

AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
 TO BE HELD MONDAY MARCH 25, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 400 10 ST BEAVERLODGE, AB
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1.0	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> <i>Town of Beaverlodge's Legislative Meetings are being live streamed effective June 12, 2023 via Council resolution #145-2023-05-23</i>	
2.0	<u>LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</u>	PP 2
3.0	<u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>	
4.0	<u>DELEGATION</u> 4.1 University of Calgary Social Work Student Sierra Miller – Indigenous Inclusion/Truth & Reconcili-action	PP 3-18
5.0	<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u>	
6.0	<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> 6.1 County of GP Biannual Seniors Tea Invitation – June 13, 2024 6.2 Donation Request – Saskatoon Lake Agricultural Society Spring Fling 6.3 Mountview Health Complex Committee Update – Mayor Rycroft 6.4 Community Enhancement Committee Update – Councillor Moulds 6.5 Economic Development Committee Update – Councillor Corbett	PP 19 PP 20
7.0	<u>TOPICS FOR NEXT AGENDA:</u>	
8.0	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>	



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As long as the sun shines, grass grows and the rivers flow – we acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nation & Métis people whose ancestors have walked this land.

We are grateful to live, learn and work on the traditional territory of Treaty 8 and we make this acknowledgement as an act of reconciliation and gratitude.

DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

Name of Delegates(s):

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Indigenous Inclusion / Truth & Reconciliation
infographics.

Staff Familiar with topic:

Reanna Stockman (FCSS)

Attached Information:

infographics (online presentation)

Notes:

Limit presentation to 15 minutes

Delegate Signature:

R Stockman

Date:

Mar 18/2024

All notifications and documentations must be sent to nyoung@beaverlodge.ca

If you have materials/documentation to be included in the Agenda, they must be received by 1:00pm the Tuesday before the meeting you are scheduled to appear before Council.

Any documentation submitted (including this Delegate Application) is considered "Public Information" and will appear in a Council Agenda.


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Date and Time of Council Meeting to attend: March 25/24

Approved to Present by: [Signature]

Date: March 20/24

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INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE
**ELIMINATION OF
RACIAL
DISCRIMINATION**

***FIGHT
RACISM***

MARCH 21

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR ANTI-RACISM



WHAT IS THE HISTORY OF THIS DAY?

EACH YEAR, THE INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IS HELD ON MARCH 21ST...

TO COMMEMORATE THE TRAGIC EVENTS OF 1960 IN SHARPEVILLE, SOUTH AFRICA, WHEN POLICE FATALLY SHOT 69 INDIVIDUALS DURING A PEACEFUL PROTEST AGAINST APARTHEID "PASS LAWS."

APARTHEID DEFINITION: RACIAL SEGREGATION. SPECIFICALLY A FORMER POLICY OF SEGREGATION AND POLITICAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THE NON-WHITE MAJORITY IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA.

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE IN CANADA?

DESPITE ADVANCEMENTS, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, RACIALIZED COMMUNITIES, AND RELIGIOUS MINORITIES IN CANADA STILL GRAPPLE WITH PERSISTENT RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION IN THEIR DAILY LIVES.

THIS DAY DEMANDS COLLECTIVE ACTION FROM INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND GOVERNMENT BODIES AT EVERY LEVEL TO ACTIVELY DISMANTLE ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, SYSTEMIC INJUSTICE, AND HATE.

LET'S REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING A SOCIETY WHERE EVERYONE IS VALUED, RESPECTED, AND EMPOWERED!

LET US CREATE A SOCIETY WITH EQUAL ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SAFETY AND SUCCESS.



NATIONAL DAY FOR

**TRUTH AND
RECONCILIATION**

***FIGHT INDIGENOUS
RACISM***



SEPTEMBER 30

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR ANTI-RACISM

WHY IS TRUTH & RECONCILIATION IMPORTANT?

TO CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is on Sep. 30th is to honour the children who never returned home from residential schools, the survivors, their families, & communities.

BECAUSE EVERY CHILD MATTERS

To spread awareness that every child matters, to acknowledge a genocide occurred, to fight for social justice, and to ensure history never repeats itself.

It is a day dedicated to acknowledging the harm of the Canadian Residential School System.

WHY IS TRUTH & RECONCILIATION IMPORTANT?

**TRUTH AND
RECONCILIATION
IS VITAL BECAUSE....**

**WE MUST ENSURE
HISTORY DOES**

NOT REPEAT ITSELF

**4130 children
have been
confirmed to have
died while at
Residential
Schools**

**More than 1900
children have been
identified in
unmarked graves**

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION IMPORTANCE

Another way Indigenous communities experience the removal of children from their homes is through the foster care system.

The “Sixties Scoop” is a term that calls back to the mass removal of Indigenous children from their Indigenous families, culture, & communities into the Child Welfare System. This happened roughly between 1961-1980's.

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION IMPORTANCE CONT.

This overrepresentation continues to happen today. The term used to describe the current events of removal of Indigenous children into the foster care system is called the Mellenium Scoop.

The Mellenium Scoop time period is from the 1980's-Today Both the Sixties Scoop and the Mellenium Scoop describe the removal of Indigenous children often with little to no evidence of abuse or neglect.

The reason behind the past removal of these children and their current removal today often boils down to systemic racism. The Sixties Scoop was determined a cultural genocide. The Mellenium Scoop has also been determined a cultural genocide, yet, it is continuing today.

WHY SHOULD WE TALK ABOUT INDIGENOUS STRENGTHS?



Talking about Indigenous communities and the past & current atrocities faced without acknowledging the strengths of Indigenous communities is very harmful.

It perpetuates negative stereotypes and reinforces the false belief that Indigenous people are victims, ill, or traumatized individuals, which stems from Western misconceptions.



STRENGTHS OF INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES



Indigenous folk are grounded in ceremony & tradition.

Many Indigenous communities and people have been able to maintain language preservation.

Indigenous folk often have a high capacity to love this is evident in promoting humility, reciprocity, and respect in all of their relationships.

Many Indigenous communities have been able to pass down knowledge through oral traditions.

There are common strengths of storytelling & genuine listening.



IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT EACH INDIGENOUS PERSON AND COMMUNITY HAVE THEIR OWN UNIQUE & DISTINCT STRENGTHS. THESE ARE JUST A FEW THAT MOST COMMUNITIES TEND TO SHARE IN COMMON

WHAT IS ANTI-RACISM?

**ON AN INDIVIDUAL LEVEL,
ENGAGING IN ACTIONS THAT PERPETUATE RACISM
AND RACIAL DISPARITIES MAKES US COMPLICIT IN
RACISM. WHEREAS, ADVOCATING FOR THE
DISMANTLING OF RACISM AND PROMOTING RACIAL
EQUITY MAKES US ANTI-RACIST.**

ALIGN YOUR ACTIONS TO YOUR WORDS

**SIMPLY ABSTAINING FROM RACIST BEHAVIOR IS
INSUFFICIENT TO ERADICATE RACISM AND RACIAL
DISPARITIES. INSTEAD, WE MUST ACTIVELY CHALLENGE
RACISM IN OURSELVES, OUR COMMUNITIES, AND OUR
INSTITUTIONS WITH EVERY DECISION WE MAKE.
ENGAGING IN THE ONGOING PRACTICE
OF ANTI-RACISM IS A COLLECTIVE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR
ALL INDIVIDUALS.**



HOW TO BE AN ANTI-RACIST ALLY

- 1. UNDERSTAND & LOOK INTO YOUR PRIVILEGES**
- 2. FOLLOW PEOPLE OF COLOUR (POC) ON SOCIAL MEDIA**
- 3. CREATE AUTHENTIC FRIENDSHIPS WITH BLACK & INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF COLOUR (BIPOC)**
- 4. BE MORE AWARE OF YOUR LANGUAGE!
EX: LOOK INTO RACIST MICROAGGRESSIONS & CHANGE YOUR LANGUAGE!**
- 5. LISTEN (POC) & BLACK & INDIGENOUS POC (BIPOC) IN YOUR COMMUNITIES**
- 6. USE YOUR VOICE & STAND UP AGAINST RACISM WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE IT**
- 7. AMPLIFY INDIGENOUS VOICES IN THE FIGHT FOR THEIR SOVERIGNTY**



HOW TO BE AN ANTI-RACIST ALLY

1. GET CURIOUS

LEARN MORE ABOUT RACISM, SETTLER COLONIALISM, OPPRESSION, & THE VARIOUS STRENGTHS OF BIPOC & POC COMMUNITIES.

PINPOINT WHERE YOUR PRIVILEGES & OPPRESSIONS ARE.

2. CONTEMPLATION

REFLECT ON YOUR PRIVILEGE, POWER, BIAS, & IDENTITY. REALIZE THAT TO END RACISM THERE MUST BE A CONTINUOUS EFFORT TOWARDS LIFE-LONG LEARNING.

3. DONATE & VOTE

SUPPORT INDIGENOUS & BIPOC CREATORS & SMALL BUSINESSES & FOLLOW THEM ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO HELP AMPLIFY THEIR VOICE & CAUSE.

VOTE FOR THE PARTY THAT ALIGNS WITH THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE. VOTE FOR DIVERSITY & INCLUSION & ANTI-RACIST PRACTICES.

NOTE: Settler colonialism, is the ongoing systemic oppression and **displacement** of indigenous peoples by settler societies seeking dominance over their land, resources, and cultures

WHAT IS THE #1 TAKEAWAY?



What is the MOST
IMPORTANT thing for me to
remember?

THE NUMBER ONE THING TO
REMEMBER IS THAT TO TRULY
BE AN ANTI-RACIST ALLY...

**YOU MUST BE OPEN &
COMMITTED TO LIFE-LONG
LEARNING AND UNLEARNING.**

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March 15, 2024

Town of Beaverlodge Council
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Town of Beaverlodge Council,

CatWauk Compression Ltd and the 2024 Biannual Seniors Tea planning committee formally invites you to our *'Biannual Seniors Tea'* on June 13, 2024, to celebrate seniors within our region. The tea will be taking place at the Tara Center at Evergreen Park from 1:30pm – 3:30pm.

The Biannual Seniors Tea recognizes and celebrates local seniors who continue to make positive contributions to our communities and is hosted during senior's week. This event brings together seniors from various municipalities to connect with one another and share in an afternoon of companionship and camaraderie.

We are requesting your attendance at the Biannual Seniors Tea to serve our guests beverages and refreshments throughout the event. We are also requesting your assistance with drawing the door prize from your municipality at which time, you are welcomed to send a representative to share a few words with our guests.

Thank you for considering our invitation. Please provide a response to rstockman@beaverlodge.ca with the name of attendees, as well as the name of who will draw the door prize and bring greetings on behalf of the Town of Beaverlodge by June 7, 2024. Should you have any questions, I can be reached by phone or email.

Sincerely,

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Message

We are reaching out to you on behalf of the Saskatoon Lake Agricultural Society, a community focused non-profit organization, located north of Wembley.

We operate the Saskatoon Lake Community Hall, home to 4H, Girl Guides and the Saskatoon Lake Weavers group. It is through our various fundraisers that we are able to provide numerous family friendly and free or by donation events throughout the year as well as offer a space for local homeschooling and FCSS programs.

We hold various fundraising events such as the SLAS Spring Fling, April 13th, 2024. This event will be an opportunity for community members of all ages to come together to visit while enjoying delicious food and exciting raffles and auctions.

We are asking for donations or gifts in kind to help with our fundraising. Funds raised will be used for future events and Hall projects.

Thank you for your consideration!

Heather Hammonds

SLAS board president