



For Immediate Release

Council Notes

January 19th, 2016

1. **Community Services Board.** Council has given second and third reading of Bylaw No. 2175, repealing the bylaw establishing the Community Services Board (CSB). The new Community Services Stakeholder Consultation Policy was approved unanimously to replace the CSB. The new policy includes open houses, stakeholder meetings, digital consultation and quarterly meetings between the Community Services Department heads of the Town of Edson and Yellowhead County.
2. **Delegations.** Council received a request from the Edson Custom Cruisers to hold their annual car show on August 13th, 2016 in Centennial Park. The show was a large success in 2015 and no major issues were reported. Council approved the request.

Community Futures West Yellowhead's Nancy Robbins was also on hand to give a brief presentation on the roles and recent activities of Community Futures. Local businesses can expect a visit this summer as they begin a business visitation program in Edson.

3. **Land Use Fines.** Council voted in favour of first reading of proposed Bylaw No. 2176 which established fines for the contravention of the Land Use Bylaw. The proposal includes a \$500 fine for a first offence, \$750 for a second offence and \$1000 for a third. The proposed bylaw can be found on our website at www.edson.ca/bylaws.
4. **Church Land Redistricting.** Second and third reading was given to Bylaw No. 2171 to redistrict approximately 2 hectares of land in Glenwood from Urban Reserve to Community Services for the purpose of a church.
5. **Health and Safety.** Council approved the updated Town of Edson Health and Safety Policy as presented. Each year the Health and Safety policy is reviewed and signed to ensure it is current and up-to-date.
6. **Offsite Levies.** Council has waived the offsite levies for the lands involved in the school redevelopment project at 46th Street and 8th Avenue.
7. **Landfill License.** Approval was given to engage Omni-McCann Consultants Ltd. for the renewal of the landfill operating license and requisite studies. This includes geotechnical investigation of lands to be annexed for future expansion.

8. **Obsolete Planning Policies.** Administration has reviewed a number of planning policies and those that have become obsolete over the years have been removed. Council has accepted the details of those obsolete policies as information.

Next meetings - A Committee of the Whole Meeting is planned for January 26th, 2016 at 10:00am in the Council Chambers of the Edson Civic Building. The next Council Meeting will be February 2nd, 2016 at 7:30pm.

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