

Agenda for The Town of Beaverlodge Protective Services Meeting

June 24, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Council Chambers, 400 - 10 Street

1.0	<b><u>CALL TO ORDER:</u></b>	
2.0	<b><u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA:</u></b>	
3.0	<b><u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES:</u></b> 3.1 April 15, 2021 Protective Services Meeting Minutes	PP 2,3
4.0	<b><u>DELEGATIONS:</u></b> 4.1 Cst. Mike Millar – New Impaired Driving Legislation	
5.0	<b><u>OLD BUSINESS:</u></b>	
6.0	<b><u>NEW BUSINESS:</u></b>  6.1 Fire pits  6.2 Update regarding speed on 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave West & 7 <sup>th</sup> Street West  6.3 Firehall Maintenance	PP
7.0	<b><u>STAFF REPORTS:</u></b> 7.1 Enforcement Report/Update  7.2 Fire Report/Update  7.3 RCMP Report/Update	PP
9.0	<b><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u></b>	

Minutes for the Town of Beaverlodge Protective Services Meeting

Thursday April 15, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Council Chambers, 400-10 Street, Beaverlodge, AB

**ATTENDANCE:**

Hugh Graw - Chair

Cal Mosher – Councillor

Jeff Johnston – Chief Administrative Officer

Mark Morrical – Bylaw Enforcement

Ash Browne – RCMP

Stan Metcalfe – Fire Chief

Recording Secretary – Nichole Young, Legislative Services

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1.0 Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 4:59 PM.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

**#005-2021-04-15** Councillor Cal Mosher

**CARRIED:** That the agenda be accepted with the addition of item 6.3 Alberta Police Interim Advisory Board.

3.0 Adoption of Minutes

**#006-2021-04-15** Councillor Cal Mosher

**CARRIED:** That the minutes from the Jan 20, 2021 Protective Services Committee Meeting be accepted as presented.

4.0 Delegations

- None

5.0 Old Business

- None

6.0 New Business

6.1 Firehall Update

- CAO Jeff Johnston and Councillor Hugh Graw attended the Firefighters Association meeting to discuss the Firehall. Both sides agreed that the funds raised by the Firefighters Association are part of this process as is the effective allocation of those funds.

6.2 Landowners Request to Lower Speed on 7<sup>th</sup> Ave west & 7<sup>th</sup> Street west

- This request is being brought by the landowners citing safety and dust concerns. Enforcement services have no record of any safety issues in this area however it is known that the area is dusty.

**#006-2021-04-15** Councillor Cal Mosher

**CARRIED:** That the Protective Services Committee recommends to council that the speed limit stay the same and that we use dust control in this area, with the costs to be paid by the Town of Beaverlodge.

#### 6.3 Alberta Police Interim Advisory Board.

**#007-2021-04-15** Councillor Hugh Graw

**CARRIED:** That this Committee accepts this for information and advises administration to bring forward on the next council agenda.

#### 7.0 Staff Reports

##### 7.1 Enforcement Report/Update

- Mark went through his report.

**#008-2021-04-15** Councillor Hugh Graw

**CARRIED:** That this Committee accepts this report for information.

##### 7.2 Fire Report/Update

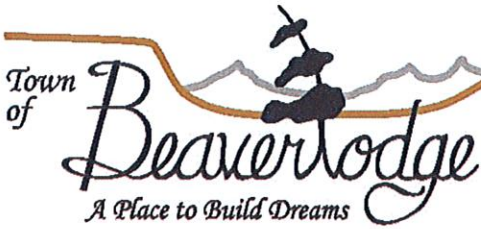
- Stan spoke about the calls which were 50 calls by the end of March, with only 12 in March which is about half the normal amount. 1 new recruit is starting next week. A reminder that it is grass fire season and a reminder to the public about grass fires in alleys and public utility lots will be issued in the weekly newspaper.

**#009-2021-04-15** Councillor Hugh Graw

**CARRIED:** That this Committee accepts this report for information.

##### 7.3 RCMP Report/Update

- Ash spoke to his reporting highlighting the stoppage of the DARE program, crime mapping, repeat offenders, the detachment member numbers, Restorative Justice as well as an enhanced member to work directly with Horse Lake First Nation. Ash will also invite Mike Miller to attend the next meeting to give a 15-minute presentation to the Committee.



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#010-2021-04-15 Councillor Cal Mosher

**CARRIED:** That the Committee accepts this report for information.

8.0 Adjournment

9.0 Chair Hugh Graw adjourned the meeting at 5:43 PM.

10.0 Next Meeting – June 24, 2021 @ 5pm.

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Chair, Hugh Graw

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CAO, Jeff Johnston



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Q. If I have a fire pit or an outdoor fireplace in my backyard, am I going to need a permit?
- A. No permits are required at this time. Please ensure guidelines are followed within this brochure.
- Q. Do I need to have my fire pit inspected?
- A. No, however, if you have any questions regarding the installation and/or use of the fire pit contact the Town of Beaverlodge office or Beaverlodge Fire Rescue.
- Q. Who do I call if smoke from my neighbour's fire pit is bothersome?
- A. Contact the Town of Beaverlodge Office or Beaverlodge Fire Rescue.

*fire pit* - noun a pit dug into the ground or made from stones, masonry, etc., for keeping a fire used for cooking or warmth.



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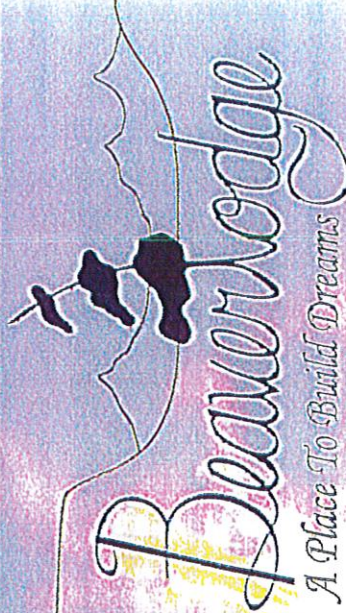
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FIRE RESCUE

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FIRE RESCUE

A QUICK AND EASY  
GUIDE TO FIRE-PITS

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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE PIT GUIDELINES

### Materials

Fire pits are to be constructed of non-combustible material. Firebricks or blocks are recommended to form an enclosed burning area, and set on patio bricks, sidewalk blocks or similar non-combustible material. Commercial type burning appliance or fireplaces such as Chiminea's are acceptable as long as they meet the guidelines set out in this brochure.

### Placement

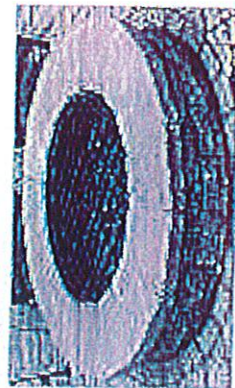
Fire pits / Appliances must be at least 3 meters (10 feet) from any property lines, fences, or structures. Consider how close you install fire pits to trees; trees may be damaged by heat or become a fire hazard.

### Fuel

Use clean and untreated burning combustible material only (wood). Any household waste material is prohibited. Flame height shall not exceed 90 cm (3 feet) in height at any time. Flammable or combustible liquids, chemicals or contaminated substances shall not be burnt.

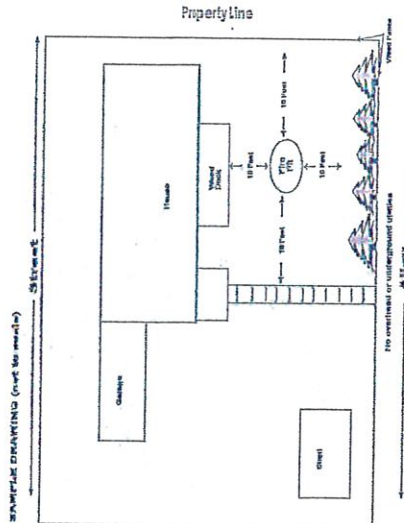
### Screen

Use a 13 mm (1/2 - inch) metal mesh screen to cover the top opening of the fire pit. Commercial fireplaces or appliances with a chimney must have a spark arrestor mesh of 13mm (.4 feet) or less to contain sparks.



### Size

Fire pits / Appliances must have a 3 meter (10 feet) clearance from buildings, property lines and combustible materials and may not be located over any underground utilities or under any above ground wires; the fire pit opening should not exceed 1 meter (3.25 feet) in width or in diameter when measured between the widest points or outside edges; the structure shall not exceed .6 meters (2 feet) in height measuring from ground level to the top of the screen. The pit shall be either dug into the ground or constructed on a non combustible surface. The pit shall be surrounded by non combustible material, either stone or brick, to a distance equal to the greater of the height of the pit or the radius of the pit. (i.e. pit height is 2 feet and the radius is 2 feet; the non-combustible base shall extend 2 feet from the sides of the pit) The bottom of the pit should contain 25cm of stones or gravel.



### Weather Conditions

Consider weather conditions when burning. Smoke and ash may affect other properties and neighbours.

## Specific Guidelines for Commercial Fireplaces or Chiminea's

If equipped with a chimney, the chimney must not be less than 2.5 meters (8 feet) in height when measured from the base of the burning area of the receptacle.

The base of the burning area must be no less than .3 meters (1 foot) above the surrounding grade. The fire chamber may not exceed 1.25 meters (4 feet) in width and must be at least .4 meters (1.3 feet) but not more than .6 meters (2 feet) in depth.

**NOTE: UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS; THE FIRE WILL BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR THE OCCUPANT:**

- DURING A COMPLETE FIRE BAN; ALL OUTDOOR FIRE PIT BURNING SHALL CEASE.
- Complaints
- Unattended fires
- Fire extending beyond fire pit
- If the Fire Department deems that there are potential fire hazards
- If the fire pit is being used for purposes other than recreational such as burning; grass, leaves or garbage
- If the fire pit is creating dense smoke or offensive odours.

The fire pit will be built with all above mentioned conditions. Failure to meet these conditions will result in extinguishment of any fires and no further fires will be permitted until deficiencies are rectified.

JUNE, 2021

Continuation report

Community Peace Officer  
Mark Morrical

Community Peace Officer 1's are your community engagement connections.  
Peace Officers help ensure the community they serve is a safe secure place  
where citizens can live, work and raise families. It is a form of positive proactive  
policing versus reactive.



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<b>Projects Initiated</b>	<p>Patrolled the town on a daily basis and documented changes in unsightly properties, trailers on road way, semi's along roadway etc. throughout the month.</p> <p>Spoke to 7 different individuals about parking in the no parking zone by the A&amp;W on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. All were parking in this location due to not being able to dine in and just stopping for a quick bite to eat. All were advised and warned.</p> <p>Inputed tickets in Report Exec and took tickets to Grande Prairie Provincial Court.</p> <p>Sat in 1 meeting with Justice Department Techs regarding APIS and e ticketing. Contacted agencies about the set up in the cruiser.</p> <p>Monitored speed problem areas such as 1 Ave, 2, 3, 5 11, 3 St 10, 10a, 11st. I am now starting to see an increase in speed along 1 Ave.</p> <p>Promoted interagency cooperation and assistance with RCMP, RCMP traffic, Sherriff traffic, and DOT Sherriff and EMT. Attended Protective Services meeting.</p> <p>Overiewing and rewriting standing bylaws.</p> <p>Washed, detailed and maintained cruiser once per week.</p> <p>Provided information to people regarding various services that were required.</p> <p>Weekly drive around town with CAO when he was available.</p> <p>Ran stop sign, cell phone, and unregistered motor vehicles ops throughout month. Although it is difficult to determine unregistered vehicles as they are no longer required to have identification stickers on the license plates.</p>
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Assisted RCMP on 4 different calls regarding traffic violations observed coming into Beaverlodge.

Dealt with neighbor disputes on several different matters throughout the month.

Provided anti barking device to continuous problem property and it appears that it is working and we are maintaining a watch on the property.

Patrolling school zones to ensure safety for the kids every day that school was open due to covid restrictions. Enforced parking and speeding in the school zones when it was applicable.

Ran radar along 7 Ave west 3 times a week regarding complaint of dust. Speeding did not appear to be an issue at this location at these times.

Provided information to concerned citizens regarding ongoing pandemic.

Provided RCMP their missing warrants and join report that were sent to me by mistake.

Advised young drivers of various breaches of traffic safety act and how they can avoid receiving tickets in the future e.g., noisy trucks going by Amish Court.

Had 2 individual fail to stop for Peace officer. they were issued \$8000 in fines in the ensuing period needed to get their plate number and advise the RCMP of the vehicle and plate number.

Did you know that in 2020 The Town of Beaverlodge Enforcement Services issued 175 citations where as the City of Red Deer Enforcement Services issued the equivalent of 111 citations per officer.

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Provincial Charges	Provincial Statutes	Tickets
	Speeding Tickets	38 tickets issued
	Fail to obey a traffic control device	1 ticket issue
	Fail to signal properly	2 tickets issued
	Fail to stop	7 tickets issued
	Drive/Park mv with expired license plate	6 tickets issue
	Traffic safety Act	1 ticket issued
	No drivers license	1 ticket issued
	Over take and pass by driving in parking lane	1 ticket issued
	Fail to stop for PO	1 ticket issued
	Have uninsured MV on road way	1 ticket issued



	<p>Dog at Large</p> <p>Wild Cats</p> <p>Noise Problems</p> <p>Unsightly Property</p> <p>Court Attended</p>	<p>Caught 3 dogs they were turned over to bandaged paws or returned to owners with explanation of what is expected of them in the bylaw. responded to 2 complaints about</p> <p>2 cats rehomed, cat situation appears to be much better this year</p> <p>Received complaint from Amisk Court about vehicles late at night. Spoke to some young individuals about the issue. Problem resolved.</p> <p>Continue to work with property owners on forementioned issues</p> <p>None this Month</p>