



AGENDA
Regular Council Meeting
4:30 PM – Monday May 17, 2021

Virtual Remote Meeting & Live Stream on Drumheller Valley YouTube Channel

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. OPENING REMARK

2.1 61st National Public Works Week, May 16 – May 22

2.2 Meeting Cancellation – Committee of the Whole, May 25, 2021

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

4.1 Agenda for May 17, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: That Council adopt the agenda for the May 17, 2021 Regular Council meeting as presented.

5. MINUTES

5.1 Minutes for the May 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: That Council adopt the minutes for May 10, 2021 Regular Council meeting as presented.

[Regular Council Meeting Minutes – 2021 May 10](#)

5.2 Drumheller and District Seniors Foundation

Motion: That Council accept as information the meeting minutes for December 16, 2020, February 18 and March 25, 2021 Drumheller and District Seniors Foundation as presented.

[Drumheller and District Seniors Foundation Minutes](#)

5.2 Valley Bus Society

Motion: That Council accept as information the meeting minutes for the April 14, 2021 Valley Bus Society as presented.

[Valley Bus Society – 2021 April 14](#)

6. DELEGATION

- 6.1. Friends of DVSS Society – Koren McDougald, President
Community Assistance Grant Request – Resurfacing the Outdoor Courts at DVSS

7. REQUEST FOR DECISION AND REPORTS

- 7.1. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- 7.2 CHIEF RESILIENCY & FLOOD MITIGATION OFFICER

- 7.2.1 Flood Mitigation Update

- 7.4 DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE
UTILITIES MANAGER
COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

- 7.4.1 Federal and Provincial Regulations – Lead Management Program Information

[Lead Management Program Information - Presentation](#)

- 7.3 DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- 7.3.1 Covid Update

8. PUBLIC HEARING TO BEGIN AT 5:30pm

Public Hearing for Bylaw 09.21

1. Mayor Open Public Hearing
2. Mayors Introduction of Matter
3. Darryl Drohomerski, CAO- Fireworks Bylaw 09.21
4. Rules of Conduct
5. Announcement of Public to Speak
6. Public - Registered to Present Remotely / Phone - 5 minute time limit
7. Public - Written Submission Read Aloud - 5 minute time limit
[Perry Logan, Executive Director -Canadian National Fireworks Association](#)
8. Mayor Call for Public Hearing to Close

9. CLOSED SESSION

- 9.1 Leasing of Town Owned Land – FOIP 16 (1) – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

Motion: That Council close the meeting to the public to discuss the lease of Town owned land as per FOIP 16 (1).

10. ADJOURNMENT



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IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Colberg
Councillor Kristyne DeMott
Councillor Jay Garbutt
Councillor Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk
Councillor Tony Lacher
Councillor Fred Makowecki
Councillor Tom Zariski

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO): Darryl Drohomerski
Chief Resiliency and Flood Mitigation Officer (CRFMO):
Darwin Durnie
Director of Emergency and Protective Services: Greg Peters
Director of Infrastructure Services: Dave Brett
Director of Corporate Services: Mauricio Reyes
Manager of Recreation, Arts and Culture: Darren Goldthorpe
Communication Officer: Erica Crocker
Legislative Assistant: Denise Lines

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Mayor Colberg called the meeting to order at 4:32pm.

2. OPENING REMARK

2.1 Thank you to the past Councillors who have been Deputy Mayor.
Thank you to the administrative assistants for the work they do.
Acknowledgement and thank you to the organizers of the Mother's Day Parade.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3.1 Agenda for May 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

M2021.98 Moved by Councillor Lacher, Councillor Zariski; that Council adopt the agenda for the May 10, 2021 Regular Council meeting as presented.

Carried unanimously

4. MINUTES

4.1 Minutes for the May 3, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

M2021.99 Moved by Councillor Hansen-Zacharuk, Councillor Garbutt; that Council adopt the minutes for May 3, 2021 Regular Council meeting as presented.

Carried unanimously

- 4.2 Committee - Minutes for the January and February 2021 Drumheller Public Library Board meeting

M2021.100 Moved by Councillor DeMott, Councillor Lacher; that Council accept as information the minutes for January and February 2021 Drumheller Public Library Board meeting and the Marigold Library System 2020 Report as presented.

Carried unanimously

5. DELEGATION

- 5.1 Royal Canadian Mounted Police Report – Staff Sergeant Ed Bourque and Constable Gerald Sherk

6. REQUEST FOR DECISION AND REPORTS

6.1. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

6.1.1 Strategic Priorities Progress Update

Chief Administrative Officer, Darryl Drohomerski

6.1.2 Area Structure Plan Bylaw 08.21 – Amendment to the Previous St. Anthony’s School Site East Drumheller District

Councillor K. DeMott stated that her participation in the voting process is not a conflict of interest as she is not the designer on these proposed dwellings.

M2021.101 Moved by Councillor Zariski, Councillor Garbutt; that Council give second reading to Area Structure Plan Bylaw 08.21 as presented.

Carried unanimously

M2021.102 Moved by Councillor Hansen-Zacharuk, Councillor DeMott; that Council give third reading to Area Structure Plan Bylaw 08.21 as presented.

Carried unanimously

6.1.3. For Information – Raymond Hill Road Public Submission – Report to Council

The Town of Drumheller is required to receive a petition under the legislation outlined in the Municipal Government Act, Part 7. This report details why the petition does not meet the requirement for sufficiency. However, Administration is reviewing alternative solutions with Wheatland County Administration.

6.2 CHIEF RESILIENCY & FLOOD MITIGATION OFFICER

6.2.1 Flood Mitigation Update – Darwin Durnie, CFRMO

Topic include:

- Flood Season in Alberta including the Valley – runs from May 15th and July 15th
- Natural vs Regulated Flow – definitions and implementation
- Final Designs – nearing completion

6.3 DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

6.3.1 Strategic Priorities Progress Update – Traffic Bylaw

Greg Peters explained that the Traffic Bylaw update is an expansive document that covers topics such as recreational vehicle parking, off-road vehicles, vehicle idling, and the implementation of disabled parking.

6.3.2 Covid Update

6.4 MANAGER OF RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

6.4.1 Strategic Priorities Progress Update - Facilities Comparison

Darren Goldthorpe reported that he is gathering information from comparable communities to create a facilities comparison. Council requested that information regarding industry best practice and cost recovery be included in the report.

6.5 COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

6.5.1 Strategic Priorities Progress Update – Customer Service Benchmark

Erica Crocker gave an overview of a proposed Customer Service initiative starting with a Phase 1 community survey gathering experiential data from the previous 6 to 12 months. E. Crocker described the benefits and possible outcomes of the survey and how it would feed into further action. Council requested that a survey be generated that asks customers to review their experience directly after they interact with Town staff at various facilities.

7. PRESENTATION OF QUARTERLY REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Director of Infrastructure – Dave Brett

7.2 Chief Financial Officer – Mauricio Reyes

8. CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Drumheller Flood Mitigation Project – FOIP 16 (1) – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party

8.2 Property Remediation – FOIP 27 (1) – Privileged information

M2021.103 Moved by Councillor Hansen-Zacharuk, Councillor Lacher; that Council close the meeting to the public to discuss the Flood Mitigation Project and Property Remediation as per FOIP 16 (1) and FOIP 27 (1) respectively. Time: 6:30pm

M2021.104 Moved by Councillor Zariski, Councillor Hansen-Zacharuk; that Council open the meeting to the public. Time: 8:23pm

9. ADJOURNMENT

M2021.105 Moved by Councillor Makowecki, Councillor Garbutt; that Council open the meeting to the public. Time: 8:23pm

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

Drumheller Valley YouTube Live Stream Link:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C9OnyQuGxVk>

DRUMHELLER AND DISTRICT SENIORS FOUNDATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING March 25, 2021

All Reports on File

PRESENT: TOM ZARISKI, DAVID SISLEY, KERRY MCLELLAN (via phone), BOB SARGENT, MELANIE GRAFF, GLENDA YOUNGBERG

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM by Tom Zariski.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by David Sisley to approve the agenda.
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

CARRIED

3.0 Presentation of the Audit for 2020 Monica Faupel and Peter Stone presented the 2020 Audits Financial Statements. It was noted that DDSF had done a great job and the auditors found no discrepancies.

4.0 MINUTES

**4.01 Motion by Kerry McLellan to approve the Minutes from February 18, 2020, Regular Meeting .
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

CARRIED

5.0 REPORTS

5.01 Administrator Report on file.

5.02 Manager reports on file.

5.03 Financial Reports

**Motion by David Sisley to accept the Financial reports for February 2021
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

CARRIED

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.01 Letter from Alberta Seniors and Housing. 2021 Operations Self-Contained budget will remain the same as last year. LAP grants will allow supplementary submissions to June 30, 2021. There are NO CMR current funding available.

7.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.01 Glenda reported that an email was received from Jeff Janzen that the RFP would be sent out the week of March 29, 2021. The agreement will also be finalized and will be forwarded to DDSF for review. DDSF will be responsible for the payment of all building expenditure as Hillview addition will be a Capital Grant instead of a Capital Investment for AB Seniors and Housing.

8.02 Tom reported on the Union negotiation held in March 17 + 18. DDSF and CUPE 715 could not agree on the length of the new contract and could not agree on the rate of the wage increase as proposed. Negotiations are now moving to mediation. Glenda reported that she received a letter from GoA Mediation Services. A Steve Morrison has been appointed as our mediator and will be contact with us to set a date for mediation.

8.03 Glenda reported on the nurse call system. After several emails and phones to Telus with regards to the Meraki system we need we have been unable to get a response to our requests. Should be not heard anything within the following week we will look at other solutions.

**8.04 Motion by David Sisley to approve the rental of 2 C Cans for Sunshine Lodge storage, subject to approval by the Town of Drumheller Bylaw officer granting DDSF permission. Rental cost of the C Cans is \$100/month/C Can. Length of rental 12 months.
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

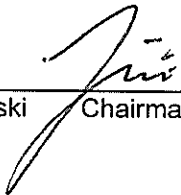
CARRIED

**9.0 In Camera (1 item)
Motion by Bob Sargent to go in camera at 4:14pm
Seconded by David Sisley**

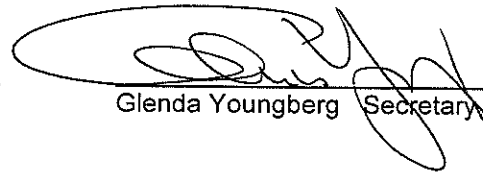
**Motion by Bob Sargent to come out of in camera at 4:25pm
Seconded by David Sisley**

9.0 Motion by Bob Sargent to adjourn the meeting at 4:30pm

Next Board Meeting April 22, 2021 at 3:00pm



Tom Zariski Chairman



Glenda Youngberg Secretary

DRUMHELLER AND DISTRICT SENIORS FOUNDATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING February 18, 2021

All Reports on File

**PRESENT: TOM ZARISKI, DAVID SISLEY, KERRY MCLELLAN, BOB SARGENT,
MELANIE GRAFF, GLENDA YOUNGBERG**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:10 PM by Tom Zariski.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by Kerry McLellan to approve the agenda.
Seconded by David Sisley**

CARRIED

3.0 MINUTES

**3.01 Motion by Bob Sargent to approve the Minutes from December 16, 2020,
Regular Meeting .
Seconded by David Sisley**

CARRIED

**3.02 Motion by Kerry McLellan to approve Organizational Meeting amended
Minutes.
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

CARRIED

4.0 REPORTS

4.01 Administrator Report on file.

4.02 Manager reports on file.

4.02 Financial Reports

**Motion by Bob Sargent to accept the Financial reports for January 2021
Seconded by Kerry McLellan**

CARRIED

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

**5.01 Letter from Auditor, Ascend Chartered Accountants are incorporating
Endeavor Accounting into their company. The staff of Endeavor will continue to be
visible to our foundation.**

**5.02 Letter from the Village of Morrin appointing Annette Plachner (CAO for the
Village of Morrin) as representative to sit on DDSF Board.**

**5.03 Letter from Brian Sherman thanking the staff for the great care they gave to
his mother while she was a resident at Sunshine Lodge and Hillview Lodge.**

6.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

**7.01 Tom reported on the phone call with Lynda Cuppens, Executive Director for
AB Seniors and Housing on Friday, February 12, 2021. Lynda informed us that
DDSF will receive a grant for the Hillview expansion, instead of AB Housing using the
\$7 million as a Capital Investment. This approval will be put forward to the Spring
Legislative meeting in May 2021. To expediate the build for both Sunshine and
Hillview projects she has instructed the project team to proceed with the RFP and that
it is to be sent out ASAP. This way we can get the plans ready to start the project**

when AB treasury has permission to release the funds. We hope to have construction start summer of 2021.

7.02 – 7.03 Nurse Call and New phone systems. We need to proceed with a new nurse call system at Hillview Lodge as we are working with a system that is obsolete. As well our office phone system is also outdated. Glenda informed the Board that she is getting quotes for both systems. Once all the quotes are received, she will present the findings to the Board for approval. These items were not included in the 2021 approved budget however the nurse call system is failing and it's imperative that we act now.

7.04 Union negotiations are scheduled for March 17-18 here at Hillview Lodge. Tom asked Melanie to do up some statistics for this meeting. Rent loss from closing 500 wing at Sunshine and a pie chart on the expenses for both lodges. Melanie is also going to prepare information for the staff regarding the benefits they have and can take advantage of.

7.05 The residents at Hillview Lodge have received their 2nd COVID vaccine. New residents' names have been provided to AHS so they will be scheduled at a later date. The staff at Hillview have received their 1st shot and 2nd shots are planned for Feb 22-26. The vaccine is voluntary, and we have encouraged all staff to receive it. Pamphlets on the pros and cons have been distributed to all staff.

**7.06 Motion by Kerry McLellan to approve \$250 of donated funds for activities.
Seconded by Bob Sargent**

CARRIED

7.07 Glenda ask how many of the Board members would like to attend the ASCHA spring Zoom conference. Tom Zariski said he would like to attend. Glenda will register Tom and herself along with any other Managers that wish to attend.

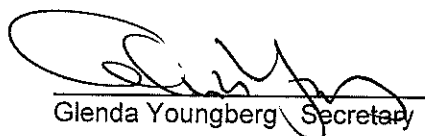
8.0 In Camera (0 item)

9.0 Motion by Kerry McLellan to adjourn the meeting at 5:30pm

Next Board Meeting March 25, 2021 at 3:00pm



Tom Zariski Chairman



Glenda Youngberg Secretary

DRUMHELLER AND DISTRICT SENIORS FOUNDATION

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING December 16, 2020

**PRESENT: TOM ZARISKI, KERRY McLELLAN, BOB SARGENT, DAVID SISLEY,
GLENDA YOUNGBERG & MELANIE GRAFF**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 3:03 PM by Glenda Youngberg.

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS

All board members present were welcomed.

3.0 NOMINATION FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE DDSF BOARD

Call for nominations for chairman.

Tom Zariski nominated by David Sisley.

Second call for nominations for chairman

Third call for nominations for chairman.

Tom Zariski nominated by David Sisley and moved that nominations cease.

Tom accepted the position of chairman.

4.0 NOMINATION FOR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE DDSF BOARD

Call for nominations for vice chairman.

Tom Zariski nominated by Kerry McLellan.

Second call for nominations for vice chair.

Third call for nominations for vice chair. Tom Zariski nominated Kerry McLellan and moved that nominations cease. Kerry accepted the position of vice chairman.

5.0 COMMITTEE SELECTION

The board members discussed the various committees and selection of committee members were agreed upon as listed below.

Motion by Kerry McLellan that all Board Members be appointed to all Boards.

CARRIED

Executive Committee: All Board Members

Audit/Finance Committee: All Board Members

Policy Committee: All Board Members

Personnel Committee: All Board Members

Building Committee: All Board Members

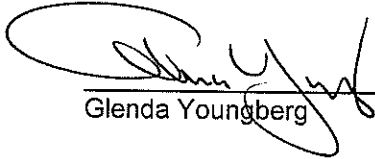
7.0 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Kerry McLellan to adjourn the meeting at 4:14 PM

CARRIED



Tom Zariski Chairman



Glenda Youngberg

DRUMHELLER AND DISTRICT SENIORS FOUNDATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING December 16, 2020

All Reports on File

**PRESENT: TOM ZARISKI, DAVID SISLEY, KERRY MCLELLAN, BOB SARGENT,
MELANIE GRAFF, GLENDA YOUNGBERG
VIA CONFERENCE CALL**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 3:15 PM by Tom Zariski.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by David Sisley to approve the agenda
Seconded by Kerry McLellan**

CARRIED

3.0 MINUTES

**3.01 Motion by Bob Sargent to approve the Minutes from November 26, 2020,
Regular Meeting .
Seconded by David Sisley**

CARRIED

4.0 REPORTS

4.01 Administrator Report on file

4.02 Financial Reports

**Motion by Kerry McLellan to accept the Financial reports for November
2020
Seconded by David Sisley**

CARRIED

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None

6.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.01- 7.02 Glenda informed the Board that a tentative agreement is in the works. AB Seniors and Housing will put DDSF on the RFP because DDSF owns the land on which the Hillview expansion will be built. This extension is going to remain as an **Alberta Seniors and Housing** investment property. They will own the building (4 walls and roof). There will be no lease fees exchanged between DDSF and ABSH. A draft of the Memorandum Agreement will be forthcoming in the next week. Glenda will email this agreement to all Board members and to our Lawyer for review.

7.03 Tom and Glenda signed the first documents for the loan at the Lawyers office. There seems to be many more documents to sign once we choose a contractor etc. The Lawyer asked if they are to keep the money in trust and pay the vendors as required. Once we receive the Agreement that may resolve this issue, as ABSH will require DDSF to pay all invoices for Hillview construction and Sunshine construction and then invoice ABSH for Hillview invoices. The onus will be on the contractor to keep these two project separated when it comes to invoicing.

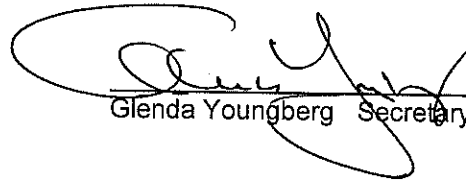
8.0 In Camera (0 item)

9.0 Motion by Kerry McLellan to adjourn the meeting at 3:50pm

Next Board Meeting January 28, 2020 @ 3:00PM



Tom Zariski Chairman



Glenda Youngberg Secretary

VALLEY BUS SOCIETY

Transportation for Seniors & Challenged Citizens
702 Premier Way Box 2848
Drumheller. AB. T0J0Y0
Email: vbsociety@hotmail.com

BOARD MEETING

April 14, 2021
Virtual meeting

Board Members Present Darryl Drohomerski, Tony Lacher, , Connie Funk, Joni Chorney, Christine Wheeler, Dave Brett, Sue Somerville, Al Kendrick

Absent- Mary McSweeney, Gail Schrock, Bill Wulff

AGENDA ITEM

1. Call to Order-Darryl called meeting to order 4:36pm

2. Agenda

2.1 Additions to the Agenda: Sue asked that VBS Facebook page be added to agenda

(Motion 1) Tony made the motion to except the agenda with the addition. Sue seconded. All in favour. Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 Errors or Omissions: Minutes from March 10, 2021 meeting. – Thank you for doing the minutes Dave. No changes.

(Motion 2) Sue made the motion to accept the minutes. Tony seconded. All in favour. Carried.

4. Business Arising

4.1 Face Book- at March's meeting it was noted that some of the information on the page was incorrect. Board discussed updating the information with the correct stats (number of buses, trips in a month, etc.). Sue will also connect with Christine to add information on advertising possibilities on the vans/buses, pictures of the buses, and introducing the drivers with pictures as well.

4.2

5. New Business

5.1 Charter Forms- Christine asked if she is able to revise the Charter forms to remove the rates from the forms, as the drivers do not need this information on their copies, only the basic information on the charter trip is required (pick up times, number of people, return time, & destination, etc.). Board agreed that the forms should be revised.

5.2 New Phones- The Town of Drumheller updated their phone system, a significant cost saving for the Town. The new phones are almost set up and ready for use in the VBS office. Should be completed by the end of April.

6. Reports

6.1 Managers Report: Christine –See the attached reports from Christine. Discussion on bus rates and how they are set up i.e. from one location to another at a certain cost, or should we look at charging by

km. It was decided that we would discuss the rates at next meeting as we need the operating budget, and Christine will bring a draft proposal for rate changes.

Christine reported that she found out about a collision one of the drivers had with a southland bus. He did not follow the procedures in place. He failed to report the incident to Christine and he did not complete an incident report. Christine will follow up with the driver performance and she will hold a staff meeting to review the procedures in place that are supposed to occur when there is an incident/accident

6.2 Town Council Report- Tony – the Town of Drumheller approved its operating budget. VBS amount \$80580.00.

6.3 Town Report- Dave- Asked Christine about 778 bus repairs that were scheduled for Friday. Christine said the schedule was change as there were two charters that day so appointment was moved to April 21 instead. Dave also asked that Christine remind VBS staff that if they let people in the Public Works building they must escort them at all times(in and out). Christine said it is the normal practice to meet people downstairs only. She will remind her staff of the protocol.

6.4 Financial Report- see attached financials.
(Motion)

7. Correspondence none

8. In Camera-

(Motion 3) was made by Dave to go in-camera. Seconded by Allan. All in Favour. Carried.

(Motion 4) was made by Dave to go in-camera. seconded by Allan. All in Favour. Carried.

9. Adjournment

(Motion 5) Tony made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Allen Seconded. All in Favour. Carried.

10. Next Meeting Date- May 12, 2021

For next meeting:

VBS Operating Budget

AGM Meeting.

50/50 gaming license

Draft Rates



**DRUMHELLER
VALLEY**

LEAD MANAGEMENT

Dave Brett, Director of Infrastructure Services
Bill Adams, Utility Manager
Erica Crocker, Communications Officer

OVERVIEW

- Health Canada changed the lead limits in municipal drinking water in March 2019
- Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) implemented a lead management program requirement for all municipalities in Alberta
- Town of Drumheller Utilities Department is required to create and implement a monitoring program by the end of 2021
- Establishing a baseline assessment of situation



SUMMARY OF PLAN

- Under previous requirements, lead testing was carried out at the discharge at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP)
- New requirements indicate it must be done at point of use (e.g. kitchen sink)
- This requires a change in testing and monitoring/sampling criteria and procedure
- Associated Engineering (AE) retained to develop plan



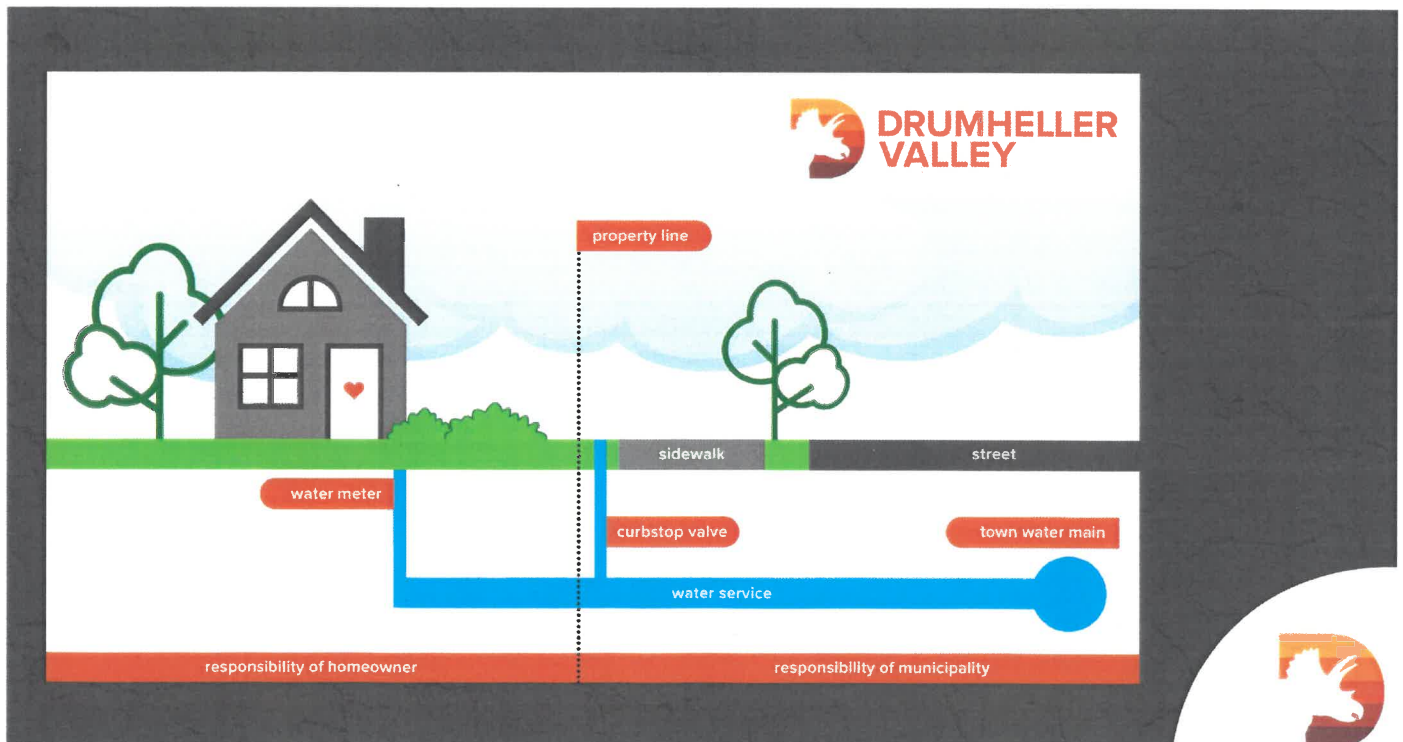
SUMMARY OF SAMPLING

- Samples will be collected throughout the water distribution system within the municipality
- Contact property owners via written letter inviting them to participate in sampling
- Minimum sample requirement is 40 (from a variety of dwelling types)



NEXT STEPS

- Once sampling is complete, the property owner will receive a copy of the test results (requirement of program)
- Should any sample return with a high-lead results, additional sampling is required
- Town does replace lead service lines on Town property as identified. This is ongoing work.
- FAQ sheet which outlines responsibilities of Town & property owner is available



PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- Letter to home owner has been produced
- Graphic outlining property owner & Town responsibility regarding water services
- Letter will include FAQ & graphic brochure
- Landing page with description of the program will be on Drumheller.ca with FAQ & graphic



QUESTIONS?





Canadian National Fireworks Association
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Aldergrove, BC
V4W 2V1

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Toll Free: 1-855-652-CNFA (2632)
Fax: 604-852-3469
nationalfireworks.ca

May 13, 2021

Mayor Colberg and Members of Council
The Town of Drumheller
224 Centre Street
Drumheller, Alberta T0J 0Y4
Re: Drumheller Fireworks Bylaw #09.21

Dear Mayor Colberg and Members of Town Council:

On behalf of the Canadian National Fireworks Association (CNFA), I would like to thank Town Council and everyone involved in the creation of bylaw #09.21 regarding fireworks and their availability for sale and use in the Town of Drumheller. It was encouraging to see a community debate a topic and come to a conclusion that is fair to all of those involved.

I feel as a point of safety that I highlight key points that were addressed at your May 3rd Council meeting that were incorrectly represented. The CNFA wants everyone selling and using consumer fireworks to have access to proper information.

1. In section 3.2 the bylaw exempts sparklers. While we understand the reasoning behind it, the Explosives Regulatory Division lists sparklers as a consumer firework and this cannot be changed. Sparkers do have an exemption for display only.
2. It was stated that you cannot sell fireworks at a gas station. The Federal guidelines do allow the sale when specific distances from fuel storage to display are met.
3. It was stated that a retail location can have up to 150KG in their store at any given time. The regulations state that it is actually up to 1000KG in an unlicensed location, with that number being reduced to 100kg if there is a tenant living in the same building.
4. There is no requirement to submit paperwork for sales to the Federal Government. What is required by a retailer is to retain any invoice when the purchase by the consumer exceeds 150kg. A copy of this receipt must be kept on site for a minimum of 2 years.
5. The Federal government does not require education or certification for consumer fireworks. They do supply handbooks and there are safety requirements store owners must meet. The CNFA created our Vender Certification and Employee Training program to fill that void. There is no fee for our course and is currently a requirement in three Alberta municipalities. The new Edmonton Fireworks bylaw expected to be approved this summer will require our course to be taken and is supported by Edmonton Fire Protection Services. Toronto City Council has just directed staff to work with the CNFA to create better and more efficient education requirements

in their city. We request that with bylaw #09.21, you make it a requirement for all retailers selling consumer fireworks to be certified through our course.

In closing, we thank you again for your time and effort put into this matter.

Sincerely

Perry Logan

Perry Logan

Executive Director

Canadian National Fireworks Association

587 229 1779