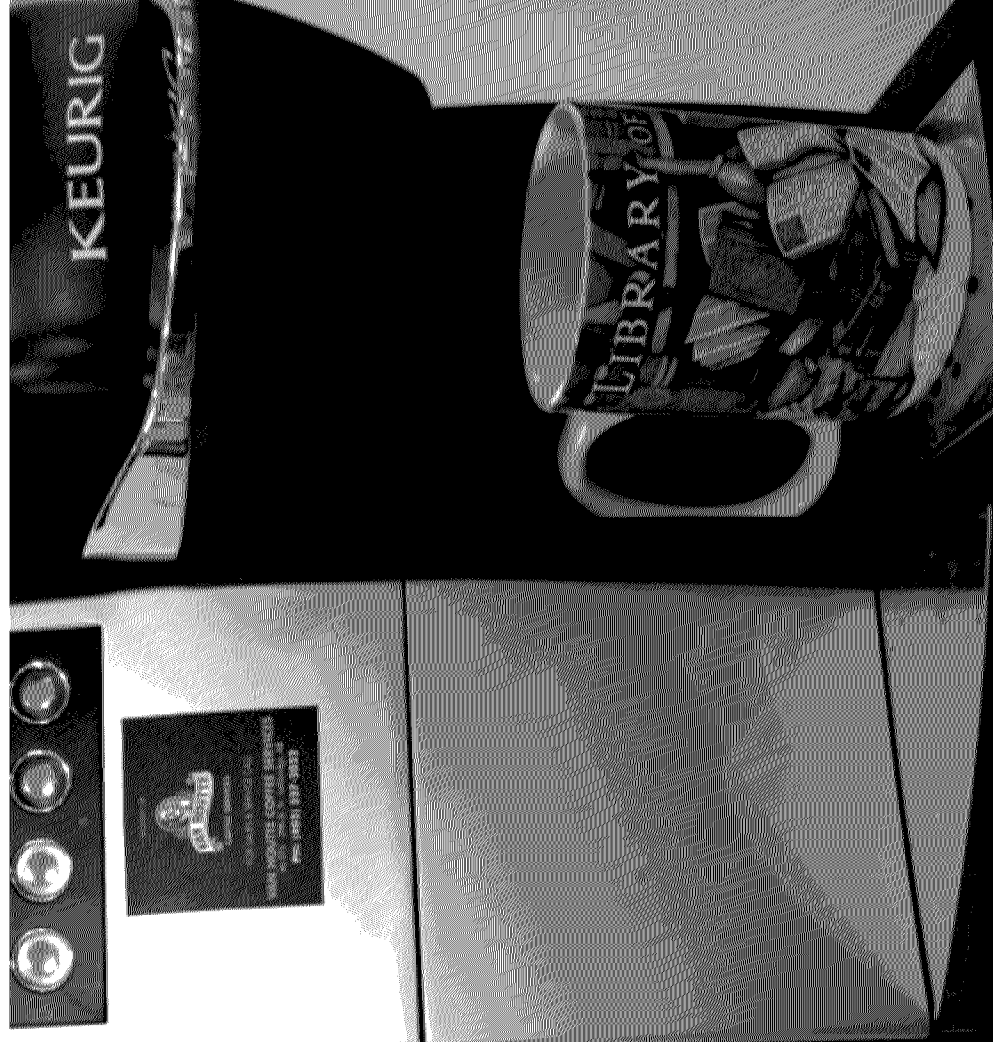


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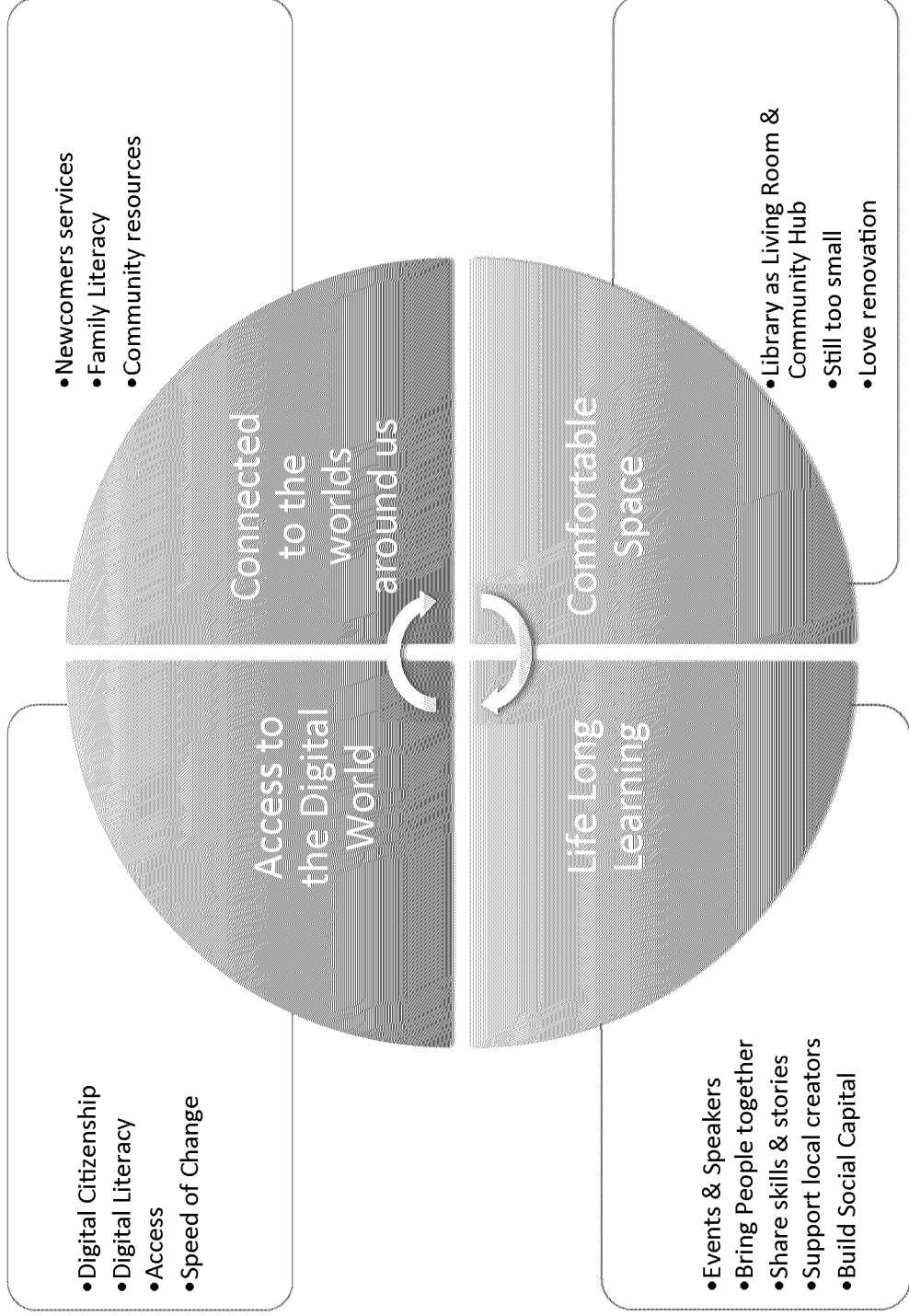


Enjoy Coffee





What We are Hearing



Open to All

Removing barriers

...ner help as you...
...Kutinoff, who has been
...the lone employee at the food bank

hampers and food drives will be in
loading dock, but that isn't in the
cards. The aim now is sustainabil-
ity. Even with the support from

...Hopefully, we'll run ourselves
out of business," said Gover. "That
would be the ideal.

Library wants to offer free access to the public by 2016

Greg Cowan

Pincher Creek Echo

The Pincher Creek Library wants to be free to the public by 2016.

"We are an important resource for everyone in our community, young and old," said Janice Day presenting to town council. "And with that in mind the library board would like to decrease the cost of

a library card." Currently, an adult card runs \$15. The Library board would like that fee lowered next year and revoked completely two years from now.

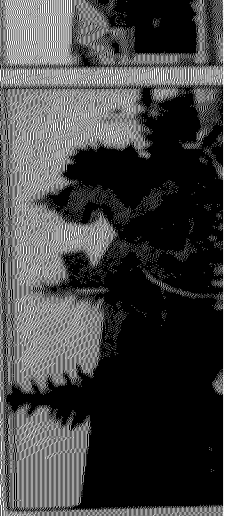
"We would like to see complete and total access for everybody without any financial barriers," said Day. Card fees currently make up less than five per cent of library revenue according to Day.

The library requested an increase

in funding to support these plans and to cover the cost of increased staff salaries. "We want to try to keep and attract excellent staff and we can't do that without a decent salary," Day said. The library hopes to see an increased rate on par with town employees, which according to Mayor Don Anderberg at council will be 5 per cent in 2015 and 5 per cent in 2016. Budget numbers haven't been finalized.

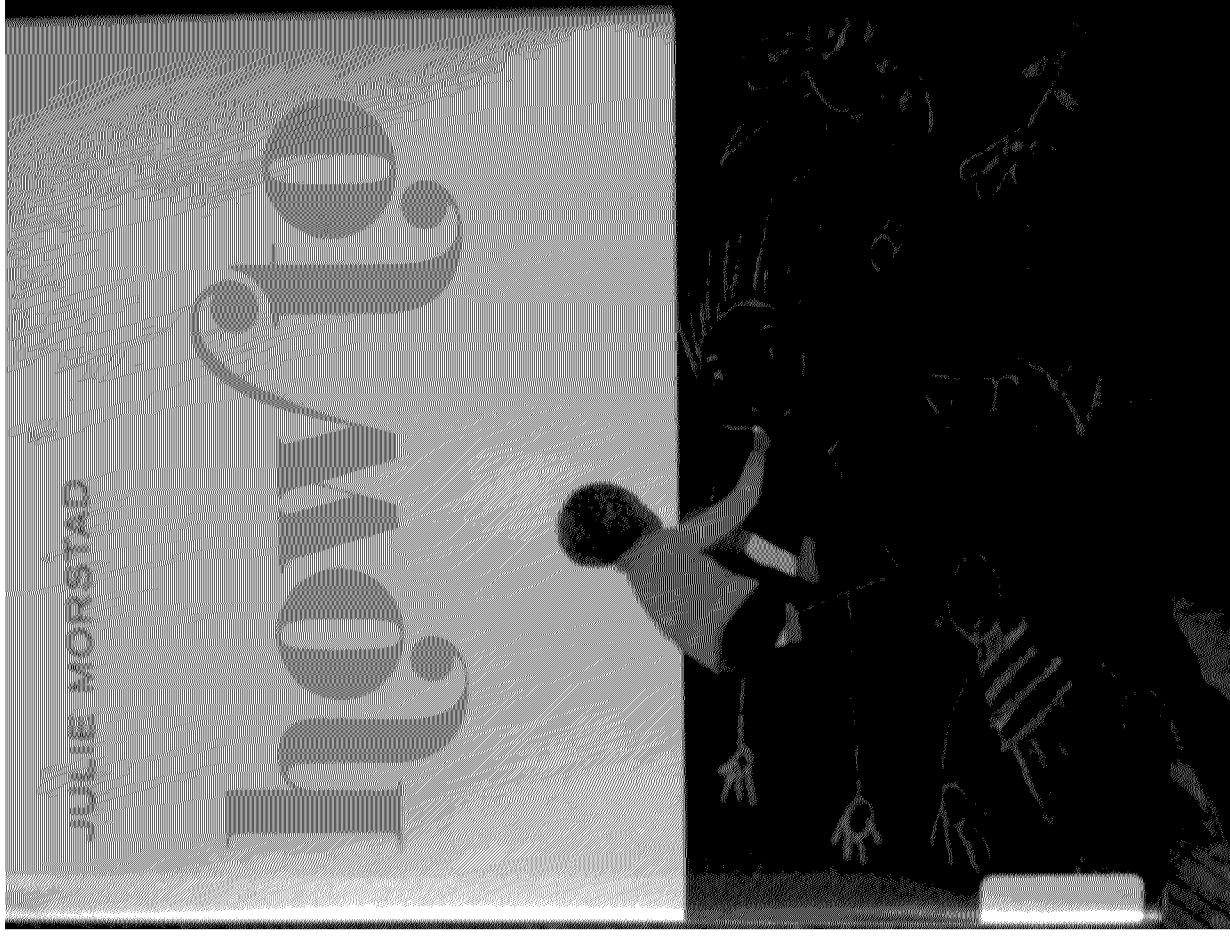
"We're trying to figure out a way to make everybody happy," said Anderberg. The library staff are not employees of the town or MD, but Day contended that in other municipalities they are treated the same when it comes to salary increases. Anderberg mentioned the town is working on ways to streamline library costs in the upcoming budget, which will be revealed in the coming weeks.

Town of Pincher Creek

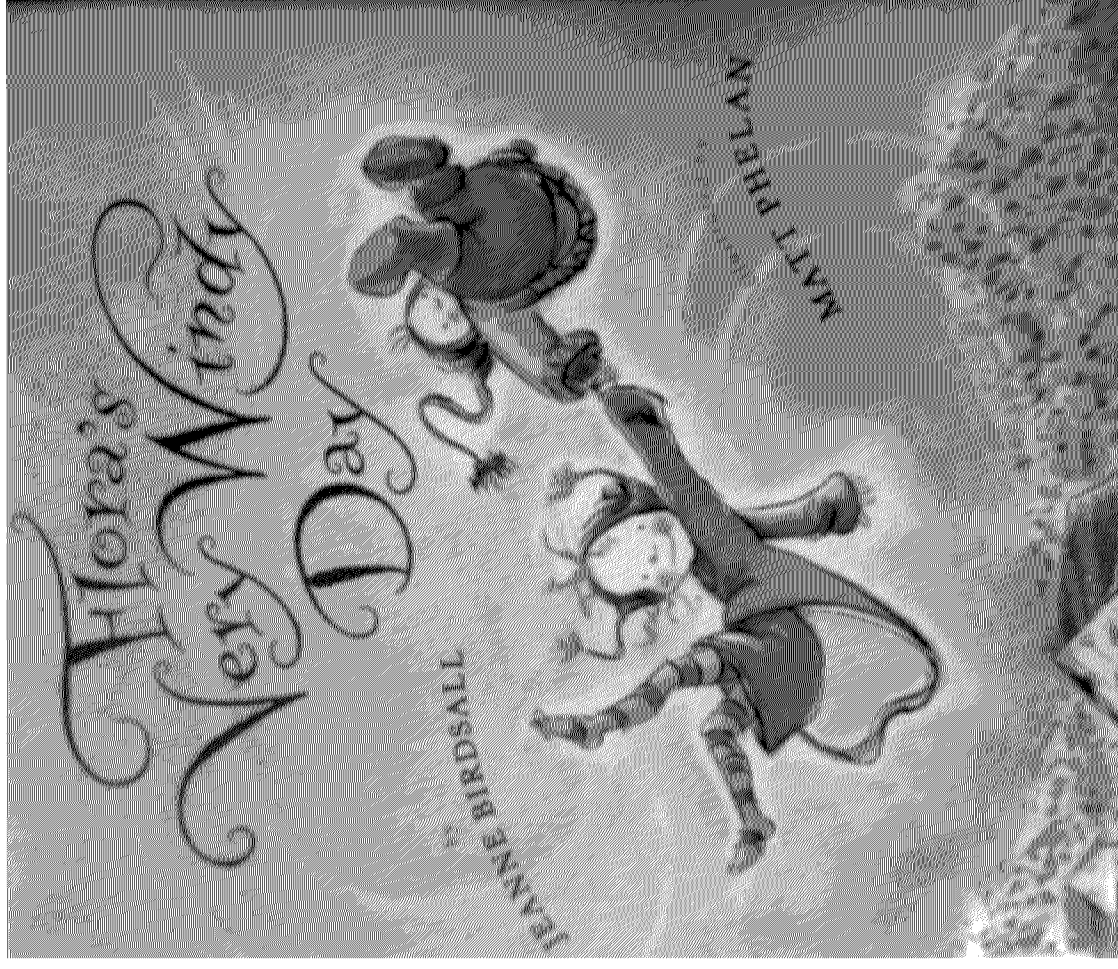


Skill Sharing

- Workshops
- “check out” an expert
- Test drive technology
- MakerSpace studio
- MakerFaire movement
- Learning Commons
- Language Classes
- Distance Learning



What should we be doing
to be relevant, responsive and service
oriented in our rural community

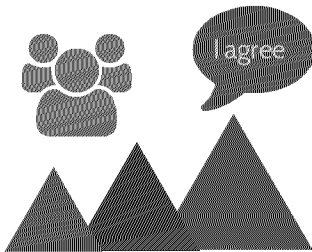


LIBRARY STORIES

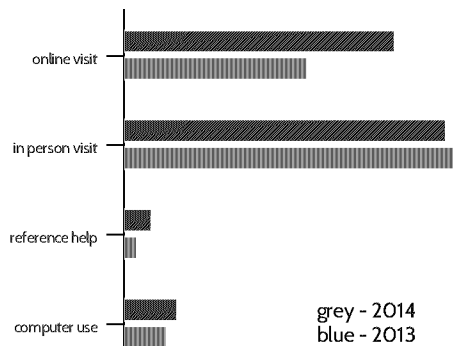
Pincher Creek Library 2014

Mission

To provide full & equal access to information, resources and ideas and to promote an atmosphere of life long learning.



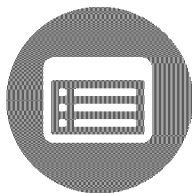
Library Use people use library services differently



Internet Access

Goal: Residents will have access to the digital world and its growing resources and services

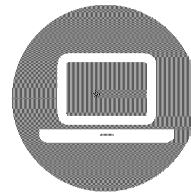
- A** Bring Your Own Device sessions help patrons set up their e-readers, download e-books & share digital literacy skills
- B** Free WiFi is heavily used by rural community members
- C** Patrons without Internet access rely on our computer stations



Catalog
10,964



Website
11,089

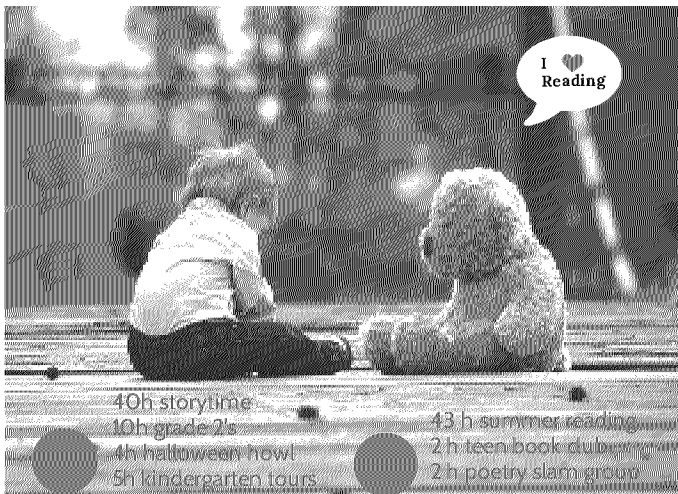


Public Computers
4250

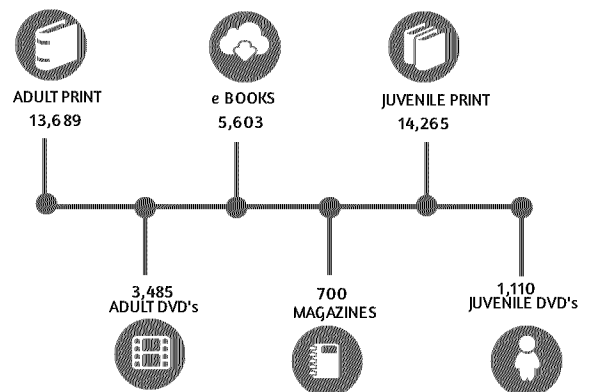


Visits
26,159

97 programs serving 1640 people



DIRECT CIRCULATION - 38,852
items checked out at your library



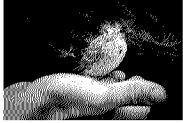
we were open 2500 hours

5% of open hours are dedicated to programs for U18 106h
1.5% of open hours are dedicated to programs for adults 36h

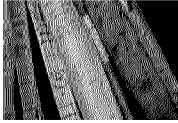
We believe Libraries

have a responsibility for the development & maintenance of intellectual freedom

facilitate & guarantee



access to all expressions of knowledge and intellectual activity, including those considered unconventional, unpopular or unacceptable



guarantee freedom of expression by making available all library's public facilities available to all individuals and groups who need them

Share

Explore

Grow

Our Library Services

let us help you connect to the world



Free WiFi

Join our unsecured wireless network



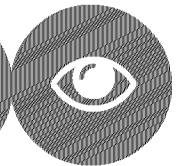
Inter-Library Loan

Our patrons borrowed 10,513 & lent 6,264 through the Chinook Arch Regional Library System & TAL



Internet

Public Computer stats:
4250 workstation users
4953 workstation sessions
4 workstations
19% user increase



Media Room

See a speaker via video conference or in person, meet with others, remotely or work collaboratively in our Media Room.

Video Conference Room

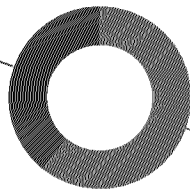
Library Use

343 sessions booked, 435 hours of booked use

Library Programs & Service Delivery

Speaker Series - 25h
Summer Reading - 43h
Video Conference Presentation 6h
Board Meetings & Committee use 39h
Library Staff Use 49h
Author Talks 5h

library programs

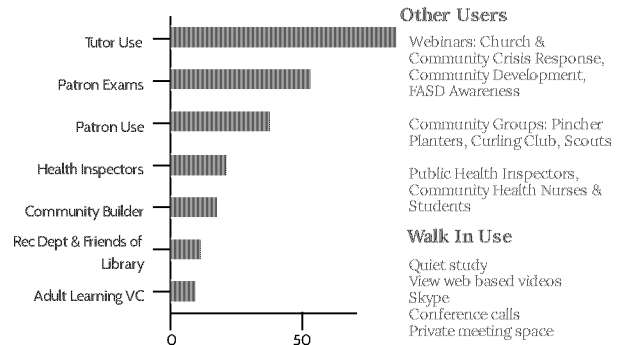


community

opened October 2013

Community Use

broad range of community user groups



MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 24, 2015

8489

The Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

PRESENT Reeve Brian Hammond, Councillors Terry Yagos, Fred Schoening, Grant McNab and Garry Marchuk

STAFF Chief Administrative Officer Wendy Kay, Director of Finance and Administration Mat Bonertz, Director of Operations Leo Reedyk, Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan, Finance Manager Janene Day, and Executive Assistant Tara Cryderman

Reeve Brian Hammond called the Council Meeting to order, the time being 1:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Garry Marchuk 15/136

Moved that the Council Agenda for March 24, 2015 be approved as presented.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

1) 2014 Financial Statements

Darren Adamson, with Young Parkyn McNab, appeared as a delegation to present the 2014 Financial Statements.

C. MINUTES

1) Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Fred Schoening 15/137

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2015, be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) Pathway Adjacent to the Hamlet of Beaver Mines

Councillor Garry Marchuk 15/138

Moved that the report from the Director of Development and Community Services, dated March 19, 2015, regarding the Pathway Adjacent to the Hamlet of Beaver Mines, be received;

And that Council contact the Landowner who proposed the land donation for the walking path and inform him that the MD will not be moving forward with the offer at this time;

And further that the MD undertake a preliminary planning study into the development of a walking path within the Hamlet of Beaver Mines.

Carried

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2) Pincher Creek Curling Club – Request for Funding

Councillor Fred Schoening 15/139

Moved that the letter from the Pincher Creek Curling Club, dated March 4, 2015, regarding a request for funding, be received as information at this time.

Carried

3) Business Improvement Loan

Councillor Terry Yagos declared a conflict of interest, as he has a family member affiliated with the Beaver Mines Store, and left the meeting, the time being 1:43 pm.

Councillor Garry Marchuk 15/140

Moved that the email from Jacques Thouin, dated February 26, 2015, regarding a Business Improvement Loan, be tabled pending further information including a meeting with Community Futures.

Carried

Councillor Terry Yagos returned to the meeting, the time being 1:57 pm.

E. CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OFFICER'S (CAO) REPORTS

1) Operations

a) Operations Report

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/141

Moved that the Operations Report for the period of March 5, 2015 to March 19, 2015, be received as information.

Carried

2) Planning and Development

Nil

3) Finance

a) Approval of Financial Statements – For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/142

Moved that the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, be approved as presented.

Carried

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b) Consortium Managing Partner Confirmation

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/143

Moved that the report from the Director of Finance and Administration, dated March 18, 2015, regarding Consortium Managing Partner Confirmation, be received;

And that the MD of Willow Creek No. 26 be approved by the MD of Pincher Creek No. 9, as the managing partner for the 2015 Aerial Ortho Program in Southern Alberta.

Carried

c) Statement of Cash Position

Councillor Fred Schoening 15/144

Moved that the Statement of Cash Position for the month ending February 2015, be received as information.

Carried

4) Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Garry Marchuk 15/145

Moved that the CAO report for the period of March 6, 2015 to March 19, 2015, be received as information.

Carried

F. CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Action Required

a) Notice of Annual General Meeting

Councillor Garry Marchuk 15/146

Moved that the letter from the Crowsnest / Pincher Creek Landfill Association, dated March 19, 2015, regarding the Annual General Meeting, be received as information.

Carried

(2) For Information Only

Councillor Fred Schoening 15/147

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Annual General Meeting – Pincher Creek Community Centre Hall Society
 - Letter from Pincher Creek Community Centre Hall Society, dated February 23, 2015
- b) Small Communities Fund
 - Letter from Municipal Affairs, dated March 2, 2015
- c) Order in Council and Ministerial Order
 - Letter from Municipal Affairs, dated March 11, 2015
- d) Alberta Recreation and Parks Association (ARPA) Excellence Series
 - Letter from ARPA, dated March 6, 2015
- e) Community Volunteer Appreciation Event
 - Notice of event, received March 18, 2015

Carried

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G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Grant McNab – Division 1

- Nothing to report

Councillor Fred Schoening – Division 2

- Power Line within Division 1 and 2 and the cleanup associated with this project
- EMS, Accreditation Presentation

Councillor Garry Marchuk – Division 3

- Oldman River Regional Services Commission
- Meeting Minutes of December 4, 2014
- Town of Pincher Creek Police Advisory Committee

Reeve Brian Hammond - Division 4

- Nothing to report

Councillor Terry Yagos – Division 5

- Nothing to report

Councillor Grant McNab 15/148

Moved that the committee reports be received as information.

Carried

H. IN CAMERA

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/149

Moved that Council and Staff move In-Camera, to discuss one (1) Personnel and one (1) Legal issue, the time being 2:35 pm.

Carried

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/150

Moved that Council and Staff move out of In-Camera, the time being 4:21 pm.

Carried

I. 2014 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MANAGEMENT LETTER

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/151

Moved that the Manager's letter from Young Parkyn McNab, dated March 24, 2015, be received as information.

Carried

J. ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES RECTIFICATION PLAN

Councillor Fred Schoening 15/152

Moved that the response to Alberta Health Services letter, dated March 12, 2015, be accepted with suggested amendments as discussed In-Camera, and concurrence from the Town of Pincher Creek.

Carried

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K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Terry Yagos 15/153

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
BYLAW NO. 1259-15

A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO AMEND BYLAW NO. 1140-08, BEING THE LAND USE BYLAW.

WHEREAS Section 639 of the *Municipal Government Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that a municipality must pass a Land Use Bylaw;

AND WHEREAS The Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 is in receipt of a request to amend the land use designation of lands legally described as:

A portion of the SE 2-7-1 W5M;

And as shown on Schedule 'A' attached hereto, from "Airport Vicinity Protection - AVP" to "Rural Recreation 1 – RR-1";

AND WHEREAS Council recognizes that the "Rural Recreation 1 – RR-1" designation is appropriate for a site developed as a commercial recreational development;

AND WHEREAS the purpose of the proposed amendment is to allow for the establishment of a campground and/or recreational vehicle / holiday trailer park use.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and subject to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled does hereby ENACT THE FOLLOWING:

1. This bylaw shall be cited as "Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 1259-15".
2. Amendments to Land Use Bylaw No. 1140-08 as per "Schedule A" attached.
3. This bylaw shall come into force and effect upon third and final passing thereof.

READ a first time this 24th day of February 2015.

A PUBLIC HEARING was held this ___ day of _____, 2015.

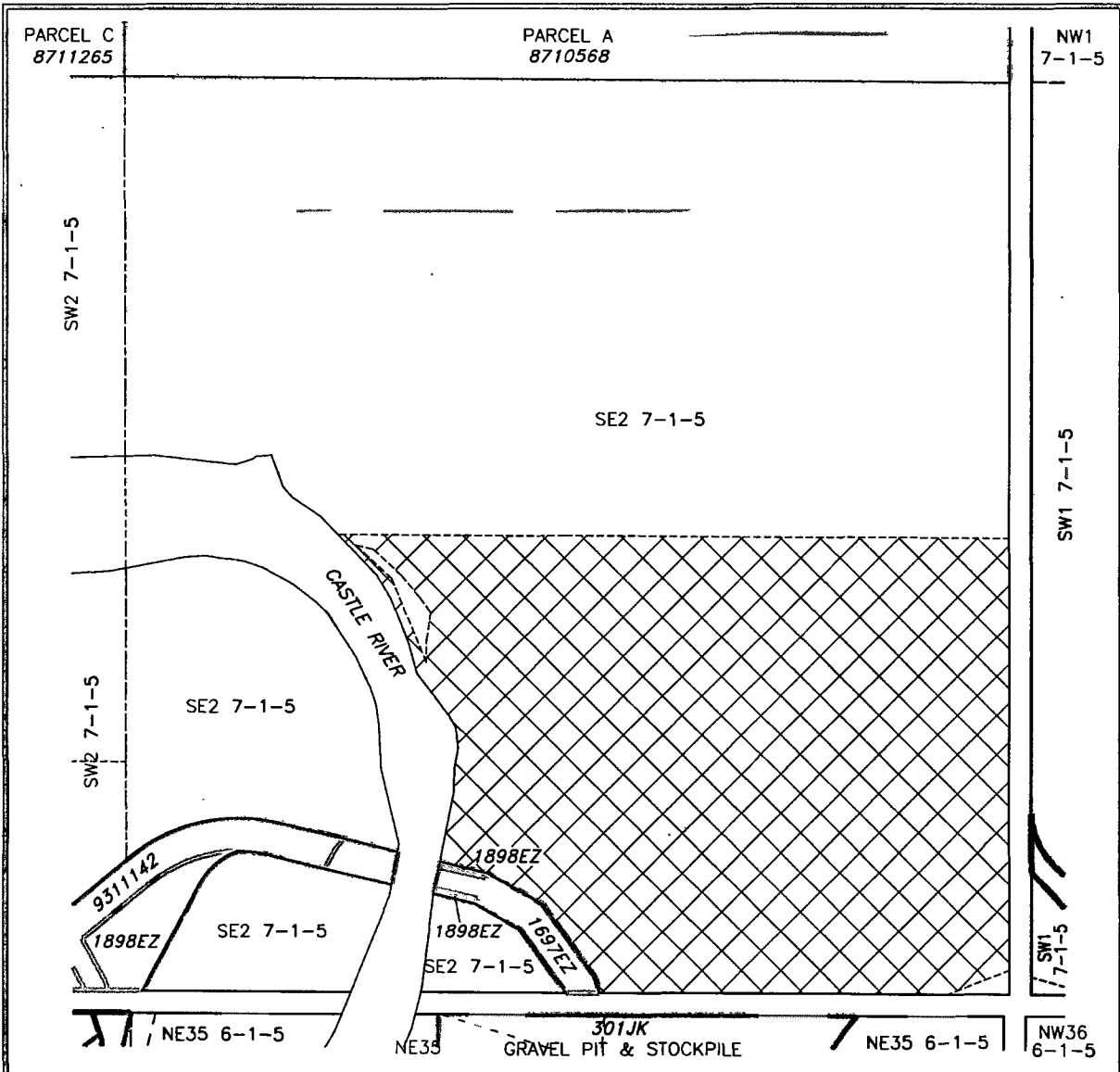
READ a second time this ___ day of _____, 2015.

READ a third time and finally PASSED this ___ day of _____, 2015.

Reeve – Brian Hammond

Chief Administrative Officer - Wendy Kay

Attachment –
"Schedule A"



**LAND USE DISTRICT REDESIGNATION
SCHEDULE 'A'**

 FROM: Airport Vicinity Protection 'AVP'
TO: Rural Recreation 1 'RR-1'

PORTION OF SE 1/4 SEC 2, TWP 7, RGE 1, W 5 M
MUNICIPALITY: M.D OF PINCHER CREEK No. 9
DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2015

Bylaw #: 1259-15
Date: _____



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February 12, 2015 N:\Pincher-Creek-MD\Pincher-Creek-MD LUD & Land Use Redesignations\MD of Pincher Creek - Portion of SE2-7-1-W5M.dwg

MAP PREPARED BY:
OLDMAN RIVER REGIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION
3105 16th AVENUE NORTH, LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA T1H 5E8
TEL 403-329-1344
"NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ERRORS OR OMISSIONS"

MD OF PINCHER CREEK

APRIL 7, 2015

TO: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations

SUBJECT: Regional Water System Raw Water Intake - Update

1. Origin

The Municipal District of Pincher Creek has partnered with the Village of Cowley in a regional water system. The intake for the regional water system is in the Castle River just downstream of the Southfork Bridge. Water quantity in the Castle River is variable and will not be able to meet all the needs of the regional system. On April 2, 2015 the Province announced Community Resilience Grant Program funding for the Municipality to relocate the intake to the Oldman River Dam totaling \$1,627,880.

2. Background:

Through a tender process prior to construction of the Regional Water Treatment Plant, MPE Engineering Ltd. successfully won a Request for Proposals process to be the engineers on record for the Regional Water Treatment system.

The preliminary report on options for the raw water intake was prepared by MPE Engineering Ltd. after being commissioned by Council in March 2014. The report identifies on shore and in stream options for the intake, both of which will require Alberta Environment approval. In addition to the type and location of the new intake, the water licenses for the Village of Cowley and the Hamlet of Lundbreck will need to be transferred to the new point of diversion.

In addition to the \$1,627,880 in grant funding, the Disaster Recovery Program to repair the Intake on the Castle River has \$213,620 in funding available that can be transferred to the project for a total funding available of \$1,813,000. With project funding secured, it is recommended that MPE Engineering Ltd be retained to do final design, tendering and construction engineering for the project.

3. Recommendation:

THAT the report from the Director of Operations, dated April 7, 2015 regarding the Regional Water System Raw Water Intake - Update be received;

AND THAT Council approve the Confirmation of Assignment with MPE Engineering Ltd to identify the preferred option and provide engineering for relocating the Regional Water System Raw Water Intake to the Oldman Dam Reservoir with funding being

provided by the Community Resilience Program grant and Disaster Recovery Program funds.

AND FURTHER THAT Regional Water Reserve funds used to fund the raw water intake options study be replaced when the grant is received (6-12-0-771-6760)

Respectfully Submitted,



Leo Reedyk

Attachments: MPE Engineering Ltd. - Confirmation of Assignment
Alberta Community Resilience Program – Approved Grants
Disaster Recovery Program Funding email

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer *W. Kay* Date: *April 8, 2015*



CONFIRMATION OF ASSIGNMENT

Date: April 1, 2015

Project Name: Cowley - Lundbreck Regional WTP - Raw Water Intake Upgrades

Client Name: M.D. of Pincher Creek

Client Contact Person: Leo Reedyk Email: AdminDirOps@mdpincercreek.ab.ca

Phone: 403-627-3130 Cell: 403-627-8585 Fax: 403-627-5070

Client Address: 1037 Herron Ave. Pincher Creek, AB, T0K 1W0 Canada

Invoice Attention To: Leo Reedyk

Client PO #: _____

Invoicing Address: _____

Invoice Preferences: Mail E-mail _____
(invoice e-mail address)

Scope of Work: As described (if box will not hold all info please use attachment) See attachment

Design of Construction of upgraded raw water intake and pipeline from the Oldman River Reservoir to the Cowley-Lundbreck Regional Water Treatment Plant

MPE Project Manager: Luke Schoening

MPE Project No.: 1770-008-00

Professional Fee Estimate: \$ 194,000 (GST not included)

Payment Terms: Hourly Fixed Fee _____ % of construction
 Hourly to Fee Estimate Other (see attached schedule)

Comments: Disbursements (see attached schedule)

Estimated fees will vary from with the project scope according to the results of the initial hydrogeological investigation. Fee estimate varies from \$126,000 - \$194,000



AGREEMENT

These General Conditions shall be binding on the CLIENT and MPE Engineering Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as MPE) unless within five (5) business days from the date written hereon, the CLIENT gives written notice to MPE that it rejects any of the following terms and conditions.

The provisions of these General Conditions of Agreement are incorporated into and form part of the proposal ("Proposal") from MPE Engineering Ltd. ("MPE") to the Client to render services. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the terms and conditions of the Proposal and these General Conditions of Agreement shall govern the rights and obligations of the parties with respect to the provisions of services by MPE pursuant to the Proposal and any additional services provided to the Client (collectively the "Services"). The work or undertaking referred to in the proposal and for which the services are intended is hereinafter referred to as the "Project".

SUBCONSULTANTS/SUBCONTRACTORS

MPE shall be entitled to engage subconsultants and subcontractors in the performance of the Services as MPE believes is in the best interests of the Client. MPE will not be responsible or held liable for the actions of its subconsultants or subcontractors

RIGHT OF ENTRY

The Client shall permit or arrange for permission for MPE and its subconsultants/subcontractors to enter onto, pass over, and perform the Services on those properties as are necessary for MPE to perform the Services on the "Site".

OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DOCUMENTS/COPYRIGHTS, PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

All drawings, plans, models, designs, specifications and other documents contained in the Proposal or which are otherwise used in connection with the Services and prepared by MPE are the property of MPE and MPE reserves the copyright therein and such are not to be used on any other work without the prior written agreement and remuneration of MPE. The Client is entitled to a copy of the said documents and models for record and maintenance purposes, but only in connection with the Project for which the Services are provided.

INSURANCE

MPE carries the following basic insurance:

1. Coverage pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act or employers' liability insurance. Such Workers' Compensation or employer's liability coverage, if any required by the law of the jurisdiction or jurisdictions within which employees of MPE are performing the Services;
2. Public liability insurance for bodily injury and property damages; and
3. Professional liability insurance which insures its legal liability for negligent acts, errors, and omissions to the extent that MPE deems to be prudent.

MPE shall cooperate if the Client wishes to obtain additional or special insurance. All costs with respect to any additional or special insurance shall be the responsibility of the Client.

STANDARD OF CARE

MPE shall provide the Services with the level of engineering care, skill and diligence ordinarily provided by the consulting engineering profession in the performance of services in respect of projects similar to the Project at the time and place that the Services are rendered. No other warranty, representation or guarantee, either express, implied or by statute, shall be included or apply to the Proposal or any contract, report, opinion, document, drawing, plan, specification or otherwise which is included as part of the Services.



LIMITATION OF MPE ENGINEERING'S LIABILITY TO CLIENT

The Client agrees the liability of, and the Client's recourse against MPE and its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, employees, agents, associates, affiliates, and representatives (in this Agreement herein called the "Related Parties") with respect to the Services however arising, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, and whether arising directly, indirectly, in whole or in part by reason of the alleged negligence of MPE Engineering or the Related Parties or any one or more of them shall be absolutely limited as follows:

- a) in the event the Client's claim is a claim for which MPE Engineering has no insurance coverage, such liability and recourse shall be absolutely limited to the lesser of:
 - i. Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in Canadian funds; or
 - ii. Ten percent (10%) of the fees billed by MPE for the services that gave rise to the claim;
- b) in the case of economic loss, including without limitation loss of earnings, profits, business opportunity or otherwise, MPE and the related Parties shall have no liability whatsoever;

INDEMNITY

The client shall indemnify and hold harmless MPE and the Related Parties from and against any costs, damages, expenses, legal fees and disbursements, expert and investigative costs, claims, liabilities, actions, causes of action and any taxes thereon arising from or related to any of the following:

- a) The entrance on, passage over, and the performance of the Services by MPE and the Related Parties on the Site in the course of providing the Services;
- b) Any claim or threatened claim by any party arising from or related to the performance of the Services;
- c) Any hazardous, dangerous or toxic materials or contaminants, whether anticipated or unanticipated, and whether or not the Services were contemplated to include the discovery, release, escape, transportation, handling, analysis, study or otherwise of such materials or contaminants.

This indemnity shall apply notwithstanding the errors, omissions or negligence of MPE or the Related Parties or any one or more of them and whether the need for the indemnity should arise from contract, tort, statute, or otherwise. The Client also agrees in this indemnity to compensate MPE for any time at prevailing rates.

DEFICIENCIES IN SERVICE

The Client shall promptly report to MPE any deficiencies or suspected deficiencies in the Services, in writing, it being agreed that the failure to do so shall jeopardize MPE's ability to properly analyze the cause and take effective measures to minimize the consequences of any deficiency.

NOTIFICATION AND DISCOVERY OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The Client warrants and covenants that, if now or at any time, it knows or has any reason to assume or suspect that hazardous materials or contaminants may exist at Site, it has and will so inform MPE in writing. The Client acknowledges and agrees that when hazardous materials or contaminants are known, assumed or suspected to exist at the Site, MPE is required to take appropriate precautions to protect the health and safety of its personnel and the public, to comply with the applicable laws and regulations, and to follow procedures that MPE deems prudent. The Client recognizes that hazardous materials or contaminants may be discovered or suspected on the Client's property or on property not owned by the Client, that it has a responsibility to inform the owner or occupant of any property not owned by the Client of such a discovery or suspicion, and that such a discovery, suspicion or the resulting procedures adopted by MPE in providing the Services, may result in a reduction of the property's value. The Client agrees that the discovery or suspicion of any types of hazardous materials or contaminants shall constitute a changed condition and agrees to compensate MPE for the associated additional costs based on MPE's prevailing Professional Fees, Expenses and Terms of Payment.



TERMINATION OF SERVICES

The obligation to receive or provide all or part of the Services may be cancelled by either the Client or MPE upon written notice to the other party, which cancellation shall become effective as specified in the written notice, but not earlier than 14 calendar days after the receipt of the notice. In the event the Client cancels the Services, MPE shall be entitled to complete at the Client's expense, such analyses, record, and reports as are considered necessary by MPE to place its files in order and/or to protect its professional reputation and legal liability.

ASSIGNMENT

Except as otherwise agreed in writing, no party shall be entitled to assign its interest in the Services, the Proposal and any addenda thereto.

SURVIVAL

All obligations between the parties, including any limitations upon liabilities, shall survive the completion or earlier cancellation of the Services.

SEVERABILITY

Every provision of the Proposal and all addenda thereto are intended to be severable and if any provision does not conform to the applicable law or is invalid for any reason whatsoever such non-conformity or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

PAYMENT

The Client will make payment within 30 days of the date of invoice. Interest of 1.5% per month will be paid to MPE by the client for any invoices outstanding longer than 30 days.

SUSPENSION OF SERVICES

Should an invoice remain unpaid longer than 90 days from the date of invoice, and the Client has not provided a resolution acceptable to MPE, Services provided by MPE will be suspended. In the event MPE suspends Services for lack of payment, MPE shall be entitled to complete at the Client's expense, such analyses, record, and reports as are considered necessary by MPE to place its files in order and/or to protect its professional reputation and legal liability. The client shall indemnify and hold harmless MPE and the Related Parties from and against any costs, damages, expenses, legal fees and disbursements, expert and investigative costs, claims, liabilities, actions, causes of action and any taxes thereon arising from such suspension of Services and related delays. Provision of Services by MPE will resume when the Client has provided a resolution acceptable to MPE.

Signature of Client

Date

April 1, 2015

Signature of Project Manager
MPE Engineering Ltd.

Date

Alberta Community Resilience Program – Fact Sheet

The Alberta Community Resilience Program (ACRP) supports municipalities in the development of long-term resilience to flood and drought events, while supporting integrated planning and healthy, functioning watersheds. In the first round of funding, 21 projects in 16 municipalities have received funding. While many projects are fully funded in 2015/16, some of the larger scope projects will receive their funding over two budget years.

Approved Grants (April 2, 2015)

Municipality and Project	Project Description	Approved Grant	Disbursements
City of Calgary Glenmore Dam Infrastructure Improvement Program - Elevated Hoists	Retrofits to the Glenmore Dam include added flood attenuation/resilience measures for a 1:45 to 1:50 year event. This will also maximize response time for evacuation and damage controls downstream.	\$7,600,000	\$3,800,000 in 2015/16 and \$3,800,000 in 2016/17
City of Calgary Stormwater outfall improvements (gates)	Upgrades to resilience components of existing stormwater outfalls and adding flood gates to priority outfalls where they currently don't exist. Project will span 15 outfalls in 12 communities across the city.	\$1,800,000	All funds in 2015/16
City of Calgary Centre Street Bridge, lower deck flood barrier improvements	Permanent flood barrier on the lower deck of Centre Street Bridge. A self-raising gate option will prevent inundation of floodwaters in Chinatown and Memorial Drive up to a 1:200 year flood event.	\$1,530,000	All funds in 2015/16
City of Calgary Heritage Drive, permanent flood barrier	This project includes a 550 metre permanent flood barrier (1:100 design, plus half metre freeboard) to protect infrastructure currently impacted by 1:5 year events.	\$3,960,000	\$1,990,000 in 2015/16 and \$1,970,000 in 2016/17
City of Camrose Raw Water Lake Station Replacement	Replacement of the City's raw water pumping station with a new pumping station located completely above the 1:100 year flood level of Driedmeat lake. Also includes an associated site and utility upgrades required to accommodate the new facility.	\$4,631,888	\$2,610,291 in 2015/16 and \$2,021,597 in 2016/17
City of Edmonton Sister Mary Ann Casey Park Dry Pond (Tawa Park)	Construction of a dry pond in Tawa Park to protect the community and the adjacent Grey Nuns Community Hospital from flooding.	\$5,640,000	\$2,820,000 in 2015/16 and \$2,820,000 in 2016/17
City of Edmonton Ekota Dry Pond	Construction of a new dry pond in Ekota Park, part of the original Millwoods community without a stormwater management facility and vulnerable to flooding during major storms.	\$4,520,000	\$2,260,000 in 2015/16 and \$2,260,000 in 2016/17
City of Edmonton Malcolm Tweddle and Edith Rogers Dry Ponds	Expansion of the existing dry pond to improve the hydraulic performance of the pond and increase its current storage volume to 43,000 cubic meters. Expansion will require the acquisition of two residential lots to facilitate overland drainage.	\$6,270,000	\$3,143,319 in 2015/16 and \$3,126,681 in 2016/17

Lethbridge County Malloy Drain Capital Improvements	Project entails the construction of extensive improvements to the existing drainage system and construction of stormwater detention and retention facilities. Upgrades to local road and highway crossings are also required.	\$3,337,500	All funds in 2015/16
Municipal District of Bighorn Exshaw Creek Debris Flood Mitigation	Structural mitigation of debris flood risks for the Hamlet of Exshaw, Highway 1A, and the Canadian Pacific Railway.	\$2,000,000	All funds in 2015/16
Municipal District of Foothills Millarville Reservoir	Enhancements to the existing berm which protects the Millarville Reservoir from failure in high water events. This project will stabilize the berm and protect critical infrastructure, including Highway 22.	\$702,000	All funds in 2015/16
Municipal District of Pincher Creek Regional Water System - Raw Water Intake Relocation	Relocation of the raw water intake for the Cowley-Lundbreck Regional Water System from its current location on the Castle River to the Oldman Dam Reservoir, providing system users with a secure water source and preventing future flood damage in high water events.	\$1,627,880	All funds in 2015/16
Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Lower Townsite Protection in Fort McMurray	Protection for the Lower Townsite within Fort McMurray through dikes, raised roadways, and floodwalls. The project will extend along the Clearwater and Hangingstone rivers from MacDonald Drive to King Street. Approximately 6.2 km of structure will be required.	\$10,000,000	All funds in 2015/16
Town of High River Road Crossings	Installation of hydraulic flood gates for three road crossings - Highway 2A; MacLeod/Highwood Trail; and 12 th Avenue	\$5,364,900	\$2,682,450 in 2015/16 and \$2,682,450 in 2016/17
Town of Manning Town of Manning Waterline Remediation	Replace failed water and gas lines and protect them from future earth movement.	\$270,160	All funds in 2015/16
Town of Nanton Mosquito Creek Infiltration Gallery Flood Repairs	Relocate raw water intake and electrical station outside of flood hazard area.	\$693,000	All funds in 2015/16
Town of Peace River Pat's Creek Interim Culvert Repairs	Interim repairs to Pat's Creek culvert within the Town of Peace River to contain flood waters.	\$2,295,000	All funds in 2015/16
Town of Penhold Flood Prevention, Waskasoo Avenue	Construction of dikes and elevation of roads to protect infrastructure and residences from flooding at Waskasoo Creek.	\$3,362,900	All funds in 2015/16

Town of Whitecourt Athabasca River Erosion Control	Placement of erosion control spurs along the south bank of the Athabasca River to prevent bank loss and migration of the river into developed land.	\$2,000,000	All funds in 2015/16
Village of Carbon Kneehill Creek - Pedestrian Bridge Erosion Protection	Protection works for existing pedestrian bridge, sanitary sewer/manhole, and private residences against increased bank erosion. This project involves rechanneling 25 meters of creek, contouring a 5 meter wide channel (2:1 slope), and rip rap protection on banks.	\$175,500	All funds in 2015/16
Village of Rosemary Rosemary Storm Water Project	Design and construction of a stormwater system for the Village of Rosemary to alleviate existing overland flooding issues in the village and accommodate future commercial and residential development.	\$900,000	All funds in 2015/16
TOTAL		\$68,680,728	

Program Eligibility

The ACRP will provide grants to municipalities for the design and construction of projects that protect critical municipal infrastructure from flooding and drought and help to ensure public safety is protected.

- Municipalities, First Nations, Métis Settlements, Improvement Districts, and Special Areas are eligible.
- Private entities (individuals, associations or businesses) are not eligible.
- Any work funded under ACRP must be owned and operated/maintained by the municipality.
- Critical municipal infrastructure may include water, wastewater, electricity, and stormwater works, as well as infrastructure used to access those services. (e.g. access roads and transportation corridors)
- Public safety is defined as projects that mitigate hazards, prevent loss of life and/or enhance evacuation time.
- Funding may also be considered for projects to protect residences in neighbourhoods, as long as they are not located in a mapped or unmapped floodway.

Project Selection Criteria

ACRP projects are prioritized based on an assessment of the project's longevity, mitigated risk, historical damage, urgency and environmental impacts. Distribution of funding between municipalities is a consideration; however, it is not a deciding factor in determining a project's priority.

Cost-share Requirement

For approved projects, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development provides 90% of the engineering and construction costs up to \$3 million and 70% for costs in excess of \$3 million. Operating and maintenance costs of a project are the responsibility of the municipality and are not eligible.

Leo Reedyk

From: Leo Reedyk
Sent: December 2, 2014 8:45 AM
To: 'Micaela Gerling'
Cc: Wendy Kay
Subject: RE: Community Resilience Program - Regional Water System Intake Relocation

Good morning Micaela. Following an audit of the invoices submitted for the DRP project I received an email from John Krebs with the reassessment. He indicates the project was \$252,600 and that we have spent \$38,980 to date leaving \$213,620 available for the relocation project. I have recalculated the high and low ask associated with the project to be \$1,627,880 and \$989,880. Please note the spent to date in your formula was money spent on the DRP project that reduced the funding available from that source.

The Municipality has commissioned and paid for the preliminary study to relocate the intake at accost of \$28,500 that has been spent to date as a relocation project cost. I have added that number into the formula below to determine the complete project cost.

We note that the Municipality would be required to fund 10% of the project should the Community Resilience Program decide to fund the remainder.

Thanks for the update. If you have any further questions please contact us at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

L.J. (Leo) Reedyk, A.A.E.
Director of Operations
MD of Pincher Creek No. 9

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From: Micaela Gerling [mailto:micaela.gerling@gov.ab.ca]
Sent: December 1, 2014 7:06 PM
To: Leo Reedyk
Subject: RE: Community Resilience Program - Regional Water System Intake Relocation

Hi Leo,

Good to hear from you. The Grant Review Committee has finalized its recommendations; however, the Minister will not be making any decisions prior to the new year. On a separate note, do you have final numbers from DRP as to the amount the MD will receive that can be allocated to the relocation project? The last information I received was an eligible cost estimate that I'm assuming is for reconstruction? Is that assumption correct? If so, I would be finalizing the grant ask as follows:

High:

\$1,813,000

- 252,588 (DRP)	213,620
- \$39,774 (spent to date)	28,500
= \$1,520,638	1,627,880

Low:

\$1,175,000

- 252,588 (DRP)	213,620
- \$39,774 (spent to date)	28,500
= \$ 882,638	989,880

Are these still correct?

Please let me know ASAP if there are any changes. Note that the MD's cost share portion (10%) has not been deducted from the totals above. Talk to you soon.

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From: Leo Reedyk [<mailto:AdminDirOps@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 1:23 PM
To: Micaela Gerling
Subject: Community Resilience Program - Regional Water System Intake Relocation

Good day Micaela. Just checking in to see where we are at in the process. Has any decision been made?

Please advise.

L.J. (Leo) Reedyk, A.A.E.
Director of Operations
MD of Pincher Creek No. 9

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MD OF PINCHER CREEK

APRIL 8, 2015

TO: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer
FROM: Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations
SUBJECT: Corporate Health and Safety Policy – Annual Review

1. Origin

The Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 has a proactive Occupational Health and Safety Program and is committed to the safety of employees, residents and the public.

2. Background:

Within the Municipal District's occupational Health and Safety program, the guiding policy is the Municipality's Corporate Health and Safety Policy (attached). The Joint Worksite Health and Safety Committee reviewed the Policy at their April 8, 2015 meeting. No changes were recommended for Council.

Council also reviews the policy on an annual basis to confirm it continues to meet the needs of the community.

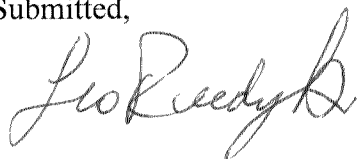
3. Recommendation:

THAT the report from the Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015 regarding the Corporate Health and Safety Policy – Annual Review be received;

AND THAT Council adopt the Corporate Health and Safety Policy as presented for the upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

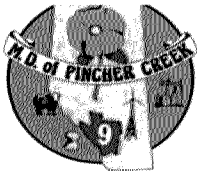
Leo Reedyk



Attachment: Corporate Health and Safety Policy

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer

W. Kay Date: April 8, 2015



CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

Introduction

This Policy explains the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 (MD) commitment to health and safety and outlines roles and responsibilities of MD staff.

Scope

This Policy applies to all MD staff.

The MD is committed to establish, maintain and annually review an active Corporate Health and Safety Policy comprised of programs, policies, procedures, standards, performance measurements and initiatives to ensure compliance with the *Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Act, Regulation and Code*; and intended to protect MD staff, volunteers, contractors, tenants, stakeholders, visitors and other users of MD facilities. The MD recognizes that health and safety is one of its core values and will continuously examine its operations to eliminate or minimize hazards to persons and property. Related processes will include incident reporting, safety-related training and the keeping of appropriate records.

It is the responsibility of all MD staff to invest in their health and safety and the health and safety of others through training, understanding, vigilance and compliance with health and safety related programs, policies and standards applicable to their workplace. This responsibility extends to the prompt reporting of workplace hazards to their immediate supervisor. The MD confirms its commitment that no negative consequences will arise for any staff member or other individual making such a report.

Everyone who undertakes, or has the authority to direct how another person does work or performs a task, is under a legal duty to take reasonable steps to prevent bodily harm to that person, or any other person, arising from that work or task.

It is the responsibility of those in leadership roles to take all reasonable steps to prevent incidents and accidents; and to provide resources, guidance and visible support for the MD's Corporate Health and Safety Policy through active participation in its initiatives, monitoring compliance with regulatory requirements and regularly reviewing related programs, policies, procedures, performance measurements and initiatives.

The MD will partner with others in developing initiatives and enhancements to its Health and Safety Policy with a goal of continuous improvement to meet or exceed recognized industry standards and peer performance in all aspects of health and safety. The MD requires its agents, contractors, service providers and consultants to perform their services at a level and in a manner that meets or exceeds the requirements of this Policy and encourages its tenants and other stakeholders to do the same.

In addition to health and safety in the workplace, the MD recognizes the importance of and encourages safe practices in areas not directly related to the workplace. An all-encompassing health and safety culture is the foundation of responsible management and safe operations.

Inquiries

Please contact the Director of Operations for further clarification of this policy.

MD OF PINCHER CREEK

April 8, 2015

TO: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer
FROM: Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations
SUBJECT: Village of Cowley – Assistance with Waterworks Operation

1. Origin

The Village of Cowley has an approval with Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development for the operation and maintenance of their waterworks system.

2. Background

They require a qualified system operator to operate the system at all times. As they have only one operator they are looking to contract with the Municipal District to have our operators provide the service on an as and when required basis to cover when their operator is on holidays or during absences. The attached agreement would formalize a working relationship between the municipalities for the operation of their waterworks system.

3. Recommendation

THAT the report from the Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015 regarding Village of Cowley – Assistance with Waterworks Operation be received as information;

AND THAT Council approve the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the Municipality.

Respectfully submitted;



Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations

Attachment

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer

W. Kay

Dated: *April 8, 2015*

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR OPERATIONS OF VILLAGE OF COWLEY WATER AND WASTEWATER WORKS SYSTEMS

BETWEEN

The Village of Cowley
(hereinafter referred to as the "Village")

and

The Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
(hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor")

WHEREAS the Village requires the service of a licensed operator for the operation of the municipally owned water wastewater works systems for the Village, and

WHEREAS The Contractor has employees who have obtained a level two license under the Water and Wastewater Certificate Program has agreed to provide this service.

THEREFORE in consideration for the monies agreed to be paid, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The Contractor agrees to perform his obligation under this agreement in accordance with the provisions outlined in the Village's approval and subsequent amendments granted by Alberta Environmental Protection to the Village, on an as needed basis, for the operation of a water and wastewater works system for the Village.
2. Responsibility of duties as listed with, but not limited to, Village of Cowley Waterworks Operation Program, which may be revised and updated by mutual consent from time to time, are carried out in an efficient and effective manner.
3. The Village agrees to provide operation support with manpower and services coordinated through the Public Works department.
4. The Contractor will provide his own transportation and maintain a valid operations license for the Village's class of water distribution and wastewater collection facility.
5. In the event the contractor is unable to fulfill the duties as specified in the contract (vacation, sickness, etc) the Superintendent of Public Works for the Village must be notified in advance where possible who will be providing the service and what their qualifications are.
6. Payment of \$37.00/hr to be paid monthly within 30 days of month end.
7. The Village agrees to reimburse expenses incurred by the contractor during the performance of his duties including conferences and traveling expenses provided they have been pre-approved.

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- 8. This agreement shall come into full force when duly executed by both parties and can be amended from time to time with a letter receiving mutual consent.
- 9. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving 90 days written notice to the other party or on shorter notice with mutual consent.

This agreement, made this _____ day of _____, 201_ ensures to the benefit of and is binding upon the parties.

VILLAGE OF COWLEY

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MD OF PINCHER CREEK

April 8, 2015

TO: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer
FROM: Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations
SUBJECT: Contribution to Alberta Invasive Species Council 'Regional Invasive Plant Workshop'

1. Origin

There has been an informal request that the municipalities that are part of the Alberta Invasive Species Councils (AISC), 'Regional Invasive Plant Workshop' on April 23, contribute \$300 or more to this event.

2. Background

The Hawkweed infestations in the Forestry area have spurred the Alberta government to hire a full time Invasive Species Coordinator for the Green Area from Banff down to Waterton. Megan Evans has worked with the AISC to put together a Regional Invasive Plant Workshop for this area, to be held in the Pincher Creek Heritage Inn, April 23, 2015. Other municipalities have decided to contribute \$300, and an informal request has come to us to do the same.

Our Agricultural Service Board at their April 2, 2015 meeting has recommended to Council that we contribute \$300 to this event.

3. Recommendation

THAT the report from the Director of Operations, dated April 8, 2015 regarding Contribution to Alberta Invasive Species Council 'Regional Invasive Plant Workshop' be received as information;

AND THAT Council approve a contribution of \$300 to the Alberta Invasive Species Council 'Regional Invasive Plant Workshop', with funding coming from Conservation Projects (2-62-0-773-2765).

Respectfully submitted;



Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations

Attachment

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer *w.kay*

Dated: *April 9, 2015*



Presents the first annual Southwest Alberta

Regional Invasive Plant Workshop

Invasive Plant Prevention & Management Strategies

April 23, 2015

Heritage Inn, Pincher Creek, AB, 919 Waterton Ave
Presented in conjunction with:



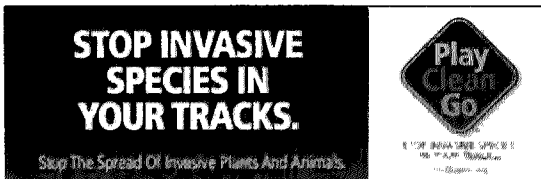
WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

- Offer education regarding prevention strategies aimed at reducing the spread of invasive species.
- To gain an understanding of the challenges faced by land managers regarding invasive species.
- To develop management and prevention strategies to assist in reducing the spread of invasive species.
- Applicator credits will be available.

---DRAFT AGENDA---

8:00-9:00	Welcome and Registration
9:00-9:30	Case Study: Hawkweed in the Castle area (Brad Jones, Megan Evans AESRD)
9:30-10:00	Case Study: Prevention and EDRR programs that work (Kelly Cooley, South Region Association of Agricultural Fieldmen and Ag Service Boards)
10:00-10:30	Portable Vehicle Wash Units (Sheilah Kennedy S-K Environmental)
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-11:30	Knapweed Invasions in Montana (Bradley Smith, AARD)
11:30-12:00	Knapweed Invasions in Montana (Kari Lewis, Montana State University Extension)
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-1:30	Pop Quiz! (Nicole Kimmel, AARD)
1:30-2:00	Update from the Alberta Invasive Species Council (Barry Gibbs, AISC)
2:00-2:30	Weed Free Gravel Program (Oscar Anderson, MD of Ranchland; Carla Preachuk, MD of Willow Creek)
2:30-3:00	Coffee Break
3:00-4:00	Break-out Sessions (Cameron Lockerbie, AESRD)
4:00-4:15	Closing Remarks

The workshop is free to attend if registration is received prior to April 13th and your name will be entered into a door prize draw. After April 13th, the cost is \$25. Lunch and coffee will be provided. Please RSVP to Megan Evans at (403) 562-3148 or megan.evans@gov.ab.ca.



MD OF PINCHER CREEK

APRIL 9, 2015

TO: Reeve and Council

FROM: Leo Reedyk, Director of Operations

SUBJECT: **Cameras for Public Works Dumpster Location**

1. Origin

The Municipal District has budgeted \$5,000 for surveillance cameras in the 2015 budget. Council has requested a system at the Public Works Dumpster location to assist in identifying persons who leave materials that are not permitted at the site.

2. Background:

In 2014 the Municipal District contacted three security system providers to get information on their products and probable costs. Pinnacle Security Ltd was able to provide a quality product at a reasonable rate and were selected to provide a quote for the scope approved in the 2015 budget.

Testing at the location determined that two cameras mounted on the wind screen could provide video surveillance of activity with enough coverage to confirm who deposits unapproved material. The cameras have enough clarity that vehicle license plates can be read to assist in enforcement of the Municipalities waste bylaws.

The quote received (attached) is for \$6,532 just over the \$5,000 budgeted. In addition to the Pinnacle Security cost there will be a small cost associated with mounting the necessary electrical junction box on the existing electrical service on the wind fence.

3. Recommendation:

THAT the report from the Director of Operations, dated April 9, 2015, regarding Cameras for Public Works Dumpster Location be received;

AND THAT Council approve the additional \$2,000 required to install the cameras with funding coming from 2-12-0-520-2520.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leo Reedyk



Attachment

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer

W. Kay Date: April 9, 2015

Pinnacle Security Ltd



Quotation

Reliable Innovative Security Solutions at an affordable price.

Date 2015-04-08
Valid Until 2015-07-07
Quote #:

Customer:
M.D. Of Pincher Creek

Quote/Project Description
IP Cameras and NVR

Address:
City:
Phone:

Quantity	Description
1	X4S-NVR-1U DVR 8 Channel Network Video Recorder 2TB Storage License Free X5 Software
1	X5-5MP-IR-3310-LR-MZ Long Range 5MP Bullet Infrared Camera
1	X5-5MP-IR-3310-MR-MZ Med Range 5MP Bullet Infrared Camera
2	12VDC Power Supply
2	Wireless Radios
1	POE Switch
	Labor to install hardware, programming and training included.
	Technical support to owner's IT department for networking by owner on existing network.
	Camera power in weather proof box with 2 110V plugins at fence supplied by owner .

Special Notes and Instructions

Once signed, please Fax, mail or e-mail it to the provided address.

Payment shall proceed as follows unless otherwise agreed upon.

Total before Tax \$6,532

50 % due upon hardware delivery with the balance due upon job completion unless otherwise agreed upon.

Lease Options: 24 Mos. 36 Mos.

Leasing pricing is approximate and must be confirmed

Above information is not an invoice and only an estimate of services/goods described above.

Please confirm your acceptance of this quote and the payment terms by signing this document.

Signature _____
Print Name _____

If you have any questions concerning this quote, contact Les Scotton.. 403-388-4527

Thank you for your business!

#3-201, 2nd Ave. S. Lethbridge, Ab. T1J 0B7
P 403-320-9500, F-403-320-9701,

Pinnacle Security Ltd

Reliable Innovative Security Solutions at an affordable price.



Scope of Work

Date: 2015-04-08
 Valid Until:
 Quote #:

Customer: M.D. Of Pincher Creek

Quote/Project Description IP Cameras and NVR

SCOPE OF WORK

Supply and install:

Quantity	Description	Location
1	16 Channel Network Video Recorder	M.D. Office Server Room Rack
2	Wireless Radios	1 at Shop, 1 at Camera Site
1	POE Switch	Camera Site
1	Long Range 5MP Infrared Camera	Camera site on fence facing south
1	Medium Range 5MP Infrared Camera	Camera Site on fence facing west
	Power at fence supplied by owner in	
	Weather proof box with 2 110V plug ins	

Demos: The NVR software is available for download upon request should a preview be required.

If you have any questions concerning this quote, contact Les Scotton.. 403-388-4527

Thank you for your business!

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ASCENDENT
TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Pinnacle Security

#3, 201- 2nd Avenue South
Lethbridge, AB
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Phone:
403.320.9500

X4S-NVR-1U



X4S 1U NVR

Ascendent now offers standalone NVRs that connect and record Ascendent's C Series IP cameras autonomously from a PC. These systems allow HD video to be transmitted via wired or wireless network so you can access it from your mobile device for instant live viewing. With optional POE ports only one Cat5 cable is required for power and video. Note: C Series IP cameras are denoted by -CS at the end of their model number. 16 Channel Recording: 1080P@30fps/Camera (X4S-NVR-16-1U-P 1080P@15fps/Camera) 32 Channel Recording: 1080P@30fps/Camera To view and record 3 and 5 Megapixel cameras, please select a 5MP NVR model.

MOTION	Multiple Zones
VIEW SPEED	30fps@1080P Viewing and Recording
DISPLAY	1/4/8/9/16
COMPRESSION	H.264 / MPEG4
HDD MANAGE	2x HDDs Optional Redundancy
USERS	20
BACKUP	USB
VIDEO OUT	1x HDMI 1x VGA 1x BNC
OPERATING TEMP	-10 ~+55°C / 10~90%RH / 86~106kpa
POWER	DC12VDC 20W w/o HDD
NETWORK	1x RJ-45 port (10/100M/1000M) 8x POE (IEEE802.3af)

Customizable Options

Channels

- 8CH 1U 5MP
- 16CH
- 16CH 5MP
- 32CH
- 32CH 1U NVR 5MP

External Drive

- No Drive
- External DVD Writer

Storage

- 500GB
- 1TB
- 2TB
- 3TB
- 4TB
- 6TB
- 8TB

X4/X5 Client Software License

- X5 Free
- X4 16CH License
- X5 16CH License
- X4 32CH License
- X5 32CH License
- X4 64CH License
- X5 64CH License

Director of Operations Report April 9, 2015

Operations Activity Includes:

- March 23, Cowley Joint Council meeting;
- March 24, Regular Council meeting;
- March 25, AUMA Water Regulation Changes Webinar;
- March 27, Agricultural and Environmental Services - Open House;
- March 27, Pickup Truck Tender Close;
- April 1, Public Works Safety meeting;
- April 2, Agricultural Service Board meeting;
- April 7, Ergonomics Training;
- April 8, Joint Worksite Health and Safety meeting;
- April 8, AEMA meeting.

Agricultural and Environmental Services Activity Includes:

- March 24, Planning Meeting for SE Slopes Invasive Plants Forum (on April 23);
- March 25, ASB Agenda package;
- March 26, Preparation for Open House;
- March 27, AES Open House;
- March 31, CFIA Audit;
- April 2, ASB Meeting;
- April 2, SAGSW Conference Call;
- April 3 – 6, Easter Break;
- April 7, AMHSA Ergonomics Training;
- April 8, Joint Worksite Health and Safety Committee;
- Ongoing, monitoring water levels in MD Dams;
- Ongoing, Summer student hiring.

Public Works Activity Includes:

- Temp snow fence removal #1 priority;
- Reclaiming gravel and material from ditches and reshaping roads;
- Spot gravelling;
- Preparing texas gates for install;
- Preparing equipment for construction season;
- Brush chipping
- Plowing snow and blading roads as needed.

Upcoming:

- April 9, Staff meeting;
- April 14, Council meeting;
- April 16, Cottonwood Bridge Monthly meeting.

Project Update:

- 2013 Disaster Recovery Projects
 - Cottonwood Bridge – Contractor placing girders week of April 6, 2015;
 - Drywood Creek/Spread Eagle Road – Contractor scheduling work for March to June, contracts are signed;
 - Oldman River/Lank Bridge – 2013 damage repair complete;
 - Satoris Road/Goat Creek Bridge – DFO approval is ongoing, Contractor to do the work summer 2015.

- 2014 Disaster Recovery Projects
 - BF 2064 (Bruder Bridge) – Driving piles;
 - Oldman River/Lank Bridge Armour – awaiting DRP assessment.

- Capital Projects
 - RR 29-5 (Bill Cyr Road) – Contract awarded;
 - TR 8-4 (Paradien Hill) – Preliminary design complete, contemplating options;
 - North Burmis Road Intersection – Surveying complete, preliminary design underway;
 - Maycroft Road Right of Way – contractor engaged;
 - Summerview Bridge – Request for quotation out to contractor;
 - Christy Mines Road – Contractor quotes received, scheduling start date;
 - Beaver Mines Fire Hall washroom – contractors requested to provide quotes.

Call Log – attached.

Recommendation:

That the Operations report for the period March 19, 2015 to April 9, 2015 be received as information.

Prepared by: Leo Reedyk



Date: April 9, 2015

Reviewed by: Wendy Kay



Date: April 9, 2015

Submitted to: Council

Date: April 14, 2015

WORK ORDER	DIVISION	LOCATION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	ACTION TAKEN	REQUEST DATE	COMPLETION DATE
141	Division 2	SW28 T5 R29 W4	Wants to expand an approach for big trucks and put gravel on road allowance	Arnold Nelson	Deferred Until spring 2015	2014-09-29	
158	Division 1	NE2 T3 R29 W4	East side of Texas gate needs cleaning West side was done last year	Arnold Nelson	Deferred Until spring 2015	2014-10-15	
168	Division 2	NW26 T5 R29 W4	Would like road allowance graded	Stu Weber	Deferred Until spring 2015	2014-10-22	
170	Division 2	NE17 T5 R29 W4	Rocks need to be p/u from her field washed up from the ditch	Stu Weber	Deferred Until spring 2015	2014-10-23	
178	Division 1	NW25 T3 R29 W4	RR29-1 South of Twp4-0 requesting "No through Road/No Exit Sign	Stu Weber	Work in progress	2014-10-29	
327	Division 5	NE36 T7 R3 W5	Would like gravel added to approach off N. Burmis Rd. to Texas gate to make a long gentle slope	Dave Sekella	Deferred Until spring 2015	2015-01-26	
329	Division 1	SE1/SW2 T4 R30 W4	Upgrade section of road TWP 4-0 west of Hwy 6	Stu Weber	Deferred Until spring 2015	2015-02-04	
331	Division 5	SW16 T9 R2 W5	Would like an approach put in in future will be building a house	Stu Weber	Waiting for a development plan	09-Feb-15	
334	Division 5	SE22 T9 R2 W5	would like signs posted to warn of the bus stop for the pickup of the Lynch/Staunton kids on Willow Valley Rd.	Don Jackson	Work in Progress	20-Feb-15	
345	Division 3	Airport	Repair light on apron to runway	Bob Salmon	Work in progress	2015-02-13	
346	Division 5	Burmis Mtn Estates	To install 'no motorized equipment' signs within the environmental reserve adjacent to current motorized trails	Don Jackson	Work in progress	2015-03-13	
347	Division 3	SW25 T5 R1 W5	Site 60016 Rail Fence broken Twp Rd 6-0	Arnold Nelson	Work in progress	2015-03-13	
367	Division 2	NW15 T6 R30 W4	Max 50' speed sign down/Tremblay Rd	Don Jackson	Work in progress	2015-03-18	
368	Beaver Mines	509 - 2 Ave	Water run-off coming on his property	Arnold Nelson	Work in progress		
369	Division 2	Standpipe	Hose & Pump need checking	Arnold Nelson	Completed	2015-04-02	2015-04-02
370	Division 5	Hwy 3A RR2-3	Intersection sign knocked down	Don Jackson	Work in progress		
371	Division 1	Twp 5-2 RR29-2	Yield Sign is down	Don Jackson	Work in progress		
372	Division 5	6 Villa Vega Acres	Concerns re traffic speeding Twp 7-2/ Hwy 507 Perhaps children at play signs should be put in	Stu Weber	Work in progress		
373	Division 3	SW31 T5 R1 W5	Sites #5520 & #5518 would like driveways graded	Brent Gunderson	Work in progress		

April 8th, 2015

TO: Reeve and Council

FROM: Mat Bonertz, Director of Finance and Administration

SUBJECT: **2015 Mill Rate Bylaw**

1. Origin

The Municipal Government Act requires a bylaw be passed annually to set rates of taxation for the current year.

2. Background/Comment

Mill rates have been determined which will generate the required property tax revenue as detailed in the 2015 Operating Budget and the 2015 Provincial School and Pincher Creek Foundation requisitions and the Emergency Services levy. As well an additional \$780,000.00 will be collected for reserves that will be used for future operating/capital requirements. As directed on average a 3% increase on individual property taxes from 2014 will be realized. The bylaw needs to be passed before production of the 2015 tax notices can proceed. A mailing date of May 1st is anticipated.

The 2015 Operating Budget included a 4% increase in taxation revenue. After taking into account market value assessment increases and new development assessment increases along with the changes in requisition requests the following mill rate percentage changes were realized from 2014:

Farmland	3.01% Increase
Residential	1.21% Increase
Non Residential	0.50% Increase
Machinery and Equipment	5.53% Increase
Wind Energy and Co-Generation	5.53% Increase

3. Recommendation

That the 2015 Mill Rate Bylaw 1260-15 be given 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mat Bonertz, Director of Finance and Administration

Reviewed By: Wendy Kay, CAO



Date: April 8th, 2015

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
BYLAW NO. 1260-15**

A Bylaw to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property within the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 for the **2015 taxation year**.

WHEREAS the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 has prepared and adopted detailed estimates of the municipal revenues and expenditures for 2015 as required, at the Council meeting held on December 8, 2014;

AND WHEREAS the estimated municipal expenditures and transfers set out in the budget for the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 for 2015, not including Provincial School, Pincher Creek Foundation requisitions, and Pincher Creek Emergency Services levy total \$11,457,620;

AND WHEREAS Council has directed an additional \$780,000.00 be collected to increase Municipal reserve funds;

AND WHEREAS the municipal revenues and transfers from all sources, other than taxation for 2015, is estimated at \$2,201,330 and the balance not including Provincial School, Pincher Creek Foundation requisitions and Pincher Creek Emergency Services levy of \$10,0306,290 is to be raised by general municipal taxation;

AND WHEREAS the requisitions are:

Alberta School Foundation Fund (ASFF)	
Residential/Farmland	1,253,174.29
Non-residential	1,200,904.09
Opted Out School Boards	
Residential/Farmland	97,800.03
Non-residential	<u>7,819.92</u>
	2,559,698.33
Requisition Allowance (359)(2)	0.00
Pincher Creek Foundation	328,994.00
Pincher Creek Emergency Services	254,500.00

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 is required, each year, to levy on the assessed value of all property, tax rates sufficient to meet the estimated expenditures and the requisitions;

AND WHEREAS the Council is authorized to classify assessed property and to establish different rates of taxation in respect to each class of property, subject to the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M26, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000;

AND WHEREAS the assessed value of all property in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, as shown on the assessment roll for 2015 is:

	<u>Assessment</u>
Farmland	58,862,500
Residential	496,445,480
Non Residential	365,016,890
Machinery and Equipment	215,668,400
Electrical Co-Generation	<u>456,115,080</u>
	1,592,108,350

NOW THEREFORE under the authority of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, in the Province of Alberta, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized to levy the following rates of taxation on the assessed value of all property, as shown on the assessment roll for 2015 of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 in the Province of Alberta:

	Tax Levy	Assessment	Tax Rate
General Municipal			
Farmland	346,246.88	58,862,500	5.8823
Residential	2,020,533.10	496,445,480	4.0700
Non-Residential	2,701,124.99	365,016,890	7.4000
Machinery and Equipment	1,595,946.16	215,668,400	7.4000
Electrical Co-Generation	3,375,251.59	456,115,080	7.4000
Total	<u>10,039,102.72</u>	<u>1,592,108,350</u>	
Alberta School Foundation Fund			
Farmland/Residential	1,244,284.73	511,440,966	2.4329
Non-Residential	1,201,230.53	362,745,140	3.3115
Machinery & Equipment	.00	215,668,400	0.0000
Electrical Co-Generation	.00	456,115,080	0.0000
Total	<u>2,445,515.26</u>	<u>1,545,969,586</u>	
Opted-Out School Boards			
Farmland/Residential	106,724.06	43,867,014	2.4329
Non-Residential	7,522.90	2,271,750	3.3115
Machinery & Equipment	.00	0	0.0000
Electrical Co-Generation	.00	0	0.0000
Total	<u>114,246.96</u>	<u>46,138,764</u>	
Requisition Allowance			
Total	<u>.00</u>	<u>0</u>	0.0000
Senior Citizens Foundations			
Pincher Creek Foundation	329,088.80	1,592,108,350	0.2067
Total	<u>329,088.80</u>	<u>1,592,108,350</u>	
Emergency Services			
Pincher Creek Emergency Services	254,578.13	1,592,108,350	0.1599
Total	<u>254,578.13</u>	<u>1,592,108,350</u>	

2. The minimum amount payable as property tax for general municipal purposes shall be \$20.00 per parcel.

3. This Bylaw comes into force and effect on the date of the third and final reading.

READ a first time this _____ day of _____, 2015

READ a second time this _____ day of _____, 2015

READ a third time and finally passed this _____ day of _____, 2015

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MD OF PINCHER CREEK

April 9th, 2015

TO: Reeve and Council

FROM: Mat Bonertz, Director of Finance and Administration

SUBJECT: **Short Term Investment Opportunity**

1. Origin

The MD has numerous short term investments (funds that will typically be required over the next 12 to 18 months) with C.I.B.C. Many of these short term investments are Provincial Government grants that are advanced to us prior to expenditures being required. While we hold these funds in trust any interest earned by the funds must be included with the grant. There are also trusts that must be held because of Provincial legislation (subdivision cash in lieu of land and proceeds from land sold through tax recovery). Any excess operating cash we may have is also put into short term investments to maximize any interest possibilities.

2. Background/Comment

Our current short term investment strategy is in C.I.B.C. T-bill accounts. These accounts were set up by the local branch as the best option for us as GIC's (Guaranteed Income Certificates) were not suitable from a cash management standpoint. GIC's lock money in for specific periods of time (30 days, 60 days, 180 days, etc.) and must be held on deposit for the full term to earn full interest. The requirements on our short term investments are seldom known in advance. Typically when the funds are actually required is only known close to the requirement date. T-Bills gave us this flexibility as interest is accumulated while the funds are on deposit and they could be withdrawn at any time.

Our banking services are now being managed by C.I.B.C.'s commercial account branch in Lethbridge. Our chequing account is still a local account and will remain that way. Our deposits are still made locally. The advantage of this arrangement to us is the knowledge that is now at our disposal is more tailored to our actual needs. Part of the transition to Lethbridge included a review of our banking requirements. After discussing our needs when it comes to short term investing C.I.B.C. is recommending we change all of our short term investment accounts to C.I.B.C. Business Operating Accounts. All banking fees on these accounts are waived. Individual investments would remain in separate accounts but interest would be assigned on the accounts as a whole. The interest would be on a tiered structure based on the overall funds on deposit. Interest is tied to C.I.B.C.'s average monthly prime rate (currently 2.85%). Aggregate funds up to \$1,000,000.00 would get average monthly prime less 1.9% (.95%), funds from \$1,000,000.00 to \$10,000,000.00 would get average monthly prime less 1.8% (1.05%) and funds over \$10,000,000.00 would get average monthly prime less 1.7% (1.15%). T-bills are currently paying .32% interest. The suggested change would pay 3 times what we are currently receiving. An added advantage to this arrangement is we would have online access to each individual account allowing us to transfer funds in and out directly without the need of working with the bank as we do now. There is approximately \$1,100,000.00 in our short term investments currently which is typical but can be as high as \$10,000,000.00 certain times of the year. The proposed banking change ensures the funds are just as safe as the T-bill investments were.



PRESENTATION TO

Municipal District of Pincher Creek #9



Current Economic Climate – Impact on Investing Surplus Cash

- Recent market events have emphasized the need for a higher level of scrutinizing risk
- Current economic conditions have companies reviewing their priorities

Risk, liquidity management, and capital preservation, are the top priorities for companies worldwide

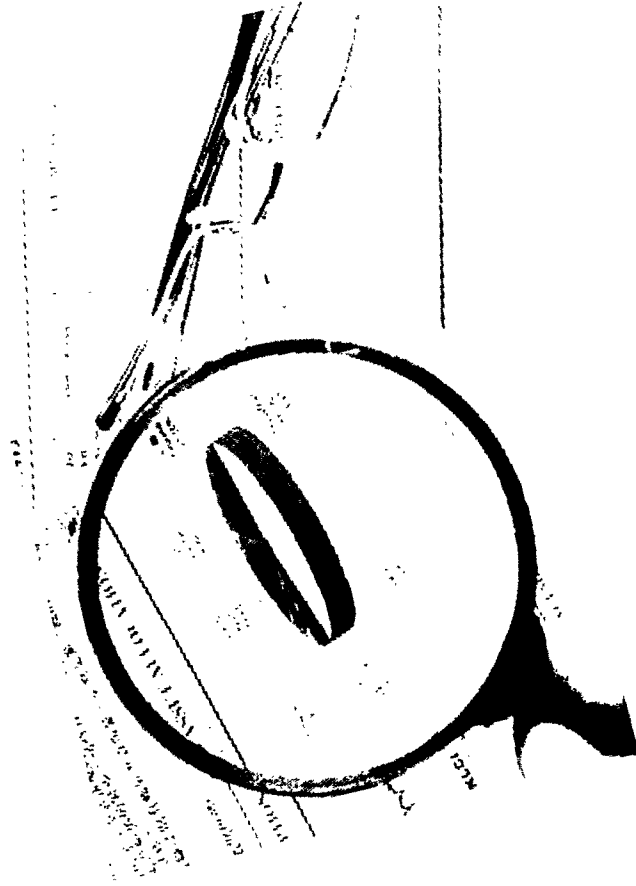
How are companies meeting these objectives?

- Reviewing their investments with increased scrutiny
- No longer relying on general investment policies and statements
- Diversifying cash balances; using the strongest balance sheets of Canadian banks to mitigate risk
- Companies have moved funds into high interest savings accounts to help meet their investment policies and day to day requirements
 - efficient, manageable day to day banking – **decreased administration**
 - funds are fully liquid and available daily, no worrying about locked in funds – **increased liquidity**
 - funds transferred online to a business operating account for disbursement, allowing for better cash flow management - **reduced operating costs**
 - earn competitive interest rates with very low risk – **capital preservation and return**



Investment Options

- **Business Operating Accounts**
 - Complete liquidity of funds
 - Interest-bearing
 - Facilitates full range of cash management services
- **Fixed / Money Market Instruments**
 - CIBC Business GIC's
 - T-Bills
 - Government-issued, lowest risk
 - Banker's Acceptance (BA's)
 - Corporate-issued; guaranteed by a CDN bank
 - Commercial Paper
 - Corporate-issued, negotiable debt security
 - Yield based on corporate credit worthiness



Investments

Business Investment Account Option

Efficient, manageable day to day banking – Convenient

- Efficient, manageable day to day banking – Convenient
- Transfer funds online in real-time
- Complete liquidity. Funds available daily, allowing for better cash flow management
- Very low risk investment
- Creation & maintenance of investment policy & procedures may not be necessary
- Earn competitive interest rates, better overall return on surplus balances

	Interest Rate
Canadian Balance Tiers	
Balances between \$0 and \$999,999.99	MAP* less 1.90%
Balances between \$1,000,000 and \$9,999,999.99	MAP less 1.80%
Balances between \$10,000,000 and over	MAP less 1.70%

*MAP = Monthly Average Prime Rate (current Prime Rate @ 2.85%)

- Fixed Tier



Fixed / Money Market Instrument Investment Option

- GIC, T-Bill, BA
- Requires liquidity management (i.e. funding business operating account on a needs basis to meet daily obligations)

Advantage:

- Traditionally higher up-front rate of return

Disadvantages:

- Balance locked in; Inconvenient
- Liquidity Management challenge (i.e. funding bank account on a needs basis to meet daily obligations)
- Creation & monitoring of investment policies & guidelines



Investments

Cdn Rate

.67%*

.50%

.32%*

Rate

1.05%

Interest Rate Comparables

Monthly Indication Rates (April 9, 2015)

Monthly Indication Rates (April 9, 2015)

CIBC 30-day BA rate

CIBC 30-day non-redeemable GIC Rate

CIBC 30-day non-redeemable GIC Rate

30-day T-Bill Rate

* = subject to availability

Return on Surplus Deposit Balances

Return on Surplus Deposit Balances

If Cdn Balances \geq \$1 -to- \$ 10 million

If Cdn Balances \geq \$1 -to- \$ 10 million

Note: Current CIBC Prime Rate = 2.85%

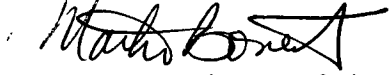
Note: Current CIBC Prime Rate = 2.85%

Note: Indication rates shown above are for discussion purposes only and may be subject to change.

3. Recommendation

That the M.D. accept C.I.B.C.'s recommendation to change our short term investments from C.I.B.C. T-bill accounts to C.I.B.C. Business Operating Accounts.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mat Bonertz, Director of Finance and Administration

Reviewed By: Wendy Kay, CAO



Date: April 9th, 2015

April 8, 2015

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

LIBRARY BUDGET

Moved by _____

THAT the Municipal District of Pincher Creek's contribution to the 2015 Library Budget be approved for \$103,146.00, representing an eleven percent (11%) increase over the 2014 actual revenues and expenditures.

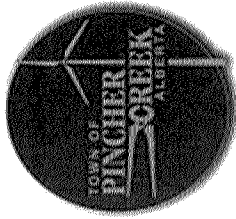
April 8, 2015

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CEMETERY BUDGET

Moved by _____

THAT the Municipal District of Pincher Creek's contribution to the 2015 Cemetery Budget be approved for \$46,679.16.



TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK

Summary Profit and Loss - Operations

For the Twelve Months Ending December-31-14

31/03/2015
10:36 AM

	2013 <u>Actual Audited</u>	2014 <u>Actual (Unaudited)</u>	2014 <u>Budget</u>	2015 <u>Budget</u>	2016 <u>Budget</u>
CEMETERY					
REVENUE					
Sales & Services	5,675.00	10,497.63	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00
Return On Investments	4,252.79	4,394.01	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Local Government Transfers	37,016.46	35,008.15	41,311.13	46,679.16	48,408.00
Donations		171.98			
Total Revenue	46,944.25	50,071.77	60,311.13	65,679.16	67,408.00
EXPENSES					
Salaries & Wages	49,900.96	48,509.66	57,177.88	59,920.56	63,234.52
Benefits	8,141.43	9,360.90	11,028.46	14,073.48	14,621.21
W.C.B. Levy	449.24	370.25	719.92	498.29	524.00
Training & Travel	107.62	1,031.68	1,680.00	2,105.00	2,105.00
Advertising	122.45	238.93	75.00	75.00	75.00
Professional Services	9,057.97	6,964.62	8,862.00	8,757.00	8,757.00
Memberships & Subscriptions	115.00	115.00	110.00	110.00	110.00
Repairs & Maintenance	7,838.49	10,719.05	12,075.00	17,075.00	17,075.00
Rentals & Leases	467.53	481.42	606.00	606.00	606.00
Insurance	908.63	682.28	1,126.00	1,126.00	1,150.00
Goods	2,379.95	2,481.05	3,550.00	3,900.00	3,900.00
Power	757.95	380.75	1,082.00	582.00	600.00
Town Utilities	1,713.49	1,744.32	1,530.00	1,530.00	1,530.00
Amortization	4,184.80	3,440.20	7,159.00	7,159.00	7,159.00
Transfer to Reserves	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Expenses	88,145.51	88,520.11	108,781.26	119,517.33	123,446.73
Net Cemetery	(41,201.26)	(38,448.34)	(48,470.13)	(53,838.17)	(56,038.73)

April 9, 2015

PROPOSED RESOLUTION
LIGHTING ON WIND TURBINE TOWERS

Moved by _____

THAT a letter be forwarded to the Federal Minister of Transport, with a copy to our MP, John Barlow, requesting a review of the current regulations regarding the requirement for lighting on wind turbines, and specifically related to the intense, pulsing, synchronized red colored lighting atop wind turbine towers.

March 20, 2015 to April 9, 2015

DISCUSSION

- March 20, 2015 Ambulance Contract
- March 24, 2015 Policies and Plans
- March 24, 2015 Regular Council
- March 24, 2015 Coffee with Council
- March 25, 2015 Castle Mountain
- March 26, 2015 Emergency Services
- March 26, 2015 Joint Council
- March 27, 2015 ASB – Open House
- March 31, 2015 Joint Council
- April 7, 2015 John Barlow, MP
- April 7, 2015 Finance
- April 7, 2015 Strategic Planning
- April 7, 2015 Subdivision Authority
- April 7, 2015 Municipal Planning Commission
- April 8, 2015 Alberta Emergency Management

UPCOMING:

- April 14, 2015 Policies and Plans
- April 14, 2015 Public Hearing
- April 14, 2015 Regular Council
- April 15 and 16, 2015 First Aid
- April 17, 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
- April 21 – 24 Emergency Management Training
- April 21, 2015 Emergency Management Training – Council
- April 23, 2015 Emergency Services
- April 28, 2015 Financial Policies
- May 1, 2015 CAO Meeting – MD Willow Creek
- May 5, 2015 AAMDC Visit
- May 5, 2015 Strategic Planning
- May 5, 2015 Castle Mountain Area Structure Plan
- May 5, 2015 Subdivision Authority
- May 5, 2015 Municipal Planning Commission

OTHER

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of March 20, 2015 to April 9, 2015.

Prepared by: CAO, Wendy Kay Date: April 9, 2015

Presented to: Council Date: April 14, 2015

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

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March 17, 2015

Reeve Brian Hammond
Municipal District of Pincher Creek
PO Box 279
Pincher Creek AB T0K 1W0

Dear Reeve Hammond,

Thank you for your letter of February 13, 2015 regarding the Municipal District (MD) of Pincher Creek's agreement to mediation of the Emergency Management Agreement with the Town of Pincher Creek and the Village of Cowley.

I am pleased to learn that the MD is willing to participate in mediation of this important issue. As mentioned in my letter of February 25, 2015 to Mayor Anderberg, Municipal Affairs will be providing \$25,000 towards the cost of the professional fees and travel expenses of the mediators. Michael Scheidl, Manager of Municipal Dispute Resolution Services, will contact the MD, town and village in the near future to convene a meeting of all interested municipalities to explain the process and to help the municipalities to jointly select private mediators.

I commend the MD, town and village for the collaborative work you have undertaken in the past and I trust this commitment will continue.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana McQueen".

Diana McQueen
Minister

cc: Mayor Donald Anderberg
Town of Pincher Creek
Mayor Garry Hackler
Village of Cowley

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK



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March 25, 2015

Reeve Brian Hammond
Municipal District of Pincher Creek
PO Box 279
Pincher Creek AB T0K 1W0

Dear Reeve Hammond,

I am pleased to confirm a significant additional funding allocation to the 2014 Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital program that was announced on March 6, 2015. This funding will provide an additional \$398.9 million to Alberta's municipalities to support your local infrastructure needs and priorities, on top of the \$1.2 billion already allocated in 2014.

Your additional 2014 MSI Capital funding is \$477,800. MSI allocations for all municipalities are also posted on the Municipal Affairs MSI website at municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/MSI.cfm. Details on the allocations, as well as the application process and payment requirements for these funds, are available on the MSI website in the Addendum to 2014 MSI Capital Program Guidelines.

I remain committed to supporting you and your community, and will work together with you to ensure you have the resources you require to meet your local infrastructure needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diana McQueen".

Diana McQueen
Minister

cc: Gary Bikman, MLA, Cardston-Taber-Warner
Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer, Municipal District of Pincher Creek

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK



March 24, 2015

Dear Mayors, Reeves and Councillors:

RE: April 28 - National Day of Mourning

On April 28, people across Canada stop to remember workers killed, injured or disabled at work.

In 2014, Alberta lost 169 men and women to workplace injury or illness.

To honour them, we have developed a memorial poster (enclosed) in recognition of the day. This poster will appear at workplaces, public places and in ceremonies across the province as a remembrance and a tribute to the workers killed or injured on the job.

We have also included a small vinyl sticker to provide a tangible reminder of the significance of April 28. If you are interested in distributing them to visitors, we would be happy to provide you with a supply.

We ask that you display the poster and use it in any events marking Day of Mourning.

If you have any questions, need stickers or additional posters, please contact Dina DaSilva, WCB Corporate Communications at 780-498-8616 or dina.dasilva@wcb.ab.ca.

We will be lowering our flags to half-mast on April 28; we invite you to mark this important day by doing the same.

Respectfully,

Dayna Therien
Director of Corporate Communications
WCB-Alberta

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March 30, 2015

Ms. Wendy Kay, Chief Administrative Officer
Municipal District of Pincher Creek
PO Box 279
Pincher Creek AB T0K 1W0

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

Dear Ms. Kay:

Since the launch of the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) program in July 2014, Municipal Affairs has received an unprecedented number of applications for grant funding across all program components. While the provincial financial picture remains strong, decreased resource revenue has created conditions requiring us to be prudent with our expenditures and diligently demonstrate fiscal restraint.

On behalf of the Minister, I regret to advise that the following project application submitted to the Intermunicipal Collaboration component of the ACP has been declined:

- Regional Emergency Management Plan and Program \$70,000.

The Ministry recognizes the important collaborative work being undertaken throughout the province to strengthen communities, and is hopeful that these ongoing partnerships can be sustained during these challenging times.

If you have any additional questions regarding this project, please contact Marie Juengel, Director, Grant Program Delivery, at 780-422-8105.

Sincerely,

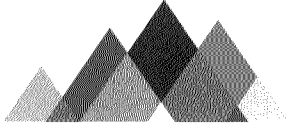


Brad Pickering
Deputy Minister

cc: Gary Bikman, MLA, Cardston-Taber-Warner
Reeve Brian Hammond, Municipal District of Pincher Creek

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16 March 2015

Alberta Electric System Operator – Stakeholder Relations
Mr. John Barlow, M.P. for Macleod, House of Commons, Ottawa
The Honourable Jim Prentice, Premier of Alberta
Mr. Pat Stier, MLA for Livingstone-Macleod
Honourable Frank Oberle, Minister of Energy
Mr. John Grove, Municipal and Community Relations Manager, South, AltaLink
Reeve Brian Hammond, MD of Pincher Creek
Reeve Cameron Gardner, MD of Ranchland
Mayor Don Anderberg, Town of Pincher Creek

Reference: AltaLink Castle Rock Ridge to Chapel Rock Transmission Project

1. At the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass Council Meeting of March 3, 2015, Council received a petition in opposition to the alignment route through the Municipality. There were in excess of 166 persons who had taken the time to register their opposition to the alignment option east of the Community of Bellevue, adjacent to an existing transmission line on the eastern boundary of the Municipality.
2. After a considerable debate on the alignment option, Council was of the opinion that there are several considerations they must identify as significant disadvantages to this proposed hydro line construction project.
 - a. Our community has not been properly consulted on the effect of the towers on our community. This project has been called the “Castle Rock Ridge to Chapel Rock Transmission Project”. Both of these areas are not even close to the Crowsnest Pass. It was only when AltaLink presented to Council, and we demanded that they do a consultation in our community, did a consultation happen. Originally they had no intention of holding a consultation in our community even though we are directly affected. There needs to be an extension in order for all citizens in our community to express their views on this project.
 - b. The Community of Bellevue has a population of over 2,800 people within 1.1 square kilometer, whereas the total population of the MD of Pincher Creek is approximately 3,100 people with a density of .9 per square kilometer. Therefore, our community is at a much greater impact than the MD of Pincher Creek in regards to visual impact and wind noise within this community.

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- c. The planned corridor for this project will go through some very tough terrain and will jeopardize and threaten many species in this South Saskatchewan Regional Plan (SSRP) identified subalpine region, including the Limber Pine and a major wildlife corridor. The SSRP also talks about "appropriately considering land uses and values". The Alberta Government is "committed to responsible development", and this is not responsible development when it threatens to dramatically effect a whole community. The proposed route contradicts Alberta's objective to diversify our economy from oil to tourism.
 - d. Our community relies heavily on the tourism industry as our only source of business revenue, and with over 10,000 vehicles passing through a day, clear sight lines are imperative. The transmission line would be in full view of the multimillion dollar Frank Slide Interpretive Centre while tourists view the historic "Frank Slide".
 - e. The siting of the towers and line on a prominent height of land on the boundary of a community of 800 land owners will be a significant deterrent for future subdivision and development within the Community of Bellevue, and will cause a significant devaluation or reduction of assessed value of the personal properties adjacent to the line route.
 - f. The Council has been advised by property owners who live in close proximity to existing such line right-of-ways of the wind noise, and constant irritation caused by the sound from the towers and the lines that are very close to this residential community.
 - g. The Council is of the opinion that the other three proposed line route options pose a significant lesser risk to a much more sparsely populated area, than the route option north of Bellevue.
 - h. In the Crowsnest Pass the major marketing advantage is the view from the valley, and the valley is already a major corridor for the railway, highway, hydro transmission lines and pipelines. Since we are considered a "Gateway" to Alberta, a major management issue in the valley is the control of invasive weeds along all of these right-of-ways, and all too often the Municipality is left to conduct operations to control and eradicate these weed infestations with no help or recognition of the problem from the owners of these right-of-ways. In the last three years, Alberta Transportation and Canadian Pacific have started to realize the issues with invasive weeds and have started to recognize the cost to control invasive species of weeds, but the pipeline companies and the hydro companies have been less than reactive to the problem.
 - i. The Municipality is one of the only communities and part of the Crown of the Continent initiative and partnership which strives to sustain the remarkable landscape of this area.
3. In the opinion of the Municipal Council of the Crowsnest Pass, the proposed alignment for the Transmission Line is a detriment to one most marketable feature and landscape of the Municipality and the area, which is the purity of the site lines and scenery.
 4. Therefore, we the Municipal Council will go on record as being opposed to routing of this Transmission Line through the Municipality.

Yours Truly,



Mayor Blair Painter
Municipality of Crowsnest Pass

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK

Reeve Brian Hammond
Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
PO Box 279
Pincher Creek AB T0K 1W0

Dear Reeve Hammond,

I am pleased to invite the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 to provide submissions for the 14th annual Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence, which formally recognizes local government excellence and promotes knowledge sharing among municipalities. These awards offer an opportunity to recognize the truly great work being done by local governments in Alberta. 2015 sees the introduction of a new category for larger municipalities (population over 500,000). The new category recognizes the different scale of services provided in these municipalities and their unique situations.

An independent review committee, comprised of representatives from various municipal associations, will recommend award recipients in five categories and one award for outstanding achievement.

Innovation Award – recognizes a leading practice embodying the first use of an idea in a municipal context in Alberta.

Larger Municipalities Award – recognizes the creative practices developed by municipalities with a population over 500,000.

Partnership Award – recognizes a leading municipal practice involving consultation, co-ordination, and co-operation with other municipalities, jurisdictions, or organizations.

Smaller Municipality Award – recognizes the innovative practices developed by communities with less than 3,000 residents.

Safe Communities Award – recognizes a leading practice that promotes or improves public safety in municipalities.

Outstanding Achievement Award – recognizes a municipality or municipal partnership that has helped to inspire action and change that has benefited local government practices in Alberta. *This award, selected by the review committee, recognizes the best submission from the other categories.*

Reeve Brian Hammond


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Submission forms and additional details can be found on the Municipal Excellence Network website at www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/mc_municipal_excellence.cfm. The submission deadline is May 29, 2015. Award recipients will be announced at the 2015 fall conventions of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties and the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.

If you have any questions regarding the Minister's Awards for Municipal Excellence or the Municipal Excellence Network, please direct them to the Municipal Excellence Team, at 780-427-2225, or by email at menet@gov.ab.ca.

I encourage you to share your success stories, and I look forward to celebrating these successes with your communities and your neighbours.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diana McQueen". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Diana McQueen
Minister

Budget Highlights

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Highlights from the current budget on topics important to Albertans.

10-year strategic plan

For most of the past decade, Alberta has relied on sources of revenue that have generally been strong but have always been unpredictable. The lack of a stable fiscal foundation threatens Alberta's ability to deliver quality public services.

The 10-year plan will bring stability to Alberta's public finances and secure a brighter future through the following actions:

- building affordable and efficient public services
- paying off debt and building up savings
- making strategic investments for our environment, economy and society

Read: Putting things right: A responsible, strategic plan to secure Alberta's future (PDF, 36 pages)

Revenue changes

To move Alberta off of its reliance on volatile resource revenue, Budget 2015 proposes several tax measures. These changes protect lower income Albertans, shelter needed programs and services from negative economic impacts and allow Alberta to remain the most competitive tax system in Canada.

Find out about changes being made in our revenue structure.

Budget 2015 highlights by topic

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| ▪ All Albertans | ▪ Low income seniors | ▪ Farmers and ranchers |
| ▪ Communities | ▪ At risk families, children and youth | ▪ Business and the economy |
| ▪ Health care | ▪ Vulnerable Albertans | ▪ Flood-affected Albertans |
| ▪ K to 12 students | ▪ Roads and transit | ▪ The environment |
| ▪ Post-secondary students | ▪ First Nations and Metis Settlements | ▪ Taxpayers |
| ▪ People with disabilities | | |

All Albertans

- Alberta spent about \$1,300 per person above the national average for public services in 2013-14. Changes to government spending outlined in the budget will narrow this over 3 to 4 years while protecting core services and ensuring access for those who need care and for students.
- The province's forecasted deficit for this year will be about \$5 billion, but the Contingency Account will help transition the province back to balanced budgets.
- Under the 5-year Capital Plan Alberta is investing \$29.5 billion over the next 5 years to address the need for roads, schools, hospitals, seniors' facilities and municipal infrastructure across the province.

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Communities

- Municipalities will receive more than \$1.6 billion in direct funding in 2015-16 from across government.
- This budget included \$880 million in support to municipalities through the MSI program, and a further \$209 million in capital support from the Federal Gas Tax Fund.
- The budget also provides \$36 million for public library services, which is a \$3 million increase.
- Alberta contributes \$460 per person to municipalities, the highest of all the provinces.
- Funding has been maintained for the Community Facility Enhancement Program that benefits communities across the province.
- Maintain the same number of police, provincial court judges, prosecutors and sheriffs

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Health care

- Consolidated health spending is \$18.9 billion in 2015-16.
- Budget 2015 reduces health funding by \$160 million or 0.8 per cent. Although wages and programs are costing more, savings will be found by cutting excess spending and finding efficiencies.
- Albertans will see continued changes toward lower cost drugs and increased efficiencies at Alberta Health Services. This budget maintains government's commitment to protect patient care and be prudent with Albertans' tax dollars.

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K-12 Students

- Schools that have been promised will be built. The 5-year Capital Plan includes \$5 billion for schools, including \$2 billion to construct 57 new schools and to modernize 20 more.
- The 2015-16 Education budget is increasing by \$145 million to protect teaching positions and allow government to honour the current collective agreement with teachers.
- Part of the funding increase will come from a 9% cut in administration at Alberta Education.
- Reductions to funding within the education system will come from non-teaching costs.

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Post-secondary students

- \$35 million in Student Aid will be repurposed, resulting in more funding for grants, more accessible student loans, and new and improved funding options for apprentices.
- Alberta continues to provide among the most generous scholarship funding in Canada, with about 47,500 students expected to share in \$83 million.

- Alberta's publicly funded post-secondary institutions will receive \$2 billion in base operating grants this year.
- To ensure Alberta's post-secondary education system remains sustainable into the future, the system will be transitioned over the next 5 years into a model that reduces reliance on government funding. As a result, Campus Alberta base grant funding will be reduced by 1.4% in 2015-16 and 2.7% in 2016-17.
- To assist with this transition, \$50 million in transitional funding will be available this year through Alberta's Access to the Future Fund.

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People with disabilities

- Funding for Alberta's monthly AISH benefit will be maintained.
- More than \$1 billion will support persons with disabilities, including persons with developmental disabilities and families of children with disabilities.

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Low income seniors

- There will be no reductions to the Alberta Seniors Benefit. Eligible seniors will continue to receive the same monthly income supplement.
- The broader Home Repair Loan program will help more seniors stay in their homes longer by offering low-interest home equity loans to help cover the costs of home repairs/improvements.
- New supportive living spaces will continue to be built to help seniors remain in their communities, close to family and friends.
- Work will continue to upgrade fire and safety systems in government owned or supported housing across the province.

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At risk families, children and youth

- Budget 2015 is maintaining support for child-centred programs. This includes 3 new Parent Link Centres, bringing the total to 53; Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder support networks and Family Support for Children with Disabilities.

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Vulnerable Albertans

- The new Alberta Working Family Supplement will provide direct support to lower income working families, in addition to the Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit.
- Funding has been maintained in the majority of Human Services programs, including child-care subsidies for low-income families, income support, shelters for youth, women fleeing domestic violence, the homeless, and sexual assault services.

- Funding for Legal Aid will increase to \$66 million, up \$7.2 million from last year. This will help ensure that low-income Albertans, including those who receive Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH), have access to the service.

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Roads and transit

- Under the Capital Plan, \$6.7 billion will be invested over the next 5 years in the Provincial Highway Network, including:
 - road and bridge construction and rehabilitation
 - Highway 63 Twinning
 - the Edmonton and Calgary Ring Roads
- In addition, over the next 5 years:
 - \$965 million has been earmarked for GreenTRIP, which provides capital funds for local and regional transit projects
 - \$2.1 billion will go towards day-to-day provincial highway maintenance and renewal

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First Nations and Metis Settlements

- In 2015-16, \$42 million is going to the First Nations and Metis Relations Division to continue developing economic opportunities and improving socio-economic outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities.
- \$15.8 million in this year's budget for the Aboriginal Consultation Office will help ensure the timely and efficient review of consultation proposals.
- Funding for Alberta Native Friendship Centres remains intact to support social, educational and cultural programs for urban Aboriginal communities.
- .74 million will be invested over the next 3 years to improve educational outcomes for First Nations students in partnership with First Nations Chiefs and First Nations education authorities.

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Farmers and ranchers

- Budget 2015 maintains investment in crucial community organizations and programs that help strengthen rural Alberta, including agricultural societies, agricultural service boards and rural utilities.
- Alberta continues to invest in strategic programs that focus on the long-term sustainability and competitiveness of our agriculture sector, including market access, research and innovation, environmental stewardship, industry development and food safety.

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Business and the economy

- Investing \$97 million in workforce strategies to address the fundamental challenge of people without jobs and jobs without people. This includes a \$35 million investment in employment and skills training, including for underrepresented groups.
- Budget 2015 is investing \$3.6 million in funding for Occupational Health and Safety programs.

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Flood-affected Albertans

- Budget 2015 will not impact government's commitment to resolve 2013 Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) flood claims.

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Environment

- Budget 2015 continues strong investment in flood mitigation, wildfire prevention and protection from invasive species such as the mountain pine beetle.
- Overall funding for the Alberta Community Resilience Program has been increased and grants for 2015-16 will total \$70 million to help protect critical infrastructure from floods and drought.
- A total of \$78 million is budgeted for the Alberta Environmental Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Agency (AEMERA) in 2015-16, ensuring Alberta's actions to protect the environment are informed by the best possible science.

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Taxpayers

- Budget 2015 introduces 2 new tax brackets starting in 2016. Taxable income over \$100,000 will be taxed at 11.5% once fully implemented after three years, and taxable income over \$250,000 will be taxed at 12% by 2018.
- Tax on gas and diesel will be raised by 4cents per litre, to a total of 13 cents per litre.
- Tobacco tax is increasing by \$5 per carton of 200 cigarettes and the tax on loose tobacco will be raised at parity. These changes align with Alberta's Strategy to Prevent and Reduce Tobacco Use. The last time tobacco tax increased in Alberta was in 2009.
- Liquor mark-ups are increasing 22 cents per litre, with the exception of small brewers and cottage wineries selling at farmers' markets. Mid-sized brewers will see an increase of 11 cents per litre. Alberta's liquor mark-up rates remain among the lowest in the country.
- A new health levy coming into effect July 1, 2015 is progressive and will better protect lower and middle-income Albertans than the old health-care premiums. Individuals with incomes below \$50,000 will not be subject to the levy. For incomes over \$50,000, the levy increases incrementally as income rises.
- Effective July 1, 2015, Albertans can expect to pay higher fees to registry agents for a variety of services, including getting motor vehicle, land title, mortgage and vital statistics documents.
- Traffic fines will increase for Albertans who speed and disobey other traffic laws.

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Meeting Minutes
of the
Agricultural Service Board – Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
March 5, 2015 – MD Council Chambers

Present: Councillor Terry Yagos, Councillor Fred Schoening, Members Tony Bruder and John Lawson

Also Present: Director of Operations Leo Reedyk, Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulsen, Receptionist / Cashier Jessica McClelland, AARD Representative Jim Hansen

Absent: Chairperson Susan Vogelaar and Vice Chair Dallis McGlynn,

Director of Operations Leo Reedyk asked for nominations for chair for today's meeting. Tony Bruder nominated John Lawson. No other nominations were received. John Lawson assumed the chair.

A. Adoption of Agenda 15/016

Councillor Schoening

Moved that the agenda be amended to include:

- a) New Business – Compensation Program (Wildlife)

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried.

B. Adoption of Minutes 15/017

Tony Bruder

Moved that the minutes of February 5, 2015 be approved as presented.

Carried.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

March 'Beef on a Bun' Event

Councillor Schoening 15/018

Moved to accept as information the advertising to get additional presenters for alternative agriculture and the event date.

Carried.

D. MD POLICY REVIEW

Tony Bruder 15/019

Moved that administration take policies back for review and return with amendments as discussed.

Carried

Tony Bruder 15/020

Moved that administration bring forward current policy information on road allowance use and control, both public and private, to be discussed at the meeting in April.

Carried

E. SEPTIC SYSTEMS WORKSHOP

Councillor Yagos 15/021

Moved to accept, as information, that there is a Septic System Workshop by Soilworx on April 20, 2015.

Carried

F. LIVESTOCK WATER SYSTEM AGREEMENT

Tony Bruder 15/022

Moved that the information on the Livestock Water System Agreement be forwarded to Council for their approval.

Carried

G. AGRICULTURAL FIELDMEN REPORT

Councillor Yagos 15/023

Moved that the Agricultural Fieldman Report for February 2015 be received as information.

Carried.

G. PROVINCIAL KEY CONTACT REPORT

Councillor Schoening 15/024

Moved that the oral report from Jim Hansen be received as information.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1) **Action Required**

- a) Castle Crown Wilderness Coalition funding request

Tony Bruder

10/025

Moved that ASB grant Castle Crown Wilderness Coalition \$1000.

Carried

H. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Wildlife Compensation Update

Tony Bruder updated ASB on the Wildlife compensation program and the cuts to the budget and manpower in regards to this program.

I. NEXT MEETING – April 2, 2015, 9:30am

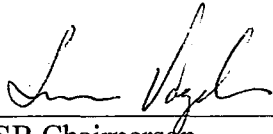
J. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Schoening


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Moved to adjourn the meeting, the time being 11:55am.

Carried.



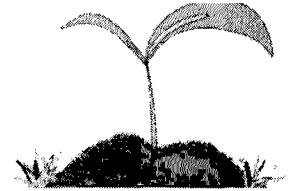
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ASB Secretary

Alberta SouthWest Bulletin April 2015

Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA) Update



Digital Futures Symposium and Broadband

- ⇒ Representatives from AlbertaSW attended the *Digital Futures Symposium* at the University of Alberta
 - Peter Menzies, Chair of CRTC attended; regulatory issues are being evaluated and input is timely.
 - Conversations were held with provincial government departments and other REDAs.
 - There is growing momentum to address access to high speed broadband; partnerships are forming.
 - The value is not only in economic development; it also about health, education and social innovation.
 - Communications technology supports quality of life services to an aging population and youth.
 - Broadband services are seen as yet another utility, as basic a necessity as roads, water, electricity.
 - High speed broadband is a long term investment that is vital to the future of our communities.
- ⇒ John Barlow MP Macleod, met with AlbertaSW to discuss broadband activities and progress to date.

13 WAYS Community Audits

- ⇒ Information-gathering is completed and the results will all be presented on Wednesday May 13, 2015.
- ⇒ Doug Griffiths will attend as a featured speaker and also participate in community discussions.

Crown of the Continent and Montana Governor's Conference

- ⇒ Representatives from AlbertaSW attended the *Montana Governor's Conference on Tourism* held in Helena MT March 22-24, 2015. AlbertaSW has been collaborating with BC and MT since 2007 to develop opportunities in our transboundary region; this conference provides excellent learning and networking. Governor Steve Bullock stressed the importance of the tourism industry in not only generating significant revenue but also building awareness of the state as a place to live, work and invest.
- ⇒ A fellowship grant from the Crown Roundtable will support a summer project for a Montana high school student to develop an "augmented reality" app for locations in Glacier Park. His could serve as model to expand throughout the Crown and spark more youth engagement at a transboundary level.
- ⇒ New Crown website is up and running; there will be ongoing revisions to functions, links and content!
www.crownofthecontinent.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Chinook Country "Reputation Management Workshop", ENMAX Centre, Lethbridge**
Thursday April 16, 2015, 12:00pm - 5:00pm
COST: \$60 (Lunch included)
REGISTER: Myrna 403-329-6777 ext. 2 admin@chinookcountry.com
Topics include: online marketing, social networking; maximizing the content on review sites such as TripAdvisor, Yelp, etc.
- ◆ **Travel Alberta "Tourism Industry Road Show", Heritage Inn, Pincher Creek**
Friday April 24, 2015
Continental breakfast: 8:30am; presentations start: 09:30am
Lunch 12:00pm - 12:30pm Networking: 12:30pm - 2:00pm
No charge; register directly with Travel Alberta www.industry.travelalberta.com
- ◆ **13 WAYS Community Reports Presentation, Heritage Inn, Pincher Creek**
Tuesday May 13, 2015, 4:00pm - 8:00pm

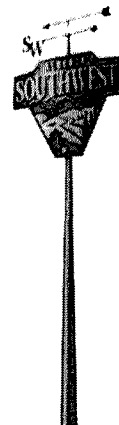


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Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday March 4, 2015 Country Encounters, Crowsnest Pass



Board Representatives

Lloyd Kearn, Cardston County
Barney Reeves, Waterton
Tammy Rubbelke, Pincher Creek
Jordan Koch, Glenwood
Trish Hoskin, Fort Macleod
Blair Painter, Crowsnest Pass
Henry Van Hierden, MD Willow Creek (alt)
John Connor, Granum
Garry Marchuk, MD Pincher Creek
Warren Mickels, Cowley

Crowsnest Pass Council

Dave Filipuzzi
Doreen Glavin
Marlene Anctil
Bill Kovach

Organizational Partners

James Tessier, CF Alberta Southwest
Clara Yagos, Trustee, LRSD
Leah Wack, Lethbridge College
Bill Halley, RINSA
Martha Ratcliffe, LRSD
Robin Lee Twigg, Piikani Resource Development
Cliff Elle, Southern Alberta Community Foundation

Resource Staff

Kathy Wiebe, Executive Assistant, MD Ranchland
Bev Thornton, Executive Director, AlbertaSW
Bob Dyrda, Communications Coordinator, AlbertaSW

1. Welcome , Introductions and Roundtable
2. Approval of Agenda
Bill Halley sends regrets.
Natalie Gibson added as item #6
Moved by Jordan Koch THAT the agenda be approved as presented.
Carried. [2015-03-425]
3. Approval of Minutes
Moved by John Connor THAT the minutes of February 4, 2015 be approved as amended.
Carried. [2015-03-426]
4. Approval of Cheque register
Moved by Tammy Rubbelke THAT cheques #1676-#1698 be approved as presented.
Carried. [2015-03-427]
5. Membership invitation-Cardston
Moved by Barney Reeves THAT Alberta SouthWest extend an invitation to Town of Cardston to join AlbertaSW.
Carried. [2015-03-428]
6. *Connecctica* website and services
Bill Halley provided an overview of the new website and services offered by Alberta Innovation and Advanced Education.
7. 13 WAYS community reporting events
It is proposed that 3 sessions be held in the region to present the results of the information-gathering and research. Bev will follow up with communities to set dates and locations.
8. Operations Plan and budget 2015-16
Innovation and Advanced Education, Enterprise Division, Entrepreneurship and Regional Development Branch, has

renewed the mandate of REDAs and defined outcomes and expectations. AlbertaSW core businesses already align with these requirements; 2015-2016 operations plan will focus on ongoing projects and initiatives.

9. Call for Expressions of Interest,
Communications Strategy, Broadband

Moved by Tammy Rubbelke THAT the Board approve proceeding with a call for expressions of interest to develop a strategic communications plan to define the key messages relating to Broadband for Economic Development initiative. Carried. [2015-03-429]

10. AAMDC Motion re: access to SuperNet

Accepted as information.

11. Broadband community consultations

Taylor Warwick continues to schedule community meetings regarding broadband issues and opportunities. Contact Bob for further information.

12. Communications Coordinator Report

Accepted as information.

13. Executive Director Report

Accepted as information.

14. Board Meetings:

April 1, 2015 – Cowley

May 6, 2015 – Fort Macleod

June 3, 2015 – AGM, Castle Mountain

Possible location for AGM would be Castle Mountain Resort. Bev will follow up on that suggestion.

15. Adjournment

Moved by John Connor THAT the meeting be adjourned. Carried. [2015-03-430]

Chair

Approved April 1, 2015

Secretary/Treasurer