Highlights from the March 9, 2021 Regular Council meetings

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Recreation Facility Operations

Council authorized the <u>re-opening of the Fitness Centre</u> at the Christenson Sports & Wellness Centre, in accordance with provincial public health guidelines. The Fitness Centre will resume operations on Saturday, March 13, with limited hours. Patrons must <u>pre-book their time slot</u> and complete a covid screening questionnaire prior to working out. Masks will be mandatory at all times and only low-intensity fitness activities will be permitted.

Recreation Facility Naming, Sponsorship and Advertising Policy

Council approved a new policy outlining the process of facility naming, sponsorship and advertising. The new policy applies to all relationships between the Town of Rocky Mountain House and businesses, organizations and individuals that contribute either financially or in-kind to Town programs, services, spaces or facilities, as well as paid advertising on municipal property, at Town events and in municipal publications.

Related documents:

<u>Administrative report</u> <u>Recreation Facility Naming, Sponsorship and Advertising Policy 004/2021</u>

Municipal Election

In preparation for the next General Municipal Election to be held Oct. 18, 2021, Council approved a new Election Bylaw. The province has implemented changes to the *Local Authorities Election Act* since the 2017 election. The new bylaw includes these updated legislative requirements, such as provisions for where nomination papers will be accepted, the ability for the returning officer to enter into agreements with the public and separate school boards, the use of automated voting systems, voting procedures and post-vote activities.

Council also authorized two election agreements with the Wild Rose School Division and the City of Red Deer on behalf of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools. These agreements allow all parties to share facilities and human resources during the administration of their elections.

Related documents:

Administrative report re: election agreements Administrative report re: Election Bylaw Election Bylaw 2020/27

Curling Club agreements

Council authorized the <u>restructuring of a loan agreement</u> between the Town of Rocky Mountain House and the Rocky Curling Club for a 15-year term. Council also extended the club's annual operating agreement by five years.



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