

Mayor's Report
November 25 - December 9

November 26

REDI

- Discussion about next steps for "Lion's Tooth Energy" project
 - Letter sent to meet with ministers Nixon, Savage and Fir to discuss wells in Zama
 - Add a presentation to municipalities on Tri-council agenda
- Aboriginal Tourism Roundtable to be completed by March
- Dan Dibbelt board member for "Plant Protein Alliance" will attend a Fractionation Workshop in Grande Prairie and bring a report to REDI
- REDA funding ends May 31, 2020 and we do not have any commitment from the government on further funding.
- The board will wait until April to decide any funding for, "Organics for Success."
- Motion made to move forward on hiring a new REDI manager

November 30

Christmas Party

- Huge thank you to the staff for organizing a great Christmas party, which was well-attended by staff and council.

December 2

Lobby the Government Effectively Seminar

- Takeaways from seminar:
 - Ministers are arranged on pages in order of influence
 - Lobbying is costly and councils with small budgets need to work together
 - Council should hire a lobbyist when we are working on specific projects
 - MLA's may get you meetings, but council must continuously lobby the premier and ministers on the inner circle
 - Prioritize projects and have one ask
 - Letters should be no more than one page!!!

December 3

Tri-Council

- Only attended long enough to listen to Geoff Lester of Lionstooth, present his power generation strategy
- It makes sense to pursue this project as it could provide linear taxes, jobs, and dividends to the County if the government would waive the liability or if Paramount and the GOA shared the liability.

December 4

Golden Range

I could not attend the Golden Range Society meeting, but I sent the following report on Mackenzie House to the group:

- In November, work scopes continued the outside of the building.
- Paving was completed.
- Landscaping was mostly completed with approximately one week of scope deferred to next year.
- Other than miscellaneous flashings, gutters and downspouts to external scope is mostly complete.
- On the inside of the building, drywalling, mudding and taping continued at various locations. Prime painting continued at various locations.
- Mechanical and Electrical rough-in continued at various locations.
- WSP notified successful appliance supplier of their success on behalf of Boreal Housing.
- Smoke remediation activities are no longer on the critical path.
- Some remediation work is still ongoing in the core. The remediation includes HEPA vacuuming the structure (walls, floor, ceiling) scrubbing with a wire brush, HEPA vacuuming again, and then following up with a smoke seal spray.
- Krawford had reviewed the schedule impacts of the evacuation and remediation and provided an updated schedule on August 30, 2019.
- The updated schedule shows an April 15, 2020 interim acceptance and a move in date of residents for June 15, 2020.

FORECASTED PROJECT ACTIVITIES FOR DECEMBER 2019

Foundations and Basement.

- Plumbing & HVAC Equipment & Distribution to continue
- Taping to start

Exterior

- Miscellaneous flashings, gutters and downspouts to conclude

Interior

- Floor leveling
- Drywalling at various locations to continue
- Prime and painting at various locations
- Taping to continue
- Gypcrete flooring pouring and curing continue

December 7

Mackenzie Crossroads Open House

- Congratulations to the staff on another successful Open House
- The kids had a lot of fun making maple syrup candy and going on sleigh rides.

December 7

Judging Floats

- 22 floats were decked out for the Santa Claus Parade and they looked fantastic!
- The winners of each category are as follows:
 - Best Commercial Float Redd Rabbit (Whoville)
 - Best Non-Profit Citizens on Patrol
 - Best Individual Mischievous Elves
- Everyone who entered as a winner in my eyes!

December 7

Santa Claus Parade/Fireworks

- The parade was well-organized and well-attended and it was beautiful as the floats were all lit-up and twinkling in the evening twilight! Thank you to the organizers.
- The fireworks were sensational...thank you to Gerry Chomiak for setting up such a spectacular display of lights!