

Council Highlights October 15, 2024

Annual Organizational Meeting: Town council held their annual organizational meeting, where they decided which committees, boards, and commissions the councillors will participate in. Councillors serve on a variety of local and joint organizations, such as Recreation Advisory, Economic Development, and more. Councillors also belong to joint organizations with other municipalities such as the North Peace Housing Foundation, Peace Regional Economic Development Alliance, North Peace Regional Landfill Commission, Fairview Public Library Board, and Health Professional Enhancement Committee. From time-to-time members at large are requested to participate on these organizations. If you've ever thought about getting involved in municipal governance, consider joining as a member-at-large on one of these committees!

Pet Ownership Bylaw Inquiry: A delegate raised questions about the Animal and Responsible Pet Ownership bylaw. For anyone curious about how to present at a council meeting, check out more info here: <u>Delegate Info</u>.

Budget Time: Council is working on capital and operational budgets and will pass an interim budget by the end of the year. The final annual budget gets set in April after receiving more details like property assessments and provincial transfers.

Aquatic Centre Update: The Aquatic Centre will remain closed for the rest of October as the Water Slide stairs undergo rehabilitation. Not only are the landings being replaced, but the stairs are also getting a fresh coat of paint and new tile!

Road & Sidewalk Projects: The 100 Street gravel road is currently being rebuilt, and the 108th Avenue sidewalk project has kicked off.

Banner Program: Council discussed the current Banner Program and will keep it in place. Expect to see the seasonal and year-round banners continue to brighten up the town.

- 20 seasonal banners are installed on Main Street, Summer banners go up in March and Winter banners are put up by December
- Up to 60 year-round banners are installed on various avenues and streets
- o EEO grade 3 banners go up in April and are replaced annually
- Legion banners to honour Veterans are installed in October and remain up until they are replaced by seasonal banners in late November
- o The Town of Fairview Arch has 2 banner spots that are regularly changed.

Next Meeting: The next regular council meeting is scheduled for **November 5, 2024**. Meetings are open to the public, so come by if you're curious about local governance.

Let's keep building our community together! Stay involved and stay informed!