

Deputy Mayors Report for Aug 26 2023

LSAC Regional Municipalities Meeting June 20 2023

RCMP personal crimes low Property crimes high Major frustrations in catch and release ongoing. 10% of offenders doing 90% of crime. New federal legislation to clamp down on personal offences. Barhead Detachment involved in new Body Camera, Taser and use of personal surveillance cameras programs.

RCMP working with ARPAC, Nurses, and Social workers to get advice on handling Mental Health calls. Creating dossiers on individuals in crisis.

Wild Water Rich Valley station done. Entwistle done. Applying for grants for Phase 5 to West Cove. Will require upgrades to Phase 1. New hook-up Bylaw and rules for New Members wishing to join into the project.

Wastewater Awaiting results back from RPO's to determine latest's build costs on Phase A pipeline and lift stations project only. The proposed Wetlands project outside Onoway Lagoon is a separate item, and will require it's own grant and funding models.

Note There are only 4 lagoons involved within the total project scope. Darwell – Tri Village - North 43 – and Onoway. Other than the Onoway Lagoon (owned and operated by the town of Onoway) the other 3 lagoons are all run by commissions and service various villages within the county. There are no other separate, village owned, lagoons in the project.

Municipal Services Package (New) villages can now separate service packages into single or packaged services. Costs for services are negotiable but will require a 5 year commitment. Please respond to County ASAP if interested in services.

Onoway Medical Clinic Presently operating with one full and one part time doctor. Require at least one more Full time doctor. Many bureaucratic issues, (AHS owned vs community clinics) with Alberta Health over assessments of out of Alberta recruits, and will probably require Ministerial intervention to assess and keep doctors in Rural Areas

County requires support from member communities to Fix This Problem

Senior/Dementia Housing looking to the Newly Elected Alberta Government for new funding models, LSA Seniors Foundation is for low cost housing not care or extended care.

Hyw 43 Waste call for what they can take regarding Old Housing and Demotion waste

Fire Bans Sandy Beach presently follows county bans. On advisories, wood pellet electrically charged appliances are same as propane.

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Fire Bans If advertising Fire Ban on Village Website through Lac Ste. Anne County rules Please include Village Name with information for clarity. Also note link to(Farm Firesmart.ca)

Yellowstone Lake Blue-Green Algae cleanup Demonstration by E8 Innovations July 22 /23

Demonstrated a method of using Ozone for water treatment. Ozone can oxidize many containments, including petro-chemicals. Using ultrafine oxygen bubbles to breakdown, Algea, Fertilizers, and pesticides.

The ozone can be injected into water bodies in winter and be ready to work in Spring Thaw.

Higher concentrations of Ozone can kill plant life (lake weeds) but at those levels it will kill fish and other aquatic species.

Alberta Environment is looking at this process as a potential solution for Blue Green Algae in Alberta Lakes. Will probably require regulations both Provincial and Federal.

The 6-7 communities on Lac Ste. Anne will need to decide if they wish to collaborate to apply for funding to do a study on costs and procedure to test the process on Lac Ste. Anne.

In regards to the test. They had a cubic meter of lake water in a container. They added a red food dye. Within a few minutes of starting the Ozone injection process the water cleared. The sample taken from tank after the process was clearer than a sample of lake water.

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