

## COUNCILLOR REPORT

Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 2021

Oct. 26 Attended Sunrise Beach Council meeting (as appointment) to update all members of new Council on Lagoon Status.

Oct. 30 Attend in person SVLSACE meeting, Onoway. Several items of interest.

**East end Bus** looking into Federal grants towards improved Rural Transportation.

**Wild Water** Our station in operation. Continuing work towards Nakamum and Entwhistle.

**Flowering Rush** Still an issue at Lake Isle. 5-year plan being developed. Not in Lac Ste. Anne yet. Advise all lakes to keep watch for.

**Emergency management** Training restricted by covid. Discussions for working relationship with regional partners, Onoway, and Lac Ste. Anne County. County also working with Sturgeon. and Parkland Counties on Fire Services. **We should have our DEM at next council meeting to update our plans and discuss ways of informing public.**

**Policing** need to support AUMA in advocating for No increase in costs to small municipalities if a provincial force is approved. Join other Rural Municipalities in advocating for staying with RCMP. AUMA continuing to lobby Feds to accept all costs in regards to new agreement with RCMP and not download to provinces. SVLSACE and County including Mayerthorpe, Alberta Beach and Alexander First Nations to request Justice Minister to attend next meeting for discussion on policing.

**Medical** County continuing to grow Onoway Medical Clinic. New renovations done. Presently have 3 doctors 1 male, 2 female, and one of the female doctors can teach programs at the clinic. Clinic has a strong referral staff and is able to get MRI's etc. on a very timely basis.

**Question for Village Survey** **How many residents use the Onoway Clinic?** Should we be part of their Medical Clinic Group? Rural Ambulance service suffering under new dispatch regime.

**Trails** County has trail committee for development and maintenance of trail system. **Maybe we should look at one also.** Committee looks at specific areas and environmental issues. Chair Councillor Nick Gelych, willing to attend our local council meeting, if and when required. Note. No grant money specifically for trails to municipality. Grants must be obtained through local associations, which also have membership fees, although not all trail users are paying members. It is costly to groom and maintain trails.

Nov 9 Lagoon Discharge soil samples taken. Collecting test well water samples by end of month. Lagoon meeting that evening.

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