

Jan 29 2024 Library Trustees Training (attendance & mileage paid by YRL)

YRL is the 2nd oldest library board in the province.

TRAC system works with the Peace, Northern Lights, and Marigold regions. Not on the TRAC system are Parkland and 2 regions in southern Alberta although there are ways of accessing these systems, especially their on line services . You can access Edmonton and Calgary libraries by just registering with them on site. Also to access the University and other academic libraries you just register with the TAL system. All this info is covered on the YRL website. Note that Stoney Plain, Spruce Grove, St. Albert. and Morinville libraries can be accessed with your TRAC card.

Under the Provincial Government Libraries Act there is considerable local autonomy for local boards to create systems that work best in their regions.

97% of municipalities in the Province are members of one of the 7 regional library boards,

Grant monies from Province are for Staffing and building maintenance etc.. while monies from membership go to books, computers and online services.

March 2 2024 YRL Trustees meeting

Audit report on Financial Statements. Financial statements are in good order. Upcoming more dollars will be spent on cyber security, and IT support on the public computers.

On Reserve Grant Note Alexander First Nations is a member and receives funding from PLSB through YRL. See attached.

Over 1.9 million items were moved through YRL in 2023.

Over all I have found this to be an extremely efficient and well run organization. Libraries are "Community Hubs, and a Safe Place For All" and have a "Value Beyond Words" The system is far beyond what I remember from my youth. I am happy to say that a number of our residents are pleased that we have rejoined the system. If Council wishes I can email the report from March 4 (it is large) to council members or to office. There is much information on the YRL website.

Feb 15 meeting VP of ASVA and AUMA rep. Wildwillow Offices Onoway.

LGFF SV's will be getting considerably less that they did under previous MSI grants. Under the new programs laying out 1 Time grants, there is difficulty in getting applications in on time. Note 90% of these grants are going to larger municipalities.

Councils need to advocate as there is a timeline issue for using grants. SV's will have difficulty in saving their portion within the grant timelines to do projects. Note 1 year's LGFF @ \$60,000.00 doesn't buy a pickup truck. Councils also need to advocate

Seniors Foundation

Trying to get Government help with maintenance and expansion for facilities.. Who can apply for grants and for what? Unable to fund raise as a foundation.

ILSA Will be doing a study to determine effluent input into LSA

Wildwater pg 20 of package

Emergency Management

Presently 10 members Will require meeting ASAP probably Zoom No changers have been forwarded to the Minister to date,

Policing Both Auma and AB Munis are concerned over new 4 region Policy. How is this to be divided and How to get need services.

County Nurse Practitioners

Still issues before recruitment can begin. Lag time can be over 2 years. Collage of physicians/Surgeons are causing issues in the allowed scope of Nurse Practioners.

Onoway Clinic 2 doctors 4 days a week 1 doctor 2 weeks per month. Looking for a forth.

Transmission Line

Barhead County very interested. Grant received for revised Engineering study with Barrhead County. Potential for revised funding towards collection systems within community settings.

Other Need for SV's to tell your story to both Minister and MLA about growth, importance of the community and how reduced funding through LGFF will affect our communities. In lieu of lost revenue we need additional programs concerning infrastructure including sewage lines, water lines, waste management, and lake health.

Cyber Security see pgs 24 to 33

Municipalities becoming more of a target for cyber attacks, Fake Invoices. Analyze risk, Buy Liability insurance? Back -up to cloud? (could be \$300.00 / mo.) Have separate from private cell phone use? How doew our personal email interact with village e-mail?

Deputy Mayor

Michael Harney