

CAO's REPORT

May 8, 2018

1. Service Alberta is in the final stages of the procurement process for the SuperNet Operator Agreement, which expires June 30, 2018. The Evaluation Report has been finalized and an award notification is expected within the next week or two. Following award notification, Service Alberta will enter a period of due diligence with the selected proponent prior to contract signing. The award notification will remain confidential until due diligence is complete.
2. Alberta Transportation announced the following Highway construction projects taking place within Clearwater County during the 2018 construction season:
 - Highway 598 selective paving from Highway 11A to Highway 761
 - Highway 22 overlay from 1 Km North of Highway 53 to Highway 13
 - Bridge girder repairs on the Cline River Bridge on Highway 11, 45 Km West of the Hamlet of Nordegg

Additionally, Alberta Transportation announced the following projects that are planned for construction in the years **2019 or 2020**:

- Highway 587 overlay from 8 Km East of Highway 734 to 8 Km West of the Town of Sundre
 - Bridge Culvert replacement on Provincial Highway 734 near the Town of Sundre
 - Gonika Creek Culvert replacement on Highway 11, 16 Km Southwest of the Hamlet of Nordegg
 - Watercourse Culvert replacement on Highway 11 near the Hamlet of Condor
 - Cripple Creek Culvert replacement on Highway 734 near the Hamlet of Nordegg
3. The Government of Alberta recently introduced *Bill 10: An Act to Enable Clean Energy Improvements*. This new legislation will allow municipalities to establish Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs to support homes and businesses with renewable energy and energy efficiency upgrades. Municipalities will have the option to implement this program at their own discretion. If Bill 10 passes, legislation is expected to come into force in early 2019. Administration will provide more information as it becomes available.
 4. Administration selected a new benefits consultant through a Request for Proposal process. On behalf of the County, the consultant successfully negotiated a 12% reduction in renewal rates from a 6% increase that was initially proposed by the insurer.
 5. Red Deer Canada Games 2019 invites members of Council to attend a public announcement about the MNP Canada Games Torch Relay on May 15, 2018, at 1:00 pm. A motion authorizing attendance is required.
 6. Parkland Airshed Management Zone (PAMZ) invites Council to attend PAMZ's Blue Skies Awards event on June 6 from Noon to 1:30 pm. The awards recognize achievements in reducing air pollution, conserving energy use, and protecting environmental health. A motion authorizing attendance is required should councillors, other than Councillor Laird, wish to attend.
 7. Town of Eckville invites the Reeve or designate to attend the Annual Eckville Parade on June 9 at 10:30 am. A motion authorizing attendance is required.
 8. Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) offers the following courses:
 - 'Council's Role in Strategic Planning' May 25, 8am – 4pm in Nisku; and,
 - 'Regional Partnerships and Collaboration' June 11, 8am – 4pm in Camrose.A motion authorizing attendance is required.
 9. Alberta Urban Municipalities Association's Municipal Leaders' Caucus takes place over three days beginning on June 12. Members are invited to attend one day, according to their municipality's

population size as follows:

- June 12 – municipalities under 2,500
- June 13 – municipalities between 2,500 and 10,000
- June 14 – municipalities over 10,000

The agenda will be similar for each of the days, so if unable to attend on the assigned day, members are welcome to attend a different day or, all three days.

Upcoming Events

- May 21 – Clearwater County offices closed for statutory holiday
- May 23 – Broadband Engagement Open House, Nordegg Public Services Building
- May 24 – Recycling Council of Alberta presentation at the Rocky Regional Solid Waste Authority meeting
- May 28 – Broadband Engagement Open House, Leslieville Community Hall
- May 29 – Broadband Engagement Open House, Caroline HUB Community Hall
- May 29 – Economic Development Input Open House, Leslieville Community Hall
- May 31 to June 4 – Federated Canadian Municipalities 2018 Convention
- June 1 – West Central High School and Village of Caroline High School Graduations
- June 7 to 10 – 2018 Mountain Rescue Association Conference
- June 9 – Rocky Rodeo Parade
- June 14 – CAEP Annual General Meeting
- June 18 – Agenda & Priorities Meeting
- June 29 – St. Dominic High School and David Thompson High School Graduations