

Rocky Mountain House Council highlights from the Oct. 16, 2018 regular meeting

Donation from Rocky Lions Club

Rocky Mountain House Lions Club treasurer Clem Swainson appeared before council to present a \$15,000 cheque to the Town. The funds are to go towards the purchase of movable bleachers for the North Saskatchewan River Park, where the Lions Club holds its annual Demolition Derby. Mayor Tammy Burke and all of council thanked the Lion's for the generous donation.



Related media:

[Oct. 16 Council Meeting Video A](#) 1:27 to 4:00.

*Lion Clem Swainson and Mayor Tammy Burke
Town of Rocky Mountain House photo*

Cannabis consumption in Rocky Mountain House

The Town of Rocky Mountain House has passed third and final reading of [Bylaw 2018/30V](#) to regulate public consumption of cannabis within the Town's corporate limits.

Section 8 of Bylaw 2018/30V, the Cannabis Consumption Bylaw, prohibits cannabis consumption within 10 metres of any doorway, window or air intake of a public place or workplace, unless otherwise posted.

Section 9 stipulates that no person shall smoke or consume cannabis on private property without the consent or permission of the owner.

Specific setbacks also apply to town-owned property under Section 10. Cannabis consumption will not be allowed within 10 metres of the boundary to parks, playgrounds, skateparks, water-spray parks, trails, libraries, other recreational facilities used by the public, the Christenson Sports and Wellness Centre, the Credit Union Co-op Aquatic Centre and the Lou Soppit Community Centre.

Schedule A of Bylaw 2018/30V, which may be amended by council resolution, specifies a \$250 penalty on first offence under section 8, 9 or 10.

Council will assess the bylaw in June. Council also directed Administration to investigate cost of signage for designated smoking and non-smoking areas on town property.

Related media:

[Oct. 16 Council Meeting Video A](#)

Administration introduction begins at 4:45.

Council discussion begins at 7:25.

First reading and subsequent voting begins at 39:50.

Tobacco smoking is currently governed by provincial legislation. Council has also asked administration to draft a municipal tobacco/smoking bylaw for its consideration at the end of November.

Related media:

[Oct. 16 Council Meeting Video B](#)

Council discussion from 00:00 to 22:30.

Community Development Foundation

Council dissolved the Rocky Community Development Foundation, which was first created in 2005 to manage the Town's affordable housing properties. That work has since been taken over by Clearwater Regional Family and Community Support Services and will continue.

Related media:

[Administration report to council](#)

[Oct. 16 Council Meeting Video A](#) 42:50 to 45:13.

Council Remuneration

Councillours reviewed an updated [draft council remuneration policy](#) to adapt to federal income tax changes coming in January 2019. Council directed Administration to make further changes. The draft policy will return to council in November.

Related media:

[Administration report to council](#)

[Oct. 16 Council Meeting Video A](#)

Administration introduction begins at 45:20.

Council discussion begins at 52:45.

PLEASE NOTE: The livestreaming of Rocky Mountain House council meetings is still in the trial phase. If you have any questions on these or any other items, please contact:

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