

Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council, to be held on
Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda: Amendments and Adoption
3. Adoption of the Minutes: a) Minutes of Regular Meeting - Wednesday, February 16, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.
4. Delegation: None
5. Bylaws: a) Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Bylaw 472/22 – Request for Decision 22-10
6. Unfinished Business: None
7. New Business: a) Sidewalk Snow Removal – Request for Decision 22-11
b) Policy Review – Request for Decision 22-12
8. Financial Reports: a) Bank Reconciliation – January 31, 2022
b) Accounts Payable Cheque Listing – January 19, 2022 – February 9, 2022
c) Tax Trial Balance – February 24, 2022
9. Committee Reports: None
10. Administrative Reports: a) Admin Support Staff
b) Cyberus Protection Services
11. Correspondence and Information: a) National Police Federation
b) Citizen Concern – Sharon Faszter
c) Letter of Support – Bill C-229, Peter Julian, MP, New Westminster - Burnaby
12. Closed Meeting: None
13. Adjournment

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, February 16, 2022, at 6:00 P.M., virtually.

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

Also Present: Michelle White, Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order: Mayor Fehr called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

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

Approval of Agenda:

Resolution #042/22: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council approve the agenda with the following amendment:

Committee Reports: c) – Rahr Malting Canada Ltd./Village of Alix Relations Committee

Remove the name “Mayor Fehr”
Replace with the name “Councillor T. Besuijen”

CARRIED

Minutes: a) Regular Meeting – February 2, 2022

Resolution #043/22: Moved by Councillor Cole that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Delegation: a) Mr. Craig Teal, RPP MCIP, Director, Parkland Community Planning Services – Joint Use Planning Agreements Presentation

Mr. Craig Teal, RPP MCIP, Director of Parkland Community Planning Services, entered the meeting at 6:02 P.M.

Mr. Teal retired from the meeting at 6:18 P.M.

Bylaws: None

Unfinished Business: a) Media Policy – Emergency Management #45 – Request for Decision 22-01

Resolution #044/22: Moved by Councillor Cole that the Village of Alix Council hereby approves Policy #45, Media Policy – Emergency Management as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution #045/22: Moved by Councillor T. Besuijen that all members of Council are hereby authorized to attend the Village of Alix Emergency Management table top exercise on February 24, 2022.

CARRIED

New Business: a) Doubtful Account - Request for Decision 22-08

Resolution #046/22: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council hereby authorizes administration to write off \$300.00 for unpaid Business Licenses for account holder 339.

CARRIED

b) Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Agreement Amendment Request for Decision 22-09

Resolution #047/22: Moved by Councillor J. Besuijen that the Village of Alix Council will execute the Municipal Sustainability Initiative Amending Memorandum of Agreement, effective April 1, 2022. CARRIED

Financial Reports: None

- Committee Reports:
- a) Lacombe Foundation – Councillor Gilliat
 - b) Lacombe Regional Solid Waste Commission Organizational Meeting – Councillor Gilliat
 - c) Rahr Malting Canada Ltd./Village of Alix Relations Committee – Councillor T. Besuijen
 - d) Lacombe Foundation Organizational Meeting – Councillor Gilliat

Resolution #048/22: Moved by Councillor T. Besuijen that the Village of Alix Council accept the Committee Reports as presented. CARRIED

Administrative Reports: a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Resolution #049/22: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council accept the Administrative Report as presented. CARRIED

Correspondence and Information:

- a) Quarterly Community Policing Report – Corporal Grant Glasier, Acting Detachment Commander, Bashaw Royal Canadian Mounted Police
- b) Town of Gibbons – Bill 21 – Provincial Administrative Penalties Act

Councillor Cole declared a pecuniary interest due to his business as a Traffic Agent and removed himself from the meeting on this item.

Resolution #050/22: Moved by Councillor Gilliat that the Village of Alix Council direct administration to send a letter of concern regarding the proposed changes under Bill 21. CARRIED

- c) Parkland Airshed Management Zone 2022 Membership

Resolution #051/22: Moved by Councillor Cole that Correspondence Items (a) and (c) be accepted as information. CARRIED

Closed Meeting: None

Adjournment:

Resolution #052/22: Moved by Councillor J. Besuijen that this Regular Meeting of the Village of Alix Council be adjourned at 7:06 P.M. CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

ADMINISTRATION REPORT



Date: February 11, 2022 RFD 22-10
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject: FOIP Bylaw

1. **PURPOSE** – To present Council with a bylaw pertaining to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act & subsequent Regulations for consideration.
2. **BACKGROUND** – The Village of Alix appoints a FOIP Officer by resolution of Council each year at the October Organizational meeting. At a recent Trends in Municipal Law training workshop by Brownlee LLP, it was advised that municipalities have a FOIP Bylaw outlining who is responsible for compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act as well as what fee structure will be used when responding to FOIP requests.

Some municipalities have argued that the resolution during the Organizational Meeting is also a “Legal Instrument” but the lawyers strongly encouraged a bylaw be used for the sake of clarity.

3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To pass the proposed FOIP Bylaw as presented
 2. To amend the proposed Bylaw and reduce the fee structure from the amounts allowable under the FOIP Regulation
 3. To continue to use a resolution during the annual Organizational Meeting for compliance with the Act
4. **DISCUSSION** –
5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – The fee structure proposed in the Bylaw says it will follow the recommendation of the FOIP Regulation. Attached is Schedule 2 of the Regulation showing charges for research, preparation time, copies etc.

In addition to these charges, section 11 of the Regulation states there is “(a) an initial fee of \$25 when a non-continuing request is made, or (b) an initial fee of \$50 when a continuing request is made.”

6. **LEGAL** – FOIP Act s. 7(1) states that to obtain access to a record, a request must be made to the public body. Section 7(2) says the request must be in writing. Therefore a written request for information constitutes a FOIP request. Section 5 of the Regulation states that an oral request for information may be made if “(a) the applicant’s ability to read or write English is limited, or (b) the applicant has a physical disability or condition that impairs the applicant’s ability to make a written request.”

The applicant must pay the flat fee stated above at the time of making the request. The public body then completes a fee estimate for providing the requested documents. The applicant must sign an agreement to pay charges and pay 50% of the fee estimate before the public body begins researching the request. The public body has 30 days to respond to a FOIP request, but there is a provision for a time extension with approval of the Privacy Commissioner (Provincial).

This is an abridged outline of the process for Council’s information. A more detailed overview of the process or FOIP related training could be provided if Council feels it would be helpful.

7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** – I recommend requests for the following documents be considered outside the scope of the proposed Bylaw. This is allowable under the Act and Regulations: Agenda package, minutes (within the last 2 years), bylaws.
8. **OTHER COMMENTS** –
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** –

“that the Village of Alix Council give first reading to FOIP Bylaw 472/22, being a bylaw for the purpose of establishing the administrative structure of the Village of Alix in relation to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and to set fees thereunder.”

“that the Village of Alix Council give second reading to FOIP Bylaw 472/22.”

“that the Village of Alix Council give permission for third and final reading to FOIP Bylaw 472/22 at this time.”

“that the Village of Alix Council give third and final reading to FOIP Bylaw 472/22.”



Author

VILLAGE OF ALIX

BYLAW NO. 472/22

“FOIP BYLAW”

BEING a Bylaw of the Village of Alix, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of establishing the administrative structure of the Village of Alix in relation to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and to set fees thereunder.

WHEREAS: pursuant to section 95 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP), RSA 2000, Chapter F-25, and amendments thereto, the Village of Alix must designate a person or group of persons as the Head of the Village for the purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS: pursuant to section 95 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP), RSA 2000, Chapter F-25, and amendments thereto, the Village of Alix may set fees payable to the Village of Alix for services provided under the FOIP Acts and Regulations.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of the Village of Alix, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled hereby enacts as follows:

INTERPRETATION

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the “FOIP Bylaw”.
2. Headings in this Bylaw are for reference purposes only.
3. Words in the masculine gender will include the feminine gender whenever the context so requires and vice versa.
4. Words in the singular shall include the plural or vice versa whenever the context so requires.

DEFINITIONS

1. In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - a. “**Act**” means the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA 2000 Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto;
 - b. “**Applicant**” means a person who makes a request for

access to a record under section 7(1) of the Act;

- c. **“Chief Administrative Officer”** also known as **“CAO”** means the person appointed CAO of the Village of Alix and includes any person who holds the position of CAO in an acting capacity;
- d. **“Head”** means the person or group of persons designated under section 95(a) of the Act; and
- e. **“Province”** means the Province of Alberta;
- f. **“Village”** means the Village of Alix and includes any board, committee, commission, panel, agency or corporation that is created or owned by the Village of Alix and all the members or officers of which are appointed or chosen by the Village of Alix.

DESIGNATION

1. For the purpose of the Act, the CAO and the Director of Corporate Services are designated as the **“Head”** of the Village.
2. For the purpose of the Act, the CAO and the Director of Corporate Services may delegate any duties or responsibilities as deemed appropriate.

FEEES

1. Where an Applicant is required to pay a fee for service, the fee payable is in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Regulation AR 186/2008, as amended from time to time or any successor regulation that sets fees for requests for information from the Province.

SEVERABILITY

1. Each section of this Bylaw shall be read and construed as being separate and severable from each other section. Furthermore, should any section or part of this Bylaw be found to have been improperly enacted for any reason, then such section or part shall be regarded as being severable from the rest of the Bylaw and the Bylaw remaining after such severance shall be effective and enforceable.

GENERAL

1. Historic copies of minutes and agendas within 2 years of the

date of the request and copies of bylaws will be exempt from charges as outlined in the FEES section of this bylaw.

2. Where a request for information was submitted and not disposed of before the coming into force of this Bylaw, the request is deemed to be a request made March 2, 2022, under the provisions of the Act.

Read a first time this 2nd day of March, 2022.

Read a second time this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Read a third time and finally passed this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE 2

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Fees Schedule

The amounts of the fees set out in this Schedule are the maximum amounts that can be charged to applicants.

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| 1 | For searching for, locating and retrieving a record | \$6.75 per ¼ hr. |
| 2 | For producing a record from an electronic record: | |
| | (a) computer processing and related charges | Actual cost to public body |
| | (b) computer programming | Actual cost to public body up to \$20.00 per ¼ hr. |
| 3 | For producing a paper copy of a record: | |
| | (a) photocopies and computer printouts: | |
| | (i) black and white up to 8 ½" X 14" | \$0.25 per page |
| | (ii) other formats | \$0.50 per page |
| | (b) from microfiche or microfilm | \$0.50 per page |
| | (c) plans and blueprints | Actual cost to public body |
| 4 | For producing a copy of a record by duplication of the following media: | |
| | (a) microfiche and microfilm | Actual cost to public body |
| | (b) computer disks | \$5.00 per disk |
| | (c) computer tapes | Actual cost to public body |
| | (d) slides | \$2.00 per slide |
| | (e) audio and video tapes | Actual cost to public body |
| 5 | For producing a photographic copy (colour or black and white) printed on photographic paper from a negative, slide or digital image: | |
| | (a) 4" X 6" | \$3.00 |
| | (b) 5" X 7" | \$6.00 |
| | (c) 8" X 10" | \$10.00 |
| | (d) 11" X 14" | \$20.00 |
| | (e) 16" X 20" | \$30.00 |
| 6 | For producing a copy of a record by any process or in any medium or format not listed in sections 3 to 5 above | Actual cost to public body |
| 7 | For preparing and handling a record for disclosure | \$6.75 per ¼ hr. |
| 8 | For supervising the examination of a record | \$6.75 per ¼ hr. |
| 9 | For shipping a record or a copy of a record | Actual cost to public body |

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Date: February 22, 2022 RFD 22-11
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject:



1. **PURPOSE** – To inform Council of a concern brought forward by staff regarding sidewalk clearing and determine if a bylaw amendment is needed.
2. **BACKGROUND** – According to Traffic Bylaw 446/19, property owners are to keep sidewalks clear of ice & snow etc. Some shovel it on to boulevards, some onto front yards. Some property owners without boulevards shovel the snow onto the paved street. This causes a build up of ice/snow and can prevent proper flow of run-off along curbs. Please see attached sheet from Public Works.
3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To amend Traffic Bylaw 446/19
 2. To accept this report as information
4. **DISCUSSION** – Public Works has raised a valid concern about snow being shoveled on to paved roads after the plow has gone through and blocking surface drainage.
5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – There is an increase cost for staff time to clear curbs and allow for proper surface drainage.
6. **LEGAL** – Traffic Bylaw 446/19 states the following (emphasis added):

“PART 4: USE OF STREETS AND PUBLIC PLACES

(2) All persons within the Village shall remove or cause to be removed any snow, ice, debris or other materials from any sidewalk adjoining the property owned or occupied by them; such removal is to be completed within 48 hours of the time when the snow, ice, dirt or other obstruction was formed or deposited thereon;

(a) Persons removing snow and ice from sidewalks may place same on boulevards. Dirt and debris must be picked up and removed from sidewalks.

(h) “Highway” means any thoroughfare, street, road, trail, avenue, parkway, viaduct, lane, alley, square, bridge, causeway, trestle way or other place, whether publicly or privately owned, any part of which the public is ordinarily entitled or permitted to use for the passage or parking of vehicles, and

(i) Includes:

(A) a sidewalk (including the boulevard portion of the sidewalk);”

Interpretation of Part 4, section (2) can therefore be interpreted as allowing snow, ice etc. to be removed from the sidewalk and placed on the “Highway.”

It is also worth noting that the Land Use Bylaw allows for zero lot lines (meaning no setback from the property line is required) for commercial properties. This could cause a problem if the Traffic Bylaw is amended to say snow/ice can only be shoveled on to private property.

7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** – Because of the variety of property frontages in the Village, a 'one size fits all' approach may not be a good fix for this problem. Some properties have a sidewalk that goes straight to a curb & gutter, some have grass or gravel boulevards and some have a building right at the edge of their property line.
8. **OTHER COMMENTS** – It is worth noting that Public Works staff have reported abusive language from residents when asked to put snow/ice from sidewalks on front yards rather than onto the street.
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** – I recommend a definition for Boulevard is added to the Traffic Bylaw. This would allow stockpiling of snow for properties with a gravel or grass area between the sidewalk and pavement. Other properties with curb & gutter adjacent to the sidewalk would need to put snow on to private property.

A review of the Traffic Bylaw did not show any sections that would be negatively impacted by this change.

“that the Village of Alix Council directs administration to develop an amendment for Traffic Bylaw 446/19 that would allow snow and ice to be deposited on boulevards.”



Author



Reason for By-Law Change Request

Sidewalk Snow Removal: Snow removed from sidewalks is to be placed on private property. Snow removal onto village streets and laneways will not be allowed.

: Dump, place, abandon, unload or push any ice, snow or any other matter onto the streets or laneways in any matter that obstructs or impedes traffic or drainage falls into category.

Reasons:

-the snow creates a dam effect during the warmer weather causing poor drainage and which then flows across the sidewalks freezing as the temp drops.

-this snow when left unattended then packs causing poor driving conditions, as well as parking conditions.

-One resident pushing snow out onto the street can there by cause issues for their neighbors on either side of them.

-Throughout the winter months the village when needed spends time and money after the weather has presented itself with reason to clear the entire neighborhood only to have residents then take it upon themselves and after a snow fall or two that doesn't warrant the need to conduct another full neighborhood snow removal to push the snow off their driveways and sidewalks they are responsible for back onto the streets and laneways.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT



Date: February 24, 2022 RFD 22-12
Memo To: Village Council
From: Michelle White
Subject: Policy review

1. **PURPOSE** – To continue bringing municipal policies before Council to review and amend, repeal or accept as necessary.
2. **BACKGROUND** – The Village did a significant amount of work to develop various policies over the years, the bulk of them being done in 2006. Many of the policies in place have not been reviewed since their original adoption.
3. **OPTIONS** –
 1. To accept the attached policies as presented
 2. To amend the attached policies
 3. To repeal the attached policies
4. **DISCUSSION** – Policy #3, Promotion of Causes streamlines Council meetings and provides a consistent approach to dealing with requests from the general public, organizations and other levels of government. No changes are being recommended for this policy.

Policy #21, Advertising Community Sponsored Events was originally adopted in 2006 and amended in 2007. I recommend taking out the \$200 funding cap per event and taking out the maximum funds available per year. It is worth noting the Village has advertised with the Alix Ag Society Rodeo for many years at the \$1,000 dollar level.

5. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** – The municipal operating budget has exceeded the amounts set in Policy #21 policy for many years. There will not be budget implications if the suggested amendments are approved by Council because the interim operating budget line dealing with this matter is already set at \$4,000.
6. **LEGAL** – The MGA is silent on the need for and review of policies outside of those necessary for planning under Part 17, Planning and Development. This means that policies pertaining to non-planning procedures are not legislatively required but are often put in place to assist with regular operations of the municipality.

Once a policy is approved by Council it is a best practice to review them every few years or more often if necessary. This is to ensure they are still an effective tool to assist staff with regular operations as well as a good fit with the overall Strategic Plan.

7. **POLITICAL/PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS** –
8. **OTHER COMMENTS** –
9. **RECOMMENDATIONS** – I recommend the following resolutions:

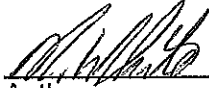
“that the Village of Alix Council has reviewed Policy No. 3, Promotion of Causes and approves the policy as presented without amendment.”

“that the Village of Alix Council hereby amends Policy No. 21 as follows:

Guidelines/Procedures

Remove: Funding per event will not exceed \$200.00

Remove: Total amount of the funds available per year \$2,400.00 and replace with Total amount of funds available per year will be set through the municipal operating budget."

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. White', written over a horizontal line.

Author



Department Name: **Administration**

Department # **12**

Policy No.

21 2006

Policy Title:

Advertising Community Sponsored Events

Status:

Approved

Res. #

296/07

Date June 5/07
Updated

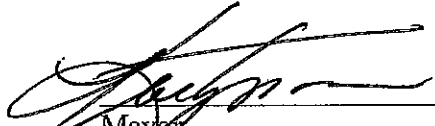
Policy Statement:


The Village of Alix recognizes the necessity of attracting public events that will promote and encourage tourism and attendance of tourists in the Village of Alix and area.

Providing public funds for advertising community sponsored events, open to the general public is hereby authorized in accordance to the following guidelines and procedures.

Guidelines/Procedures:

- Funding requests from community organizations to be presented in writing to the CAO for presentation to Council for approval
- Funding requests will include what advertising media will be used for expending the funds
- Funding per event will not exceed \$200.00
- Total amount of the funds available per year \$2,400.00
- Funds shall be allocated on a first come first served basis
- Only one event per community organization will be granted per year


Mayor


CAO

June 5/07
Date



Department Name: **Administration**
Department # **12**

Policy No.
3. 2006

Policy Title:
Promotion of Causes

Status:
Approved

Res. #
616/06

Date
Oct. 17 2006

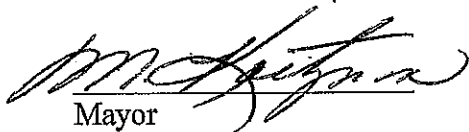
Policy Statement:

The Village of Alix recognizes the necessity of remaining neutral in the promotion of causes. Requests for the promotion of causes are hereby authorized in accordance with the following guidelines and procedures.

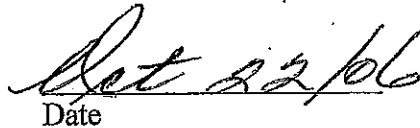
Guidelines/Procedures:

The Village will not promote or endorse any month, week or day on behalf of any non-local agency or cause.

All requests for the promotion of causes will be forwarded to the appropriate group or body in the public sector.


Mayor


CAO


Date

**VILLAGE OF ALIX
BANK RECONCILIATION
FOR THE MONTH ENDING:
January 31, 2022**

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| SERVUS CREDIT UNION |
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| | CHEQUING | INVESTMENTS |
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| Balance from Bank Statement: | 2,222,621.20 | 4,021.38 |
| Plus: Deposits in Transit | 40,395.34 | |
| Less: Outstanding Cheques | (89,284.98) | |
| Reconciled Bank Balance: | <u>2,173,731.56</u> | <u>4,021.38</u> |
| GL balance @: January 31, 2022 | <u>2,173,731.56</u> | <u>4,021.38</u> |
| Variance: | - | - |

THIS STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 2022



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Cheque Listing For Council

2022-Feb-24
8:39:04AM

| Cheque | | Vendor Name | Invoice # | Invoice Description | Invoice Amount | Cheque Amount |
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| Cheque # | Date | | | | | |
| 20220035 | 2022-01-19 | ADVANCED SYSTEMS | 42785 | PAYMENT IT SUPPORT - RAILWAY HOUSE | 422.63 | 422.63 |
| 20220036 | 2022-01-19 | ALIX & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE | 20180217 | PAYMENT 2022 MEMBERSHIP FEES | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| 20220037 | 2022-01-19 | AMSC INSURANCE SERVICES LTD. | JAN.2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY PREMIUMS | 4,676.96 | 4,676.96 |
| 20220038 | 2022-01-19 | BAGSHAW ELECTRIC LTD. | IC031225 | PAYMENT BULBS | 248.85 | 248.85 |
| 20220039 | 2022-01-19 | CAT BROS. OILFIELD CONST. | 15070 | PAYMENT GRADER - JANUARY | 913.50 | 913.50 |
| 20220040 | 2022-01-19 | CYBERUS PROTECTION SERVICES | 20225 20227 | PAYMENT JANUARY PATROL FEBRUARY PATROLS | 2,657.82 2,657.82 | 5,315.64 |
| 20220041 | 2022-01-19 | EDGE MARKETING & DESIGN INC. | 7028 | PAYMENT 2022 ANNUAL HOSTING FEE | 210.00 | 210.00 |
| 20220042 | 2022-01-19 | KERRY'S MECHANICAL LTD | 59593 | PAYMENT TIRE REPAIRS | 40.90 | 40.90 |
| 20220043 | 2022-01-19 | LACOMBE COUNTY | IVC41578 | PAYMENT 2022 ARB BASE FEE | 1,050.00 | 1,050.00 |
| 20220044 | 2022-01-19 | LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION ASSOC | 01956 | PAYMENT 2022 MEMBERSHIP FEE | 236.25 | 236.25 |
| 20220045 | 2022-01-19 | MUNISIGHT LTD. | INV218429 | PAYMENT SOFTWARE LICENSE & SUPPOR | 469.51 | 469.51 |
| 20220046 | 2022-01-19 | PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SVCS. | 2022 | PAYMENT ANNUAL SERVICE FEE - 2022 | 504.00 | 504.00 |
| 20220047 | 2022-01-19 | PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS | 220001 | PAYMENT 1ST QUARTER REQ'N PAYMENT | 1,748.37 | 1,748.37 |
| 20220048 | 2022-01-19 | PUROLATOR INC. | 449512942 | PAYMENT FREIGHT - HEATER PARTS | 81.35 | 81.35 |
| 20220049 | 2022-01-19 | TAXervice | 2383512 7330 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL FEES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES-TAXI | 424.20 2,967.30 | 3,391.50 |
| 20220050 | 2022-01-19 | WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES | 8473 | PAYMENT JANUARY PROGRESS PAYMENT | 1,319.50 | 1,319.50 |
| 20220058 | 2022-01-28 | 2253676 ALBERTA LTD., (ALIX FOODS) | DECEMBER 2021 | PAYMENT SUPPLIES | 85.53 | 85.53 |
| 20220059 | 2022-01-28 | ALIX MIRROR WELLNESS SUPPORTS SOCIETY | DEC.31,2021 | PAYMENT REMAINING 2021 FCSS FUNDS | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| 20220060 | 2022-01-28 | BESUIJEN, JANICE | DEC. 2021 | PAYMENT DECEMBER MEETINGS | 350.00 | 350.00 |
| 20220061 | 2022-01-28 | CAT BROS. OILFIELD CONST. | 15069 | PAYMENT GRADER SERVICES - SNOW RE | 4,630.50 | 4,630.50 |
| 20220062 | 2022-01-28 | CONSOLIDATED ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS INC | 49 | PAYMENT SNOW REMOVAL | 535.50 | 535.50 |
| 20220063 | 2022-01-28 | HWY 12/21 REGIONAL WATER SERVICES COMM | 1133 | PAYMENT DECEMBER CONSUMPTION | 13,390.07 | 13,390.07 |
| 20220064 | 2022-01-28 | LACOMBE COUNTY | IVC41577 IVC41648 IVC41649 | PAYMENT 2021 ARB BASE FEE FIRST RESPONSE-FUEL COSTS 2021 PEACE OFFICE SERVICES | 1,050.00 668.45 31,298.98 | 33,017.43 |



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Cheque Listing For Council

2022-Feb-24
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| 20220065 | 2022-01-28 | MPE ENGINEERING LTD | 4420-001-00-74 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL FEES - LAGOON | 2,641.80 | 2,641.80 |
| 20220066 | 2022-01-28 | PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SVCS. | 21592 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | 2,061.85 | 2,061.85 |
| 20220067 | 2022-01-28 | ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES | 2022018 | PAYMENT 2022 MEMBERSHIP FEE | 1,636.83 | 1,636.83 |
| 20220068 | 2022-01-28 | AMSC INSURANCE SERVICES LTD. | FEB 2022 | PAYMENT FEBRUARY PREMIUMS | 4,688.46 | 4,688.46 |
| 20220069 | 2022-01-28 | ANDERSON, JANENE | JAN. 2022 | PAYMENT TRAVEL EXPENSES | 44.00 | 44.00 |
| 20220070 | 2022-01-28 | CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY | 1000-11136740 | PAYMENT JANUARY FLASHERS | 592.00 | 592.00 |
| 20220071 | 2022-01-28 | COREY L. GISH PROFESSIONAL CORP. | 42750 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL FEES - SALE OF | 562.14 | 562.14 |
| 20220072 | 2022-01-28 | DE FORGE, PEGGY | JAN.2022 | PAYMENT REIMBURSE- PERSONAL CREDI | 787.44 | 787.44 |
| 20220073 | 2022-01-28 | EMBER GRAPHICS TRIM & SIGNS | 4436 | PAYMENT ENVELOPES | 549.15 | 549.15 |
| 20220074 | 2022-01-28 | FEHR, ROBERT LEE | JAN 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY MEETINGS | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| 20220075 | 2022-01-28 | FINNING (Canada) INTERNATIONAL INC | 947962945 | PAYMENT OIL | 106.61 | 106.61 |
| 20220076 | 2022-01-28 | LACOMBE FOUNDATION | C-515589 | PAYMENT 2022 EQUALIZED ASSESSMENT | 6,059.00 | 6,059.00 |
| 20220077 | 2022-01-28 | LACOMBE REGIONAL TOURISM BOARD &, MARI | 376 | PAYMENT 2022 MEMBERSHIP | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| 20220078 | 2022-01-28 | LEAD SERVICES | 2022-007 | PAYMENT TRAINING (FIRE REPORTS) | 315.00 | 315.00 |
| 20220079 | 2022-01-28 | LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY CONTRIBUTIONS | 6,281.31 | 6,281.31 |
| 20220080 | 2022-01-28 | MONSTER CONTROLS | 4390 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | 2,081.48 | 2,081.48 |
| 20220081 | 2022-01-28 | PARKLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING SVCS. | JAN.2022 | PAYMENT TRAINING-DVLPT | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| 20220082 | 2022-01-28 | PITNEY BOWES LEASING | 3201903868 | PAYMENT METER LEASING | 119.51 | 119.51 |
| 20220083 | 2022-01-28 | SERVUS CREDIT UNION LTD. | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY RSP | 243.30 | 243.30 |
| 20220092 | 2022-02-08 | LACOMBE COUNTY | IVC41655 | PAYMENT 4TH QTR MAINTENANCE, TRAINI | 3,187.42 | 3,187.42 |
| 20220093 | 2022-02-09 | 327241 ALBERTA LTD | 984 | PAYMENT JANUARY PATROLS | 388.50 | 388.50 |
| 20220094 | 2022-02-09 | ACCU-FLO METER SERVICE LTD | 100636 100637 | PAYMENT METER PARTS METER PARTS | 651.00 651.00 | 1,302.00 |
| 20220095 | 2022-02-09 | ADOA (ALBERTA DEVELOPMENT , OFFICERS AS | 156 | PAYMENT 2022 MEMBERSHIP FEE | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| 20220096 | 2022-02-09 | ADVANCED SYSTEMS | 43104 MSP-42942 MSP-42983 MSP-42984 | PAYMENT TECH SUPPORT JANUARY MONITORING SVC JANUARY IT SUPPORT JANUARY BACKUPS | 288.75 383.25 135.74 131.25 | 938.99 |



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| 20220098 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX COMMUNITY HALL BOARD | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT 2022 BUDGET ALLOCATION | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 20220099 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX FAMILY & COMMUNITY SUPPORT, SERVICE | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT FUNDING REQUEST | 6,400.00 | 6,400.00 |
| 20220100 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX FIRE DEPARTMENT | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT 2022 FIREFIGHTERS HONORARI | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 20220101 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX HOME HARDWARE | 139875 139953 139973 139976 140018 | PAYMENT CLEANING SUPPLIES SUPPLIES OFFICE CONSUMABLES FLAG ICEMELT | 51.71 5.03 19.94 37.79 11.54 | 126.01 |
| 20220102 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX MIRROR WELLNESS SUPPORTS SOCIETY | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT FUNDING REQUEST | 8,398.00 | 8,398.00 |
| 20220103 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX PUBLIC LIBRARY | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT 2022 SUPPORT | 9,428.18 | 9,428.18 |
| 20220104 | 2022-02-09 | ALIX WAGON WHEEL MUSEUM | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT 2022 BUDGET ALLOCATION | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 20220105 | 2022-02-09 | ALLAN, TERRY | JAN.2022 | PAYMENT 2022 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| 20220106 | 2022-02-09 | BESUIJEN, TIMOTHY W | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY MEETINGS/TRAINING | 650.00 | 650.00 |
| 20220107 | 2022-02-09 | BOUNTY ONSITE INC. | 001-122494 001-122640 | PAYMENT OIL SUPPLIES | 473.84 168.23 | 642.07 |
| 20220108 | 2022-02-09 | CARR, MICHAEL | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT 2022 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| 20220109 | 2022-02-09 | CHEM INTERNATIONAL | 111845 | PAYMENT CHEMICALS | 729.75 | 729.75 |
| 20220110 | 2022-02-09 | COLE, EDWIN | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY MEETINGS | 350.00 | 350.00 |
| 20220111 | 2022-02-09 | CONTACT SAFETY SERVICE LTD | 11658 11659 11660 11661 11662 11663 11664 11665 | PAYMENT FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING | 84.00 52.50 36.75 364.14 477.23 101.33 84.00 87.15 | 1,287.10 |
| 20220112 | 2022-02-09 | DE FORGE, PEGGY | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT TEN YEARS OF SERVICE AWARD | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| 20220113 | 2022-02-09 | ENVIRONMENTAL 360 SOLUTIONS LTD. | 179605 | PAYMENT JANUARY GARBAGE & RECYCLII | 5,148.83 | 5,148.83 |
| 20220114 | 2022-02-09 | GILLIAT, BARBARA JEAN | JANUARY 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY MEETINGS | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| 20220115 | 2022-02-09 | GREGG DISTRIBUTORS CO LTD | 521880 | PAYMENT ICEMELT | 276.32 | 276.32 |
| 20220116 | 2022-02-09 | HIRON, PAMELA | JAN. 2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY CLEANING - FIREHALL | 112.50 | 112.50 |
| 20220117 | 2022-02-09 | KOZAK, TRUDY-LANE | | PAYMENT | | 300.00 |



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| 20220117 | 2022-02-09 | KOZAK, TRUDY-LANE | JAN.2022 | 2022 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| 20220118 | 2022-02-09 | LOOMIS EXPRESS, A DIV OF TFI TRANSPORT 22 | 9844378 9854710 | PAYMENT FREIGHT CHARGES FREIGHT CHARGES | 108.32 67.26 | 175.58 |
| 20220119 | 2022-02-09 | MPE ENGINEERING LTD | 4420-001-75 | PAYMENT PROFESSIONAL FEES | 1,665.30 | 1,665.30 |
| 20220120 | 2022-02-09 | MUNISIGHT LTD. | 220530 | PAYMENT FEBRUARY IT SUPPORT | 469.51 | 469.51 |
| 20220122 | 2022-02-09 | PETTY CASH | FEB. 2022 | PAYMENT RECONCILE PETTY CASH | 209.00 | 209.00 |
| 20220123 | 2022-02-09 | UNITED RENTALS OF CANADA INC. | 202057458-001 | PAYMENT BOOM RENTAL | 1,043.20 | 1,043.20 |
| 20220124 | 2022-02-09 | VILLAGE OF ALIX | 50100-JAN.2022 63900-JAN.2022 69600-JAN.2022 7000-JAN.2022 72700- JAN.2022 72800-JAN.2022 72830-JAN.2022 72841- JAN.2022 | PAYMENT JANUARY BULK WATER JAN.UTILITIES - LIBRARY JAN. UTILITIES - P/W JANUARY UTILITIEIS- OFFICE JANUARY UTILITIES - FIREHALL JAN. UTILITIES - BAYS 1 & 2 JAN. UTILITIES - BAY # 3 JAN UTILITIES - BAY # 4 | 197.83 118.74 96.34 119.48 109.76 134.60 112.46 121.64 | 1,010.85 |
| 20220125 | 2022-02-09 | WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES | 8511 | PAYMENT FEBRUARY PROGRESS PAYMEN | 1,319.50 | 1,319.50 |
| 20220126 | 2022-02-09 | ANDERSON, JANENE | JAN. 29, 2022 | PAYMENT TRAVEL EXPENSE | 42.00 | 42.00 |
| 20220127 | 2022-02-09 | OLDMAN RIVER REGIONAL SERVICES COMMIS: | 12352 -1 | PAYMENT 2022 GIS SERVICES | 4,477.40 | 4,477.40 |

Total 200,310.88

*** End of Report ***



VILLAGE OF ALIX

Tax Trial Balance (Full Listing)

Trial Balance As Of 2022-02-24

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

| Sub Ledger | | General Ledger | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|------|-------------------|
| Tax Levy | 1,640,447.07 | Local Improvement Levy | 0.00 | | | | | | | | 0.00 | |
| Additional Tax Levy | 0.00 | Accumulated Penalty | 25,202.35 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Outstanding Penalty | 24,628.47 | | | | | | | | | |
| Current | 15,780.44 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 Year | 98,969.71 | | | | | | | | | | | 146,366.58 |
| 2 Years | 22,758.96 | | | | | | | | | | | <u>146,366.58</u> |
| 3 Years | 7,692.38 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Over 3 | 1,165.09 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outstanding | <u>146,366.58</u> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Total GL | | | | | | | | | | 146,366.58 |
| | | Total SL | | | | | | | | | | 146,366.58 |
| | | Proof | | | | | | | | | | <u>0.00</u> |

*** End of Report ***

Report for Council Meeting – March 2022

Economic Development

Google

Locations stats as of February 23rd. The Village Shoppe has reached 12,683 views, Alix Nature Trail has over 6,050, Museum has 10,278, and the Alix Lake and Boat Launch has 1,231. Adding these locations has really helped our online presence for what our community has to offer, and it continues to grow everyday.

Lacombe Regional Tourism

In February we were able to have a sit-down meeting with the Executive Director for Lacombe Regional Tourism. He brought some promising layouts to Alix with the main focus on the Route 12 initiative. There was mention of the 'Ale Trail' incentive and potential partnership with Rahr Malting for this tourism incentive.

There is a meeting with Route 12 stakeholders in March.

Chamber of Commerce

We were able to have our first in person meeting since October. Attendance was successful and lots of conversation was had such as the Farmers Market being reintroduced, rural internet problems, and the update of the gas station sign. I will be continuing to work on the updated sign throughout February and beginning of March as business licenses are still being purchased. I hope to have the sign replaced by Spring.

Elections were held and Clarence was voted as the new president of Chamber.

Build to Suit

The current investor of the property on Main Street is looking at potential lease holders for a 'Build to Suit' store front. I've been in contact with some local business owners on the opportunity to expand and will also be emailing information out to potential stakeholders for the new business opportunities within the Village. The investor hopes to be coming down sometime in March to meet and have a conversation about the future build.

General Information

Grants

Recycling and Garbage Units:

- Haul-All Equipment Systems supply quotes for difference recycle/garbage units which then are submitted to the Alberta Beverage Container Recycling Corporation (ABCRC) Community Champion Program. This program provides up to \$20,000 towards this initiative per community (if approved). I will be writing the grant in hopes to get four Hide-a-Way Waste and Recycling units. These would be placed at Gator Park, Skateboard Park, Boat Launch, and the Beach.

Training

AEA (Alberta Emergency Alert) Training – I was granted Authorized usage on January 21st. I will have to maintain my account by practicing alerts and signing in every month. February 22, we had an introduction meeting for the upcoming transition. AEA is transitioning to the National Alert System over the next 12 months. Currently Alberta is the only province not on this system. New training will start in October and classes will be offered over 10 weeks. March 1st, 2023, Alberta will be completely on the National Alert System and the new Mobile App will be launched. AEA will also be sharing information to municipality to share to the public and make them aware of the upcoming changes.

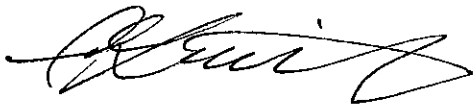
Management Communications Course – This course is still continuing; it commences on April 11th. Some highlights from this course so far are.

- Navigating through non-verbal communications, being able to analyze miscommunications that can happen while communicating either in person or written, and appropriate guidelines for self-disclosure in the workplace.
- Intercultural or international communications and how to shift to the local perspective verses a global perspective of a culture and being able to break down and understand their way of communications may be very different from ours.
- Digital media – why we are moving to a more online world and how to make sure your online business accounts maintain a positive digital footprint.

Social Media

Our Village Facebook page continues to grow. As of February 23, 2022, we have 607 page likes and 685-page followers. Our posts have reached 33% more people, increasing our post engagements by 19%. I make sure that information from organizations or businesses are shared or promoted on our Facebook page and will be working on creating more content to promote the Village for our tourism season.

Chelsie Giesbrecht



Cyberus Protection Services

Village of Alix Patrol Report

Summary January 3, 2022 – January 10, 2022

January 9 had a vehicle parked behind one of the businesses in town, it turned out to be a Village resident. This week had seen skid marks throughout the Village from a vehicle stunting on the snow covered roads. Noted fresh footprints in the snow through the new subdivision and western part of the Village on January 4. Nothing found was suspicious.

Summary January 10, 2022 – January 17, 2022

January 12 there appeared to be drag marks from a trailer tire leading to the highway from the new subdivision, nothing suspicious seen. January 16 truck came through the Village at a high rate of speed with reduced control in corners. RCMP were notified of vehicle description. January 16 had a resident call us in the afternoon in regards to a speeding, stunting truck in the Village. RCMP were called as the vehicle was stunting by Cyberus office location. Agents patrolled Village to attempt to locate and identify license plate number. However, vehicle left as patrol vehicle began patrol.

Summary January 17, 2022 – January 24, 2022

January 19, marks on snow covered roads indicating vehicle had been stunting. January 23 stopped to check an unfamiliar vehicle parked by the Gator Park, it had no signs of damage or indication of stolen.

Summary January 24, 2022 – January 31, 2022

January 29, was parked on main street talking with a Village resident when a four door black car drove down main street with no lights on. Patrol car followed the car. It pulled into a driveway on the east end of the Village after turning its lights on in the back alley. The driver asked if they could help us. The Patrolling Agent politely responded that we were concerned about a vehicle driving with no headlights on and we were ensuring it was a community member and nothing suspicious. January 29 had a vehicle driving suspiciously come into the Village and then leave immediately after seeing the patrol vehicle.



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February 9, 2022

His Worship Robert Fehr
Mayor of Alix
Email: rfehr@villageofalix.ca

Dear Mayor Fehr and Village of Alix Council,

As you might be aware, in January, the National Police Federation (NPF) launched the KeepAlbertaRCMP Community Engagement Tour to provide information and listen to Albertans about the provincial government's unpopular and wasteful plan to transition to a new provincial police service.

We are now just over half-way through our scheduled Community Engagement Tour, having completed three rounds of in-person events and three online sessions. We have visited twenty-two municipalities from Pincher Creek to Fort McMurray and met with hundreds of Albertans from all walks of life. From all these meetings, one thing is clear - Albertans want answers from their government and do not support this transition.

The Government of Alberta (GoA) has committed to making a decision about the future of the RCMP in Alberta this spring. However, the pressing concern that remains top of mind for the public is the limited options available to them to hear the government's presentation and have their questions answered. The GoA's sessions that are currently happening are only open to invited participants from municipal governments, and not to the general public or other groups, and we understand that even then, there are many questions the Alberta Justice team cannot answer.

If you have recently attended one of the GoA's APPS presentations and would like to share any of your thoughts and feedback with us, we would appreciate hearing it and being able to pass it along. This will allow us to let the public know what information is available to them through you, their elected officials. Albertans deserve answers to their questions and to understand why the government is proceeding with this unwanted idea.

A special thank you to all of you who have come out to our sessions so far, it has been great to talk with you about what this proposed transition might mean for your communities. If you have not yet attended one of our KeepAlbertaRCMP sessions, we still have a number of in-person and virtual sessions which can be found here: <https://www.keepalbertarcmp.ca/communityengagementtour>. Unlike the GoA, our presentations are open to all. Please feel free to send this link to anyone you think may be interested in attending.

Sincerely,

Brian Sauvé
President

Michelle Boutin
Vice-President

Kevin R. Halwa
Director, Prairie/North Region

Jeff McGowan
Director, Prairie/North Region

February 10, 2022

To Village of Alix Council and Chief Administrative Officer

For inclusion in the February 16, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Agenda

“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.**

There is no one on earth that has the right to take ones dreams of retirement and their peace and tranquility from them. With decisions made by the Village of Alix administration and council going back to approximately 2008 to present you have done just that to me. This is regarding the numerous viable and legitimate concerns/complaints about the sustainability of Alix Lake, damage to riparian areas and storm drain management on the municipal reserve adjacent to my property.

I have over the years collected a paper trail that would most likely cover the entire path of the Allix Nature Trail (6.2 or 4 km). I also have approximately 200 pictures of these concerns saved on my digital camera.

If the Village of Alix Council and administrator could focus on saving money instead of spending money (i.e. donating more money to Alix Family and Community Society. and Alix and District Wellness Society and put that money towards our infrastructure needs. I think that would be a “cooperative government”. Alix is overstaffed compared to Villages our size. Why? Where is this money being taken from? The speed, volume and weight on Lake Street needs to immediately be looked into changing. Lake Street was not built for a freeway it was constructed for residential. Traffic on Lake Street from the east should be taking 44 Avenue. That is why that road was built back in the day when things were futuristically planned, budgeted+ for and job executed.

I am sensing discrimination, judgement and stigma towards myself from yourselves. If this is indeed true, please stop now. It would be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

S. Faszler

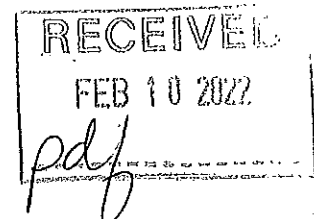
C.C. Tanya Meston, Corporate Services, Village of Alix

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Minister of Transportation

Minister of Infrastructure

Village of Alix
P O Box 87
Alix, AB T0C 0B0



Dear Mayors and Councils,

Everyone deserves to live in safety and dignity. Everyone has the right to feel welcomed and respected in their community. Yet, during the pandemic, racist incidents reported to police have increased at an alarming rate. Tragically, we have seen an increase in Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia, transphobia and misogyny in our society. We see rising racism against Indigenous people, Black, Asian and other racially marginalized communities, while symbols of hate continue to be displayed and sold across our country.

Last week, I re-tabled my Private Member's Bill C-229, *An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (banning symbols of hate)*, to prevent anyone from selling and displaying symbols that promote hatred and violence against identifiable groups. It is a tool designed to address the growing violence and hate that we are seeing in many Canadian communities.

Thank you to those who joined the call in the previous Parliament for Bill C-229. Today, I am seeking your continued support for this legislation. To those who did not have a chance to show your support in the last parliament, I am seeking your endorsement. This is an opportunity to join tens of thousands of Canadians in calling on the federal government and all MPs to ban the sale and display of hate symbols.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - NDP bill would ban hate symbols

Allowing these symbols of hatred to be sold in stores or publicly displayed is threatening for people who have been, and continue to be, targets of violence and oppression.

As we've seen in the past two weeks, during protests around the *Convoy for Freedom*, Canadians witnessed vile and hateful genocidal displays of hate symbols such as Nazi swastikas and the flying of Confederate flags at the very center of Canadian democracy.

With hate crimes on the rise across Canada, we must do everything we can to stop the spread of hate in our communities. Municipalities across the country are seeing the same trend in hate crimes. Hate and associated extremist ideology is spreading like wildfire on the Internet. Even today, many Canadians are saddened by the lack of recourse against the display of symbols that incite hatred. The time for rhetoric is over: the time for action is now.

Banning symbols of hatred like swastikas or Klu Klux Klan insignia, flags such as the standards of Nazi Germany from 1933 to 1945 and those of the white supremacist Confederate States of America from 1861 to 1865, is an important step the federal government should take now for all Canadians to feel safe and secure against hate.

I am seeking your support and public endorsement in the 44th Parliament to urge the federal government and all MPs to support Bill C-229

Please consider using the following text:

On behalf of _____ (Number of residents), _____ (Name of the municipality) endorses MP Peter Julian's Private Member's Bill C-229 - Banning Symbols of Hate Act.

I hope that I can count on you and your council to endorse Bill C-229. Thank you very much for your consideration. I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

If you have questions and require further information, please feel free to contact my assistant Doris Mah, at 604-353-3107 peter.julian.c1d@parl.gc.ca.

Sincerely,
Peter Julian, MP
New Westminster - Burnaby