

VILLAGE OF CREMONA NEWSLETTER

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Council Meeting Highlights — September 19, 2017

Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission

In order to help explain the change in the 2018 budget of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission, the Chair and Vice-Chair asked to attend the Council Meeting.

Bob McDougall

Mr. McDougall spoke to Council about extending the Nature Trail. Council asked Mr. McDougall to bring back a proposal.

475-17 Designated Officer for the position Assessor

In July the Village had an Assessment Audit done by Municipal Affairs. It was determined from this meeting that the Village needs to rescind the old Bylaw appointing Frank Watson as the Village's Assessor and create a new bylaw to establish the position of designated officer to carry out the duties and responsibilities of assessor for the Village of Cremona. Council approved the bylaw.

Benefit Review

The Village of Cremona invited the current providers AMSC and Lane Quinn Benefit Consultants Ltd. to do a benefit review of providers that suit the needs of our employees while maintaining our current level of benefits. Lane Quinn Benefits Consultants Ltd. did this free of charge and submitted comparisons. After examining these benefits, it was concluded that Group Source was best suited for the Village of Cremona with a savings of \$3,276 per year. Council approved to change to Group Source as the Village of Cremona benefit provider.

Organizational Meeting Date Change

In accordance with Section 192(1) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) Except in a summer village, a council must hold an organizational meeting annually not later than 2 weeks after the 3rd Monday in October. As council was elected by acclamation; council approved to hold the swearing in, organizational and regular meeting on October 17, 2017.

New Cemetery Maintenance

Marjorie McKinnon former committee member of the new cemetery submitted a letter to Council regarding the improper maintenance and enforcement of the Cemetery Bylaw 385-05. Administration has updated the brochure which includes rules & regulations and Council approved to put an additional \$2000 towards cemetery maintenance in 2018.

2018 FORTIS Franchise Fees

As part of your Electrical Distribution System Franchise Agreement with FortisAlberta Council has the annual ability to either increase, decrease or keep the franchise fee the same, with written notice. Council decided maintain the franchise fee at 10%. Council has not increased the Franchise Fee for several years.

Sub-Agreements for Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework

The ICF Master Agreement with Mountain View County was signed August 24, 2017. The Sub-Agreements will complement the Master Agreement and were recommended to be submitted to the respective Councils for approval. Mountain View County Council and Village of Cremona Council have approved both Sub-Agreements.

Appointment of Municipal Assessor

Section 284.2(1) of the MGA defines an assessor as a person who has the qualifications set out in the regulations and is appointed by a municipality to the position of designated officer to carry out the duties and responsibilities of an assessor under the MGA. Once a bylaw establishing the position of Assessor as a designated officer is passed, a specific individual may be appointed to the position. Council appointed Mr. Stephen Washington with Wild Rose Assessment Services as the Village of Cremona Municipal Assessor.

Water Valley Playschool Request

The 14th Annual Water Valley Playschool Ladies Night Out fundraiser is on October 2th. They are looking for sponsors and items for the silent auction. Council approved to sponsor the organization \$500.00.

Legal

The land owners of Lots 2, Block D, Plan 0913234 decided to move forward with their subdivision beginning with 9 lots. In consideration of the stormwater concerns, it was discussed at a previous council in-camera discussion that a stormwater pond would not be required for 9 lots. Council approved this request



Cremona Municipal Library Hours

<i>Monday</i>	<i>9:30 am to 12 pm</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>4 to 8 pm</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>11 am to 4:30 pm</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>6-8:30 pm</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>1:30 to 4:30 pm</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>CLOSED</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>CLOSED</i>

These hours may change in the fall, watch for details.



The last **GREEN COMPOST** cart pick up will be on November 15, 2017. Composting pick up will resume in the spring of 2018. Watch the Village Voice and the Village of Cremona website for information .

MEMBERS WANTED FOR THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Village of Cremona is looking for dedicated individuals in the community to sit on the Municipal Planning Commission.

The Cremona Municipal Planning Commission has the following functions and duties:

- Upon the request of Council, to advise Council with respect to achieving the orderly, economical and beneficial development, use of land and patterns of human settlement, and to land and patterns of human settlement, and to maintain and improve the quality of the physical environment within which the patterns of settlement are situated in the Village;
- To serve as Development Authority pursuant to part 17 of the Act and as empowered by Development Authority Bylaw 299-95 in respect to those powers and duties assigned to the Commission under the Land Use Bylaw.

Meetings are held when an approval of a Development Permit are required.

If you are interested in the development in the Village of Cremona, and would like to sit on this very important board please contact Luana Smith, CAO by phone 403-637-3762 or by email at: cao@cremona.ca.

2017 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Election Day is Monday, October 16, 2017

Make sure you go out and vote for
Ward 9 School Board Trustee.

Polling Station is at the historic

Cremona United Church 106 1st Avenue East.

The Village of Cremona Council was elected by Acclamation on Nomination Day, September 18, 2017.

Upcoming October Council Meetings

- ♦ The Swearing in of the new Council will be on Tuesday, October 17 at the historic Cremona United Church at 6:30 p.m.
- ♦ The Council Organizational Meeting will follow immediately after the swearing in.
- ♦ The Regular Council Meeting will follow the Organizational Meeting

The public is welcome to attend all council meetings and a coffee time is prior to the meeting on October 17, 2017 will be at 6:00 p.m.

LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS WANTED

The Cremona Municipal Library is looking for volunteers to sit on the Library board.

Take part in this rewarding experience and assist others in your community by volunteering today.

Interested in joining the library board please come in and fill out an application form at the Library or the Village Office.

Duties include meetings once a month.