

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda: Amendments and Adoption
3. Adoption of the Minutes: a) Minutes of Regular Meeting – Wednesday, January 6, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
4. Delegation: None
5. Bylaws: a) Bylaw 462/21 – Assessment Review Board (ARB) Bylaw – Request for Decision 21-08
6. Unfinished Business: None
7. New Business: a) FCSS Committee Appointment – Request for Decision 21-06
b) Alix Arena Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST) Funding Request – Request for Decision 21-07
8. Financial Reports: a) Accounts Payable Cheque Listing – January 6 – January 12, 2021
b) Bank Reconciliation – December 2020
c) Tax Trial Balance – January 14, 2021
9. Committee Reports: a) Alix Public Library Board – Councillor Gilliat
10. Administrative Reports: a) CAO Report
b) Public Works Report
c) Admin Support Staff Report
d) Cyberus Protection Services Report
11. Correspondence and Information: a) Wolf Creek Public Schools – Budget and District Priorities
b) Parkland Regional Library System Board Meeting
c) Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Update
12. Closed Meeting a) FOIP Section 27 – Privileged Information: Legal Advice
Re: Bylaw 430/18 Enforcement
13. Adjournment

**This Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council will be held virtually. The link to join the meeting as well as the agenda package can be found on the Village of Alix website.
www.villageofalix.ca**

VILLAGE OF ALIX
MISSION STATEMENT

Through Village Council policies and leadership, we foster an open, cooperative government that encourages public participation and ensures levels of services our citizens expect and deserve.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council, held on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 6:00 P.M., virtually.

Present: Mayor Rob Fehr, Councillors Barbara Gilliat, Tim Besuijen, Edwin Cole and Vicki Soltermann

Also Present: Michelle White, Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order: Mayor Fehr called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Amendments/Deletions to Agenda: Mayor Fehr called for amendments to the agenda.

Approval of Agenda:

Resolution #001/21: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Minutes:

a) Regular Meeting – December 2, 2020

Resolution #002/21: Moved by Councillor Besuijen that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council held on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegation: None

Bylaws: None

Unfinished Business: a) Fire Department Policy – Request for Decision 21-02

Resolution #003/21: Moved by Councillor Cole that the Village of Alix Council hereby approves Fire Department Response Fees Policy #42 as presented.

CARRIED

Mayor Fehr called a recess at 6:20 P.M. and Council reconvened at 6:27 P.M.

b) Off-Highway Vehicles – Request for Decision 21-04

Resolution #004/21: Moved by Councillor Soltermann that the Village of Alix Council direct Administration to develop a Lake Management Plan.

CARRIED

New Business: a) Orthophotography Project – Request for Decision 21-01

Resolution #005/21: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council hereby authorizes the Village of Alix to participate in an application for the 2021 South Region Urban Orthophotography Project, submitted by the Town of Fort Macleod under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component of the Alberta Community Partnership grant, further;

That the Village of Alix, a participant, agrees to abide by the terms of the Conditional Grant Agreement, governing the purpose and use of the grant funds.

CARRIED

New Business:(cont.) b) Family and Community Support Society Office Space - Request for Decision 21-03

Resolution #006/21: Moved by Councillor Soltermann that the Village of Alix Council will continue to allow Alix Family and Community Services Society to use office space at Railway House (5008 50th Avenue, Alix, Alberta) free of charge as long as the Society adheres to all government regulations set out in the Family and Community Support Services Act and Subsequent Regulations as well as the Societies Act and Regulations until February 15, 2021.

CARRIED

c) Alix MAC School Breakfast Program --Request for Decision 21-05

Resolution #007/21: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council will grant the Alix MAC Breakfast Program funding from the Municipal Operating Support Transfer Grant in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

CARRIED

Financial Reports: a) Accounts Payable Cheque Listing -- November 1st 2020 - December 30, 2020

b) Bank Reconciliation -- November 2020

c) Tax Trial Balance -- December 31, 2020

Resolution #008/21: Moved by Councillor Besuijen that the Village of Alix Council accept the Financial Reports as presented.

CARRIED

Committee Reports: a) Lacombe Regional Solid Waste Commission -- Councillor Gilliat

b) Red Deer River Municipal User Group Association -- Councillor Besuijen

Resolution #009/21: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council accept the Committee Reports as presented.

CARRIED

Administrative Reports: None

Correspondence and Information:

a) Lacombe County -- Quarterly Enforcement Activity Report

b) Alberta Minister of Health -- EMS Dispatch Integration Response Letter

c) Emergency Dispatch Services Letter of Support

d) City of Cold Lake -- Government of Canada's "COVID-19 Alert" Mobile Application

e) Endorsement Request - Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act

f) Municipal Support Request -- Red Deer River Watershed Alliance

Resolution #010/21: Moved by Councillor Besuijen that the Village of Alix Council accept Correspondence Items (a) through (f) for information.

CARRIED

Closed Meeting: None

Adjournment:

Resolution #011/21: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that this Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council be adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

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ADMINISTRATION REPORT



Date: January 14, 2021
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject: Assessment Review Board

RFD 21-08

1. **PURPOSE** – To present Council with an updated Assessment Review Board (ARB) Bylaw.
2. **BACKGROUND** – The Village of Alix was a member of the Regional Assessment Review Board through the City of Red Deer. There was a \$2,000 charge per year for membership. Council made a resolution in 2020 to switch to Lacombe County, so a new ARB Bylaw is needed.
3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To give all 3 readings to Bylaw 462/21 at this meeting
 2. To give the Bylaw 1st and/or 2nd reading only
4. **DISCUSSION** – At this time we are no longer covered for ARB services by the Regional Assessment Review Board. Though this does not present a significant problem because of the time of year, it does mean we are non-compliant at this time.
5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – No financial implications for passing the bylaw.
6. **LEGAL** – Municipal Government Act - Part 11; Division 1 (sections 454 to 484) deal with Assessment Review Boards. They need to be established by bylaw. Our current bylaw is now outdated because of our change in service providers.
7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** –
8. **OTHER COMMENTS** – This is a legislatively required bylaw that is unlikely to have much public interest.
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** – Option #1. I recommend Council give all three readings to Bylaw 462/21 at this time.

“that the Village of Alix Council give first reading to Assessment Review Board Bylaw #462/21 being a bylaw to establish an Assessment Review Board and enter into an agreement with Lacombe County for the provision of Assessment Review Board Services.”

“that the Village of Alix Council give second reading to Assessment Review Board Bylaw #462/21”

“that the Village of Alix Council give permission for third and final reading to Assessment Review Board Bylaw #462/21 at this time.”

“that the Village of Alix Council give third and final reading to Assessment Review Board Bylaw #462/21”

Author

VILLAGE OF ALIX

BYLAW NO. 462/21

BEING a Bylaw of the Village of Alix, in the Province of Alberta, to establish Assessment Review Boards and enter into an agreement with Lacombe County for the provision of Assessment Review Board Services.

WHEREAS Section 455 of the *Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26*, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Act") permits two or more Councils to jointly establish assessment review boards to have jurisdiction in their respective municipalities;

AND WHEREAS Section 54 of the Act, allows a municipality to provide any service or thing that it provides in all or part of a municipality in another municipal authority with the agreement of the other municipality;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Alix in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts the following:

1. TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw shall be known as the "Assessment Review Board Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 In this bylaw:

- (a) "Assessor" means the appointed Assessor for the Village of Alix.
- (b) "Board" means the Assessment Review Board whether convened as the Local Assessment Review Board, One Member Local Assessment Review Board, Composite Assessment Review Board or the One Member Composite Assessment Review Board.
- (c) "Composite Assessment Review Board" or "CARB" means the Alix Composite Assessment Review Board established in accordance with the MGA that hears complaints on assessment notices for property other than the property described in section 2.1(i) of this bylaw and section 460.1(1) of the MGA.

- (d) "Citizens-at-large" means a person who is not an appointed or elected official of Lacombe County or the Village of Alix.
- (e) "Clerk" means the individual appointed by Council to carry out the duties and functions of the Assessment Review Board Clerk.
- (f) "Complaint" means a complaint under Part 11 or 12 of the Act.
- (g) "Complainant" means a person who has filed an assessment complaint in accordance with Section 460 of the Act.
- (h) "Council" means the Council of the Village of Alix.
- (i) "Local Assessment Review Board" or "LARB" means the Alix Local Assessment Review Board established in accordance with the Act who hears complaints about assessment notices for:
 - i. residential property with 3 or fewer dwelling units, or
 - ii. farm land, ora tax notice other than a property tax notice, business tax notice or improvement tax notice.
- (j) "Member" means a member of the Assessment Review Board whether convened as the Local Assessment Review Board, One Member Local Assessment Review Board, Composite Assessment Review Board or the One Member Composite Assessment Review Board.
- (k) "Regulation" means the Matters Relating to Assessment Complaints Regulation.
- (l) "Village" means the Village of Alix.

3. JOINT ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD SERVICES

- 3.1 The Village of Alix is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Lacombe County for the provision of Assessment Review Board services.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 The Village of Alix hereby establishes a Local Assessment Review Board jointly with Lacombe County to have jurisdiction in the Village of Alix.
- 4.2 The LARB consists of three Members who hear and decide

matters in accordance with the Regulation, as follows:

- (a) Lacombe County Local Assessment Review Board which consists of Citizens-at-large.
- 4.3 One Member of the LARB may convene as a one Member Board to hear and decide matters in accordance with the Regulation.
- 4.4 The Village of Alix hereby establishes a Composite Assessment Review Board jointly with Lacombe County to have jurisdiction in the Village of Alix.
- 4.5 The CARB consists of three Members who hear and decide matters in accordance with the Regulation, as follows:
- (a) Lacombe County Composite Assessment Review Board which consists of two Citizens-at-large; and one provincially appointed member who serves as the Chairperson.
- 4.6 The Chairperson of the CARB may convene as a one Member Board to hear and decide matters in accordance with the Regulation.
- 4.7 The Village of Alix hereby delegates the appointment of the Chairperson and Members of the LARB and CARB to Lacombe County, as well as their term of office and remuneration, in accordance with section 203 of the Act.

5. CHAIRPERSON

- 5.1 The Chairperson of the LARB and CARB:
- (a) Shall preside over and be responsible for the conduct of the meetings;
 - (b) May limit a submission if it is determined to be repetitious or in any manner inappropriate;
 - (c) Shall vote on matters submitted to the Board unless otherwise disqualified; and
 - (d) Shall sign orders, decisions and documents issued by the Board.
 - (e) May delegate to any other appointed member any of the powers, duties or functions of the Chair.

6. VICE CHAIRPERSON

- 6.1 In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson

shall preside at the meetings of the LARB.

- 6.2 In the absence of the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson, one of the other Members of the LARB shall be selected by the Members to preside.
- 6.3 In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall sign orders, decisions and any other documents issued by the Board.
- 6.4 In the absence of the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson, the other Member of the LARB selected by the Members to preside, shall sign orders, decisions and any other documents issued by the Board.

7. **QUORUM AND MEETINGS**

- 7.1 Two Members of the LARB shall constitute a quorum except when sitting as a one Member Board.
- 7.2 The provincial member plus one Member shall constitute a quorum for the CARB except when sitting as a one Member Board.
- 7.3 A Member of the Board who is for any reason, unable to attend the entire hearing of an appeal, shall not participate in the deliberations or decision of the Board.
- 7.4 All Members must vote on all matters before the Board unless a conflict of interest or pecuniary interest is declared.
- 7.5 The majority vote of those Members present and voting constitutes a decision of the Board.
- 7.6 The Board is authorized to make procedure rules for:
 - (a) Those matters that are not governed by the Act or the Regulation; and
 - (b) The conduct of its meetings, its hearings, and its business that is consistent with the Act, the Regulation and this bylaw.
- 7.7 Meetings will be held at such time and place as determined by the Clerk, in consultation with Lacombe County.

8. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- 8.1 Where a Member of the Board is of the opinion that he or she has a conflict of interest in respect of a matter before the Board, the Member may absent himself or herself from

Board proceedings while that matter is being discussed, provided that prior to leaving the meeting the Member:

- (a) Declares that he or she has a conflict of interest; and
- (b) Describes, in general terms, the nature of the conflict.

8.2 The Clerk shall cause a record to be made in the meeting minutes of the Member's absence and the reasons for the absence.

8.3 For the purpose of this provision a Member has a conflict of interest in respect of a matter before the Board when he or she is of the opinion that:

- (a) He or she has a personal interest in the matter which would conflict with his or her obligation as a Member to fairly consider the matter; or
- (b) Substantial doubt to the ethical integrity of the Member would be raised in the minds of a reasonable observer, if that Member were to participate in the consideration of that matter.

9. PECUNIARY INTEREST

9.1 The pecuniary interest provisions of the Act apply to all Members of the Board while attending meetings of the Board.

9.2 A Board Member who fails to declare a pecuniary interest in a matter before the Board, or fails to absent himself or herself from proceedings dealing with such a matter, ceases to be a Member of the Board.

10. DUTIES AND PURPOSE

10.1 The Board has the authority to hear and decide on Complaints filed with respect to matters on a tax and assessment notice issued by the Assessor, in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

11. GENERAL AUTHORITY

11.1 No Board Member has authority to:

- (a) Pledge the credit or course of action of the Village of Alix or enter into any agreement on behalf of the Board or the Village of Alix;

- (b) Authorize any expenditure to be charged against the Village of Alix without prior approval of Council; or
- (c) Act administratively except as delegated by the Village of Alix Chief Administrative Officer.

12. CLERK

- 12.1 Council shall appoint a Clerk to serve the LARB and CARB.
- 12.2 In addition to duties prescribed by the Act, the Clerk will;
 - (a) Provide administrative support to members and Chairperson as required; and
 - (b) Provide any notices on behalf of the LARB or CARB.

13. COMPLAINT FEES

- 13.1 Fees payable by persons wishing to make a Complaint or to be involved as a party or intervenor in a hearing before the Board and for obtaining copies of the Board's decisions and documents may be set by resolution of Council.

14. EFFECTIVE DATE

- 14.1 Bylaw #307/01 and #458/20 is repealed and this Bylaw shall take effect on the day of final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this 20th day of January, 2021.

READ A SECOND TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, 2021.

READ A THIRD TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, 2021.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

ADMINISTRATION REPORT



Date: January 13, 2021 RFD 21-06
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject: FCSS Committee Appointment

1. **PURPOSE** – To determine if Council will continue to send a Council member to Alix Family and Community Services Society meetings.
2. **BACKGROUND** – Under the terms of the agreement between the Village of Alix and the Alix Family and Community Services Society, a member of Council had been appointed to be a liaison with their Board for the last several years. Council made a resolution in 2020 to end the funding agreement with the Society, effective January 2021.
3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To allow the member of Council to remain in the appointed position until the next Organizational meeting of Council.
 2. To rescind the appointment.
4. **DISCUSSION** – When the agreement was in place with the Society, the Village provided approximately 86% of the societies funding as well as rent free office space. Given this level of financial investment, involvement from the Village and regular reporting to Council as a whole was done to ensure transparency.
5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – The Society has been holding meetings at irregular times due to recent changes initiated by the Village. The financial impact of continued Council attendance would depend on how many meetings were held between now and October at \$100/meeting for remuneration.
6. **LEGAL** – There is no legal requirement to have a Councillor appointed to the Board. Even if the Society applied for and was granted FCSS funds from the Village for a program or project, a Councillor appointment would not be necessary because the same funding opportunity is open to all non-profit organizations in Alix.
7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** –
8. **OTHER COMMENTS** –
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** – Option #2. I recommend the following resolution;

“that the Village of Alix Council hereby rescinds the appointment of Councillor Cole to Alix Family and Community Support Services due to the cancellation of the funding agreement with the Alix Family and Community Services Society.”



Author

ADMINISTRATION REPORT



Date: January 13, 2021 RFD 21-07
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject: Arena M.O.S.T. funding request

1. **PURPOSE** – To determine if Council will provide funding to the Alix Arena Association.
2. **BACKGROUND** – Through the Municipal Operating Support Transfer (MOST) funding, Alix was given \$79,324 in late 2020 with a deadline of March 31, 2021 to have it spent according to the eligibility requirements.

Council made the decision to allow non-profit community groups to apply for MOST funding through the Village based on revenue loss and/or expenses related to COVID.

3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To approve the funding requested in the attached letter.
 2. To approve an amount of funding set by Council.
 3. To deny the funding request.
4. **DISCUSSION** – Administration tracked all COVID-19 related expenses in 2020. By the end of the year we had used \$14,303.85 for Village purchases such as PPE for staff, cleaning supplies, technology upgrades, signage and 'barrier' needs. It is anticipated we will spend more of the MOST funding on municipal needs before the March 31st deadline.
5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – Approximately \$5,000 more in municipal spending on COVID related expenses is anticipated. I recommend Council not grant out more than \$60,000 to community groups at this time.

\$60,000 Total funding available (at this time)
- \$ 2,500 Alix Mac School Breakfast Program
\$57,500 remaining

Arena request; \$37,000 using rounded figures in letter (\$33,898 actual)


6. **LEGAL** – According to the MOST Program Guidelines; "Municipalities may use MOST funding for incremental operating costs incurred due to COVID-19 response and restart, as well as other operating losses or deficits incurred as a result of COVID-19 impacts on revenues and operations. Incremental operating costs could include costs such as Personal Protective Equipment, communications, additional cleaning, supplemental staffing, and additional supports for vulnerable populations."

We have confirmed that non-profit organizations within the community are eligible to be granted funds as long as the funds are granted under the terms of the Eligible Expenses outlined above.

7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** – The Alix Arena is a valued and well used part of our community. The success and continued operation of this facility by the dedicated group of volunteers provides an excellent recreation opportunity for many local and regional users.

8. **OTHER COMMENTS** – At the time of writing this report I've heard from one other community group that is planning to apply for funds. An e-mail was sent to community organizations last year and a reminder e-mail about this opportunity was sent again earlier this month.
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** – I recommend Option #2. Council may decide to grant the Arena any amount of funding they deem appropriate at this time. Should all funds not be allocated by the 2nd Council meeting in March, you may want to go back to this or any other request that was not fully funded and provide additional dollars up to the full \$79,324.

"that the Village of Alix Council hereby grants _____ of Municipal Operating Support Transfer funds to the Alix Arena Association to help cover lost revenue due to COVID-19."



Author

Alix Arena Association
Box 246
Alix, AB T0C 0B0

January 11, 2021

Re: MOST Funding

Dear Village of Alix,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Alix Arena Association to request some funding under the MOST program.

Like many groups and facilities in the province, COVID-19 has negatively affected our bottom line. The mandated lock down in the spring forced the Alix Arena to cut our season short and the second lock down in November has further cut our revenues. Our ice rental revenue alone is down close to \$27,000 from the same period in 2019 (Jan-December).

Restrictions also did not allow us to host our yearly fundraiser, the Alix Ice Breaker. Revenue from this event after expenses for 2018 and 2019 was just over \$10,000 each year.

We realize these are unprecedented times and that we cannot expect our revenues to be the same, but with no money at all coming in, it puts undue pressure on the savings the association has put aside for regular repairs, maintenance and operation. Any of the MOST funding you deem to send our way would be greatly appreciated.

If you require any additional information about our revenues, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Marcy Henry.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Leah Simenluk
Secretary, Alix Arena Association
(403)506-1745



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Cheque Listing For Council

2021-Jan-13

2:38:22PM

Cheque		Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
Cheque #	Date					
20210003	2021-01-06	ADVANCED SYSTEMS (LACOMBE)		PAYMENT		1,747.79
			38199	TECH SUPPORT	1,097.25	
			MSP-38060	DECEMBER SUPPORT	383.25	
			MSP-38091	OFFICE 365 LICENSES	136.04	
			MSP-38093	DECEMBER BACKUPS	131.25	
20210004	2021-01-06	AGAT LABORATORIES LTD.		PAYMENT		173.25
			20769438E	WATER ANALYSIS	173.25	
20210005	2021-01-06	ALIX AUTO WRECKERS LTD.		PAYMENT		152.25
			33398	BATTERY	152.25	
20210006	2021-01-06	ALIX HOME HARDWARE		PAYMENT		133.59
			133762	WOOD FILLER	6.29	
			133906	SUPPLIES	33.95	
			134243	SUPPLIES	93.35	
20210007	2021-01-06	ALLAN, TERRY		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.,2020	MERRY CHRISTMSA 2020!	50.00	
20210008	2021-01-06	ANDERSON, JANENE		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210009	2021-01-06	BAGSHAW ELECTRIC LTD.		PAYMENT		410.88
			W11406	LIFT STATION ALARM	156.45	
			W11407	RUN PHONE LINE	254.43	
20210010	2021-01-06	CARR, MICHAEL		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210011	2021-01-06	DE FORGE, PEGGY		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210012	2021-01-06	GIESBRECHT, CHELSIE		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210013	2021-01-06	GILLIAT, BARBARA JEAN		PAYMENT		250.00
			DEC.2020	DECEMBER MEETING	250.00	
20210014	2021-01-06	KOZAK, TRUDY-LANE		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210015	2021-01-06	LACOMBE REGIONAL WASTE SVCS COMMISSIC		PAYMENT		12,626.64
			36333	4TH QTR REQUISITION	12,626.64	
20210016	2021-01-06	MENAGE, WENDY		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210017	2021-01-06	MESTON, TANYA		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020	50.00	
20210018	2021-01-06	VILLAGE OF ALIX		PAYMENT		1,418.28
			50100-DEC.202	DEC BULK WATER	482.37	
			55100-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES-OLD FIREHALL	112.40	
			63900-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES-LIBRARY	113.46	
			69600-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES - P/W SHOP	98.67	
			70000-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES- OFFICE	117.18	
			72700-DEC...	DEC UTILITIES-FIREHALL	125.15	
			72800-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES- BAY 1 & 2	125.67	
			72830-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES- BAY #3	112.40	
			72841-DEC.202	DEC UTILITIES-BAY #4	130.98	
20210019	2021-01-06	WHITE, MICHELLE		PAYMENT		50.00
			DEC.2020	MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020!	50.00	
20210026	2021-01-12	ACCU-FLO METER SERVICE LTD		PAYMENT		761.25
			94846	METERS PARTS	761.25	
20210027	2021-01-12	ALIX & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE		PAYMENT		50.00
			20180142	2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES	50.00	
20210028	2021-01-12	ALIX FOOD BANK		PAYMENT		500.00



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Cheque Listing For Council

2021-Jan-13
2:38:22PM

Cheque					Invoice	Cheque
Cheque #	Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Amount	Amount
20210028	2021-01-12	ALIX FOOD BANK	JAN.2021	DONATION FROM WESTERN CO	500.00	500.00
20210029	2021-01-12	AMSC INSURANCE SERVICES LTD.	0039-41,631	PAYMENT JANUARY PREMIUMS	5,172.22	5,172.22
20210030	2021-01-12	CYBERUS PROTECTION SERVICES	2-1	PAYMENT JANUARY PATROL	2,362.50	2,362.50
20210031	2021-01-12	EDGE MARKETING & DESIGN SOLUTIONS	06188	PAYMENT 2021 WEB HOSTING FEE	210.00	210.00
20210032	2021-01-12	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION ASSOC	01467	PAYMENT 2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL	236.25	236.25
20210033	2021-01-12	MUNICIPAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC.	20201791	PAYMENT JANUARY SUPPORT	469.51	469.51
20210034	2021-01-12	PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS	210001	PAYMENT 1ST QTR REQUISTION	1,647.38	1,647.38
20210035	2021-01-12	PETTY CASH	JAN..2021	PAYMENT SUPPLIES	188.60	188.60
20210036	2021-01-12	WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES	8095	PAYMENT JANUARY PROGRESS PAYMENT	1,319.50	1,319.50
20210037	2021-01-12	WOLF CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS	JAN.2021	PAYMENT BREAKFAST PROGRAM-ALIXMAI	2,500.00	2,500.00

Total 32,779.89

*** End of Report ***

**VILLAGE OF ALIX
BANK RECONCILIATION
FOR THE MONTH ENDING:
December 31, 2020**

SERVUS CREDIT UNION

	CHEQUING	INVESTMENTS
Balance from Bank Statement:	2,311,654.27	4,012.68
Plus: Deposits in Transit	19,959.23	
Less: Outstanding Cheques	(23,304.43)	
 Reconciled Bank Balance:	 <u>2,308,309.08</u>	 <u>4,012.68</u>
 GL balance @ : December 31, 2020	 <u>2,308,309.08</u>	 <u>4,012.68</u>
Variance:	-	-

THIS STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2021



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Tax Trial Balance (Full Listing)

Trial Balance As Of 2021-01-14

Roll # Title Holder Accum. Tax Levy Penalty Out. Penalty Outstanding Current 1 Year 2 Years 3 Years Over 3

Sub Ledger		General Ledger						
Tax Levy	1,649,159.61	Local Improvement Levy	0.00					
Additional Tax Levy	0.00	Accumulated Penalty	19,200.04					
		Outstanding Penalty	19,085.03					
Current	8,252.34							
1 Year	85,572.09			3-00-00-00-210	114,410.25			
2 Years	17,338.86			Totals	<u>114,410.25</u>			
3 Years	2,419.57							
Over 3	827.39							
Outstanding	<u>114,410.25</u>							
		Total GL			114,410.25			
		Total SL			114,410.25			
		Proof			<u>0.00</u>			

*** End of Report ***

Alix Public Library Board Meeting November 24, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm at the library.

The Board went into a closed meeting (FOIP Human Resources) at 7:05. The Board went out of the closed meeting at 8:05 pm

It was decided to employ the services of Peninsula Employment Services for one year to help with the libraries HR needs.

Reports

Manager Reports

The 1000 books before school has 5-6 children participating.

Sue has hidden "golden tickets" in books that when found, can be redeemed at the Deli.

If the library is shut down again, we will provide curbside service again, it was popular during the first lockdown. There is a strong sewer odor in the library, Public Works has been advised and hopefully can resolve the problem.

Eric Parlby will not be volunteering for a while, he has decided he would like a break.

Financial Report

The budget has been submitted to the Village Office. Arlene and Barb are working on setting up online banking with Servus Credit Union.

Museum Report

There was a Remembrance Day display in the museum. They have had to cancel their open house and bake sale fundraiser due to Covid. The Museum is working on their 5-year plan and a policy for inclusivity. There will be a Zoom presentation December 1st from 6:30 – 8:00 on making decorations from your yard.

OHS Report

Colleen and Michelle did a hazard assessment of the library. Some of the cleaning materials were moved from the main bathroom and stored in the back room in a safer place. It is recommended a bigger sink is installed in the main washroom. We also need the furnace ducts cleaned and to purchase a better vacuum. Arlene Gauthier reported she had a vacuum she will donate.

HR Committee Report

They are still working on policy reviews and trying to recruit volunteers and new Board members.

Old Business

Our Plan of Service expires at the end of 2020 and we have until June 2021 to submit an updated plan. If the Plan is not submitted the library grant money will be withheld. Barb contacted PLS and was advised that a survey will meet the Public Consultation portion of the Plan. Sue will speak to the consultant at PRL and set up a survey for us.

Next Meeting is January 19, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Councilor Gilliat

CAO REPORT JANUARY 2021

1. Virtual Meetings – December was definitely a month for virtual meetings! There were one to two meeting per week with Dr. Deena Hinshaw, Municipal Affairs had a “Red Tape Reduction” meeting, Alberta Health Services had several meetings. I did 2 webinars and attended the Hwy 12/21 meeting, the annual Subdivision and Development Appeal Board meeting with Parkland Community Planning Services and plan to attend the annual Regional Fire Services Committee meeting at the end of the month.
2. Changes to COVID Related Restrictions – Staff from all departments have been either taking vacation time or working from home where possible in accordance with the new provincial restrictions enacted December 8, 2020. Other measures such as masking requirements were put in place as of December 9th and will continue to be followed as long as the order(s) are in place. With the beginning of a new year we have returned to all staff being physically at work. This is necessary for year end procedures, audit preparation and our upcoming Municipal Accountability Program (MAP) check in from Municipal Affairs.
3. Capital Projects – I’ve been in contact with the engineers about the Lagoon Cell #6 project and re-tendering the 49th Street infrastructure project. By initiating next steps at this time we hope to take full advantage of the 2021 construction season.
4. Election 2021 – Notice that the nomination period for the 2021 municipal election is now open was on the back of the December utility bills and is up on the website. Nomination forms and packages are available for pick up at Village Office. The nomination period ends September 20, 2021.
5. Municipal Development Plan – I’ve spoken with Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS) about doing a review of our MDP. This is the only outstanding item from the Village’s inspection by Municipal Affairs. It will be checked for compatibility with our Intermunicipal Development Plan adopted in 2018 and our Land Use Bylaw amendments done last year. Since this is a lower priority project it will be worked into the PCPS workload and may take most of 2021 before it is completed.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

COUNCIL REPORT

January 2021

Mow Grass

Monthly Water Meter Reads

Monthly Lagoon Readings, Shock Lagoons

Replace faulty Water Meters

Regional Water Line Inspection

Install new street number signs

Fill potholes

Mow and weed-eat Nature Trail

Paint Picnic Tables

Winterize Campground and RV Dump

Gravel Sites at Campground

Replace Impeller on pump at Sub Lift Station

Replace axles on 2010 Pickup

Flush Fire Hydrants

Grade Back Alleys

Put up and take down x-mas lights

Clean snow off streets and sidewalks

Report for Council Meeting – December 2020 – January 2021

Economic Development

Establishing the Foundation

I started my online course for Economic Development: Establishing the Foundation on November 10th. This was completed on December 14th with a final grade of an A+ (grading percentage between a 95%-100%)

I am now enrolled into the EDA (Economic Developers of Alberta) Retention and Expansion course provided through the University of Calgary, this will start February 2nd and run until March 8th.

Wayfinding Project

We were approved for our wayfinding grant up to \$15,000. I will begin working on phase 2 of our project. This will include some main signage to begin our project. This will be designed over the winter with Diverse Signs in Stettler, with installation in the Spring. A meet-up was had on January 13, 2021 to discuss locations.

I will be working with Chamber, once our monthly meetings are able to proceed again, to upgrade the sign at the Gas Station.

Business Relations

With so much strain on our small businesses, I have made sure to continually reach out via email to ensure our businesses in town know the current grant information available to them. In doing so, I was able to help a business receive 2 grants to secure their business staying open.

General Information

Chamber Information

November meeting, I went over the news of Lacombe County moving to the 'Enhanced Measure' list and explained what that meant for the Village. I also shared the information about the M.O.S.T (Municipal Operating Support Transfer) grant that the Village received and passed this info on to people from the Alix Community Connections (A.C.C) meetings.

December meeting – Cancelled

Infrastructure Signage

I was given the task to go over the requirements for 'Infrastructure Project Sign and Installation Guidelines' from the Government of Canada and make the proposal and signage requirements for the upcoming Spring project for the Wastewater Lagoon Rehabilitation project so that the proper signage is posted.

Social Media

We continue to grow on our Facebook page. We share updates from the Alberta Government, Emergency Management and other groups and organizations information in the Village.

The Chamber of Commerce completed their annual turkey draw. I helped with advertising winners on Facebook and the Digital Sign.

We also started a 'No Shame Campaign' on our Facebook page geared towards COVID-19. Some of the highlights of these posts are:

"Viruses don't discriminate, and neither should we #noshame #weareinthistogether"

"Businesses have mandated regulations? Continue to support them, they're avoiding being shut down #noshame #weareinthistogether"

"Know someone who tested positive for COVID-19? Support them, you could be next #noshame #weareinthistogether"

Website Research

I research several different Municipal websites to be able to gain knowledge on the set up these places are using, to be able to upgrade our 'Doing Business' section on the Village website. This falls under our M.O.S.T grant requirements for the red tape project.

Courses

I completed my ESS (Emergency Social Services) course for Emergency management on Dec 16th.

Budget

I have been working on the 2021 budget. Our general year comparison for events will not be complete this year, due to all the cancellations of 2020 events/gatherings. The second draft has been submitted.

Recreation

Christmas Market

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this event due to the government restrictions announced November 24th.

Senior Luncheon

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this event due to the government restrictions announced November 24th.

Parade of Lights

This year's parade of lights was the biggest one to date. We had 20 entries join! The parade took us 1.5 hours to complete. This year was also big in spectators. There were more people and families out to watch and cheer this year than in previous years. Very successful.

Senior/Single Household Occupant Wellness Bags

With so many events being cancelled and new restrictions being in place we wanted to spread some Christmas cheer. We made up 50 wellness bags to deliver to seniors and single household people. These included – a Christmas coffee cup, hot chocolate pouch, tea, a pocket-sized activity book, a Christmas ornament, chocolates, and a candle or mitts. We delivered these on December 17th. We were given so many thanks, and excitement when delivering.

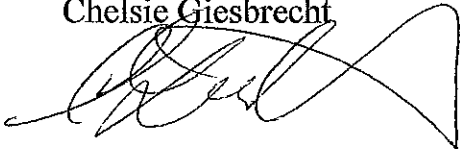
Lacombe Regional Tourism

We are renewing our partnership with LRT (Lacombe Regional Tourism). This allows us to put a half page Community Profile ad in the Tourism Guide (I will be updating the ad from last year), community profile on LRT website, social media following, and voting at their AGM.

Canadian Fitness & Lifestyle Research Institute

I completed an 8-page survey to help update their information on facilities, policies, programs, and other opportunities to be physically active that was gathered about 5 years ago. The participation is needed to help give an accurate picture of these changes and to update the current situation in Canadian communities.

Chelsie Giesbrecht

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chelsie Giesbrecht', written over a horizontal line.

Cyberus Protection Services

Village of Alix Patrol Report

Summary January 1 – 3, 2021

Due to system bugs, reports for Jan 1/2021 did not save. It was a quiet 3 hr patrol split shifted between 0000 hr and 0700 hr. The rest of this week was short as it was the beginning of the contract. Streets were quiet with no concerns noted.

Summary January 4 – 10, 2021

Continued work on reporting system having less issues. Most are on voice to text. Jan 4 started to notice marks on road way of vehicles stunting along 44th between Lake Street and Highway 12. Jan 5 had vehicles with past history in Stettler driving town. Left once they saw patrol at the Fire Hall being done. As well as one other van leaving town as they entered and saw patrol vehicle. Jan 10 Police on site at a residential home blocking north side of highway.

NOTE: Reports received from Cyberus include nightly activity reports that are date and time stamped, arranged according to physical property location. These reports are very detailed showing excellent transparency by the company. Each report includes a summary of activities and breakdown of contracted hours worked.



Wolf Creek Public Schools

January 11, 2021

RE: Wolf Creek Public Schools Budget and District Priorities Input Invitation to Municipal Councils

Dear Mayor/CAO,

Wolf Creek Public Schools' Board of Trustees is seeking your feedback through *ThoughtExchange*, an online tool used to consult with stakeholders most affected by our decisions, as the Board gets ready to prepare the school division's Three Year Education Plan and set its budget priorities.

Please ensure you have watched the 2021 WCPS ThoughtExchange Priority Engagement Video before participating in the *ThoughtExchange*.

View the video at the link HERE. (<https://youtube.com/e1xrqRceHqg>)

Participate in the *ThoughtExchange* at the link HERE. Please note, the exchange is open until February 12, 2021. (<https://my.thoughtexchange.com/#559167297>)

The video with Superintendent Jayson Lovell will give you an in depth overview of Wolf Creek's previous areas of focus and successes, about the Division budget, how school divisions, including Wolf Creek, are funded by Alberta Education, and where the money is spent.

Finally, Superintendent Lovell will go into detail about pressures the Division faces from a decline in enrollment due to COVID-19, how that has shaped class sizes in many schools and the budget pressures this decline in enrollment places on our funding.

Thank you for your time and attention and for your continued support and partnership with Wolf Creek Public Schools.

Sincerely,

Pam Hansen
Board Chair

Pam Hansen
Board Chair, Ward 4

Luci Henry
Vice Chair, Ward 1

Lorrie Jess
Ward 2

Trudy Bratland
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PRLS BOARD TALK

Highlights of the Parkland Regional Library System Board Meeting

NOVEMBER 12, 2020

Organizational Meeting

Parkland's board has 8 new members. Board Members in attendance elected the new Executive Committee and Board Chair. Debra Smith was re-appointed Board Chair by acclamation.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee has 3 new faces, along with returning members.

Debra Smith, Committee Chair (Village of Lougheed)
Bruce Gartside, (Village of Donalda)
Cindy Trautman, (Camrose County)
Heather Ryan, (Town of Olds)
Janine Stannard, (Town of Coronation)
Jas Payne, (Town of Sylvan Lake)
Jason Alderson, (Town of Rocky Mtn. House)
Kevin Ferguson, (Town of Ponoka)
Philip Massier, (Red Deer County)
Ray Olfert, (Town of Blackfalds)

2021 Budget Approval

As of the date of the board meeting, PRLS' 2021 budget was approved by 68.75% of the municipalities representing 71.84% of the population. A list detailing municipal approval has been sent to Parkland's board members and municipalities.

Advocacy Committee

There were no new volunteers for the Advocacy Committee. All the current members chose to remain on the committee for another year.

Gord Lawlor, Committee Chair – Town of Stettler
Barb Gilliat, Vice Chair – Village of Alix
Bill Rock – Village of Amisk
Cora Knutson – Town of Bentley
Deb Smith, Ex Officio – Village of Lougheed
Janine Stannard – Town of Coronation
Jeanny Fisher – Town of Daysland
Norma Penney – Village of Clive
Shannon Wilcox – Town of Carstairs
Stephen Levy – Town of Sedgewick

The newest advocacy tools from the committee include key messages, examples of supporting data, and sample elevator speeches. The committee has also settled on 3 regional key messages that they recommend board members adopt and use when talking about the library.

1. The library is a wise investment. We provide a very good financial return on investment.
2. The library supports the financial well-being of all citizens.
3. The library provides an important point of social connection that supports mental health.

The Advocacy Committee has also provided a dozen elevator speeches demonstrating how to deliver a key message with supporting facts in about 30 seconds. These examples will be posted on Parkland Library's Support Site.

New Building Update

Parkland took ownership of the new headquarters building on September 30th and rented the old headquarters for \$1 for the month of October from the new owners, the City of Lacombe, until the new building was ready for occupancy.

Moving occurred in a three-stage process over the month of October. The final move, which included the transfer of Parkland's network and staff operations, began on Friday, October 16th and were completed on Monday October 19th. By Tuesday the 20th, Parkland was in full operation.

The final hand-over of the old building to the City of Lacombe occurred on the afternoon of October 28th, thus ending the presence of Parkland Regional Library at the old address of 5404-56 Avenue in Lacombe. Staff are working to establish a date for the new Minister of Municipal Affairs to tour the new building.

Since Parkland cannot hold an open-house to celebrate the new headquarters due to restrictions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, staff are preparing a virtual tour that can be put on Parkland's website. The virtual tour will allow stakeholders to get a sense of the new building until an in-person event can be held at some point in the future.

Stronger Together Conference

The 2020 *Stronger Together* Virtual Conference was a tremendous success. This event was created in cooperation with Yellowhead Regional Library, The Peace Library System, and The Alberta Library (TAL). There were 1,155 registrants from across the globe with 730 live participants, as many as, or more than, the number of delegates normally attending the Alberta Library Conference. We are very pleased with the outcomes of this event and plan on a similar conference in 2021.

ALTA Board Alternate for Parkland

The Alberta Library Trustee Association (ALTA) represents the trustees from all ALTA member libraries in the province of Alberta.

Currently, the Parkland Region is represented by Bob Green from the Carstairs Municipal Library. At present they are looking for an Alternate Director from the region. The region includes the City of Red Deer. Bill Windsor from the Town of Didsbury volunteered to let his name stand to be an Alternate Director representing the Parkland Region on the ALTA Board. Parkland will submit his name to ALTA for consideration.

Board Meeting Dates for 2021

At present, Parkland is planning on holding board meetings virtually for 2021.

February 25 - Annual Report, Year in Review

May 20 - 2019 Financial Statements presented

September 16 - Budget presentation for 2021

November 18 - Organizational Meeting

2021 Alberta Library Conference

In the normal course of events, Parkland pays for three trustees, plus the Board Chair to attend the Alberta Library Conference. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the conference has been cancelled for 2021.

Community News from Trustees

Stettler Public Library is holding a "Christmas Wine Survivor Raffle" virtual elimination draw at the beginning of December. Cost to join is \$20 per ticket plus a bottle of wine.

Board Members Present

Deb Smith, Gord Lawlor

Board Members Present via Zoom

Jason Alderson, Jackie Almberg, Lana Curle (Alternate for Rick Pankiw), Colleen Ebdon, Kevin Ferguson, Jeanny Fisher, Elaine Fossen, Dwayne Fulton, Bruce Gartside, Barb Gilliat, Jeanette Herle, Agnes Hoveland, Cora Knutson, Stephen Levy, Daryl Lougheed, Josephine McKenzie, Philip Massier, Ricci Matthews, Leah Nelson, Ray Olfert, Terilyn Paulgaard, Jas Payne, Norma Penney, Rosella Peterman, Bill Rock, Heather Ryan, Sharolyn Sanchez (Alternate for Mike Yargeau), Janine Stannard, Les Stulberg, Patricia Toone, Cindy Trautman, Doug Weir, Shannon Wilcox, Bill Windsor, Mary Ann Wold, Bonita Wood, Mike Yargeau, Ann Zacharias

With Regrets

Dana Kreil, Blair Morton

Absent

Alison Barker-Jevne, Doreen Blumhagen, Glen Carrit, Bill Chandler, Amanda Derksen, Sandy Gamble, Clark German, Deborah Juch, Trudy Kilner, Lonnie Kozlinski, Sonia Temple, Sharon Williamson, Heidi Pierce

PRLS Staff

Ron Sheppard, Tim Spark, Donna Williams, Colleen Schalm, Kara Hamilton, Haley Amendt

Next Meeting: February 25, 2021

10:00 AM.

For more information or if you want a copy of the draft minutes from this board meeting, please contact PRLS.

From: Angela Duncan <duncan.angela.ad@gmail.com>
Sent: January 11, 2021 3:29 PM
Subject: AUMA Villages West Update

Hello all,

I hope that everyone had a good Christmas and New Years. Hopefully you were able to take some time off and connect with family, in some fashion. I am sure that it has been a trying time both personally and professionally for many of us.

Here is a brief update of what I and the AUMA have been working on (in no particular order). This is by no means an inclusive list and I have not touched on anything where there is no significant new information. As always, please feel free to reach out to me if you have any specific questions, would like more information, or just want to chat and let me know what is happening in your community.

2020 Convention Resolutions

We have been working on progressing the resolutions that were passed at our Virtual Convention in September and have started receiving initial responses from the province on some of our resolutions. To view information on our active resolutions, please visit the [AUMA Resolutions Library](#).

Covid 19

We continue to offer information and resources on our online [Covid 19 Hub](#). In addition, we continue to raise municipal concerns and work towards solutions with the provincial government. In particular, we are advocating for increased communication, data, and information sharing with municipalities (including information on how decisions are being made) so that we can make informed decisions locally and help combat misinformation.

Municipal Measurement Index (MMI)

The province launched the MMI shortly before Christmas. The AUMA Board was given an advanced preview of the tool and were allowed to offer comments. Unfortunately, the province did not make changes to the tool, based on our input, and we are disappointed that it was released in its current form. The MMI has been unofficially dubbed the 'Municipal Report Card', although, in reality, it is not a report card, but a tool to compare municipalities.

In principle, the MMI is a great idea and could be used to increase awareness, accountability, and transparency in local government. However, some changes need to be made to achieve this, which we are recommending. In its current form, the MMI deals strictly with financial data and lacks information and details that explain differences in tax rates, accumulated surplus, debt, etc. It does not account for differences in service levels, infrastructure deficits, utilities, or differences in municipal tax structures. Without this kind of information, the numbers can be deceiving and could easily lead to public misunderstanding or misperceptions of municipal finances. It also allows you to compare municipalities that are exceptionally different; although there is a rating system that should flag if two municipalities are not comparable it is not accurate. For example, according to the Index the MD of Bighorn and the City of Spruce Grove are comparable municipalities.

Broadband

The Small Communities Committee is working diligently on this file, which has become increasingly more important in light of the pandemic. Unfortunately, I don't have any new information to share, but I would like to share successes that some of our villages have had. The Villages of [Delburne](#) and [Hythe](#) have both successfully undertaken projects to bring Fibre Optics to their community. **Congratulations on the success of your hardwork!** I would love to hear if other municipalities also have success stories to share.

Policing

Policing will continue to be a hot topic throughout 2021 and I will do my best to keep you informed of what is happening. The AUMA will be releasing some information soon on upcoming events and initiatives, so please be on the lookout for that!

The Interim Police Advisory Board continues to make progress, albeit slowly. By the end of this month we will be submitting our first report to the Minister which will outline our policing priorities, based primarily on feedback received through our survey (thank you again to all who filled that out). After that we will move on to creating governance documents for the permanent board. The Interim Board will be putting out a formal update near the end of the month outlining our work done to date.

2021 Provincial Budget

We continue to advocate for municipal priorities in the provincial budget. In addition to maintaining an adequate level of capital and operating funding, we are working to ensure that the province avoids transferring costs and responsibility onto municipalities while they work to balance their budget. There is, after all, only one taxpayer.

Thank you for all that you do for your community. I wish you and your community all the best in 2021!

Sincerely,

Angela Duncan

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