

INTERIM CAO's REPORT

April 10, 2018

1. Fire Station Open Houses, hosted by Clearwater County to facilitate Council's review of fire station needs and locations for the eastern portion of the County, were held on April 4 in Leslieville and April 5 in Condor. Administration is compiling feedback with intent to present a report, along with estimates for possible solutions based on findings, to Council on April 24.
2. Council received an invitation to attend Rocky Kinettes fundraising event for Can Praxis' Equine Therapy Program (please refer to the attached email for further details on the program). The event takes place on April 21, 5:30 pm, at the Dovercourt Hall. Annalecia Toney from Rocky Kinettes also asks the Reeve/Councillor to provide greetings or, if unable to attend, that Council consider providing a letter of support for the event. A motion authorizing attendance (as per policy) and/or a letter of support is required.
3. The Van Horne Institute is holding its Digital Futures Spring 2018 Symposium in Pincher Creek, April 25 – April 27 to discuss progress to date and innovations on community broadband in Alberta. The symposium also includes opportunity to tour the Waterton Community Broadband Network facilities and the TransAlta Operations Centre. A motion authorizing attendance (as per policy) is required.
4. Alberta's *Emergency Management Act* provides legislative framework for local and provincial management and coordination efforts to prepare for, mitigate against, respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters. Municipal Affairs intends to propose amendments to the *Act* that would update rules and regulations to help communities improve their response to disasters and, provide clear direction on emergency management practices for municipalities to follow. Starting in June, Municipal Affairs will be inviting feedback on the proposed changes and suggested regulation. Once amendments are finalized, Administration intends to review the County's existing emergency management bylaws and agreements to determine if changes are required.
5. As per Council's direction recorded in the January 23, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, to incorporate public engagement in the Broadband Infrastructure Project as outlined in the *Broadband Policy*, Administration is in the process of drafting Council's *Broadband Public Participation Plan* for presentation to Council on April 24.
6. Clearwater County's 2018 Community Overview, compiled and provided by Central Alberta Economic Partnership, is attached for review.

Upcoming Events

May 21 – Clearwater County offices closed for statutory holiday

May 31 to June 4 – Federated Canadian Municipalities 2018 Convention