

Council Highlights

Delegations

RCMP: Presentation by Acting Staff Sergeant Luis Gandolfi

- Acting Staff Sergeant Luis Gandolfi appeared before Council to talk about the local RCMP detachment. He spoke about a variety of topics, including building renovations, staff turnover, and crime statistics.
- Staff Sergeant Gandolfi discussed the enhanced positions that Council agreed to fund, highlighting potential issues with a local police dog unit.
- Staff Sergeant Gandolfi and Council also discussed creating a Community Policing Committee that meets monthly. Council directed Administration to develop a Terms of Reference for a Community Policing Committee, which will be brought back to a future meeting.

Portage College: Presentation by Portage College Representatives

- Portage College President Trent Keough, along with College representatives Donna Feledichuk and Rick Flumian, came before Council to discuss their plans for the formal opening of a permanent exhibition of the Professional Native Indian Artists Inc. (PNIAI). The PNIAI, also known as the Indian Group of Seven, were a group of Indigenous artists that made key contributions to Canada's art scene.
- Portage College will hold an event on April 13, 2018, to officially open the exhibition. The total cost of the event, including infrastructure changes, food, art workshop costs and marketing, will be up to \$165,000.
- County Council agreed to partner with the College, covering up to 50 per cent of the event cost.

New Business

Creation of the Solid Waste Management Task Force (Bylaw 18-003)

- Council created the Solid Waste Management Task Force, a four-member group whose purpose is to review the County's waste and recycling plans, formulate a recommendation on the Waste Conversion Facility, lobby government on the Waste Conversion Facility, and review bylaws and policies.
- The task force includes Councillor Jason Stedman, Councillor Colin Cote, Councillor Sterling Johnson, and Mayor Omer Moghrabi. Councillor Darlene Beniuk was appointed as an alternate if someone is unable to attend.

Video Streaming Council Meetings

- Council discussed the possibility of streaming video and audio of meetings, allowing residents to follow their discussions online.
- Council directed Administration to provide an update on overall costs for the installation of a video streaming system after new meeting management software is implemented. Administration will also investigate other options, including live minute updates.

Meetings with Provincial Ministers at Spring AAMDC Convention

- Council is seeking a meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs at the spring Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) convention.
- They also directed Administration to request meetings with the following Provincial ministries: Transportation, Environment and Parks, Culture and Tourism, the Solicitor General and K Division, and Economic Development and Trade.



**Regular Council Meeting
February 13, 2018**

4-H Support

- Council directed Administration to explore options to support the local chapter of youth development organization 4-H. They will consider these options at a future Council meeting.

Meeting with Indigenous Relations & Beaver Lake Cree Nation

- Beaver Lake Cree Nation reached out to Lac La Biche County through the Indigenous Relations office. They wish to discuss water resources with Council.
- Council scheduled the meeting for February 23, 2018 at McArthur Place, and Councillors Lorin Tkachuk, Colin Cote, George L'Heureux, and Mayor Omer Moghrabi will attend on behalf of the County.