



Council News: March 12, 2018

2018 Municipal Election – Appointment of Chief Election Officer

The District of Elkford appointed Saran Press as Chief Election Officer for the Municipal Election to be held on October 20, 2018. Later this year, eligible voters will elect one mayor, six councillors and one school trustee for the next 4-year term.

Ministry of Environment Conservation Officer Service Presentation

Patricia Burley, Conservation Officer, reviewed the 2017 Access Management Compliance and Enforcement Program that encompasses 14 management areas in the Elk Valley. Ms. Burley noted that despite a busy year due to forest fires, outreach programs, public education projects and program goals were successful.

Wapiti Ski Club Update

Bryce Mancell, President, provided an update to Council, noting a successful 2017/18 ski season thus far, and shared the Club's upcoming projects, including lighting upgrades and lodge improvements.

Elk Valley Minor Hockey Delegation – Request for Early Arena Ice Installation

After meetings with District staff regarding early ice installation for the 2018/19 hockey season, Jason Dobson, President, appeared before Council to inquire further about the possibility ice being installed in early September. Staff will provide a report recommendation to Council for consideration of this request at the next Council meeting.

District of Elkford Office Design-Build Contract Awarded

The District of Elkford awarded the District Office Design-Build Contract to Scott Builders. The design for the new building emphasizes energy efficiency and sustainability and aligns with Elkford's alpine character. Residents can expect ground breaking and site prep in June 2018. The new building will overlook the current toboggan hill, soccer field and Boivin Creek. You are invited to view the attached photos to get a better idea of the building design and location.

Water Loss Management Implementation Project

The District of Elkford awarded the Water Loss Management Implementation Project to Coast Water Systems, a division of Emco Corporation, and Trainor Mechanical Contractors Ltd. Aligning with the District's Official Community Plan and Strategic Plan, this project will reduce water pressure in high pressure areas of town and will result in increased infrastructure life. The District of Elkford was awarded a grant that will significantly assist with the funding for this project.

BC Emergency Health Services Presentation

Lisa Dwyer, Manager, East Kootenay District, and Debby Tomich, Unit Chief, Elkford, provided a review of the services that the organization offers to the community, and emphasized some recent additions to services, including:

- A local Emergency Responder Training Program that includes a total of 23 East Kootenay candidates, 5 of whom are from Elkford; and
- Recent hiring of a Critical Care Paramedic and an Advanced Care Paramedic in the region.



