



**AGENDA  
TOWN OF TWO HILLS  
September 14, 2021  
7:00 P.M.**



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**Regular Council Meeting**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
  - a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2021
  - b) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2021
  - c) Special Council Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2021
- 4. DELEGATION - Dave Albrecht - FCSS Van - CATS transportation program**
- 5. OPEN FORUM**
- 6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**
  - a) Public Works Report
  - b) Chief Administrative Officer Report
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a) North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Request for Funding
  - b) Truth and Reconciliation Day
  - c) Arena Elevator
  - d) Regionalization
- 9. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**
- 10. NEXT MEETINGS**
  - a) Regular Council Meeting Tuesday September 28, 2021 7:00 p.m.
- 11. CLOSED SESSION**
  - a) FOIPP Act, Sections 17 and 29
- 12. ADJOURNMENT**





## TOWN OF TWO HILLS

### Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Town of Two Hills held July 13, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.



**PRESENT:** Mayor L. L. Ewanishan, Deputy Mayor W. Babiuk, Councillor E. Sorochan, Councillor M. Tarkowski, Councillor S. Rajoo, C.A.O. G. Saskiw, Executive Secretary A. Clark, Public Works Supervisor T. Stefiuk, C.F.O. S. Lupul and Finance Clerk D. Boutin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor L. L. Ewanishan called the Regular Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**OATH OF OFFICE:** Councillor S. Rajoo was sworn in a Deputy Mayor.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**2021-131** **MOVED** by Councillor M. Tarkowski to accept the agenda with an addition under New Business b) Canada Community Revitalization Grant.

**CARRIED**

#### **ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES:**

**2021-132** **MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2021 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATION:** NONE

**OPEN FORUM:** NONE

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

##### **Public Works Report**

The Public Works Foreman's Report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

**2021-133** **MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan that the Public Works report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**

##### **Chief Financial Officer Report**

The Chief Financial Officer's report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

**2021-134** **MOVED** by Councillor S. Rajoo that the Chief Financial Officer's report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**



**Chief Administrative Officer Report**

The Chief Administrative Officer's report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

- 2021-135**      **MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk to allow the addition of paving as well as curb and gutter on the north east portion of the road near Geleta Park.

**CARRIED**

- 2021-136**      **MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk that the Chief Administrative Officer's report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**National Drowning Prevention Week**

The Lifesaving Society is a national, charitable organization working to prevent drowning and reduce water-related injury through our training programs, Water Smart® public education, drowning research and aquatic safety standards. The Lifesaving Society certifies Canada's National Lifeguards. National Drowning Prevention Week is one of the Society's leading public education initiatives, with events taking place across the country to focus media and community attention on the drowning problem and drowning prevention.

- 2021-137**      **MOVED** by Mayor L. L. Ewanishan to Proclaim July 18-24, 2021 as National Drowning Prevention Week in Two Hills.

**CARRIED**

**Canada Community Revitalization Grant.**

The Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF) aims to help communities across Canada build and improve community infrastructure projects so they can rebound from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. With a national investment of \$500 million over 2 years, the Fund's purpose is to support not-for-profit organizations, municipalities, and other community groups.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

- 2021-138**      **MOVED** by Mayor L. L. Ewanishan to go into closed session at 8:40 PM.

**CARRIED**

- 2021-139**      **MOVED** by Mayor L. L. Ewanishan to come out of closed session at 9:10 PM.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING:**

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 7 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all items on the agenda having been addressed Mayor L. L. Ewanishan adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 9:10 PM.

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**LEONARD L. EWANISHAN, MAYOR**

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**GERREN SASKIW, C.A.O.**



## TOWN OF TWO HILLS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Town of Two Hills  
held August 17, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.



**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo, Councillor E. Sorochan, Councillor M. Tarkowski, Councillor W. Babiuk, C.A.O. G. Saskiw, Executive Secretary A. Clark, Public Works Supervisor T. Stefiuk, Finance Clerk D. Boutin, Accounts Clerk W. Matthes, Summer Student S. Toma.

**MISSING:** Mayor L. L. Ewanishan, C.F.O. S. Lupul

**CALL TO ORDER:** Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo called the Regular Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

**2021-140** **MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan to accept the agenda with additions under New Business a) Regionalization, b) CFEP Grant.

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATION:** NONE

**OPEN FORUM:** NONE

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

#### **Public Works Report**

The Public Works Foreman's Report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

**2021-141** **MOVED** by Councillor M. Tarkowski that the Public Works report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**

#### **Chief Financial Officer Report**

The Chief Financial Officer's report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

**2021-142** **MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan that the Chief Financial Officer's report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**

#### **Chief Administrative Officer Report**

The Chief Administrative Officer's report was provided to Council in advance for their review.

**2021-143** **MOVED** by Councillor M. Tarkowski that the Chief Administrative Officer's report be acknowledged as presented and incorporated into the minutes.

**CARRIED**



**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Regionalization**

With the upcoming Election, is this something the Town would like to add as a referendum question on the ballots.

**CFEP Application**

The Ag society is seeking a support letter to submit with their CFEP application for a new more energy efficient Zamboni. CFEP funding provides financial assistance to acquire, build, purchase, repair, renovate, upgrade or expand sports, recreational, cultural or other related public-use community facilities.

**2021-144**

**MOVED** by Councillor M. Tarkowski to send a letter of support to the Ag Society for their Community Facility Enhancement Program application.

**CARRIED**

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

**2021-145**

**MOVED** by Councillor W. Babiuk to accept and incorporate the Council Reports as presented into the minutes.

**CARRIED**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**2021-146**

**MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan to go into closed session at 8:35 PM.

**CARRIED**

**2021-147**

**MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan to come out of closed session at 8:47 PM.

**CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING:**

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday September 14, 2021 at 7 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all items on the agenda having been addressed Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:47 PM.

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**SONNY RAJOO, DEPUTY MAYOR**

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**GERREN SASKIW, C.A.O.**



**TOWN OF TWO HILLS**  
**Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council for the Town of Two Hills**  
**held on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 2:00 PM.**



**PRESENT:** Mayor L. L. Ewanishan, Deputy Mayor S. Rajoo, Councillor M. Tarkowski, Councillor E. Sorochan, Councillor W. Babiuk and C.A.O. G. Saskiw, C.F.O. S. Lupul, Finance Clerk D. Boutin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor L. L. Ewanishan called to order the Special Council Meeting at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, having all Council members in attendance and sign the Special Meeting Waiver.

**AGENDA ITEMS:** **Special Meeting Purpose** – Tax Sale

**2021-148** **MOVED** by Councillor E. Sorochan to accept the reserve bids for the presented properties with development conditions for tax auctions as defined.

**CARRIED**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**2021-149** **MOVED** by Mayor L. L. Ewanishan to go into closed session at 4:00 PM.

**CARRIED**

**2021-150** **MOVED** by Mayor L. L. Ewanishan to come out of closed session at 4:11 PM.

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor L. L. Ewanishan adjourned the meeting at 4:11 P.M.

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**LEONARD L. EWANISHAN, MAYOR**

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**GERREN SASKIW, C.A.O.**





# OPEN FORUM

(Council Procedural Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw 2014-949)

**Preamble:** Welcome. Town Council is providing an opportunity for the general public to individually address Council on any topic relevant to municipal government for a period not to exceed 2 minutes per person to a maximum of 20 minutes combined. Information presented to Council may or not be acted on and will not be debated unless there is a majority vote to do so. The Open Forum is not a means of expressing insults, accusations or making any personal attacks on any member of Council or Staff. Any person who starts insulting or making accusations or attacks on any member of Council, Council as a Whole, or any Staff member will be kindly asked to remove themselves from Council Chambers. Once again, welcome.

## Division 3 – Open Forums

- 11.1 Individual members of the public who constitute the audience are be provided an opportunity as part of the meeting to address the Council on any topic relevant to municipal government for a period of time not to exceed two (2) minutes per person. The intent of which is to provide the person opportunity to address Council.
- 11.2 The information or comments heard may or may not be actioned by the Council. After a person has spoken, any Councillor may, through the Mayor or other presiding officer, ask that person or the Chief Administrative Officer relevant questions but may not debate the matter or the answers.
- 11.3 Actions by Council may only be 1) receiving the information without debate; 2) referred without debate to a Standing Committee or the Chief Administrative Officer for a report; or 3) debated if by a 2/3 majority vote a resolution is passed to allow a motion to be made without notice.

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## 1. Roads / Sidewalks

- a) Complete reclaiming, applying tack oil, hauling, grading and packing SB90 on 49 St between 47 Ave and 50 Ave, 47 Ave between 50 St and 48 St
- b) Grade and pack gravel on 45 Ave for new curb and gutter
- c) Fill pot holes on most roads

## 2. Other

- a) Remove trees and stumps from the east side of Centennial Hall
- b) Dig out dirt and grass and replace with screened dirt
- c) Remove old sidewalk on the south east corner of the Hall
- d) Backfill along the southside of the new curb and gutter along 45 Ave
- e) Remove old sidewalk on the north side of 47 Ave to repair and lower catch basin
- f) Mow along highway 45
- g) Complete service requests

## Water/Wastewater

- a) The town experienced one power disruption since last report - all systems good
- b) Large Blue Heron hit the power line west of lift station causing the line to trip the breaker at lift station. PW on call responded to the alarm and notified Atco who reset the power
- c) Lagoon checked for algae bloom ... well within acceptable levels
- d) Continue to monitor 46 Ave sanitary flow
- e) Frozen water meter replaced at rental property
- f) Cc valve located as per home owner request
- g) Sanitary manhole checks done on 46 street
- h) Monitoring south side water pressure
- i) Monitoring distribution flow rates
- j) Water service restored to residential property as per request
- k) Water service shut off at new home site as per request
- l) Lift station generator test
- m) Lagoon levels 5 ft below 2017 levels
- n) Sewer auger residence as per request
- o) Hazard assessment for Hydro vac/ jetting sanitary mains
  - 1. Hydro vac gas lines at Centennial Hall and 45 ave alley entrance
  - 2. Hydro jet sanitary mainlines with contractor (Urlacher)
  - 3. 57st to 46 Ave
  - 4. 56 st to 46 Ave
  - 5. 600 ft on 46 Ave
  - 6. Chemcell Apt crossover - 52 Ave to 51 Ave
  - 7. 51 Ave from 46 st to 49 st
  - 8. Public school to 51 ave
  - 9. 50 Ave from Hwy 36





## SUMMER TEMP WORKERS REPORT

- a) The summer employees continued weed whipping, grass cutting
- b) Flower and Tree watering continues on Mon – Wed – Friday schedule
- c) Painted all fire hydrants (58)
- d) Painted town office step
- e) Continue cross walk painting
- f) Began curb painting
- g) Continued Painting until paint ran out – 8 month wait on traffic paint due to Covid – ordered more for next summer

Note: The town lost one of its temp employees to another job and the CMTA employee has stepped in to fill that role and is working closely with the town's temp worker



**1. FINISHED SB-90 Road Projects:** since the August council meeting, 49 St (47-50 Ave) on the west side of the Mennonite school and two blocks of 47 Ave (from 48-50 St) have been completed. It is really nice to drive on these roads that have been resurfaced.

**2. SB-90 Road Projects to be completed:** since the August council meeting, the only blocks of road that still need to be finished are on 47 Ave (railway Ave 46-47 St). The County is supposed to come with the reclaimer and rotovate these 2 blocks next week. SB-90 is mixed and ready to be hauled in and packed down!!!

**3. Paving 45 Ave (Hwy 36 – 54 St):** Public Works should be finished preparing this area next week. Curb & Gutter has been poured and some sidewalk replaced. The power poles have been moved off the road area. Paving will not start until the middle of September (*good it has been pushed back 2 weeks because we are not ready yet*). The intersection of 54 St & 45 Ave (NW of the Arena) will be dug up to run a water line to the south end of the Arena for future use. An area of the road on 45 Ave between 53-54 St needs to be dug up and the black dirt replaced with better base material (*across the road from the Arena Ice Plant*).

**4. Bylaw Notices: Semi Trucks & Holiday Trailers:** continue to issue notices for removal of semi trucks & trailers from Town streets, residents are complying and rarely is it the same residents.

**5. UPDATE - Sidewalk Replacement.** sidewalk replacement completed before paving starts on 45 Ave (*north side from 52 St east to the back alley*) and curb & gutter with some storm drains on the south side of 45 Ave (*Centennial Hall east to Hwy 36*). Later in the fall there may be some more small sections of sidewalk replaced.

**6. Unsightly Premises.** We are still working with a few properties and discussions and work are proceeding (slower than I am wanting). The majority of the work should be done by late fall, if not then a contractor may have to be brought in to do the work and this will be billed back to the property. One property will be doing a majority of the cleanup before winter and will finish over winter and into the spring.

**7. Geleta Park Centennial Hall:** a lot of landscaping work done.

**Please see attached CAO Action Tracker for council requests and for capital projects.**

## CAPITAL PROJECTS: Action Tracker for Council

Date	Capital Project	Update on Project	STATUS
2021-08-13	Concrete Crushing	Postponed to 2022 at the earliest. Budget Pending.	TBD
2021-09-10	Arena Road PAVING Project 2021 (45 Ave from 51-54 St)	Paving of the Arena Road is now to start in the middle of September. Road widening from Hwy 36 to 52 St with curb & gutter is done. Power poles moved.	Booked & In Progress
2021-09-10	Sidewalk Projects 2021	Contractor returned and finished the Curb & Gutter on 45 Ave from the Centennial Hall to HWY 36. They are working on some catch basins. May do some Small sections of repairs later in the fall.	Almost Complete
2021-09-10	SB-90 ROAD PROJECTS: FINISHED	51 Ave (from 46-49 St), 49 St (51-52 Ave), 52 Ave (49-50 St), 50 St (51-52 Ave), 48 Ave (46-47 St), 46 Ave (51-52 St), 52 St (45-46 Ave), 47 Ave (48-50 St) & 49 St (47-50 Ave).	Updated - Completed
2021-09-10	SB-90 ROAD PROJECTS: WORKING ON	47 Ave (46-48 St) - the County will return to finish rotovating the last 2 blocks for SB-90. The SB-90 is mixed and ready to lay down.	Working On
	completed / DONE	UPDATES for Council.	



## Action Tracker for Council

Date	WHO? Call / Email	Issue / Reason / Topic	Action	STATUS
2021-02-19	Council Request	Two Hills Gas Franchise	Does the Town purchase? Operate? Costs? Revenue? Get more figures and options. Need updated information.	Ongoing
2021-04-07	Council Request	Snow Removal Policy	Update the part of the policy dealing with salting of sidewalks	for Fall
2021-07-30	Council Request	Semis in Town	Discussing with owners of Semis about not driving on Town roads. NO Parking on Town streets. Notices Sent.	Ongoing
2021-07-07	Council Request	Library Roof Tin - Leaking Issue	Another Contractor will be checking out the roof with PW on July 8th, to determine where the roof is leaking and provide other solutions. Not sure what else can be done? We will also be investigating if some sealant can be sprayed in certain areas or other product.	More Investigation needed
2021-07-30	Council Request	Noxious Weeds	Make sure to spray any noxious weeds in town.	Monitoring
2021-08-13	Council Request	Unsanitary Premises	Have timelines with different landowners on cleanup.	Ongoing
2021-08-13	CAO	MCSNet Tower	MCSNet will be installing a tower in Two Hills behind the library in late August (contingent on the progress of their current projects).	Ongoing
2021-08-13	CAO / CFO	Property Taxes Collected	As of July 31, 2021, 52.33% of the 2021 property taxes have been collected (does not include Tax Incentive Payment Plan properties). \$133,499 in tax arrears collected to date.	Deadline: December 31, 2021
2021-09-10	Council Request	Tax Arrears Auction Sales: August 25th & September 10th, 2021	One property sold and there was interest in a few others. I think we will sell a few other properties in the next few months. Are in the process of transferring titles to the Town.	DONE
		completed / DONE	highlighted updates for council.	



**Correspondence Listing**  
**Council Meeting of September 14, 2021**



1. **St. Paul Education Regional Division No.1:** Board meeting highlights updating council on school changes, capital projects, finances, and correspondence.





**2021-22 Return to School Plan:** Trustees approved the 2021/22 Return to School Plan as presented by the Superintendent. [It is posted on the Back to School button on the Division website.](#) Families are encouraged to check the news section frequently as updates will be provided on a regular basis. Grade 1-9 students return to school on September 2 and Kindergarten students start on September 7 or 8 depending on their group. Kindergarten teachers will be contacting parents to let them know their child's start date and group. The Division's plan is subject to change, but aims to balance the physical, mental and emotional needs of students. Many restrictions have been eased or lifted and the Division will slowly ease into activities such as school assemblies. All students, staff and visitors to a school are required to complete the daily self checklist and must not be at school if presenting with any of the symptoms. Masks are not required in Division schools, but staff and students are encouraged to wear them, and those who choose to wear them will be supported. All students are required to wear masks on buses, and additional disposable masks will be available on all buses. In addition, hand hygiene will be encouraged, high touch areas will be cleaned regularly, and HVAC and air circulation systems will be regularly monitored. If there is a 10% rate of absenteeism in any school, the Division is required to report to Alberta Health Services (AHS). St. Paul Education will support AHS as it runs temporary vaccination clinics in schools. Immunization is voluntary and will be available in September and October for eligible students in Grades 7-12 and staff. More Information will be provided to parents and guardians, **parental consent will be required for in-school immunizations.** The decision to vaccinate is the personal health choice of parents. In the coming months, a portion of a school, such as individual grade(s) or class(es), may temporarily move to at-home learning as required for operational reasons (i.e. staffing issues). Any parents who have concerns about their child's learning upon school re-entry are encouraged to contact their child's teacher(s). Division teachers will focus on meeting students where they are at and moving them forward in their learning. Rebuilding connections will also be an important part of school re-entry. The deadline to register for at-home learning was Tuesday, August 24. Any additional requests may be considered on a case by case basis. The Division will be planning to provide at-home learning for approximately 18 students from Grades 1-9.

**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation:** Over the summer, the federal government announced that September 30 is now a national day to mark Truth and Reconciliation. As the Division calendar was passed in the spring, trustees passed a motion to amend the Division calendar to have a **professional development day on September 30 instead of September 27.**

Appropriate Orange Shirt Day and related activities will be held in schools on September 29 or October 1. Individual schools will be participating in professional development activities related to Truth and Reconciliation on September 30.

**Friends of Playschool Request:** St. Paul Friends of Playschool submitted a request to the Board to assume management of their program for 2022/23. The playschool has been operating at St. Paul Elementary for a number of years. In recent years, the Division successfully started a new preschool program at Mallaig School and also assumed responsibility for the program in Two Hills School, in partnership with the local preschool group. This request has been tabled to the October meeting.

**Election 2021:** Municipal elections are scheduled for the fall of 2021. Nominations for the school board will remain open until noon on September 20, 2021. Election Day is October 18. Contact Central Office or visit the [Division website for more information or to download a nomination form.](#)





### Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Brodziak welcomed incoming assistant superintendents Karol Cabaj-Martin and Keith Gamblin to the St. Paul School Division Central Office team.
- Over the summer, Alberta Education announced funding to address literacy and numeracy learning loss for students from Kindergarten to Grade 3. The Division will be submitting a proposal to access this funding. Literacy and numeracy have also been identified as target areas within the [Division Education Plan](#).
- Alberta Education is funding Financial Literacy programs for students in Grades 7-12. Programming will be provided by the Enriched Academy and the Canadian Foundation for Economic Education. Topics covered will include money management, budgeting, TFSA's, credit, student loans, and saving across the lifespan. Financial literacy resources and programming will also be available for students in Grades 3-6. More information about this important topic will be going out to schools.

### Financial Report

- In accordance with requirements, the Division has applied for and received permission from the Minister of Education to carry a deficit budget for 2021/22, to be offset by the use of reserve funds.
- To support the continuation of enhanced cleaning measures related to Covid-19, there will be some additional unforeseen costs not forecasted in this year's budget. The Division will continue many pandemic initiated practices, such as virtual meetings when appropriate, which will also result in some cost savings.
- Trustees have received an audit plan from the Division auditors and scheduled the year end review for the end of November.
- Alberta Education has announced funding for active school councils. The funding is intended to increase communication and engagement. More information will be shared when it is available.
- Trustees reviewed cheque and financial information for July and August.

### Reports

**Alberta School Boards Association Fall Annual General Meeting:** Participants will have the option to attend in-person or virtually on November 14-16.

**Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association (ACSTA):** The Annual General Meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 12-14.

#### Infrastructure, Maintenance and Capital:

- A report was presented outlining the status of summer construction projects. The majority have been completed as planned with a few being delayed due to material shortages.
- Extensive technology upgrades totalling approximately \$89,000 were also completed over the summer, resulting in improved wi-fi coverage and network capacity for all Division schools.
- A voice over internet phone system has been installed as a pilot in the Elk Point schools. If successful, the Division will look at this cost-saving alternative for other sites.
- Exterior site work including parking lot paving is being completed in Ashmont and a new playground and fencing have been installed at the Two Hills Mennonite School.





### Information/Correspondence

**Education Services Agreement (ESA) Draft Standards Review:** Over the summer, Alberta Education released an updated document outlining draft standards for ESAs between provincial school authorities and their neighbouring First Nations. The document was updated to reflect the current Education Act. The Division administrative team will be attending a virtual information session in September. More information will follow.

**Parent Advisory Council/Teacher Advisory Council:** Minister LaGrange has announced the formation of two new councils, a parent advisory council and a teacher advisory council. They are looking for diverse representation from across the province. Interested persons can see the Division [website](#) to apply. This is an unpaid volunteer position with a 10-month term.

**Contract Bus Operators Insurance:** The Division participates in an insurance consortium with other rural school authorities. A hard market across the industry, coupled with a few serious claims, have caused insurance premiums to rise substantially over the past year, including insurance premiums for contract bus operators who purchase their insurance through the Division.

The Division is continuing to work closely with our local operators to explore more affordable options before the next renewal date on October 31.



**Delegation:** Trustees received an overview of a meeting held September 7 by a representative from a group of parents and students, to discuss their concerns related to the Board's recent decision to require masking in common areas based on the Alberta Government's new temporary measures in response to the Delta variant and varying regional vaccination rates as of September 3, 2021.

**Meeting Protocols:** Prior to the September 13 meeting, trustees carefully reviewed the requirements for Board meetings as they relate to the recently announced health order from the provincial government to work from home if possible. For the September 08 meeting, the number of people present in the boardroom was reduced and all participants remained distanced. All other attendees participated via Zoom. After greater discussion, trustees passed a motion to continue to hold regular Board meetings via Zoom until further notice and direction from the province.

**2021-22 Return to School Plan:** Over the past number of weeks, the Division has heard concerns from both parents who want health measures such as masks in schools and those who do not want to see masks in schools. Many parents on both sides have also expressed concerns related to the mental health of students. After careful consideration, including a review of differing concerns expressed by parents and community members, accountability of the Board to provide a level of safety in Division schools, low regional vaccination rates, the lack of a vaccine for students aged 11 and younger, and the importance of students being in schools and schools staying open, trustees passed a motion to have students in Grades 4-12 and all staff wear masks in common areas in schools. Board chair Starosielski noted that the provincial government deemed that "school authorities continue to have the ability and corresponding accountability for any local measures that are put in place...which may exceed provincial guidance. If school divisions make the decision to go beyond the provincial guidance, part of the accountability you have to your communities is to explain why this is necessary in your local contexts". Trustees Young, Anderson, Starosielski and Wiebe shared that ultimately they would like schools to remain open and not experience a forced Alberta Health Services school shut down which could be detrimental to mental health. This requirement will amount to approximately one hour per day when students must wear a mask. Students will be allowed to take off their masks once they are in the classroom. This decision is intended to strike a compromise approach that recognizes both the physical and mental health needs of students while putting in a measure to slow the possible spread of the virus in schools. As they did last year, individual students or staff can apply for a mask exemption in accordance with the province's mask exemption guidelines. At-home learning is also an option. Note that students in Two Hills Mennonite School (THMS) are exempt from the masking requirement. Staff at THMS are still required to wear masks in common areas. This exemption is based on the unique religious and academic programming in Two Hills Mennonite School. Trustees also passed a motion to communicate their concerns regarding the lack of direction and health guidance for schools to the provincial government.

**2021-22 Enrolment Update:** Early enrolment figures show that the Division is down about 200 students from projections. This number could improve depending on buses running from nearby communities and parents' making a final decision regarding in-person or at-home learning. A very low number of families (12 students in all) have opted for the Division's at-home learning program. These students are currently being supported by the Myrnam Home Education and Outreach Centre. A part-time teacher has been hired to boost at home learning in Myrnam until the end of the semester in January. A number of at-home learners who attend Ashmont, Myrnam and the Regional are also being supported by their home school.

**Council of Elders:** The Innovation in First Nation Education grant has come to an end as of June 2021. This was a very successful grant that supported a lot of good work between the Division and neighbouring First Nations. The Division has developed a three-step plan to continue the work that was started with this grant. The first phase involved hiring Mr. Clifford Cardinal as Cultural Advisor. Mr. Cardinal opened the school year with a pipe ceremony. The second phase is now underway with the hiring of two Community-School Liaison Workers. Nikita Bull will be working with students and families from Whitefish Lake First Nation, and Shelly Quinney will be working with students and families from Frog Lake First Nation. In addition to his role as cultural advisor, Mr. Cardinal will also work with students and families from Saddle Lake First Nation. Trustees passed a motion approving a third phase which will involve the establishment of an elders advisory council with representation from Frog Lake, Kehewin, Saddle Lake, and Whitefish Lake First Nations. This plan is in the early planning stages and more details will be released shortly.

**Alberta Health Services (AHS) Outbreak Management:** Under the Health Act, schools in the province are required to monitor absenteeism rates in their schools. If there is an absentee rate of more than 10%, a school must notify Alberta Health Services (AHS), and they will conduct an investigation. If the symptoms among all the absent students in a school are similar, AHS will declare an outbreak and may require specific health restrictions in that school.



**Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA):** The local ATA executive accepted an invitation from Board Chair Starosielski to attend regular Board meetings during the upcoming school year. Trustees passed a motion to cover one half-day sub per meeting for ATA attendance at regular Board meetings.

**Municipal Election 2021:** Nominations for Board of Trustee elections close at noon on September 20. Election day is October 18. More information can be found on the [St. Paul Education website](#).

### Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Brodziak noted that the Division will recognize September 30 as National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Students will not attend school on September 30, and Orange Shirt Day activities for students will be held on an alternate day. The PD day that was scheduled for September 27 has been changed to September 30, and staff will take part in professional development related to Truth and Reconciliation on that day.
- School immunization information was sent home with students for parents of students in Grades 7-12. The choice to immunize is a parent choice.
- Through a grant with Alberta Education, Enriched Academy is offering Financial Literacy programming to all grade 10-12 students in Alberta. The program is made up of eight modules covering a variety of financial literacy topics. The information will be reviewed with administrators.



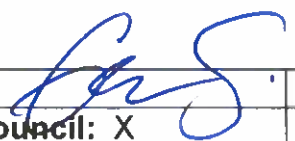
### Financial Report

- The Division's projected enrollment for 2020-21 was slightly more than our actual enrollment for 2020-21. Under the new Weighted Moving Average (WMA) formula this means that our funding for this year has been adjusted by -\$101,629.
- Because of COVID, Alberta Education is providing an offset that corrects the -\$101,629 adjustment. For us this is a relatively small amount, but for other districts it is significant.
- Originally it was expected that the adjustment would be part of the 2021-22 year. Alberta Education has now determined that the revenue reduction is to be recorded in 2020-21 and the corresponding offset covid mitigation support is to be recorded in 2021-22.
- The province has recently announced additional funding for home education students wishing to take distance/online education courses. Trustees passed a motion setting a \$650 fee for home education students taking online courses which is to be offset by the provincial support as the division is otherwise unfunded in this regard.

### Reports

**Alberta School Boards Association Fall Annual General Meeting:** Participants will have the option to attend in-person or virtually on November 14-16.

**Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association (ACSTA):** Work is underway to review and reimagine the structure of the ACSTA. ACSTA will be working with the Council of Catholic School Superintendents to provide guidance to the Department of Education as it relates to Catholic education. A hybrid model of both in person and online options is being proposed for the Annual General Meeting.

 <b>TOWN OF TWO HILLS COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM</b> 				
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	September 14, 2021	<b>Confidential:</b>	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Topic:</b> North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Request for Funding				
<b>Originated By:</b> Gerren Saskiw		<b>Title:</b> C.A.O		
<b>BACKGROUND:</b>				
<p>The North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) Watershed is looking to the Town for their yearly contribution this year would be \$721.50 (No change from last years cost)</p>				
<b>DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:</b>				
Request letter and project updates				
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>				
<b>COMMUNICATION PLAN/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:</b>				
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):</b>				
To fund the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliances, request per capita for a total of \$721.50.				
<b>CAO- Gerren Saskiw</b> 				
<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>Council:</b> X	<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>Council:</b> X	



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September 1, 2021

Mayor Leonard L. Ewanishan  
Town of Two Hills  
PO Box 630  
Two Hills AB T0B 4K0

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Dear Mayor Ewanishan,

**RE: Municipal Contribution to NSWA**

I am pleased to provide a copy of the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) 2020-21 Annual Report, which summarizes the projects and collaborative partnerships that NSWA has conducted in your watershed during the past year. **This important work was accomplished thanks to the generous support of over 40 municipalities in our shared watershed.** We would again appreciate positive consideration by your Council for a \$0.50 per capita contribution to NSWA for 2021.

**How your financial contribution benefits your community**

Now more than ever municipalities must rely on partnerships to help provide key services to their communities. NSWA has successfully applied for **over \$3.0 million worth of provincial and federal grants to support municipalities and local stewardship groups in the last five years.** See the attached summary table and information sheet for how NSWA can help your municipality.

NSWA is helping to address many local watershed management issues including:

- Riparian and wetland habitat conservation and restoration
- River and creek hydrology studies
- Natural areas and groundwater recharge areas protection
- Fisheries habitat and aquatic health assessments, including invasive species issues
- Long term impacts of land use changes on watershed health
- Best management practices and planning policies related to riparian, wetland and natural area protection, stormwater management and flood protection and water conservation.

In addition to financial contributions from individual municipalities, our non-profit alliance depends on an annual operating grant from the Government of Alberta and contributions from EPCOR. More

information about the NSWA, our bylaws, finances and projects can be found online at [www.nswa.ab.ca](http://www.nswa.ab.ca).

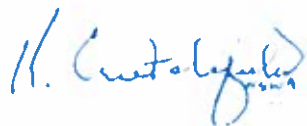
In 2005, the Government of Alberta appointed NSWA as the Watershed Planning and Advisory Council for the North Saskatchewan River (NSR) basin under *Water for Life: Alberta's Strategy for Sustainability*. NSWA has made significant progress under this mandate, and in 2012 released an Integrated Watershed Management Plan (IWMP) for the North Saskatchewan River basin. This major undertaking provides advice and direction to protect the long-term supply and quality of water resources for future generations. IWMP implementation is now underway through strategic watershed partnerships with local municipalities and stewardship groups.

NSWA partners with individual municipalities and three sub-watershed alliances to assess local watershed conditions and issues, coordinate inter-municipal projects, and develop harmonized land policies to support long-term sustainability of watershed resources. NSWA also provides technical expertise, grant application support, consultant coordination and facilitation services for meetings and workshops.

NSWA is also involved in many major intergovernmental projects such as the North Saskatchewan Regional Land Use Framework, Edmonton Metro Region Growth Plan, Industrial Heartland Water Management Framework and EPCOR's Drinking Water Protection Plan. This involvement, plus its close working relationship with many Alberta government agencies, allows NSWA to connect municipalities such as yours with the best resources to address watershed issues.

**NSWA would be pleased to discuss any watershed issues of concern to your municipality and to provide a briefing if requested by your Council or Administration.** Please feel free to contact NSWA's Executive Director, Ms. Leah Kongsrude at 587-525-6827 or [leah.kongsrude@nswa.ab.ca](mailto:leah.kongsrude@nswa.ab.ca) in this regard. Ms. Kongsrude has over 30 years of environmental experience, including ten years in municipal government, and appreciates the challenges and opportunities that municipalities face with local watershed management issues.

Thank you for your consideration. We have taken the liberty of enclosing an invoice.



Mr. Ken Crutchfield, President  
North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance Society

Cc: Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments: NSWA Coordinated Sub-Watershed Project and Grant Summary  
NSWA Annual Report 2020-2021  
How can NSWA help your Municipality with Watershed Issues?



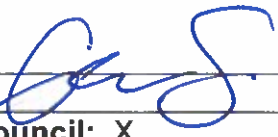




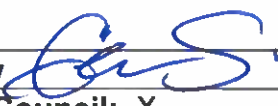
## NSWA Coordinated Sub-Watershed Project and Grant Summary




SUB-WATERSHED	MAJOR WATERBODIES	MUNICIPALITIES	PROJECTS
<b>HEADWATERS</b>	North Saskatchewan River Cline River Clearwater River Ram River Brazeau River Modeste Creek Strawberry Creek Wabamun Lake	Clearwater County Brazeau County Parkland County Leduc County Wetaskiwin County Town of Drayton Valley Town of Rocky Mountain House Town of Devon Town of Thorsby Village of Wabamun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$130,000 Alberta Water Resiliency and Restoration Program grant used to create an online web portal for data on the health of riparian areas in the Modeste, Strawberry and Surgeon subwatersheds. This data will be used to conserve or restore high priority riparian areas that will provide greater flood/drought resistance, improve water quality, and enhance wildlife habitat. The Riparian Web Portal is being expanded to include new data for the Beaverhill, White Earth, Vermilion, Frog and Monnery subwatersheds in 2021.</li> <li>The Wabamun Lake Watershed Management Plan was finalized in 2020 with involvement of local municipalities and lake stewardship groups</li> </ul>
<b>STURGEON RIVER</b>	Sturgeon River Isle Lake Lac St. Anne Birch Lake Matchaway Lake Sandy Lake Kilini Creek Riviere Qu'Barre Atim Creek Carrot Creek	Lac St. Anne County Parkland County Sturgeon County City of Edmonton City of St. Albert City of Spruce Grove Town of Stony Plain Town of Onoway Town of Morinville Town of Gibbons Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne County East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$512,000 from three provincial and federal grants was used to summarize information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>surface water and groundwater hydrology</li> <li>wetland and natural areas</li> <li>water quality</li> <li>fisheries habitat and aquatic life</li> <li>riparian intactness</li> <li>policy and planning tools for watershed protection</li> </ul> </li> <li>This information was used to complete a Sturgeon River Watershed Management Plan (2020) which provides guidance and actions to protect the watershed.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A \$200,000 Alberta Community Partnership Grant was received to implement priority action items from the Sturgeon River Watershed Management Plan in 2020- 2023.</li> </ul>
<b>VERMILLION RIVER</b>	Vermilion River Waskwei Creek Cotton Creek Birch Creek Campbell Creek Deer Creek Stretton Creek	County of Vermillion River County of Minburn Beaver County County of Two Hills County of St. Paul Town of Vermillion Town of Vegreville Town of Two Hills Town of St. Paul Town of Elk Point Town of Bruderheim Village of Holden Village of Innisfree Village of Myrnam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A four-year, \$1.4 million Water Resiliency and Restoration Program grant to promote riparian and wetland restoration projects in the watershed. To date over 100 ha of wetlands and riparian areas have been enhanced or restored through this project.</li> <li>A shared \$75,000 Water Resiliency and Restoration Program grant with Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance was used to assess long term land use changes in the watershed and its effect on the hydrology of the basin. This study uses ALCES, a cumulative assessment simulation assessment tool, to show the impacts of land use decisions. This tool has also been used by the Edmonton Metro Regional Board to support its planning discussions and policy.</li> </ul>
<b>BEAVERHILL</b>	North Saskatchewan River Beaverhill Creek Astotin Creek Beaverhill Lake Cooking Lake Hastings Lake Antler Lake	Strathcona County Lamont County Beaver County City of Fort Saskatchewan Town of Bruderheim Town of Tofield Town of Ryley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A \$500,000 Canadian Agriculture Partnership Grant is being used to expand data on riparian health for the Beaverhill, White Earth, Vermilion, Frog and Monnery subwatersheds.</li> <li>A Land Stewardship grant was used to complete a lake management plan for Antler Lake.</li> </ul>



 <b>TOWN OF TWO HILLS COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM</b> 				
<b>Meeting Date:</b> September 14, 2021	<b>Confidential:</b>	Yes	No	X
<b>Topic:</b> Truth and Reconciliation Day				
<b>Originated By:</b> Gerren Saskiw		<b>Title:</b> C.A.O		
<b>BACKGROUND:</b>				
<p>In June, the House of Commons unanimously passed legislation to make September 30<sup>th</sup> a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to commemorate the history and ongoing trauma caused by residential schools and to honour the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve for those who were lost. The designation of this day is in response to one of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action and is meant to honour survivors, their families, and communities. It also ensures the ongoing commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools will remain a vital part of the reconciliation process.</p>				
<b>DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:</b>				
None				
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>				
<b>COMMUNICATION PLAN/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:</b>				
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):</b>				
<p>As the Town of Two Hills sits on Treaty 8 land, we recognize the need to honour the survivors, families and communities who grieve for those who were lost, I move to add September 30<sup>th</sup> as a statutory holiday so the Town staff may observe and participate in this important Day of Reconciliation.</p>				
				
<b>CAO- Gerren Saskiw</b>				
<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>Council:</b> X	<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>Council:</b> X	

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<b>Meeting Date:</b> September 14, 2021	<b>Confidential:</b>	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Topic:</b> Elevator Cost Share County & Town			
<b>Originated By:</b> Gerren Saskiw		<b>Title:</b> C.A.O	
<b>BACKGROUND:</b>			
<p>The Town Applied for Enabling Accessibility Grant for the Arena Elevator in the amount of \$100,000. Mistakes were made with the application; we did not hear back and as such we were not approved. Our MP tried to assist at getting funds to no avail. We will be asking the County to cost share for half in the amount of \$50,000.</p>			
<b>DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:</b>			
None			
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>			
<b>COMMUNICATION PLAN/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:</b>			
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):</b>			
To send a funding request letter to the County for the Arena Elevator.			
<b>CAO- Gerren Saskiw</b> 			
<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	Council: X	<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b>	Council: X

		<b>TOWN OF TWO HILLS COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM</b>					
<b>Meeting Date:</b> September 14, 2021		<b>Confidential:</b>		Yes		No	X
<b>Topic:</b> Regionalization							
<b>Originated By:</b> Leonard Ewanishan				<b>Title:</b> Mayor			
<b>BACKGROUND:</b>							
<p>The Mayor would to bring this forth for discussions.</p>							
<b>DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:</b>							
<p>Cooperation, Regionalization, and Amalgamation by Doug Griffiths</p>							
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>							
<p></p>							
<b>COMMUNICATION PLAN/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:</b>							
<p></p>							
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):</b>							
<p>Depends on discussion.</p>							
<p>PP- Leonard Ewanishan </p>							
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# Cooperation, Regionalization, and Amalgamation

by Doug Griffiths | Jan 13, 2021

Across the county, municipalities are at different stages of finding ways to work together. Some municipalities are being asked politely to work together, some are being actively persuaded with the addition or removal of funding from their budgets, and the remainder have, or soon will be, simply forced together by law. You may feel it is good news, or bad news, but the reality is that it is change which cannot be ignored. This column will explore the top issues with cooperation, regionalization, and amalgamation.

Each province has been addressing the issue of municipal cooperation in their own manner. Some regions took action many years ago, others have only recently instigated changes, and still others seem paralyzed by attempts to find the right method to produce constructive results. The issue motivating action from the provinces is money. There are no provinces left in the nation with the monetary resources to support each of their communities operating in isolation. It is becoming too expensive for every community to have their own water treatment plant with their own water quality specialist. Hockey rinks are expensive to build and even more costly to maintain. No province has the resources to ensure every community gets their own everything, anymore. The costs associated with maintenance and replacement are virtually boundless. Unfortunately, provincial bank accounts are not. The reality forces provincial governments to seek greater efficiency and coordination in how municipalities operate, which means greater cooperation, regionalization, or amalgamation.

Municipalities that choose to come together experience remarkably different results than those forced to work together. Historically, those that have decided to work together (or work as one) have done so because they realize by working together there is a greater opportunity they will be successful. They have also realized that historical municipal boundaries may no longer be relevant in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Most of our municipal boundaries were drawn anywhere between 100 and 240 years ago depending on where

you are in the country. When those boundaries were created our kids walked to school and we hauled our farm products to market by horse or by cart. Our community was limited by how far we could travel and return home in a day. Our politics were limited by how far the paper could be delivered each day. Our municipal boundaries were drawn based on that much localized world.

Today the world is a different place. We now drive farther than ever before to reach new markets to buy or sell goods and services. But soon we won't need to drive at all to shop. With high speed internet more and more of anything and everything from around the world can be purchased and delivered to the front door, usually overnight. High speed internet also means education is no longer local since you can take the courses you want from almost anywhere right in your living room. Affordable air travel now means I can be on the other side of the world faster than it took my great-grandpa to walk across the county. I also get news from around the world faster than my dad could find out about what was happening locally. Politics is still local, except that our local has become a lot bigger than it used to be. The world is so much different than it was a century or two centuries ago.

Municipalities that willingly choose to come together in new relationships—that actively cooperate, regionalize or amalgamate—find greater success more quickly than those forced into relationships. In other words, willingly coming together to take on the challenges and capitalize on opportunities works best. It is effective because those municipalities are looking to the future and have found their own model for their relationship. Being forced into a relationship is initially less effective. It can lead to several years of hard feelings and anger, which can delay building effective working relationships. It can also delay success by creating confusion since the communities didn't choose their own path and are often unsure of what to do next. However, it should be noted that municipalities forced into relationships still have more success than communities that avoid doing anything but reinforce the boundaries drawn for them over a century ago by people who lived in a much different world than we do.

People fear change, and for that reason they fight it. They will often fight it even when it is obvious the status quo is bad and change is good. The change associated with cooperation, regionalization and amalgamation is no different, so expect opposition. The public may be the group opposed, or it may be the administration or elected leaders in the community. The opposition may be about how the changes are being implemented, who initiates the change, what exactly is being changed, or the simple fact that anything is changing at all. It is important to respect those fears, and to understand them. Then you must manage them with facts and information, and counter them with an honest and passionate vision of a successful future.

Opposition to cooperation, regionalization and amalgamation is derived from one of four key areas: governance, taxation, services and identity. The details of the issues far exceeds the scope of this article, but opposition usually has its roots in one simply question: "Am I

losing something?" All successful relationships require that you give up a little of something to gain something bigger. It is easy to focus on what you lose without seeing what you gain. As an example, most municipalities don't have enough money to market themselves to a broad audience. So they don't. But through cooperation, regionalization or amalgamation the resources can be pooled together, which means there is often enough to market the region and all its advantages. People will tend to focus on losing the ability to market themselves exclusively – something they never had anyway – while ignoring the gains they made by being part of a regional marketing strategy.

The world has changed a lot since our municipal boundaries were first drawn. We are no longer competing with the neighbouring county or town. We aren't even competing with the rest of our province anymore. We are competing with the world in economics, tourism, education, and the quality of our communities. It's important we remember that. As we work to attract business and families we need to continue to provide services and infrastructure that create a good quality of life. But the public's expectation about the quality and variety of the services and infrastructure offered by communities keeps rising, as do the costs of building, operating and maintaining them. Something needs to change if we are to find new ways to meet those rising demands. Applying yesterday's models and yesterday's thinking does not help business or industry find success in today's world. Yesterday's models and yesterday's thinking will not help ensure our communities find success either. I suspect it will continue to require new models of cooperation and partnership between municipalities to secure success for our communities. We owe it to them to be brave and bold. Our communities are worth saving.

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Include?



**Town of Two Hills Councillor Report**

**Date: Sept. 14/2021**

**Economic Development Committee (EDC)**

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**Family Community Services (FCSS) - Alternate**

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**HUB - Regional Economic Development**

<b>July 27</b>
<b>Went over budget items and motions from annual meeting</b>
<b>Sept 1 Meeting held in Mannville Over 30 members attended</b>
<b>Went over directors meeting minutes from July and the financials</b>
<b>Executive Director updates on Hub projects including updating of the web site and a report on the Lakeland Drone project for the area.</b>

**Regional Landfill Committee**

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**Tourism (Alberta Lakeland and Kalyna Country) - Alternate**

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**Vermilion River Watershed Management - Alternate**

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**Extra Notes**

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## Town of Two Hills Councillor Report

Date: Sept. 9/21

### Alice Melnyk Public Library

**Sept. 8/21** - Discussion as to what the town will be doing for the Federal Gov't declaration of the Statutory Holiday on Sept. 3/21- National Day For Truth and Reconciliation. They will follow whatever the Town of Two Hills decision will be.

- The ceiling is still leaking after paying \$16000. The shape of the roof seems conducive to allowing the water to leak. There are basically two roofs on the building. After last rain there was water on the floor. Comment was made that the roof started leaking right after he replaced it. It is running along a beam and into the library. This must be fixed very quickly.

### RHPAP

**Aug. 16/21-** Due to 1 doctor leaving and 1 doctor going on we will be left with 2 doctors for the month of Sept and part of October. There will not be any physiotherapist or occupational therapist in Acute, Home Care, and Long Term Care after Aug. 31/21. Very hard to recruit HCAs. It appears that rural AB is just a stepping stone for health care workers to get their training and move on.

- Discussed the DR Retention Funding available from the Town and County. Discussion was to be brought to our councils. Look into having a meeting with the Hospital Administration and the Doctors.

### Eagle Hill Foundation

**Aug. 17/21-** Management looking at different ways to bring wifi into the Hillside Lodge. Hackers got into the Eagle View lodge. The viruses were cleared out and the other lodges were checked. Looking into improving and setting up some security

- HSL and EHL back up generators have been approved. HSL Nurse Call System upgrade is waiting for tenders. HSL sidewalks are not replaced as of yet but will be.
- Current Occupancy- 59/112 – 52% Willingdon- 13 residents, 22 vacancies; Two Hills- 26 residents, 13 vacancies; Myrnam- 21 residents – 16 residents, 5 DSL3, 19 vacancies

### Northern Lights Library System

**Aug. 27/21-** Various positions on committees were filled.

- Fishing Lake and Frog Lake are new members of NLLS.
- Site visits- Marwayne, Myrnam, Radway, Viking, Ryley
- Budget reviewed- no increase in requisitions



**Extra Notes**

**Aug. 26/21-** Met with Minister Kaycee Madu- Minister of Justice and Solicitor General. Discussions centered around- Repeat Offenders causing many problems, Provincial Policing as to why and whether it is proceeding- seems to be a big gap between policing and Mental Health, Mental Health- looking to expanding the program to more areas because now it is only available in larger cities. The main discussion centered around coordinating Mental Health and Policing. Services need to be coordinated.