



Have your say!

2021 Pre-Budget Engagement

Your feedback is important and will help Council establish priorities for the year ahead. This year's budget survey focuses on Town of Rocky Mountain House service levels.

Share your thoughts at www.rockymtnhouse.com/p/budget

Hard copies are available at the Town Office.

2021 GOALS

Do you think there should be...

MORE spending in an area?

LESS spending in an area?

DIFFERENT priorities?

FREE FREE FREE FREE

Building friendships and lasting memories

2020

OCTOBER 3, 2020

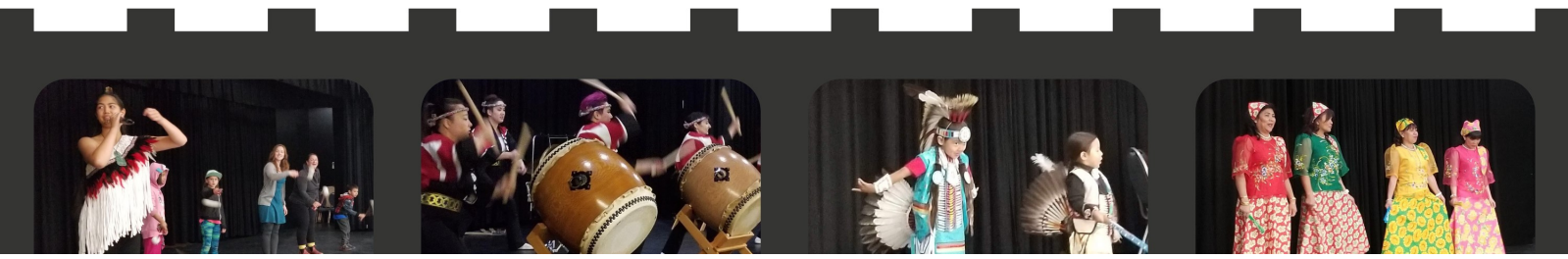
1-5 P.M.

52 ST (IN FRONT OF ÂSOKÊWIN FRIENDSHIP CENTRE)

CULTURAL SHOWCASE

What to expect:

- CULTURAL PERFORMANCES
- TASTY FOOD SAMPLES
- ARTISAN MARKETPLACE
- COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS



ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CREDIT UNION CO-OP AQUATIC CENTRE

Town acknowledges Municipal Climate Change Action Centre for \$531,000 investment

On Sept. 10, the Town of Rocky Mountain House celebrated the re-opening of the Credit Union Co-op Aquatic Centre, and the installation of energy-efficient combined heat and power (CHP) units and boilers.

The Credit Union Co-op Centre was closed to the public between March 18 and Aug. 31 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, major improvements to the mechanical systems were undertaken during that time.

“This Council’s first goal has always been to maintain our community’s assets,” said Mayor Tammy Burke. “We know that requires good stewardship of our resources, partnerships and creative solutions. We also strive to be a collaborative community delivering high-quality services, and an environmental leader. The Combined Heat and Power and Boiler project meets each of those goals.”

The \$785,000 project was jointly funded by the Town of Rocky Mountain House and Clearwater County, and included a \$531,000 investment from the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC) Recreation Energy Conservation Program. Calvin Lechelt, MCCAC Energy Efficiency Program Lead, congratulated the Town for the innovative project.

“We applaud and thank the Town of Rocky Mountain House for their leadership in achieving real savings and real change through the installation and use of these highly efficient systems, and hope this project inspires municipalities across Alberta to follow in their footsteps,” he said.

Electricity generated by the CHP units is displacing power previously purchased from the grid. Heat recovered from the generation process will displace gas consumption, and the two high-efficiency boilers enable efficient use of natural gas. The result is \$43,000 in savings per year on utility costs, and a 222-tonne reduction in annual greenhouse gas emissions.

“For heating the pools and building, powering ventilation, air conditioning and lighting, we were paying over \$100,000 per year in utilities. With the installation of the CHPs and two high-efficiency boilers, we have cut that nearly in half,” said Mayor Burke.

The Credit Union Co-op Aquatic Centre reopened to the public on Aug. 31. In addition to the CHPs and boilers, new sand filters and sound baffles were installed as part of the Town’s 2020 Capital improvement program.

“We are so happy to welcome swimmers back to the Credit Union Co-op Aquatic Centre,” said Mayor Burke. “The CHP project is saving money and greenhouse gas emissions. Thank you to all of our partners for this important step forward for our community.”



Mayor Tammy Burke



MCCAC Energy Efficiency Program Lead Calvin Lechelt



Two Combined Heat and Power (CHP) units now generate electricity for the Credit Union Co-op Aquatic Centre, while heat recovered from the generation process displaces natural gas consumption. The new CHPs and high-efficiency boilers will cut utility costs by \$43,000 annually.

Upcoming Council meetings:

- Oct. 6 at 1 p.m.
- Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. (Organizational)
- Oct. 20 at 1 p.m.
- Nov. 3 at 1 p.m.
- Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.
- Nov. 17 at 1 p.m.

Public access to council meetings is now via electronic means only, in accordance with Section 3(1) of Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation (O.C. 99/2020).

Members of the public may tune-in from www.rockymtnhouse.com, or by visiting the Town of Rocky Mountain House Youtube Channel.

