

## **Mayor's Report January 26-February 8**

**January 27**

### **Dene/High Level Friendship Agreement**

- Review of the Friendship Agreement
- Discussion on call for Artist Submissions (Friendship Agreement)

**January 27**

### **REDI**

- Jasmine Light ( Northern Lakes College) put forward a proposal for Chief Louie to do a virtual tour of the region.
- Jasmine is also organizing a more extensive regional broadcast that could have up to 300 participants from the region listening to a talk by Chief Louie.
- Northern Lakes College has adequate funding to create one regional broadcast meeting in February or March 2021.
- Council for Community Education Committees (CEC) will promote the event in our local communities.
- REDI discussed the idea of assisting with funding a second talk with a subject matter developed from questions brought forward in the first regional talk.
- Two Community Sessions with Chief Clarence Louie
  - Tuesday, March 23, 2021 @10am
  - Tuesday, April 06, 2021 @10am
- The second session will focus on answering questions from the first session and focus on tourism & economic development.
- REDI approved \$1,500

**January 28**

### **Boreal Housing Foundation Meeting**

- Presentations from Alberta Seniors and from AHS on how to repatriate Heimstead lodge to LCMNA
- Letters have been sent to Minister Shandro, Minister Pon and AHS addressing the repatriation.

**February 1**

### **MLA Meeting**

1. Council requested a statement of support from the MLA for the joint Dene/TOHL Multi purpose centre.
  - i. MLA Williams agreed to support the facility at the GOA Level.
2. Amalgamated Pension system
  - i. Concerns raised by government employees and teachers over consolidation of pensions with AIMco
3. Provincial Policing Contract
4. Provincial Support for Rural Transportation – Air and Bus
  - i. The Alberta Government provided \$140 million for municipalities with public transit systems, but has allocated no funding for private rural bus Services
  - ii. In the autumn of 2020 the federal government announced it would be providing assistance to airlines and airports. No funds have been distributed to date.
5. Application to renovate Mackenzie House for SL4 & SL4D
  - i. Boreal Housing is waiting on funding to upgrade Mackenzie House to accommodate SL4 and SL4D.
  - ii. This is due to Alberta Infrastructure not preparing the building for the needs of these seniors.
  - iii. This also ties into the Heimstead lodge transfer by making Mackenzie House ready to accommodate seniors who may wish to live in High Level, but require the care provided at Heimstaedt.
6. Transfer of Waterline at Airport from Alberta Infrastructure Airport Waterline to Town

#### **February 4**

#### **AUMA Policing Models**

Members of AUMA Policing are more likely to be effective if there is collaboration with the public and other social service agencies; is independent and impartial; and is evidence-based and requires and provides relevant education of police officers and police employees.

Police services in Alberta should:

- Ensure the safety and security of all people and property in Alberta.
- Safeguard the fundamental rights guaranteed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Alberta Human Rights Code.
- Work closely with the communities they serve.
- Respect victims of crime and work to understand their needs.
- Be sensitive to the diverse, multiracial, and multicultural character of Alberta society.
- Ensure police services are representative of the communities they serve.

**February 5**

**NAEL Virtual**

- Presentation on funding for a "Flood Mitigation" trailer.
- Three trailers in the South, but will not station one in the Northwest.
- AUMA has told Marcel that we do not overland flooding here, therefore they will not station one here.
- A trailer outfitted would cost \$200,000; Northern Sunrise has a trailer that could be retrofitted and would cost around \$94,000
- Concern has been raised over Site C dam and safety concerns. A letter will be coming to council.
- NADC begins meetings next week...biggest concern is over Health Care or lack there of in the Northwest regions. Concern is over lack of doctors and nurses.
- NADC board was asked to review Dr. Starke's report on "Access to Health Care in Rural Alberta.

-One Solution would be to have specific spots for Rural North applicants

-Recruitment interviews are geared towards Urban not rural applicants