



INFORMATION BRIEF

Meeting: November 24, 2025

BYLAW No. 1818 – Road Closure Bylaw Public Hearing

At the regularly scheduled Council meeting held November 3, 2025, Council carried a motion to give first reading to Bylaw No. 1818 for the closure of a portion of the alley adjacent to 3rd Street East.

The road closure bylaw public hearing has been circulated two weeks within the Claresholm Local Press, mailed to adjacent landowners and referred to the utility companies, and is now presented as a Public Hearing for any comments in regards to the closure.

Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act reads as follows:

“Road closure

22(1) No road in a municipality that is subject to the direction, control and management of the municipality may

be closed except by bylaw.

(2) A bylaw closing a road must be advertised.

(3) A bylaw closing a road made by the council of a municipality that is not a city has no effect unless it is approved by the Minister of Transportation before the bylaw receives second reading.

(4) Before passing a bylaw closing a road, a person who claims to be affected prejudicially by the bylaw or that

person’s agent must be given an opportunity to be heard by the council.”

Upon the completion of the public hearing, the Bylaw will be sent to the Minister of Transportation for approval prior to second and third readings. All comments will be sent along with the application to the minister. Fortis requires an easement agreement for the power pole, those have been signed and will be registered when the transfer takes place. No comments or concerns from the other utility companies as well as Alberta Transportation. It can take some time to receive the approval from the Minister.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Bylaw No. 1818, Road Closure Bylaw.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION:

1. Municipal Government Act, Section 22 – Road Closure
2. Municipal Government Act, Section 606 – Requirements for Advertising

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