



Town of Claresholm

Council Committee Report

Date: November 25, 2024

<p>Mayor Schlossberger</p>	<p>Nov.4 Meeting with Nursicana and Tara. Nursicana is company from Calgary looking to build housing in Calgary.</p> <p>Nov.6 Meeting with developer that we have an ASP on. Good conversation.</p> <p>Nov.12 Landfill meeting. Still transitioning after CAO retired.</p> <p>Nov.14 ORRSC another executive meeting on budget and fee increases.</p> <p>Nov 18. EDC visit and tour with Marie Everts who is a Regional Economic Development Specialist. And Sacha Anderson from Community Futures. Good meeting. Proud to have our Regional Economic Development Specialist rep. And our Community Futures rep from SW Alberta. I took them on a tour of Town. Showed them everything going on in Town and all our ASP's. Always good to have these people, who have a chance to fund town projects to know what we are doing. And have knowledge of what we are talking about.</p> <p>Nov.19 Phone town hall with Minister LaGrange, Health Care Minister. We got an update on the transition. 1.5 hours of Q&A. Healthcare in Alberta is going to look very different after this transition is done. But there is a lot of work to do yet.</p> <p>Nov.19 Coffee Council. No one showed.</p>
<p>Councillor Carlson</p>	<p>Porcupine Hills Lodge</p> <p>The new buildings are coming along nicely, with walls on site I would like to see them framed in before winter hits too aggressively. The recreation department is doing well, keeping residents active and involved. The manager reports the waiting list for the independent living cottages is over double our current capacity. Lodge the waiting list at over ten people. Kudos to the manager of the site as she continues to exceed expectations in this period of expansion.</p> <p>Economic Development</p> <p>There is a continued need for the boards' effective use. With government funding cutbacks, loss of grant funding for an Ec. Dev. Assistant and what seems to be daily inquiries for investment into Claresholm, there is a realization that the board will have to become a more effective tool for the economic development department.</p>



Town of Claresholm

	<p>I would recommend that the Economic Development Department be taken to the Admin Services Committee for discussion and to streamline the board size and function. I firmly believe that our Ec. Dev. Staff are working to the potential of the tools and training currently available to them and will require further investment in order to see future success, noting that Claresholm is not one of two rural communities that are funding an Economic Development department.</p> <p>It is imperative to advocate for our Provincial Government for continued funding in rural economic development to ensure our tax base continues to diversify and community sustainability is achieved.</p>
<p>Councillor Cutler</p>	
<p>Councillor Kettles</p>	<p>Claresholm Learn-a-Lot Playschool - Nov 2024</p> <p>Christmas Programs will again be performed at the Legion Hall The Playschool will also have a tree set at the Library's festival of trees Playschool finances are caught up with the arrival of the Provincial subsidy funds that were owed We have received donations to our play structure initiatives from the Kinettes and the Lions club. Thank you very much. The deposit on our order should go out in Dec for a planned Spring break install Other fund raising efforts include a successful Moms Pantry campaign and Gingerbread house sales for the holiday season The Playschool handbook update is complete and available for those who need one</p> <p>Claresholm Golf Club - Nov 2024</p> <p>The Golf Club Board met with Mayor Brad Schlossberger and other representatives from the Town of Claresholm to discuss an updated lease agreement, some co-marketing opportunities, and some possible support with cleaning up the retention ponds that the course relies on for irrigation and that form part of the Town storm water management system. A sub committee will work on an agreement based on discussions held at</p>



Town of Claresholm

	<p>this meeting</p> <p>The Town invited the Golf Club to appear as a delegation at a future Town Council meeting to highlight some of the season’s successes and outline future priorities of the Club.</p> <p>The course is largely bedded down for winter with 3 additional greens tarps deployed this year</p> <p>Grant funding efforts continue with a goal of replacing the old irrigation system on the front nine part of the Golf Course</p> <p>A warm fall season contributed to a strong end of the year for the course helping meet revenue and budget expectations</p> <p>The clubhouse restaurant remains open and looks forward to serving Claresholm throughout the Winter.</p>
<p>Councillor Meister</p>	
<p>Councillor Ross</p>	
<p>Councillor Zimmer</p>	