

# Council Highlights



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**May 13, 2013**

**Highway 43 and 733 intersection** – Council made a motion to write another letter to the Minister of Alberta Transportation regarding their longstanding concerns with traffic safety at the Highway 43 and 733 intersection where recently, a motor accident occurred resulting in two fatalities and six injured. Several serious accidents have occurred at this intersection since the twinning of Highway 43.

**Mighty Peace Day 2013** – Gord Chrenek, on behalf of the Mighty Peace Youth Society presented the Mighty Peace Day 2013 budget and addressed Council's inquiries. Council will sponsor the event in the amount of \$5,000.

Mighty Peace Day will be taking place on October 1, 2013 in Grande Prairie. The event's vision is to inspire more youth in the Peace Region to make positive contributions to local and global issues and become more active.

**City of Grande Prairie 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – Council made a motion to contribute to the City of Grande Prairie's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations in 2014 by planning an event in partnership with County FCSS and Grande Spirit Foundation for pioneers/seniors throughout the Grande Prairie region.

**St. Mary's Catholic School** – Council approved the motion to contribute \$250 to the St. Mary's Catholic School to help cover trip expenses for the Grade 4 music class to participate in the Alberta Music Festival Provincial Competition in Edmonton on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Staff introduction** – County Council and staff welcomed all new and returning seasonal staff to the Agriculture department and Parks & Recreation department. The seasonal staff will be working as groundskeepers, mowers, weed inspectors and pickers, and sprayers.

As well, social work practicum student Gabrielle Boulet was introduced to Council and staff and welcomed to the FCSS department.

**Public Hearings** – Council held a public hearing on bylaw 2680-13-018 to redesignate approximately 10.42 acres of land located three miles west of the City of Grande Prairie, adjacent to Rge Rd. 72 and approximately one mile north of Highway 43 from agricultural to country residential (CR-2). This would facilitate the development of two new lots for country residential use. Council gave the bylaw third reading.

Council held a public hearing on bylaw 2680-13-019 to redesignate approximately 10 acres of land located adjacent to Sexsmith and Rge Rd. 61 from agricultural to rural medium industrial (RM-2). This would facilitate the development of one new lot for industrial use. The bylaw did not receive third reading.

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Council held a public hearing on bylaw 2680-13-020 to redesignate approximately 0.12 acres of land located approximately 1.5 miles south of Grande Prairie and adjacent to Twp Rd. 704A from agricultural to Rural Estate (RE). This would allow for a boundary adjustment subdivision. Council gave the bylaw third reading.

**Philip J Currie Dinosaur Museum** – Council made a motion to write a letter to municipalities that are supporting the Philip J Currie Museum asking for the support to apply for a municipal collaboration grant to fund the interior displays at the museum.

**Next Council meeting is May 27, 2013.**

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