



# HIGHLIGHTS

March 8, 2016 • Council Meeting

**Fire Permits** – Just a reminder that year round Fire Permits are required for all types of open burning within the County.

**Annual Meeting** – will be held on May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ashmont Fire Hall. The auditors will be in attendance to present the financial statements.

**Volunteer Income Tax Program** – Trained volunteers will be available to complete income tax returns for County and Town of Elk Point residents only, free of charge. You can drop your information off at the County Office or the Town of Elk Point Office and after the tax return is completed, you will receive a call to pick it up or it can be mailed back to you at your request. To find out if you qualify for this service or for more information, call 780-645-1950.

**Planning and Development** – Council approved Bylaw No. 2016-03 to license the undeveloped road allowance located between NE 22-57-10-W4 and NW 23-57-10-W4 for agricultural purposes.

Council also gave first reading to Bylaw No. 2016-07 to amend Section 7.7 of the Land Use Bylaw to allow towers that are constructed in accordance with CSA S37 to be set back from abutting parcels and roadways by a distance of 20 percent of the tower height or a distance between the tower base and guy wire anchors, whichever is greater. This Bylaw will replace Bylaw No. 2016-06 which received first reading at the February Council meeting. The new Bylaw has more rigid standards for the towers than the previous Bylaw did.

**Ashmont Lagoon and Waste Water Transfer Station** – Notices were sent to residents regarding the proposed expansion of the Ashmont lagoon, as per County policy. Council heard from a group of adjacent landowners who are concerned about the expansion of the Ashmont Lagoon. Administration will work with the Engineers to mitigate some of the concerns addressed by the residents. Council passed a motion to move ahead with 60% design for the project.

**Coyote Reduction Incentive Program** – to date the County has paid out on over 1300 coyotes. Administration is expecting that the money in the budget will run out by the end of March.

## Funding Support:

- \$500 each to Elk Point Peewees, Bantams & Midgets to attend Provincial Hockey Tournaments
- \$1,000 – St. Lina Senior Dew Drop Inn Club for Transportation Grant
- \$2,500 – Snails, Rails & Tails 2016 Mega Geocache Event
- \$11,500 – Elk Point Curling Club – repairs to the ice plant

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