



**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT SMITH
MEETING 03-17
THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR
THE MONTH OF MARCH AND THE
THIRD FOR THE YEAR 2017**

PRESENT: Mayor L. Napier-Buckley D/M K. Smith
Cr. B. McArthur Cr. R. Holtorf
Cr. A. Kikoak Cr. B. Tuckey
Cr. A. Dumont Cr. E. Bell

REGRETS: Cr. R. Patel

STAFF: Keith Morrison, Senior Administrative Officer
Anne Sebert, A/Executive Secretary

GALLERY: RCMP Sergeant Ryan Snodgrass and Patti Haaima

Meeting 03-17 7:00 PM
March 21, 2017 Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Napier-Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and confirmed a quorum of Council was present.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Administration requested the addition of the following items to the agenda: 2017 Mill Rate Bylaw, 2017 Borrowing Bylaw, the Bylaw to appoint a Bylaw Officer, information regarding the RCMP Policing Report, statistical reports and the need for a special council meeting for third reading of bylaws. Information on these items can be found on councilors desks as well as in their email accounts.

17-058 Moved by: Cr. Dumont
Seconded by: Cr. Bell

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

RCMP Delegation Sergeant Ryan Snodgrass reviewed the policing report provided to council. He referred to one interesting item on page four which indicated that DNA results were found linking the 2014 Fire Hall break-in to another crime somewhere in Canada. The 2014 Fire Hall break-in investigation will be reopened. The Sergeant referred to last meeting discussions about the Citizens on Patrol Program noting Yellowknife was sending information and that someone from the community would have to take on this initiative. He noted upcoming priorities planning in April would focus on the three key areas of violence, liquor and drug, youth and community involvement. Cr. Holtorf asked whether traffic management was part of the planning. The Sergeant stated accidents and impaired driving were a higher priority and he was open to discuss this further. Cr. Tuckey thanked the Sergeant for attending the meeting and noted that the RCMP were part of the Interagency Group in the past. She felt it was important for youth wellness that the group be re-established. She noted the importance of the RCMP being visible and taking part in community activities at JBT Elementary School, coaching hockey and figure skating, and working in partnership with community youth groups to have a positive relationship with kids. She would like to see the Interagency Group included in the plan. The Sergeant advised he was happy to build a positive relationship with the youth of the community. The Mayor asked whether the RCMP had a community outreach member. The Sergeant advised that they did not. Cr. Kikoak stated it was great to have regular policing updates at the



meeting. She asked whether forensics was included in the priorities planning. She felt it would be good for the youth to be aware that forensics was available in the rural communities. The Sergeant advised that Yellowknife has a member trained in forensics. Cr. Kikoak felt that an introductory level would be good noting that the rural areas don't have access. She noted it would be good to have a little bit more training and she was speaking on behalf of the rural communities and suggested the Sergeant speak to senior RCMP staff about this. Administration noted positive relationships with last year's priorities planning and asked whether the RCMP met regularly with the First Nations Bands and the Metis. He also inquired into the increased public mischief statistics. The Sergeant noted the statistics surrounded mostly intoxicated swearing incidents and nothing out of the ordinary. He advised that the RCMP met with Salt River First Nation and the Metis as well as the Chief of Smith Landing First Nation, an Alberta Band not in their jurisdiction. Cr. Dumont noted that in the past members have taken time from work responsibilities to work with youth in various activities such as Karate, etc. and wondered whether any of the members were interested in starting or becoming involved in youth activities to build liaisons and prevent crime. The Sergeant advised that members will usually help with program initiatives if a member is experienced in the area. The Mayor referred to the current priorities of substance abuse, traffic safety and enforcement and stated she would like these to remain priorities. She advised the Town has a bylaw officer doing traffic enforcement. She felt that seeing the RCMP in school zones would send a strong message to the community. The Sergeant advised that even though not a priority, this was still being done. The Mayor thanked the Sergeant for the policing report and appreciated the regular delegation visits.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D/M Smith provided an AWG update based on a report by CBC. The AWG Chair was pleased with the new Hay River arena and hoped it will be ready for the games. The International Committee spent time in the north and attended a smudging ceremony in Fort Providence. They also traveled to Hay River and Fort Smith with videos being shown. The host society held meetings and toured facilities with opportunities to ask questions about facilities. At the conclusion meetings the Executive Committee met with the International Committee to identify issues. There were no surprises and no questions about Fort Smith hosting the games but a few concerns about Hay River food and cafeteria services. He noted there would be one opening and one closing ceremony, which could be hosted in Fort Resolution or Enterprises and doesn't have to be in Fort Smith or Hay River, but probably one community will host both. D/M Smith will ask about the possibility of Fort Smith and Hay River each hosting one but it may be cost prohibitive. The International Committee noted there was no agreement in place and had no problem with a tri-party agreement. He noted that the agreement would be put in place in the next couple of weeks. The Mayor thanked the Deputy-Mayor for the update.

17-059 Moved by: Cr. Kikoak
Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the minutes of Regular Meeting 02-17 of February 21, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

F. DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Cr. McArthur declared a conflict with respect to the Accounts Paid Part II.



G. COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Introduction and Consideration of Committee Reports

Corporate Services Standing Committee

17-060 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey
Seconded By: Cr. McArthur

That the attached Corporate Services Standing Committee minutes from March 7, 2017, be adopted as presented.

IN FAVOUR – CR. TUCKEY, CR. HOLTORF, CR. MCARTHUR, D/M SMITH, CR. PATEL, CR. DUMONT, CR. KIKOAK
ABSTAINED – CR. BELL
CARRIED

Accounts Paid Part I

17-061 Moved By: Cr. McArthur
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That the Accounts Paid List Part I for the period ending February 28, 2017, totaling \$438,367.48 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Accounts Paid Part II

17-062 Moved By: Cr. Kikoak
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That the Accounts Paid List Part II for the period ending February 28, 2017, totaling \$3,465.00 be approved.

IN FAVOUR – CR. TUCKEY, CR. HOLTORF, CR. BELL, D/M SMITH, CR. PATEL, CR. DUMONT, CR. KIKOAK
ABSTAINED – CR. MCARTHUR
CARRIED

Wood Buffalo Frolics Road Closure

17-063 Moved By: Cr. Kikoak
Seconded By: Cr. McArthur

That King Street from the Recreation and Community Centre Exit to Franklin Avenue be closed from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturday, March 11, 2017, in conjunction with the Wood Buffalo Frolics Honey Bucket Races.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Community Services Standing Committee

Cr. Holtorf referred to the Mayor’s comments regarding Canada’s 150 birthday celebration activities and ABC’s discussion during its meeting relating to Truth and Reconciliation. The Mayor would be meeting with ABC regarding their intent. Cr. Holtorf suggested looking at potential activities. The Mayor agreed. D/M Smith advised the AWG Host Society met on Friday and noted the lack of an agreement.

17-064 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey
Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the attached Community Services Standing Committee minutes from March 14, 2017, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



FCM Conference – The Mayor sent an email to Councilors requesting an expression of interest from those Councilors wishing to attend the NWT Association of Communities and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual General Meetings. She requested a response by tomorrow. Cr. Kikoak asked about the deadline to submit resolutions. The Mayor advised the deadline for the NWTAC is April 1, 2017.

17-065 Moved By: D/M Smith
Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the Town of Fort Smith send up to three Councillors to the FCM Conference in Ottawa, Ontario in June, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Municipal Services Standing Committee

17-066 Moved By: Cr. Dumont
Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the attached Municipal Services Standing Committee minutes from March 14, 2017, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DPA-004-17 Chad Funk

17-067 Moved By: Cr. McArthur
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That DPA-004-17, submitted by Chad Funk, to operate a home occupation business providing IT consulting from Lot 22-2, Plan 1439, 22 Pigeon Avenue in Fort Smith be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DPA-005-17 Ann Beaudriault

17-068 Moved By: Cr. Dumont
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That DPA-005-17, submitted by Ann Beaudriault, to operate a home occupation business selling Scentsy products from Lot 875, Plan 837, 44 Tamarac Crescent in Fort Smith be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Enactment of Bylaws:

Financial Administration Bylaw 972 Third Reading

17-069 Moved By: D/M Smith
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That the Financial Administration Bylaw 972 be given Third Reading by title only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Bylaw 974 Appoint Fire Chief Karl Cox First Reading

Administration advised of the filling of the full-time position of Fire Chief and Ambulance Coordinator, which is also lead bylaw officer. The new position will ensure more animal control and speed control. The department is well equipped and looking at sharing with other communities to contract out services. The Town will now have additional capacity for fire abatement, Town safety measures, and training. Administration was sad to see Wes Steed step down and wanted to recognize Mr. Steed's service to the community. Cr. Holtorf suggested a press release for the Town's website on the appointment to the new position and what the Town can expect. Administration thought that was a great idea which also gives an opportunity to thank Mr. Steed. Administration identified an ongoing cleanup initiative. He noted the removal of 350 cars from the landfill site and that the Town is looking to hire a contractor with large equipment for further cleanup. D/M Smith formally thanked Mr. Steed. He noted that during Mr. Steed's time as Fire Chief the department won the Fire Service Merit Award. He noted that Mr. Cox will have a legacy to live up to and thanked Mr. Cox for his position as Acting Fire Chief. Administration is looking to set up a summer emergency phone as the Town is unreachable after 5 pm. He noted the new position looks after emergency services for Town seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day. Cr. Dumont asked if the bylaw enforcement training had been completed for the new position and how long before they could take over. Administration noted the coursework was done, the exam needed to be completed.

17-070 Moved By: D/M Smith
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That Bylaw 974 Appoint Fire Chief Karl Cox be introduced and given First Reading.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, has enacted a by-law to establish the Fort Smith Volunteer Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS the Fire Prevention Act, R.S.N.W.T. 1988 establishes the Fire Chief or acting Fire Chief as a Local Assistant to the Fire Marshal of the Northwest Territories for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of that Act within the limits of the municipal corporation;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows:

1. That Karl Cox be appointed Fire Chief for the Town of Fort Smith.
2. That this appointment shall come into effect upon this bylaw receiving third reading.
3. That Bylaw 861 Appointment of Fire Chief Westly Steed be hereby repealed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 974 Appoint Fire Chief Karl Cox Second Reading

17-071 Moved By: Cr. Dumont
Seconded By: Cr. McArthur

That Bylaw 974 Appoint Fire Chief Karl Cox be given second reading by title only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Third reading could not be completed as Cr. Patel was not at the meeting.



Bylaw 975 Appoint Bylaw Officer Karl Cox First Reading

17-072 Moved By: Cr. Bell
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That Bylaw 975 Appoint Bylaw Officer Karl Cox be introduced and given First Reading.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, deems it necessary to appoint Bylaw Enforcement Officers to enforce the bylaws of the Municipality;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows:

1. That Karl Cox be appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Town of Fort Smith.
2. That this appointment shall come into effect upon this bylaw receiving third reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 975 Appoint Bylaw Officer Karl Cox Second Reading

17-073 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey
Seconded By: Cr. McArthur

That Bylaw 975 Appoint Bylaw Officer Karl Cox be given second reading by title only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017 Mill Rate Bylaw 976 First Reading

Administration reviewed the briefing note provided to Council. He noted the Mill Rate could not be set until the Board of Revision met. Administration summarized how the Mill Rate was set including the budgeting process target from last year to determine how much funding is available from property taxes. Last year the Mill Rate was set in February because the Government of the Northwest Territories completed the general assessment at that time. This year revisions had to be made and the Town waited for the school tax rate which is set by the government. Tax notice cannot be completed until the school tax rate is provided by the government. Council approved a 3.8% increase, utilizing the same allocations as last year. He noted people pay different mill rates depending on the type of property. This year the same weighting was used as last year with a few minor changes. Cr. Tuckey reminded Councillors to remember this for next discussions. D/M Smith asked for clarification as to whether the actual numbers and not percentages were used for mill rate increases and asked if the figures were verified. Administration confirmed this was correct and the mill rates were verified with various checks. Cr. McArthur asked whether Salt River First Nation pays. Administration noted the property values were assessed with grants in lieu of taxes provided. He noted a number of federal lands were removed and transferred to Salt River First Nation and also to the Government of the Northwest Territories and the Town was not able to assess the lands transferred to Salt River First Nation. The Town went to a MOU with Salt River First Nation. The Town hired an assessor who found the federal lands were never transferred to Salt River First Nation. The Town was waiting for a response from the territorial government. The Mayors are being asked to talk to their Ministers about this issue but tax notices are being sent out as they can't be delayed. Cr. McArthur stated that the federal land was to be transferred and as the territorial government is doing anything, the Town should take over the lands in lieu of taxes. Administration noted the lands were on the tax arrears list and stated that Salt River First Nation was in the dark too and failed by the hire levels of government and recommended putting pressure on federal and territorial governments. Cr. McArthur recommended putting the Government of the Northwest Territories on the tax arrears list. Administration stated something has to happen including lobbying the local regional MACA office and asking them to come to Council to resolve the issue.



17-074 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That the 2017 Mill Rate Bylaw 976 be introduced and given First Reading.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, deems it to be in the public interest and is required by the provision of the Property Assessment and Taxation Act to establish Mill Rates for Municipal and School purposes; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows:

1. That this bylaw may be cited as the “2017 Mill Rate Bylaw”;
2. That assessed property in the Town of Fort Smith, liable to taxation and in respect of which grants-in-lieu of taxes may be paid, shall be liable for taxation and grants-in-lieu of taxes as follows:

a) Residential Developed.....	12.78
b) Residential Non-Developed.....	12.78
c) Commercial Developed.....	23.43
d) Commercial Non-Developed.....	23.43
e) Industrial Developed.....	23.43
f) Industrial Non-Developed.....	23.43
g) Institutional Developed.....	28.40
h) Institutional Non-Developed.....	28.40
i) Recreational.....	12.78
j) Telecommunications.....	28.40
k) Country Residential Developed.....	11.07
l) Country Residential Non-developed.....	11.07
m) Country Residential Mixed Use.....	12.78

3. That the rate of taxation to be applied to lands and improvements liable to taxation, or in respect of which grants-in-lieu may be paid, for school purposes shall be as follows for the year 2017.

a) School Levy.....	2.40
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017 Mill Rate Bylaw 976 Second Reading

17-075 Moved By: Cr. McArthur
Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the 2017 Mill Rate Bylaw 976 be given Second Reading by title only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



2017 Borrowing Bylaw 977 First Reading

Administration reviewed the briefing note provided to Council. He stated the bylaw was needed to secure short term funding to cover debt should the Town ever need it. He noted the Town has never in the past needed to use the bylaw. Administration noted the bylaw was like large overdraft protection to address cash flow issues and was tied into the current signing authorities for the Town..

17-076 Moved By: D/M Smith
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That the 2017 Borrowing Bylaw 977 be introduced and given First Reading.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, deems it to be in the public interest to borrow money that may be required to meet expenditures during the 2017 fiscal year;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows;

1. That the Mayor and Senior Administrative Officer of the Town of Fort Smith in the Northwest Territories are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Fort Smith, to borrow money;
2. That the total amount of money so borrowed shall be up to but not exceeding \$600,000 (SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND) dollars;
3. Such money shall be borrowed from the Bank of Montreal, Fort Smith, Northwest Territories and repaid thereto, together with interest at a rate mutually agreed therewith;
4. All money so borrowed shall be repaid out of and shall be a first charge upon the revenue of the Town of Fort Smith for the year 2017;
5. The estimated revenue of the Town of Fort Smith set forth on the ESTIMATES for the year 2017 are \$9,267,431.00 (Nine Million, Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand, Four Hundred and Thirty-One) dollars.
6. That Bylaw #965 is hereby repealed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2017 Borrowing Bylaw 977 Second Reading

17-077 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That the 2017 Borrowing Bylaw 977 be given Second Reading by title only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- c. Appointments: There were no appointments.



d. Mayor and Council

- i. Cr. Tuckey – Cr. Tuckey stated March is a very busy month. She noted the NWT Snowboarding competition was last weekend and that the annual skating carnival will take place this weekend. Cr. Tuckey was happy to be wrapping up winter sports and thanked all the volunteers, coaches and youth.
- ii. Cr. Holtorf – Cr. Holtorf referred to the Truth and Reconciliation discussions in the minutes and the call for actions. He requested an update and suggested that ABC take the lead to build conversation. He noted the Truth portion was complete but the Reconciliation was on going. He noted that the Mary Kaeser Library seems to have activities and featured speakers weekly. He noted weekly featured speakers including Dr. Marie Wilson, and other members of the Truth and Reconciliation Committee this week in Fort McPherson. He noted two weeks ago he made a motion to accept a recommendation that Council develop a plan, to be ongoing for the next Council, regarding Fort Smith residential school heritage education capital including Grandin College, the leadership school, Lutsel K'e boarding., noting this was a wise position and positive every time Grandin College has a reunion. He noted the Grandin College was no longer around and this was not building on our history. He would like Council to talk to Salt River First Nation and the Metis Council. He noted Edmonton City Council approved three flags to recognize Treaty 6 and the Metis. He suggested the library be the conduit to public presentations and could include the current meaning of the Salt River First Nation treaty for a better cross cultural understanding with an appendix to land transfers with different speakers to better understand treaty. He noted the library does have visiting speakers and the focus could be aboriginal. He also suggested the feasibility of aboriginal language road signage. He felt more had to be done and suggested Council invite Dr. Marie Wilson to meet with Council and with Salt River First Nation as a group to better understand the cross-cultural dimensions of it and to reflect on to see what our community could gain. The Mayor stated Cr. Holtorf had given a lot of good ideas for the meeting with the advisory group.
- iii. Cr. McArthur – Cr. McArthur stated lot of people showed up at Arctic Winter Games meeting and thanked the Public Works staff. He suggested putting something in the News North on the tax arrears list.
- iv. Cr. Bell – Cr. Bell asked Council to think about trade show ideas. She stated this was a great opportunity for the advisory boards and get people on board for the Arctic Winter Games and ideas for the Canada 150 birthday event. She suggested having a newsletter, a survey and a calendar of events in the community available. She stated that next month a fundraiser for Christmas turkeys will be held. She noted the excitement with the traditional games happening this weekend and skating carnival. She stated it would be good to get aboriginal signs in our community.



- v. D/M Smith – D/M Smith noted the Truth and Reconciliation Secretariat was at the College providing an information session to students speaking on services available. It was nice to have an improved dialogue and a missed opportunity as it was not a large meeting. He gave a huge shout out to the Snowboarding Association, Jeff Schwartzberger, and Terry Freund for the spectacular event. The Arctic Winter Games Committee was pleased. He noted activities in April including the Trade Show and Table Tennis event. He advised the community was busy, the grocery stores produce was low and noted that he had passed two truckloads of crushed vehicles. He looked forward to unsightly premises being dealt with on some properties this summer with the new bylaw officer, including the Piche property, which has been difficult to address especially with the upcoming Arctic Winter Games and the 200 plus people coming to the community including the media.

- vi. Cr. Dumont – Cr. Dumont stated more street lights were needed in the community and was surprised by the number on the hill. He saw a couple of spots that were missed and noted LED lights save money. He hoped for another review next fall. He stated that some dark roads need posts to be installed. He thanked the Public Works staff for snow removal in ditches. He noted the preparations for the Arctic Winter Games Committee were very good and he had spoken to a few people with very positive feedback on the hospitality shown.

- vii. Cr. Kikoak – Cr. Kikoak noted that March was a busy month with many issues facing Town Council legacy and with opportunities for future things that bring value to community. She hoped we can keep up the pace with the Arctic Winter Games next winter. She suggested getting a strategy to help with community recreation. She felt that communicating with the community to see their interest in taking on so many issues and to see what is important. With the Arctic Winter Games centered around the community, we need to see what the community issues are. She suggested obtaining information at the Trade Show and have a survey completed to see if the community understands the issues. Cr. Kikoak agreed with Cr. Holtorf about an education legacy to defend our role in the Northwest Territories as the education and administration capital and to build cohesion between all strong groups. Pointing out our legacy might build relationships and also constant communication reminders with signs, Grandin College, and Madonna House, toward building cohesive relationships with Fort Smith, and also Conibear Park and Truth and Reconciliation, the arts, and standing together to cause creative expressions. She suggested serving hamburgers at Conibear Park might help. She stated it was great to hear Council's ideas.



viii. Mayor Napier-Buckley – Mayor Napier-Buckley went to Hay River on Saturday to see the unveiling of the countdown clock for the Arctic Winter Games. She noted discussions with the Hay River Mayor, Council Rep and Host Society regarding moving forward with an agreement. She looked forward to having the International Committee return in September. The Mayor thanked the volunteers and Wood Buffalo Frolics Society for a great job and looked forward to training volunteers for the Arctic Winter Games. The Mayor extended congratulations to Karl Cox on his new position and now training can start on the advance notification system. She asked Councillors to submit their names if interested in this training. The Mayor met with college reps and the MLA to discuss cuts. She had the opportunity to attend the Trades Awareness Program for South Slave youth and women came in first place in trades. On Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 1 pm the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Territorial Women’s Corrections Center was taking place and the Mayor invited Councillors to attend. The Mayor heard many great things about the snowboard park and was looking at ways to improve the area for people on sleds and sliding. The Mayor looked forward to discussing the many ideas at the ABC meeting to plan for Canada’s 150 birthday activities. She asked Councillors if they were interested in getting t-shirts or clothing for the Trade Show to identify themselves. The Mayor looked forward to meeting with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss and engage them for the Arctic Winter Games and to work with the town. She hoped that the South Slave Friendship Festival would be looked at.

e. Administration

- i. Library Statistics – February, 2017
- ii. RCC Statistics – February, 2017
- iii. Pool Statistics – February, 2017
- iv. Arena Statistics – February, 2017

Administration has been busy with a lot of people off work sick and staff were burnt out with weekend snow removal by Public Works and recreation assistants with working increased hours and weekends at the arena with increased usage. The Town did not anticipate so much use and staff worked lots of overtime and were looking forward to the arena closing to get a break. The Public Works staff will next be dealing with flooding issues. The Town was working on summer programming and met with the farmers market who have outgrown their current location and want to move next to the arena with the option of moving into the arena if it rains. Summertime play in the arena and use of the concession were also being looked at. An architectural consultant was also coming to look at landscaping at Riverside Park, looking at traditional and standard signage and downtown development. The architect was currently preparing Red Deer for the Canada Games. Some 350 cars have been moved out of the landfill site and the Town is continuing to work with Mr. Berton to move items to the landfill. The Mayor asked about advertising cars during spring clean up. Administration advised the contractor removing the cars did it for free as there were enough cars and if its free to get the cars out we can waive the tipping fees. The Towns is looking at a good working relationship with the contractor as he has done a good job and left the landfill in good shape. Cr. Dumont asked whether there was any cost to the Town with the removal of the vehicles. Administration advised there was no cost to the town and the contractor received payment for the metal. Administration referred to the Truth and Reconciliation findings noting in the past minutes the call to action by the federal and territorial governments to do this. He noted few municipal governments received calls to action. He stated the town has to look at the broader picture going to the ABC to bring items to Council. Administration requested any questions regarding the statistical reports be brought to the next meeting or ask the Director.



Administration requested a Special Meeting of Council to approve third reading of the 2017 Mill Rate Bylaw and the 2017 Borrowing Bylaw so that tax notices can be sent out and the Bylaw Officer can be appointed. The meeting will be held next Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 7pm. Administration would like to approve the Capital Plan before April 1 and have it included for the meeting. Administration noted 48 hours notice was required for the meeting. The Mayor asked that NWT Association of Communities resolution be added to the meeting. The Mayor reminded Cr. Holtorf and Cr. McArthur of the Aurora College Awards Committee meeting on Friday, March 25, 2017 at 11 am and to coordinate with Mr. Bourke at the College.

H. **ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

17-078 Moved By: Cr. Kikoak
Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That Cr. Bell be excused from the Corporate Services Standing Committee Meeting on March 7, 2016.

IN FAVOUR – CR. TUCKEY, CR. HOLTORF, CR. MCARTHUR, D/M SMITH, CR. PATEL, CR. DUMONT, CR. KIKOAK
ABSTAINED – CR. BELL
CARRIED

17-079 Moved By: Cr. Dumont
Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That Cr. Patel be excused from the Regular Meeting of Council on March 21, 2017,

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I. **DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

Corporate Services Standing Committee Meeting – April 4, 2017
Community and Municipal Services Standing Committee Meetings – April 11, 2017
Council Meeting 03-17 – April 18, 2017
Special Council Meeting – March 28, 2017

J. **ADJOURNMENT**

17-080 Moved By: Cr. McArthur
Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes adopted this 18th day of April, 2017.



Mayor Lynn Napier-Buckley

Certified Correct by the
Senior Administrative Officer Keith Morrison

K. **QUESTION PERIOD**

A question period was offered in accordance with policy.