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Random Acts of Kindness Week

Community Engagement Action Team will be spreading messages of kindness

by Deanna Mitchener

Random Acts of Kindness week in Edson will take place from February 14 to the 20th.

The Community

Engagement Action Team is going to be spreading messages of kindness and sharing ideas with the community throughout the week. Check them out on

Facebook and Instagram @CEAT2017 to follow along and celebrate RAK Week with them!

Reusable shopping totes will also be available at various

shopping locations around Edson. They're free and will be given out randomly to shoppers.

Have you created your

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Jon Lenton, Hazel Lenton, Tyra Stad, Jaxson Lenton (5), Khloe Lenton (7), Grayson Stad (7), Wyatt Stad (4) and Bailey Stad (8) had some winter fun out on the toboggan hill at Willmore Park on January 30. photo by Deanna Mitchener

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or a song and dance —whatever you want! Get creative and share your message. Deadline for submission is February 17. For more information visit edson.ca/CEAT or call Ali at 780-517-7055. On Tuesday, February 16 tune into "Bullying: Can We Stop It?" presented by the SAFFRON Centre

and hosted by Edson FCSS. In the light of Random Acts of Kindness Week, what better discussion to have than the power of kindness.

At the end of the week CEAT is gifting you a FREE donut! Visit Sobey's Edson on February 19 for a free donut at the check-out. Donuts will be available while supplies last.

Random acts of kindness can include ideas like sharing a random act of kindness with a neighbour, family member or friend! Dropping off a small note or care package. Shovel a walk way or clean the snow off a car. Pay for someone's order at the drive-thru or just walk up to someone and hand them a gift card, and so much more!

You can even be a R A K - t i v i s t .

According to the Random Acts of Kindness Organization a "RAK-tivist is a kindness ambassador, and like all ambassadors, they're a part of an active, global

community who are helping to make kindness the norm." There are 36,288 people registered across 89 different countries currently. Anyone can apply to be a RAK-tivist, just

by visiting randomactsofkindness.org/become-a-aktivist

Remember, it only takes one! Kindness is contagious, so get out there and—be kind.

(see page 6)

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EVENT REMINDER

February 1-21

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Proposal made for Edson Library makeover

by Adrienne Tait

At the February 9 Town of Edson Committee of the Whole Meeting, a delegation from the Edson and District Public Library presented Town Council with the results of a renovation feasibility study for the facility, which was

conducted this past summer.

Library Manager Michael Baird, along with Graeme Matichuk and Richard Isaac of Manase Isaac Architects, outlined a two-stage plan to bring the facility up to code and improve functionality. The Library Board is requesting they be allowed to begin fundraising and use their reserves to pursue a detailed design plan which would include a more accurate and complete cost analysis.

The Edson and District Public library previously proposed an expansion and major renovation in a 2012 study which was expected to cost approximately \$12 million. The new 2020 feasibility study divides the proposed renovations into short-term and medium-term probable project costs, focuses on essential upgrades and interior renovations, and has an anticipated total cost of approximately \$1 million.

The short-term renovations are ones Matichuk told Council were considered “life safety or essential.” These include space changes within the existing footprint of the facility, washroom upgrades to meet accessibility requirements, and HVAC upgrades to meet current building codes.

Phase 2 of the design proposes an expansion which would convert the courtyard into a children's area.

The library was built in 1980 and at that time was designed to serve the Town of Edson which had a population of 5,671. Currently the facility is a joint use facility with Yellowhead County and, according to 2020 statistics, serves approximately 13,073 people including the Town and surrounding area.

The current library area, not including the pottery space, is 8,995 sq ft. The provincial best practices recommendation is 10,620 sq ft for Edson's current population and service area.

When factoring in the 1.2% population increase projected in the Intermunicipal Development Plan, that space requirement grows to 13,508 sq ft within the next 25 years.

The group also made a long-term recommendation, which was not fully detailed in this study, that the Library should expand into the north alley from the courtyard to fulfill the space requirement until approximately 2046. The study says, “This expansion, roughly estimated to cost \$750,000, should be pursued within the next 10 years.”


Mayor Kevin Zahara said the feasibility study “ties in nicely” with the Town's Asset Management Plan. He spoke favourably of both the study and the request to begin fundraising, saying, “You've come up with something fairly reasonable,” but advised that the Town would need to have conversations with their County counterparts before making any financial decisions, as it is a shared use facility.

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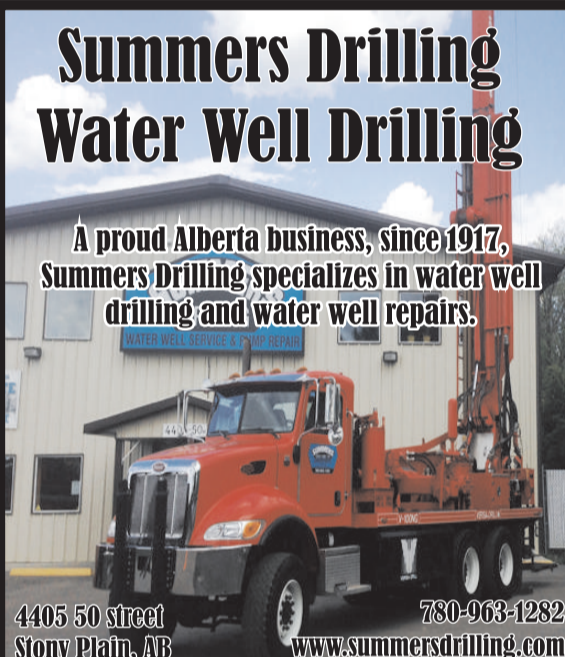
This meeting will be held via Zoom.
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Members of the same household only			3:00 – 3:30 pm 3:30 – 4:00 pm 4:00 – 4:30 pm 4:30 – 5:00 pm 5:00 – 5:30 pm 5:30 – 6:00 pm 6:00 – 6:30 pm 6:30 – 7:00 pm			12:00-12:30 pm 12:30-1:00 pm 1:00-1:30 pm 1:30-2:00 pm 2:00-2:30 pm 2:30-3:00 pm 3:00-3:30 pm 3:30-4:00 pm	

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When registering please choose what lesson/training you wish to attend. The choices are:

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Kayak Lessons: Learn basis Kayak skills. (Forward paddle, backward paddle, how to recover from a roll over, kayak safety) Must be 8+ years old. Fun for the whole household. (Available Monday – Friday)

Aqua Fitness Training: Swimmers under 8 must accompanied by a responsible caregiver aged 12+. Great training activity for the whole household. Aqua Fitness Training will focus on cardio training with resistance training.

Lifeguard Training (no certification acquired): This is designed for swimmers that are interested in becoming a lifeguard. Must have swimmer 6 capabilities and be age 13+. Swimmers will learn and practice rescue techniques and physical skills. After the skills have been practiced swimmers can start learning about lifeguard theory. All the training will prepare swimmers to complete the Lifesaving Society Bronze Medallion/Cross, National Lifeguard and Swim Instructor Courses.

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Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued Online	Zoning
Week 1					
Week 2					
002-2021	524 50 Street/Plan 1494 AC; Block 27; Lot 6	Sign, except Billboard (Wall Sign x2)	Permitted	February 3, 2021	C-1
003-2021	63 Street & 2 Ave/Plan 952 1371; Lot 33 & 34	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	C-2
004-2021	63 Street & 2 Ave/Plan 952 1371; Lot 33 & 34	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	C-2
005-2021	111 Rodeo Road/Plan 012 2165; Block 1; Lot 9	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	DC
006-2021	111 Rodeo Road/Plan 012 2165; Block 1; Lot 9	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	DC
007-2021	111 Rodeo Road/Plan 012 2165; Block 1; Lot 9	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	DC
008-2021	6823 4 Ave/Plan 5314 Z; Block B; Lot WH	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	M-1A
009-2021	HWY 16 before overpass/NW-14-53-17-W5	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	PR
010-2021	Tree nursery/NE-8-53-17-W5	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	February 3, 2021	UR
012-2021	315 59 Street/Plan 802 2726; Block 198; Lot 2	Extension of Temporary Change of Use to Motor Vehicle Sales, etc...	Discretionary	February 4, 2021	C-2
013-2021	5904 3 Avenue/Plan 802 2726; Block 202, Lot 8	Extension of Temporary Change of Use to Motor Vehicle Sales, etc...	Discretionary	February 4, 2021	C-2

Any person who deems to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by **4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website (www.edson.ca/development)**. On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2070. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7.

County gives first reading to Edson West Area Structure Plan amendment: public hearing to be held in March

by Shaylyn Thornton

At their February 9 meeting, Yellowhead County Council heard from YC Planning & Development Manager Brent Shepherd, who was presenting a request received from the Town of Edson.

The Town contacted the County to request an amendment to their Joint Edson West Area Structure Plan, which would be in support of a Neighbourhood Concept Plan that will be located within the Town of Edson.

The purpose of a Neighbourhood Concept Plan is to provide for a comprehensive document that will inform and guide future redistricting and subdivisions within the plan area. In this case, the plan area will be all of the SE-18-53-17-W5M and a portion of the SW 18-53-17 W5M.

The Joint plan guides future growth and development of lands generally within the west portion of the Town of Edson along Highway 16. These lands also include an area within the County that is adjacent to the Town boundary.

Because changes must conform to the applicable Area Structure Plan, any proposed changes must first go through the Area Structure Plan amendment process. With the plan being prepared and adopted jointly with the County and

Town of Edson, both municipalities need to amend the Area Structure Plan by bylaw.

County Administration, in consultation with the Town of Edson, reviewed the changes and came to the conclusion that the amendments have little impact on the County. There are no financial implications to the County regarding the proposed amendment.

While the document listing proposed amendments had more than 110 changes listed, the vast majority were minor formatting changes.

Three major changes were listed as well, and Shepherd highlighted them to the Council. First, the Existing Land Use and Zoning section was updated to include any land use changes since the original plan which was approved in 2012.

Second, an update to the Land Use Concept was amended to include changes to the future land use within the Town of Edson that will support the proposed Neighbourhood Concept Plan. Also included were some slight changes to the future arterial road alignment within the County portion of the plan.

The third major change involved updates to the Stormwater Management Concept plan within the Town limits.

Council was recommended to

give first reading to the bylaw, known as Bylaw 5.21, which would amend the Joint Edson West Area Structure Plan. In doing so, this would allow the bylaw to go forward to a Public

Hearing.

Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky said, "I absolutely support this bylaw. I like to see any kind of development in any

community."

The Council voted to give first reading to Bylaw 5.21. In turn, this will allow a Public Hearing to be held on March 9, 2021.


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Dog License Registration Forms can be found at <https://www.edson.ca/departments/protective-services/bylaw-enforcement>




Feedback is Welcome!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Land Use Amending Bylaw No. 2251

Council will hold a Zoom Public Hearing to consider a proposed amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 2251 on

Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm through Zoom Meeting online

If approved, the Edson West Area Structure Plan comprises some **±1,019 hectares** and contains portions of Section 7 and 18-53-17-W5M in the Town and portions of Section 2, 11, 12, 13 and 14 -53-18-W5M in Yellowhead County (see sketch below) will be amended to align with higher level planning statutory documents.



To view details of the application, please see: www.edson.ca/bylaws

You may submit written comments by emailing: engineeringandplanning@edson.ca; by mailing: Planning—Town of Edson, PO Box 6300, Edson AB T7E 1T7; or by hand delivering to the Civic Centre drop off box at the front door entrance.

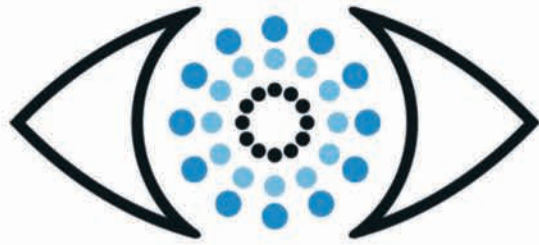
Registrations must be received by the Town prior to the Zoom Public Hearing for Councils consideration.

Any person, group, or person acting on behalf of anyone who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw, may make representation during a Public Hearing through Zoom online. Oral presentations are subject to a five (5) minute time limit.

Registration will remain open until the beginning of the Public Hearing on March 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Register here at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vgplaoE3TESaYD15Tbkt5Q or contact engineeringandplanning@edson.ca for meeting details.

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Covid Rollercoaster..

After nearly a year on the rollercoaster of on-again-off-again Covid-19 restrictions, Albertans finally have a coherent roadmap of what conditions will facilitate the gradual reopening of businesses and public activities.



by Dana McArthur
publisher/Editor

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some school sports, team sports practice, one-on-one personal fitness training, and albeit with restrictions — a return to tables at restaurants, cafés and pubs (as long as hospitalizations stayed below 600).

Premier Jason Kenney introduced the plan last week. It calls for four stages of reopening, with each stage tied to the number of people hospitalized with Covid-19. As hospitalization rates fall below pre-set levels, more restrictions will be eased.

The Edson and District Chamber of Commerce, along with Chambers across the province, have been voicing their concerns that the restrictions in place were having extremely negative impacts on the business community. "This has been, to say the least, an exceedingly difficult year and they feel a total lack of direction and guidance coming from the government at this moment. First and foremost is the concern of no timelines on when they will be allowed to reopen," the Chamber stated in a letter to the Premier recently.

Albertans saw the first light at the end of the tunnel when the province entered Phase 1 of the plan on February 8. This included the reopening of

By publicly setting out quantifiable targets, Albertans and local businesses have at least some sense of hope and a guiding map for the return to pre-pandemic life.

However (and this pandemic always seems to include a 'however'), with the spread of much more infectious strains of Covid-19 now in the province, there is no assurance or guarantee from the Province or Premier Kenney that a feared Spring spike in cases won't cause another even stricter lockdown.

The fact remains that we are still on a rollercoaster, just a bit more predictable one. It will continue to be extremely difficult for all of us to do any forward-looking planning or budgeting until vaccines are delivered to the province, and are in the arms of the majority of citizens.

Let's hope that happens a lot sooner, than later.

You can find the details of the plan at: www.alberta.ca/enhanced-public-health-measures.aspx



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The Weekly Anchor welcomes Letters to the Editor. All letters are published at the discretion of the editor-publisher who reserves the right to edit for clarity, length and libel. All letters must bear the name of the writer —and must also include the address and telephone number (which will not be published). The publisher will consider withholding the writer's name from print if there is a legitimate concern of reprisals.

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MP Gerald Soroka on Bill C-10 'Broadcasting Act' and Deploying Spectrum in Rural Areas

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead,



communities. There needs to be a "use it or lose it" condition to ensure Spectrum is deployed in rural Canada.

participated this morning in the debate on Bill C-10 "An Act to amend the Broadcasting Act and to make related and consequential amendments to other Acts". MP Soroka believes that C-10 is a regulatory mess that could have unintended consequences. His comments can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/GeraldSorokamp>

Later that morning during Question Period, he questioned the Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry (Science) on the results of the 600 MHz auction last year.

MP Soroka stated: "Madam Speaker, when the minister announced the results of the 600 megahertz auction last year, she noted the government's set-aside policy had created more competition for Canadians, but we now know that set-aside bidders have a poor track record of deploying Spectrum in rural

Why will the government not force service providers to deploy Spectrum in rural Canada so we can get high speed Internet?"

Mr. William Amos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry (Science), Lib.) replied: "Madam Speaker, our government is taking every single measure in the policy toolbox to ensure that all sorts of investments and all sorts of new infrastructure around telecommunications can be integrated across Canada.

Spectrum auction is just one of these sets of policies. We are working towards a new spectrum auction later on this year. There have been delays due to COVID-19, but we are well aware that this is a very important mechanism to ensure that Canadians have the very best of telecommunications infrastructure across Canada."

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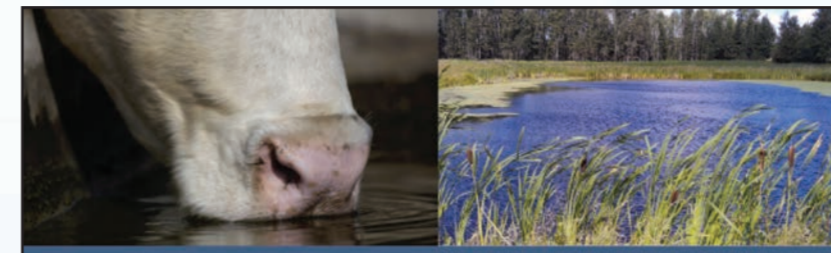
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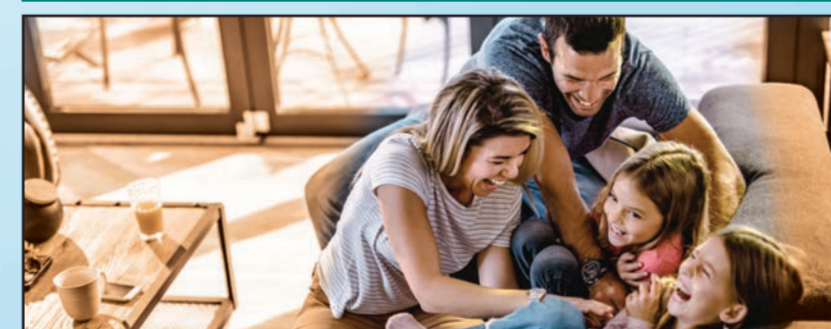
NO SPRAY PROGRAM YEARLY RENEWAL

Yellowhead County Agricultural Services requires landowners who do not want herbicide applied adjacent to their property to enter into an agreement with the county prior to April 1st of each year. The landowner becomes responsible for weed and brush control in the designated areas, as defined by the no spray agreement.

If you cannot meet this deadline, please call our Agricultural Services Department at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935.

- Once an agreement has been completed **no spray signs must be purchased** at a cost of \$5.00 for two signs, at the Yellowhead County Edson or Wildwood Offices. These signs must be placed by the landowner in a highly visible area as close as possible to the property line.
- Yellowhead County Agricultural Services requires each landowner who has signed the agreement to fulfill their obligations before the July 1st deadline. After the July 1st deadline, Yellowhead County re-assumes responsibility for weed and brush control and may apply herbicide adjacent to non-compliant roadsides if necessary.
- If you chose not to renew your agreement for 2021, we ask that you please remove your signs prior to the start of the spray season starting May 1st, 2021.

Residents who have any concerns or questions are asked to contact Yellowhead County Agricultural Services at 1-800-814-3935 or (780) 325-3782.



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Register for our Family Fun Kits to get resources, games, and toys for a weekend of family fun! Some possible kits available:

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- Obstacle Course
- Building Sets
- Magnetic Play

Kits are free to borrow. Limited kits available.

Sign up by calling Yellowhead County

780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935.

Kits can be picked up at either the Wildwood or Edson Yellowhead County on Thursdays and must be returned by 4:30 PM on Monday.

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APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMITS have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit Number	Location	Proposal	Notice of Approval
D21-009	Plan 4997EQ, Blk N SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg	Accessory Building (Shed)	Jan 27/21
D21-007	SE 28-55-09-W5 Wildwood Area	Home Occupation (Major) - Wild Woods Conservation Education	Jan 28/21
D20-191	Plan 0724082, Blk 1, Lot 1 NW 12-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Outdoor Industrial Storage - Dangerous Goods - Class 8 (Discretionary Use)	Jan 29/21
D21-003	SE 09-53-19-W5 Millers Lake Area	Telecommunications Tower (Discretionary Use)	Jan 29/21
D21-006	Plan 0324530, Blk 1, Lot 1 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Accessory Building (Studio) - Variance for Height	Feb 2/21
D21-008	SE 05-53-19-W5 Millers Lake Area	Home Business (Minor) - (Discretionary Use) - Sawmill	Feb 8/21

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at www.yhcounty.ca. The public is considered officially notified of approved development permits once posted online, in accordance with the Public Notification Bylaw.

The land use bylaw provides that any person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Authority may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by filing a written notice of appeal, containing reasons, with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board for Yellowhead County accompanied with payment of \$300.00 within Twenty One (21) days after notice of the approval is given. If you have questions or concerns please contact Yellowhead County's Planning Department at 1-800-665-6030.

County agrees on Edson Revenue Sharing Agreement extension

by Shaylyn Thornton

Following the expiration of the Edson/Yellowhead County Revenue Sharing Agreement on December 31, 2020, County Council was given the option to enter into a two-year extension as opposed to drafting a new agreement at this time.

The idea of an extension arose during Council's January Governance and Priorities Meeting. Reasons for an extension rather than an entirely new agreement included the fact that both municipalities are hiring new CAOs, and with municipal elections coming up in October, both municipalities may have entirely new Councils.

The discussion in January led to County Administration forwarding a draft agreement to the Town of Edson for discussion and feedback. The draft agreement did include a minor revision from the original, which now states that the County may deduct a prorated portion of any uncollected non-residential taxes in the given year. In the original agreement, it was based on taxes "written off". The revised version captures the current environment better for the purposes of fairness and equity to both parties.

The Town of Edson reviewed the draft and stated their support of a two-year extension. CAO Jack Ramme brought the extension back to County Council on February 9 to be voted on.

Ramme said, "The communities have had very positive working relationships over the past number of years that the previous agreements were in place, and these agreements have assisted both parties relative to service provisions and common lobby efforts to the

Provincial Government."

Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky expressed her disagreement with a two-year extension. "I think that a one-year agreement would be a little more prudent. I think that it would give us all a chance to look at this and look at how the chips fall with the budgets, with the Province, with everything," she said. "I will not be supporting this motion."

Ramme explained the concerns with a one-year agreement. "The only concern we saw with the one-year agreement is you're going to be politicizing it a little bit, because you're going to have to start discussions now, and ramping them up right at election time," he said. "A two-year gives the new people sitting at their respective tables a chance to get educated on the issues."

Councillor Anthony Giezen agreed with Cherniawsky's thoughts on a one-year agreement as opposed to a two-year. "I think it's very important that this topic stay a frontrunner, so to speak, for the next Council and the next Administration," he said, noting that in a year they could choose to extend for an additional year if needed.

Councillor Wade Williams spoke in favor of the two-year extension, noting that there are provisions in the agreement to terminate it in the event that the Province cuts funding. "I think we are covered with the termination portion," he said. "I think we should go with the two-year agreement for now and take a little bit of pressure off of both the new Councils."

Councillor Shawn Berry also agreed with the two-year extension, saying that he didn't want to politicize the discussions considering the upcoming election.

Ramme went on to reiterate the reasons for a

Revenue Sharing Agreement. "It was to bring political stability and fiscal autonomy to the region," he said. "It brings protection to the County and stability to our partners."

It was acknowledged that a one-year agreement would mean the new Councils alongside new Administrative leadership would have to sit down "almost immediately" to draft a new agreement.

Council voted 7-2 in favor of the two-year extension, with Councillors Cherniawsky and Giezen voting against.

CENSUS NOTICE

Census takers will be working to the East and South of Edson February-March. They will be conducting a census required by Alberta Education in the process to establish a separate school district. The establishment would allow Catholic students full availability of choice of Catholic education including the ability to vote for their Board of Trustees. Please have your legal land description available. Census takers will follow all current Covid-19 health protocols. Any information you provide will be treated with strict confidentiality under the laws of the Province of Alberta.

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Sealed bids marked "2021 & 2022 Tender for Gas Line Installations – Yellowhead Gas Co-op Ltd." will be received at our office until 12:00 p.m. (MST) on March 15th, 2021. A list of bidder's construction equipment and references is to be included.

***Due to the Co-op moving, please contact the office for location information prior to delivery of tender packages.**

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Yellowhead Gas Co-op Ltd.

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Thursday, April 22nd, 2021
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RCMP presents update to Yellowhead County

by Shaylyn Thornton

At their February 9 Yellowhead County Council Meeting, Council welcomed S/Sgt. Christian Delisle from the Edson RCMP Detachment and S/Sgt. Chris Murphy from the Hinton RCMP Detachment to present an update for Yellowhead County.

Delisle said that, in 2020, the Edson Detachment received 5,533 calls for service. 1,875 of those were for the rural areas, representing 32-34% of their calls for service.

Delisle went on to discuss more specific statistics for the Edson Detachment for the year 2020. When comparing to 2019, decreases were seen in many categories.

Property crime was overall down 30%. Break and Enters saw a decrease in 41%, down to 41 incidents in 2020 compared to 69 incidents in 2019. Motor vehicle thefts were down 46%, with 38 incidents reported in 2020 as compared to 70 in 2019.

135 reports were received of suspicious persons/vehicles/properties in 2020. This was a decrease from 2019's 210 reports.

Overall, person-related crimes were down 19% from 2019. However, sexual assaults saw an increase, with one incident in 2019 and six in 2020, and other sexual offences increased from three in 2019 to six in 2020. Delisle noted that, sadly, most of these incidents were family related involving children as victims.

Other assaults were down 24%, with 39 incidents occurring in 2020. Again, most of these occurred in family/domestic situations. There were also 51 cases of reported Spousal Abuse in 2020.

Murphy said that the number of family related crimes "keeps climbing" in the Hinton Detachment as well.

Both Delisle and Murphy discussed the increased calls related to the Mental Health Act, which they partially attributed to the effects of COVID-19 isolation. From the Edson Detachment, mental health related calls went up to 51 in 2020 as compared to 37 in 2019.

Both Detachments discussed being proactive in policing and working to ensure their visibility in County areas. Police proactivity represents a large aspect of their policing priorities in 2021 and 2022.

It was also noted that the Detachments are preparing for the upcoming Summer. It is expected that the County will see another large influx of visitors looking to escape the cities.

Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky noted that a lot of visitors "don't have the same appreciation" for the areas in the County they are visiting.

Murphy said the key will be to continue to work together with other organizations, such as Fish and Wildlife, Forestry, Parks, etc., in order to remain visible and provide

education to visitors. "No organization can do this by themselves," he said.

"I know that, for myself, there's nothing better than sitting at a campsite on a weekend and having a cruiser go by," said Councillor Penny Lowe. "It just gives you that sense of security that you are out there and you are available. Thank you."

Councillor Dawn Mitchell asked the officers about "random camping" and who is responsible for cleaning up some of the messes left behind. Murphy had earlier shared a story about coming up on a "disgusting" campsite that campers had just left, in which they went and got the campers, handed them some garbage bags, and said "Clean this up or get fined."

Mitchell asked, "What if they don't get caught? Whose responsibility is it?"

Murphy said it depends on the land, but that some land use officers have previously had to send teams out to clean up debris and garbage. "That takes time, and most communities don't want to wait that long," he said. "We know what happens if we wait too long. If we don't clean it up in a timely fashion, there is just less and less respect for that area. So what starts out as a little issue can become very big very quickly."

Murphy noted that he has also seen community members come together and clean up areas. Murphy said that the biggest thing is to send the message out to others that they will be held accountable if caught. Through patrols and being aware of who is in what areas, the officers can try to catch them before they leave or have enough information to investigate and follow up after the fact. Murphy said "several" fines were issued last year, and that the fines are "quite significant."

Lastly, Council and the S/Sgts discussed communication with the community. Delisle noted that he gives out his card, his number, and his email address to people and encourages them to reach out. Town Halls are also held, although virtually for now.

Delisle noted that some residents in County areas with poor internet service were unable to attend live Zoom meetings, so a Community Engagement Survey was created to allow them to participate and make comments regarding 2021/2022 policing priorities.

This survey can be found at www.surveymonkey.com/r/GQC3L2F and will be open for public input until February 17, 2021.

Councillor Anthony Giezen said, "I think the internet survey is great. It gets the whole community involved."

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Edson Risk Level 'medium': facility changes

(Town of Edson) Feb. 4, 2021 – With the falling case numbers in our region, the Town of Edson's Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC) has moved the community down to the 'Medium Risk' level within Bylaw 2250, the Mandatory Facial Covering Bylaw. As the Provincial Health Orders remain in place, this doesn't change anything in regard to masking and business restrictions, however, does allow for a staged reopening of some Edson facilities.

In line with the easing of some provincial restrictions on February 8th, the Town of Edson

plans to reopen the Civic Centre to the public. The Centre will be open for walk-in customers to make payments, Monday to Friday 10am to 3pm. Pre-booked appointments will still be required for any other business. Virtual meetings and online payments are still the preferred method.

As well, the Town of Edson will be reopening the pool at Repsol Place for one-on-one or household lessons. This includes swimming, fitness swimming, water smart, kayak, and aqua fitness lessons, as well as lifeguard training. All Provincial regulations will be followed. For more information

and schedules, please visit www.edson.ca/repso-place.

The Town of Edson and the Emergency Coordination Centre are committed to reviewing each phase of the Provincial Relaunch Plan as details emerge. The ECC would also like to thank Edson's residents for their continued efforts in following the guidelines to help bring our numbers back down.

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Vanessa Wilks and her dog Kairi (8) often enjoy walking the trails at Willmore Park. Vanessa says, "The scenery is beautiful along the trails and river so we like to come as often as we can". photo Deanna Mitchener



Parkland Composite High School student Emma Burnett (grade 11) was one of several students that tackled a personalized project in construction this semester. She built a cabinet out of birch hardwood and plywood. The cabinet contains two raised panel doors, two drawers, a shelf and a custom formed and poured concrete top. Emma worked very hard this semester in construction, demonstrating excellent commitment and attention to detail. submitted Mr. Dylan Gullason, PCHS

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The Weekly **ANCHOR**

Faith

What are you investing in?



Pastor Mesh Hit
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Tom Brady, the quarterback for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, just led his team to their second Super Bowl victory in franchise history beating the Kansas City Chiefs.

For Tom Brady, it's his seventh championship overall and his first one with Tampa, playing in his first season with the team.

Previously, he had won six championships with the New England Patriots.

With this victory many are calling him the G.O.A.T., which means "Greatest of All Time". Some are saying that he is not just the best quarterback to play in the NFL, but he is also considered one of the greatest athletes of all time. He certainly has done a lot and for a man at the age of 43 to play at such a high level at this point in his career is pretty amazing. Yes, it's a team sport, however, his influence over his new team cannot be denied.

When you consider the legacy, he is going to leave and the impact he has had on the game of football, he will be remembered for an exceptionally long time, well after he retires from football.

It's good to be remembered for the things we have done. The legacy we leave behind will be remembered, hopefully for the good we have done as we try to make an impact on those around us no matter how big or small.

Yet I wonder what do we want people to remember about us? There is a song that the band "Casting Crowns" sings called "Only Jesus". Look it up on YouTube, it's a powerful song. The song talks about what's really important at the end of the day for people who have put their faith in Christ and follow Him. It is also a great song for everyone to help put into

perspective what's really important and what will have a lasting impact beyond this world.

I am certainly not taking anything away from anyone who has made an impact here on earth, including athletes. I just think when it's all said and done, the accomplishments we have are ok, but when

folks remember me, I hope they remember the only name that matters and that's the name of Jesus.

In my imperfection, did I do what I could to show His love to the people around me. Perhaps it's something for you to consider. What are you investing in? What will be your legacy?

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Pastors: Bjorn & Karin Bidell
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.; Mid-Week Prayer: Thursday 7:30 p.m..

What's happening, when and where in the community - for monthly meetings see our classified page

COMMUNITY EVENTS

January 14-Spring: Visit Willmore Park for the Toboggan Hill. Pack some hot dogs and hot chocolate and enjoy the outdoors.

January 14-February 25: Chair Yoga Active Living Class for Older Adults. Thursdays 4pm to 5pm. Zoom-based. Led by Brianne Benson. Register on-line starting January 5 at edson.ca.

January 18-March 1: Better Balance Active Living Class for Older Adults. Mondays 11am to 11:45am. Zoom-based. Register on-line starting January 5 by visiting edson.ca
January 20-February 24: Joint Effort Active Living Class for Older Adults. Wednesdays 11am to 11:45am. Zoom-

based. Led by a certified exercise physiologist. Register on-line starting January 5 at edson.ca. For more info, call 780-723-4403.

February 1-21: Winter 2021 Outdoor photography contest. Open to residents of Edson and area of all ages. For more info please go to WWW.EDSON.CA/ARTSANDCULTURE

February 11: Its not Right Webinar 1:00 pm or 6:30 pm. Learn about issues of older adult abuse. Register by February 8 to register call 1-800-814-3935.

February 12-21: A family week Snowathlon & Scavenger Hunt at Willmore Park. More info at EDSON.CA/FAMILYFUN

February 14-20: Random Acts of Kindness Week (see page 1) visit <https://www.edson.ca/residents/community-development/community-engagement-action-team>

February 19: Random Acts of Kindness Week Free Donut Day at Sobey's (see page 6)

February 24: Pink Shirt Day

First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 2 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge. See the Senior's Day Facebook Event for more details.

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Wildwood Community Hall To book please contact: Marjorie Russell at 780-325-2180 or Mary Anderson at 780-514-6105.

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Secure funding for Alberta Agricultural Societies

Supporting rural volunteers and organizations throughout COVID-19.

(Minister Devin Dreeshen) Agricultural Societies serve and support our rural communities and are a rich part of Alberta's history. They provide services such as community centres, ball diamonds, rodeo grounds, curling rinks, skating rinks and so much more.

Each year they receive a provincial base grant and an additional operating grant for events at their facilities. As a result of COVID-19, most of these events did not happen, which is why Agriculture and Forestry changed the 2021-2022 funding formula and has expedited the grant process. Alberta's government will still provide an additional operating grant by calculating the previous five-year average funding per organization.

Agricultural Societies will use a streamlined form to apply, resulting in significant savings

of both time and resources. Grants will be processed this spring, starting in May, to get these much-needed funds out to dedicated volunteers across the province.

283 primary Agricultural Societies will each receive \$17,500 base grant...

The 283 primary Agricultural Societies will each receive their \$17,500 base grant, plus the new five-year average variable operating grant.

The 7 regional Agricultural Societies will each receive their \$298,853 base grant, plus the new five-year average variable operating grant which is up to a maximum of \$100,000.

As Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, I'm proud to recognize our hard working volunteers that make Agricultural Societies work. Your determination keeps Albertans connected to agriculture and promotes the true values of rural Alberta: hard work, determination and community.

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Peers and District Cultural and Agricultural Society
o/a Peers Area Community Group

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KID'S CORNER



This is Gabriella Basaraba, also known as Gabby. She is 6 years old and in Grade 1 at MBE. Gabby loves Hockey, Dance, and Sparks, and her favorite color right now is blue. Gabby says she doesn't have a favourite animal because she loves them all. She wants to be an astronaut when she grows up, and she is a great big sister to her little brother, Johnathan. Something Gabby says she is looking forward to this year is visiting her extended family (as soon as it's safe to do so).

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