

Your Town News

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Mayor Stuart's Community Message

On behalf of the Town of Bowden, I would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Kirsten O'Donoghue. It was with shock and sadness that we heard of the tragedy that occurred. We commend the quick action of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the online fundraiser in support of her children.

At our March 22nd Town Council meeting, administration brought forward information that it would be more efficient to give first reading to a new bylaw than to adopt many amendments to an old bylaw. Town Council carried a motion to rescind first reading of Land Use Bylaw 08-2012 and to cancel the Public Hearing that was set for April 12th, 2021. This motion was carried unanimously. Town Council then gave first reading to Land Use Bylaw 03/2021 and set a Public Hearing date for May 25, 2021. This motion was carried unanimously. Information on the proposed Land Use Bylaw is available on the Town of Bowden's website and at the Town Office. Town Council approved an administration proposal to enter into a three year agreement with E360 to continue to provide recycle and solid waste collection services to the Town of Bowden. We are also pleased to announce the reopening of the refurbished Bowden Public Library. Town staff painted the inside of the library and a contractor installed new flooring. I would like to thank the town staff for their efforts as moving all the books and shelving (twice) took tremendous effort.

It looks like we are finally moving into spring and can start working on our lawns and gardens. I would like to thank Marion Rasmussen for her ongoing (incredible) efforts at keeping our town flower boxes in such beautiful condition. She has been kind enough to provide Cosmos and Lavatera flower seeds. These are available (free) at the Town Office.

Alberta Health Services continue to be concerned with Covid-19 and transmission of the variants. Vaccinations are progressing well with seventy-five per cent of Albertans over seventy-five vaccinated. As of March 29th, our local area active case numbers are: Innisfail -9, Olds -17, Mountain View County -16, Red Deer County -28, Sylvan Lake -33 and the City of Red Deer -207.

Warm regards,

Mayor Robb Stuart