

**For Immediate Release**

# Council Notes

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Delegations.** The Arts Centre for Edson Society (ACES) gave a presentation to Council with respect to their new vision plan for the development of a new performing arts facility in Edson. The plan includes creating a facility which would be a community gathering place and performing arts space for local and visiting artists and performers. The vision plan presented three opportunities such as; including a performing arts centre in a multi-use facility, attaching a facility to a local school, or partnering with private business.
- 2. Airport Bylaw.** Second reading was given to Bylaw 2201, the Airport Bylaw. The bylaw identifies the correct and safe operational practices of the Edson Airport and enables enforcement of regulations. The bylaw also moves all fees to the new Fees, Rates, & Charges Bylaw.
- 3. Bulk Water Rates Bylaw.** As a new system has been set up for the sale of bulk water, Bylaw 2211, Amending the Bulk Water Rates Bylaw, has been created to reflect those changes. Council has passed first reading of the bylaw. Fees have also been moved to the new Fees, Rates, & Charges Bylaw
- 4. Fees, Rates & Charges Bylaw.** Council has given first reading to Bylaw 2214, the Fees, Rates, & Charges Bylaw. This bylaw was created for ease of reference for both the public and staff. The bylaw will be a single location for all fees and rates within the Town of Edson and the schedule can be changed as rates change or new bylaws are created.
- 5. Road Closure.** First reading was approved for Bylaw 2213, to close portions of road right of ways at 70<sup>th</sup> Street and 5A Avenue. As the right of ways are adjacent to the airport boundary, they will never be used as a road and closing them will create titled land that could be used for other purposes. A Public Hearing has been set for April 17, 2018 at 7:30 pm in Council Chambers.
- 6. Social Media Policies.** Council has approved Social Media Policies for Staff and Council. The policies outline social media use and acceptable practices, as well as outlines some risks and FOIP considerations that must be made while using social media.
- 7. Council Meetings Video Policy.** A new policy surrounding the video capture and streaming of Council Meetings was passed. The policy outlines guidelines and procedure for the live streaming/video recording of Council and Committee Meetings. It's expected the live streaming will start late spring/early summer 2018.
- 8. FCM Legal Defence Fund.** Council has approved the payment of \$203.20 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, representing a 2-cent per capita contribution to the FCM Legal Defence Fund. Council also approved administration to move ahead with this contribution as a part of the Town of Edson's membership to FCM.

9. **Edson Custom Cruisers.** Approval was given to the Edson Custom Cruisers to host their annual car show in RCMP Centennial Park on Saturday, August 18, 2018.

**Next meetings - The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10:00 am in Council Chambers. The next Council Meeting is scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 pm.**

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