

Town of Stettler

COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 3, 2022

6:30 P.M.

BOARD ROOM



TOWN OF STETTLER MISSION STATEMENT

WE WILL PROVIDE A HIGH
QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR
RESIDENTS AND VISITORS
THROUGH LEADERSHIP AND
THE DELIVERY OF EFFECTIVE,
EFFICIENT AND AFFORDABLE
SERVICES THAT ARE SOCIALLY
AND ENVIRONMENTALLY
RESPONSIBLE

**TOWN OF STETTLER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 3rd, 2022
6:30 P.M.
AGENDA**

1. **Agenda Additions**
2. **Agenda Approval**
3. **Confirmation of Minutes**
 - (a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 19th, 2022 5-11
4. **Citizens Forum**
5. **Delegations**
 - (a) 6:35pm – Carson Hvenegaard – Battle River Watershed Alliance Update 12-30
6. **Administration**
 - (a) 2022 Budget Summary – March 31, 2022 31-32
 - (b) Meeting Dates
 - **Tuesday, May 10 – 2022 Tax Deliberations – 3:00pm**
 - Tuesday, May 10 – COW – 4:30pm
 - Tuesday, May 17 – Council – 6:30pm
 - **Monday, June 6-Friday, June 10 – Seniors’ Week**
 - Tuesday, June 7 – Council – 6:30pm
 - **Saturday, June 11 – Town & County Pancake Breakfast**
 - Tuesday, June 14 – COW – 4:30pm
 - Tuesday, June 21 – Council – 6:30pm
 - Tuesday, July 5 – Council – 6:30pm
 - Tuesday, July 12 – COW – 4:30pm
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- Tuesday, November 15 – Council – 6:30pm
- **Monday, December 5 – Regional Water Meeting – 1:00pm**
- Tuesday, December 6 – Council – 6:30pm
- **Tuesday, December 13 – 2023 Interim Budget Workshop – 4:30pm**
- Tuesday, December 13 – COW – 4:30pm
- Tuesday, December 20 – Council – 6:30pm

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| (g) Accounts Payable in the amount of \$5,216,309.51 (\$471.40 + \$5,065,365.24 + \$56,579.33 + \$24,298.92 + \$51,287.61 + \$18,307.01) | 33-41 |
| 7. <u>Council</u> | |
| (a) Meeting Reports | |
| 8. <u>Minutes</u> | |
| (a) Regional Water Services Commission Meeting – April 26, 2022 | 42-44 |
| 9. <u>Public Hearing</u> | |
| 10. <u>Bylaws</u> | |
| 11. <u>Correspondence</u> | |
| (a) Canadian Gelbvieh Association – Funding Request | 45 |
| (b) National Police Federation – Your Police, Your Future: Listening to Albertans | 46-60 |
| 12. <u>Items Added</u> | |
| 13. <u>In-Camera Session</u> | |
| 14. <u>Adjournment</u> | |

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF STETTLER COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19th, 2022 IN THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present:

Mayor S. Nolls

Councillors K. Baker, C. Barros, G. Lawlor,
S. Pfeiffer, T. Randell & W. Smith

CAO G. Switenky
Assistant CAO S. Gerlitz
Director of Operations M. Robbins
Manager of Financial Services K. Hymers

Media (0)

Absent:

Call to Order:

Mayor Nolls called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1/2. **Agenda Additions/Approval:**

CAO Switenky advised that item 13(a) has been removed from the agenda.

Motion 22:04:15

Moved by Councillor Baker to approve the agenda as amended.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

3. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 5, 2022

Motion 22:04:16

Moved by Councillor Smith that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 5, 2022 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (b) Business Arising from the April 5, 2022 Minutes
(c) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held April 12, 2022

Motion 22:04:17

Moved by Councillor Lawlor that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on April 12, 2022 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

- (d) Business Arising from the April 12, 2022 Minutes

4. **Citizen's Forum:**

- (a) None

5. **Delegations:**

- (a) 6:35pm – Manager of Financial Services Kim Hymers – 2021 Financial Statements

Mayor Nolls welcomed Manager of Financial Services K. Hymers to the meeting.

CAO Switenky presented and reviewed the financial results included in the Town's 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements and the companion 2021 Municipal Financial Information Return, both prepared by management.

In addition, the following documents were presented for Council's review:

- "Audit Findings" Letter dated April 19, 2022
- "Significant Deficiencies in Internal Control" Letter dated April 19, 2022
- Auditor Opinion Letter dated April 19, 2022
- The Auditors' Report on the 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements, dated April 19, 2022
- The Auditor's Report on the 2021 Municipal Financial Information Return dated April 19, 2022

Motion 22:04:18

Moved by Councillor Barros that Town of Stettler Council accept the 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements and the Municipal Financial Information Return for the Year ended December 31, 2021 as presented, including correspondence from the Auditor as follows:

1. "Audit Findings" Letter dated April 19, 2022.
2. "Significant Deficiencies in Internal Control" Letter dated April 19, 2022
3. Auditor Opinion Letter dated April 19, 2022
4. The Auditors' Report on the 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements, dated April 19, 2022.
5. The Auditors' Report on the 2021 Municipal Financial Information Return dated April 19, 2022.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

Mayor Nolls thanked K. Hymers for her presentation and the entire financial team for their excellent work on the 2021 Financial Statements.

K. Hymers left the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

- (b) 7:00pm – Winnie Bisset – Heartland Youth Centre – Bowl for Kids Update

Mayor Nolls welcomed W. Bisset to the meeting.

W. Bisset thanked Town Council for supporting the Heartland Youth Centre by participating in the 2022 Bowl for Kids Fundraiser, and presented participating members with a trophy of recognition.

Mayor Nolls congratulated W. Bisset on another successful fundraiser and thanked her for attending the meeting.

W. Bisset left the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

6. **Administration:** (a) Committee of the Whole Recommendations

Motion 22:04:19

Moved by Councillor Pfeiffer that the Town of Stettler Council approve the 'Meet & Greet Night' for the Coast to Coast Antique Car Tour in August 2022, sponsored by Town Council and potential use of the Community Hall, with funds of up to \$3000 to come from the Community Development Account in the 2022 Budget.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

Motion 22:04:20

Moved by Councillor Randell that the Town of Stettler

Council approve the annual STARS contribution of \$12,000, increased from \$11,904, in the 2022 Budget.

MOTION CARRIED
 Unanimous

(b) 2022 Capital Budget – 53rd Street Waterline Tender

Mayor Nolls welcomed Director of Operations M. Robbins to the meeting.

M. Robbins advised that the 2022 Capital Budget project to replace the cast iron water main and lead water services in 53 Street between 48-51 Avenues is \$950,000. The underground portion to be completed in 2022, with paving of the trenches to be completed in 2023, which allows trench settlement to occur over the winter of 2022/2023. The intersection of 50 Ave and 53 Street will be paved in 2022 due to the high volume of traffic.



Summary of Tenders Received by Tagish Engineering on April 13, 2022:

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| • Wally's Backhoe Services | \$647,759.03 |
| • Kaon Infrastructure Ltd. | \$837,078.06 |
| • UG Excavating Ltd. | \$899,805.23 |
| • Watson Welding Ltd. | \$918,947.26 |
| • Grayson Excavating Ltd. | \$925,570.51 |
| • North side Construction Partnership | \$1,075,256.50 |
| • PME Inc. | \$1,157,505.65 |
| • GS Holdings Company Ltd. | \$1,344,440.00 |
| • Urban Dirtworks Inc. | \$1,388,980.41 |
| • Integrity Earth & Iron Inc. | \$1,499,418.54 |

Tenders were posted on Alberta Purchasing Connection. Tenders do not include GST or contingency.

Contingency was not included in the tender to avoid extra billing; however, carrying a contingency allowance is necessary to cover any unexpected costs or changes. Traditionally, Administration would recommend a 10% contingency to cover unexpected ground conditions; however, the design survey was completed during winter conditions and the location of water services for some properties was not able to be found and may be located under existing elm trees, therefore a 15% contingency is being recommended for this project.

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| Tendered Price | \$647,759.03 |
| 15% Contingency | \$98,000.00 |
| Engineering & Testing | <u>\$80,000.00</u> |
| Total | \$825,759.03 |

Motion 22:04:21

Moved by Councillor Smith that the Town of Stettler Council award the 53rd Street, 48-51 Avenue Water Replacements tender to Wally's Backhoe Services in the amount of \$647,759.03, with a 15% contingency of \$98,000.00 for a 2022 construction cost of \$745,759.03 excluding GST. Administration recommends utilizing Tagish Engineering for engineering services up to \$80,000 for a total project expenditure of \$852,759.03, excluding GST with funding provided from the 2022 Capital Budget. Remaining budget funds to be carried over to 2023 for paving costs.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

Mayor Nolls thanked M. Robbins for her presentation.

M. Robbins left the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

(c) Bank Reconciliation

Motion 22:04:22

Moved by Councillor Lawlor that the Town of Stettler Council accept the Bank Reconciliation as of March 31, 2022 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

(d) CAO Reports

Motion 22:04:23

Moved by Councillor Baker that the Town of Stettler Council accept the CAO Reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

(g) Meeting Dates

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- (d) Accounts Payable in the amount of \$345,940.70

Motion 22:04:24

Moved by Councillor Pfeiffer that the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$345,940.70 (\$123,354.06 + \$36,113.29 + \$65,735.83 + \$4,429.68 + \$116,307.84) for the period ending April 19th, 2022 for having been paid, be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

7. **Council:** Councillors outlined highlights of meetings they attended.

- (a) Mayor Nolls

April 6 – Talk of the Town
April 8 – Signed Cheques at the Town Office
April 8-10 – Stettler Tradeshow
April 11-12 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries
April 12 – Stettler Board of Trade Meeting
April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 13 – Talk of the Town
April 14-15 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries
April 15 – Signed Cheques at the Town Office

- (b) Councillor Baker

April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
April 7 – Economic Development Conference
April 9 – Kidsport Gala
April 9-10 – Stettler Tradeshow
April 11-14 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries
April 12 – Municipal Planning Commission Meeting
April 12 – Stettler Board of Trade Meeting
April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

- (c) Councillor Barros

April 6 – Stettler Learning Board
April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
April 8-9 – Stettler Trade Show
April 9 – Stettler Hospital Foundation Fundraiser
April 9 – Kidsport Gala Fundraiser
April 11 – Stettler Hospital Foundation Golf Tournament Planning
April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
April 12 – Municipal Planning Commission Meeting
April 12-13 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries

- (d) Councillor Lawlor

April 6-7 – Economic Development Conference
April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
April 8-10 – Stettler Trade Show
April 11-13 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries
April 12 – Municipal Planning Commission
April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

(e) Councillor Pfeiffer

April 6-8 – Economic Developers of Alberta Conference
 April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
 April 9 – Stettler Trade Show
 April 12 – Municipal Planning Commission
 April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
 April 12 – Stettler Board of Trade Meeting
 April 12-15 – Meals on Wheels Deliveries
 April 18 – Stettler FCSS Meeting

(f) Councillor Randell

April 6-8 – Economic Developers of Alberta Conference
 April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
 April 9-10 – Stettler Tradeshow
 April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
 April 15 – Meals on Wheels Delivery

(g) Councillor Smith

April 7 – Municipal Planning Commission
 April 8 – Stettler Tradeshow
 April 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
 April 15 – Meals on Wheels Delivery
 April 18 – FCSS Meeting

Motion 22:04:25

Moved by Councillor Lawlor that the Town of Stettler Council approve the Council Reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
 Unanimous

8. **Minutes:**

(a) Stettler Waste Management Authority Meeting – March 15, 2022

Motion 22:04:26

Moved by Councillor Smith that the Minutes (a) be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
 Unanimous

9. **Public Hearing:**

None

10. **Bylaws:**

(a) None

11. **Correspondence:**

(a) Stettler Regional Board of Trade – Trade Show Press Release

Motion 22:04:27

Moved by Councillor Randell that the Town of Stettler Council accept the Correspondence items (a) as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
 Unanimous

12. **Items Added:**

None

13. **In-Camera Session:**

(a) None

14. **Adjournment:**

Motion 22:04:28

Moved by Councillor Baker that this regular meeting of the Town of Stettler Council be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED
 Unanimous at 7:26 p.m.

Mayor

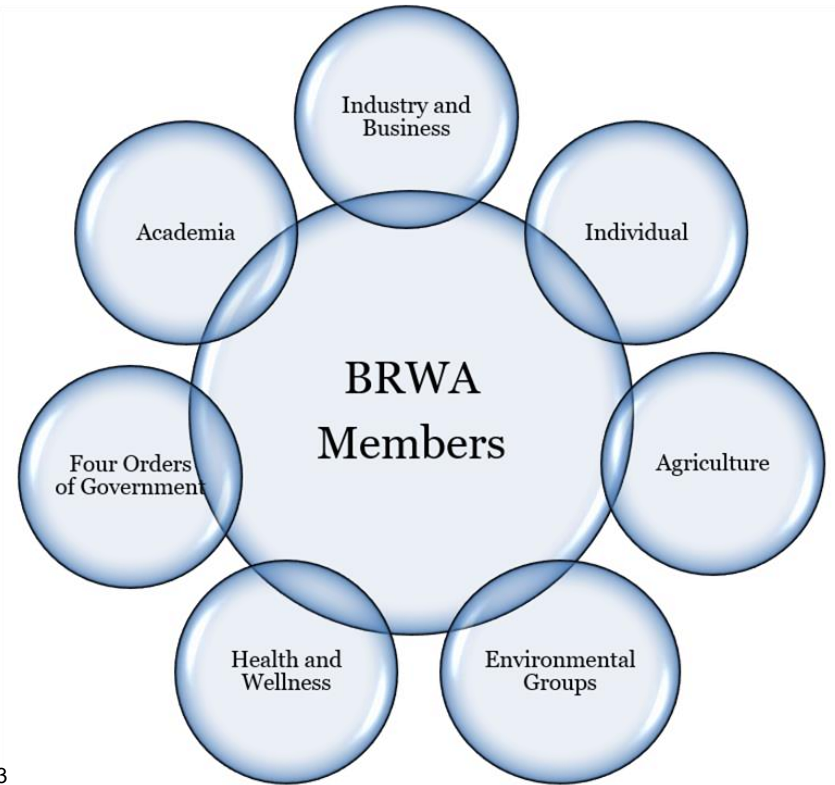
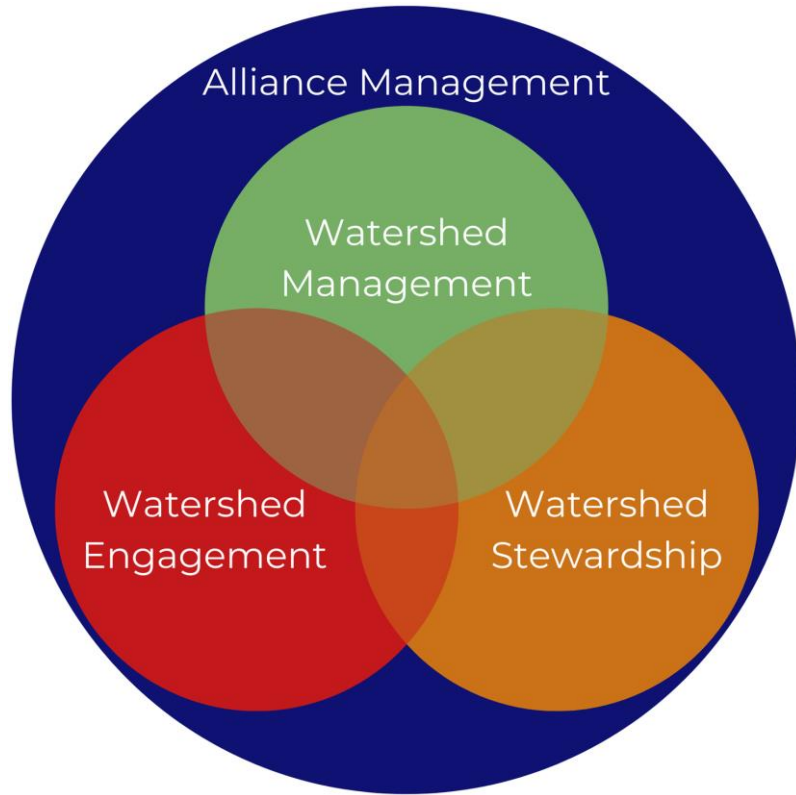
Assistant CAO

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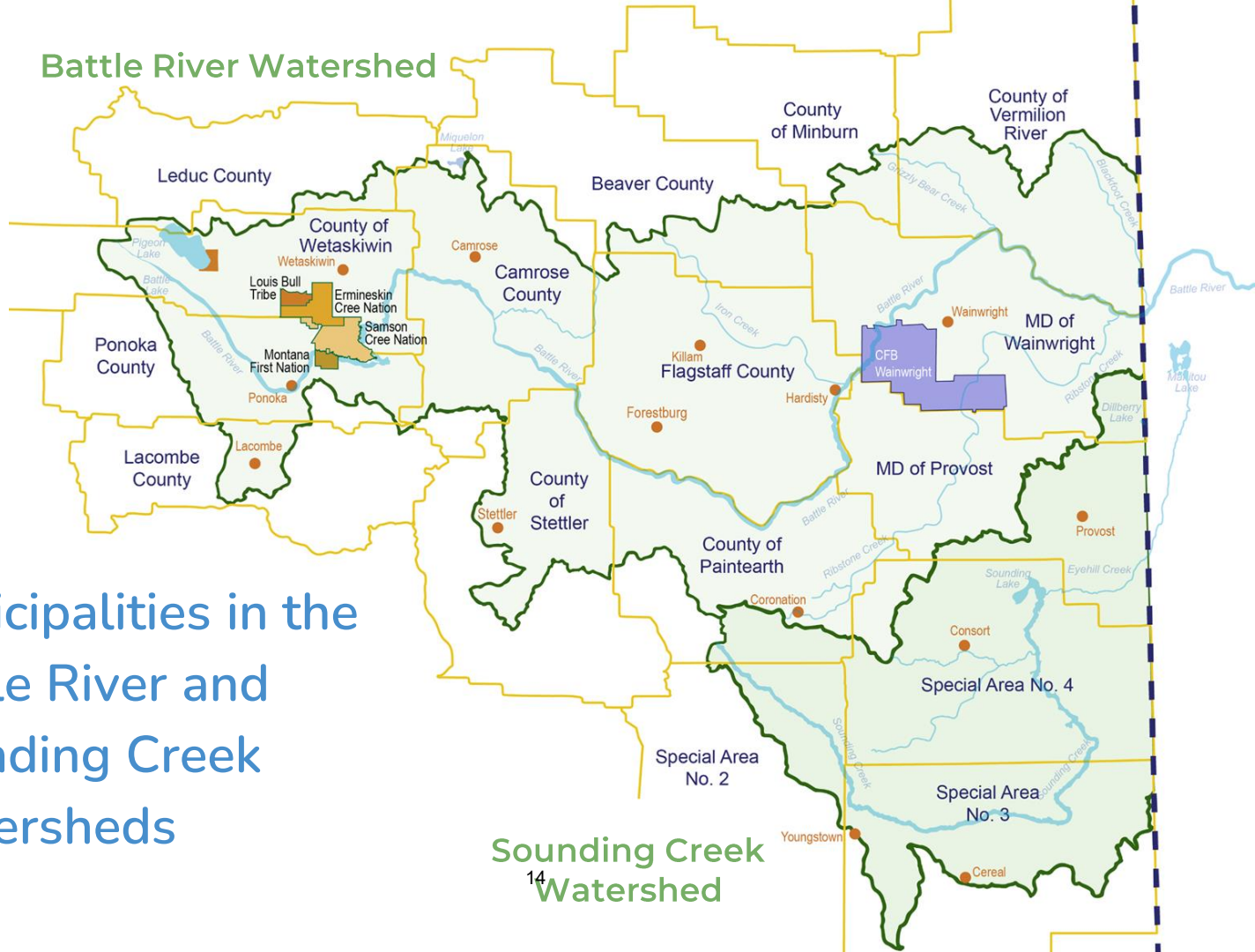
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2022 report to Council

Who We Are



Battle River Watershed



Municipalities in the Battle River and Sounding Creek Watersheds

Sounding Creek Watershed

How the BRWA can help your municipality:

- Conserving water quality and quantity
- Balancing economic, social, and ecological priorities
- Engaging with citizens about watershed issues and solutions
- Creating and responding to environmental regulations
- Planning and action for a healthy and resilient watershed

BRWA Program Highlights

Education Programs



Discover your Wetland



Waste in our Watershed
Tour



X-Stream Science



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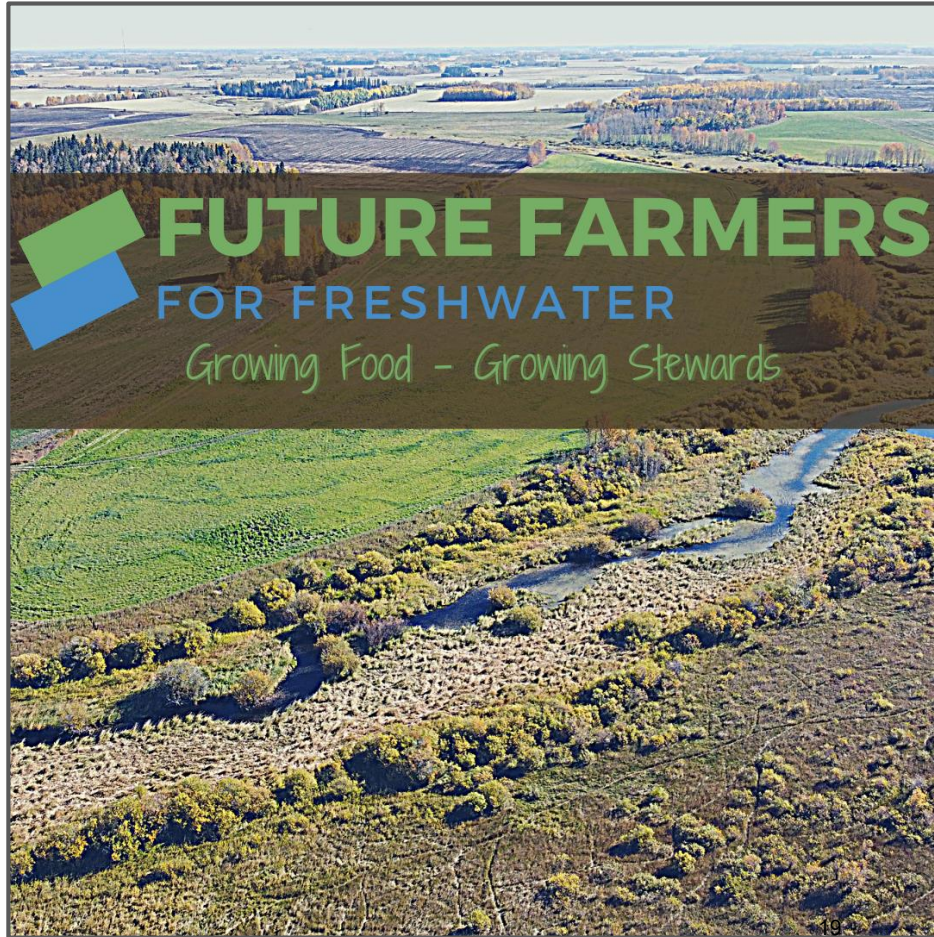
LACOMBE COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL

LCAS EcoVision

EPICC Garden

By: Harika Guggilapu, Harish Guggilapu, Jazmine Toews, and Hailey Ash.





Two Parts Aimed towards 4H Groups

- *Presentation on the watershed and agriculture*
- *Stewardship Community Project*

BATTLE RIVER PADDLE GUIDE: LITTLE BEAVER LAKE

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Why Go?

Little Beaver Lake provides paddlers of all experience levels a chance to get out and explore close to home! Camrose, Ponoka, Wetaskiwin, and Maskwacis are only just over a half hour away from this gem beside the village of Ferintosh. Little Beaver Lake is a great choice for paddlers not interested in traveling great distances or dealing with shuttle driving arrangements.



Know Before You Go

Little Beaver Lake is a place where you can completely immerse yourself in nature. No motor boats are allowed here, and the majority of the lake has been left natural. The deepest point of the lake is found near the dock, but gets much shallower towards the north shore. Blue-green algae advisories are rare but check the Alberta Health Services before swimming.

The lake is the headwaters of Meeting Creek, which flows south through the town of the same name and past Donalda. It meets the Red Willow Creek before emptying into the Battle River. Meeting Creek may be navigable in high water, but is untested by us.



Plant and Animal Life

Little Beaver Lake is home to a variety of fish and minnows. The most commonly angled for is fish here is Northern Pike. A rough hiking trail follows the east side of the lake and offers a peek into the lives of the creatures here. If you're lucky you may see a beaver or muskrat. In the spring, the lake is surrounded by wild roses in full bloom, and during the summertime the trails are a mycology (mushroom) enthusiast's dream!



Local Attractions

Ferintosh Campground

The Ferintosh Campground is conveniently located on the eastern shore of Little Beaver Lake, only a short walk away from Ferintosh amenities, which includes the Ferintosh Hotel—a rustic pub with a patio. A free day use area includes the playground, picnic tables and walking trail. Paid camping gives you access to sites with water and electricity, and washroom facilities. You can also pay \$25.00 for a daily rental of the picnic shelter. The campground has a central boat launch making getting in and out a breeze.



Please use discretion when choosing a paddling route. You are expected to follow all traffic and boating laws, be aware of weather, respect private property, and assess hazards before going out. Prepare to be out longer than expected- bring extra food, water, and lights. The Battle River Watershed Alliance holds no responsibility for injuries or damage sustained on your paddle.

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BATTLE RIVER PADDLE GUIDE: BIG JOHN ROUTE

Hwy 53 East of Donalda to Big Knife Provincial Park

#PaddleTheBattle



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Why Go?

If you subscribe to the mentality that life is not the destination but the journey, this route is for you. Packed with large oxbows, you can paddle all day but not get far. Don't let that deter you, this is a beautiful route and worth the time it takes. You will paddle 30.5km, which took us 7.5 hours (including 1 hour of breaks) in Sept. You will also paddle through the confluence with Meeting Creek.

This section is named for John Pearson, a tall man with a big voice from Donalda. John was a BRWA board member who passed away in 2019. Be sure to tell a big story after you get back!

Know Before You Go

Like most of the Battle River, there is no cell phone reception in the valley. If you need to make an emergency call, climb to the top of the hills.

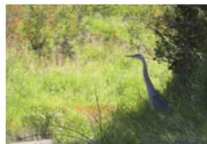
The Battle River Generating Station lies just downstream of Big Knife, and because of this the water flows extra slow in the second half of the stretch. As you near Big Knife it feels more like paddling a lake.

Towards the end be careful to follow the river- it could be easy to head into the lake-like cattail marshes and get off track. This would be very difficult in the dark- give yourself lots of time!



Plant and Animal Life

This is the perfect route for paddlers looking to enjoy the watershed at it's most raw and unrefined, with a lush riparian area providing excellent wildlife habitat. We saw a great blue heron and many king fishers. Moose and mule deer have been spotted near shore looking for a drink. As the sun set the beavers got very active- it was fun to see them swim back and forth across the river and slap their tail as we neared. Golden and Bald eagles are also found in the park, so keep your eyes on the skies!



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Local Attractions

Big Knife Provincial Park

See our Big Knife Paddle guide for more details about this park. There is lots to explore and enjoy at the end of your journey. The highlight being the Hoodoos on the River Flats Trail. Also in the area is the Diplomat Mine Interpretive Site, just off the highway adjacent to the plant.



Local Taverns

Depending on what direction you are heading after your paddle, there are (at least) three great pubs to grab a bite; east to the Donalda Tavern (don't miss seeing the world's biggest oil lamp!), North to Big Willy's Bar at the Heisler Hotel, or south to the Halkirk Hotel. The authentic charm of these places is a reason to love these small towns. Call ahead to make sure they are open.

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BATTLE RIVER PADDLE GUIDE: FERRY POINT REACH

Battle River: Edberg Weir (Hwy 56) to Ferry Point Campground

#PaddleTheBattle



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Why Go?

There are very few meanders along this section of river! If you want a "straight-forward" paddle, this is as good as you will get on the Battle. The river is wide and maintains a good level of flow long into the summer. The reach is about 12km long, so plan to be on the water for 3-5 hours, depending on the flow. The shuttle between put-in and take-out is only about 15 min.



Know Before You Go

There is a No Boating sign at the weir. We've checked with the GOA and have approval that people are able to put in here, just do not try to go over the weir (or even go near it!)

The BRWA did a riparian restoration program along here in 2014 to support landowners in keeping cattle out of the river. Although many folks participated, you will still see a lot of cows drinking from the water. Try not to splash it in your mouth and wash your hands before eating.

If you need to get a bite to eat after you take-out, try the Double Dam Golf Course!



Plant and Animal Life

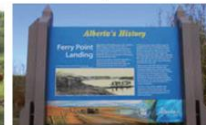
The weir at the start of this stretch changes the aquatic ecosystem in just the right way to create a birdwatchers paradise! Unlike a dam, the weir allows some water to pass by, creating fast flowing water that freezes later than other parts of the river. For this reason, fishing birds like bald eagles frequent this spot for an easy spring or fall meal. In the summer, fish begin traveling through the river to spawn, and sometimes encounter a lineup at the fish ladder- their only entrance into Dried Meat Lake. This attracts birds galore! A great blue heron is known to frequent the weir, can you spot him?



Local Attractions

Ferry Point Campground

A ferry boat to transport people and goods across the river was established here in 1902. There was a small but vibrant community here, until the railway boom drew people to towns along rail lines. There is a small campground with a playground, picnic shelter, washrooms, and campsites available seasonally.



Meeting Creek

The Railway Station and Grain Elevator are both historical landmarks and volunteers have worked hard to maintain their original charm and create exhibits. Call 780-672-3099 for guided tours. There is also the Linear Park Trails, 2 km trail surrounded by native prairie complete with a labyrinth and interpretive signs.

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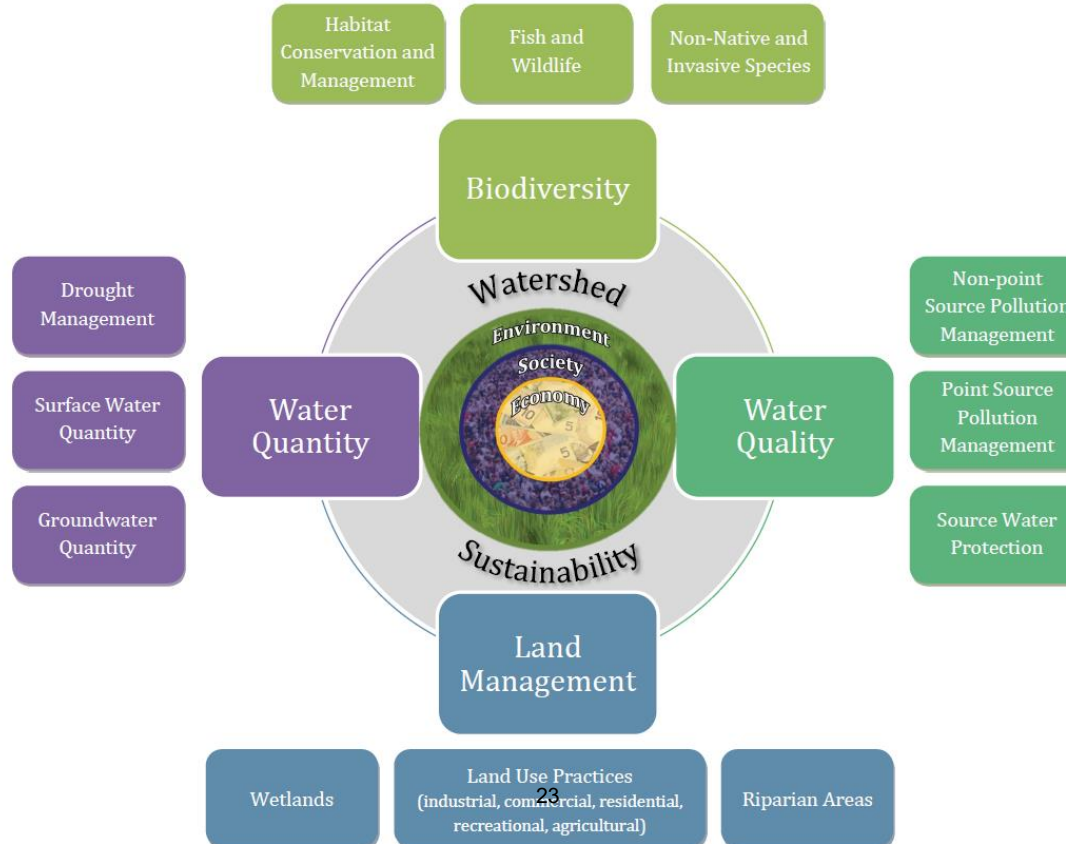
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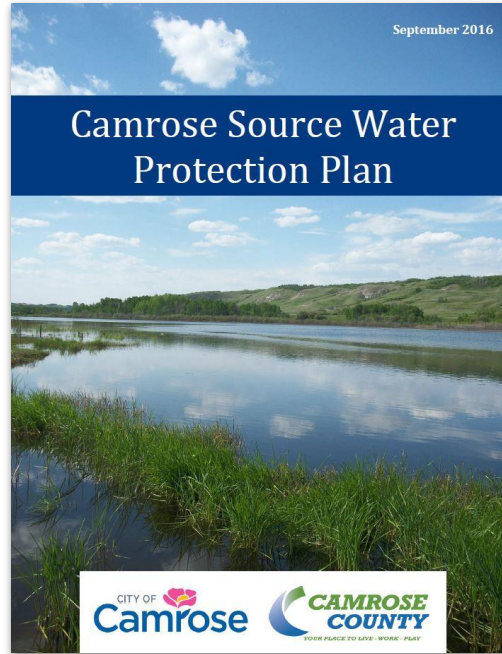
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Watershed Management and Planning



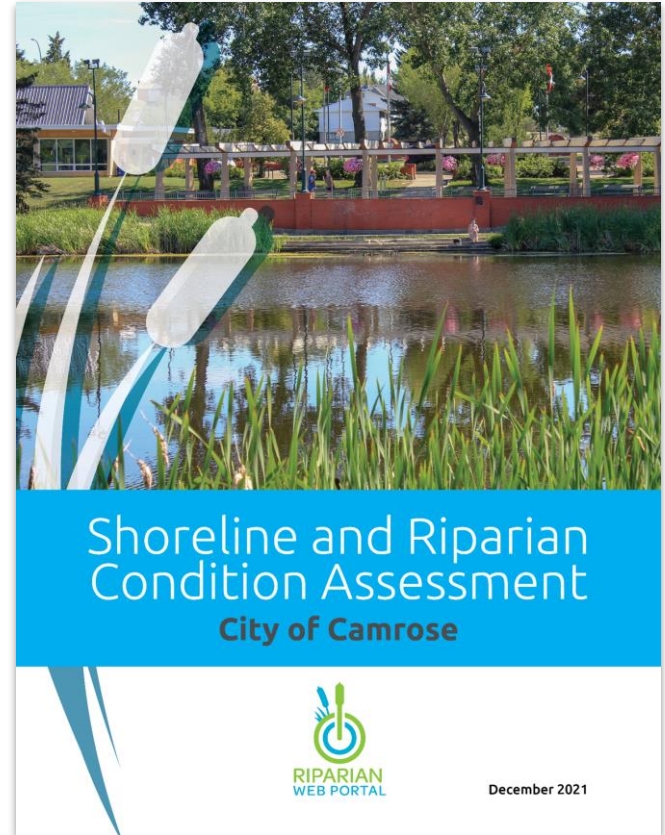
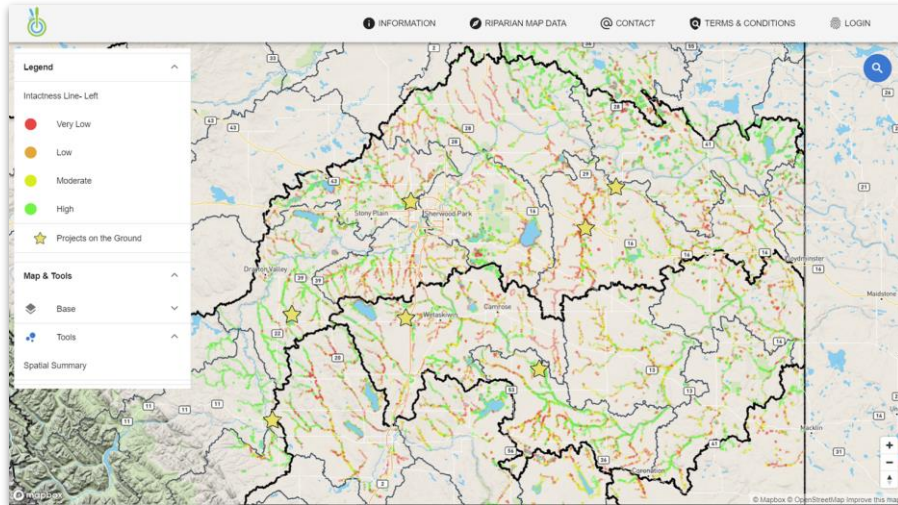
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Stewardship Programs and Workshops

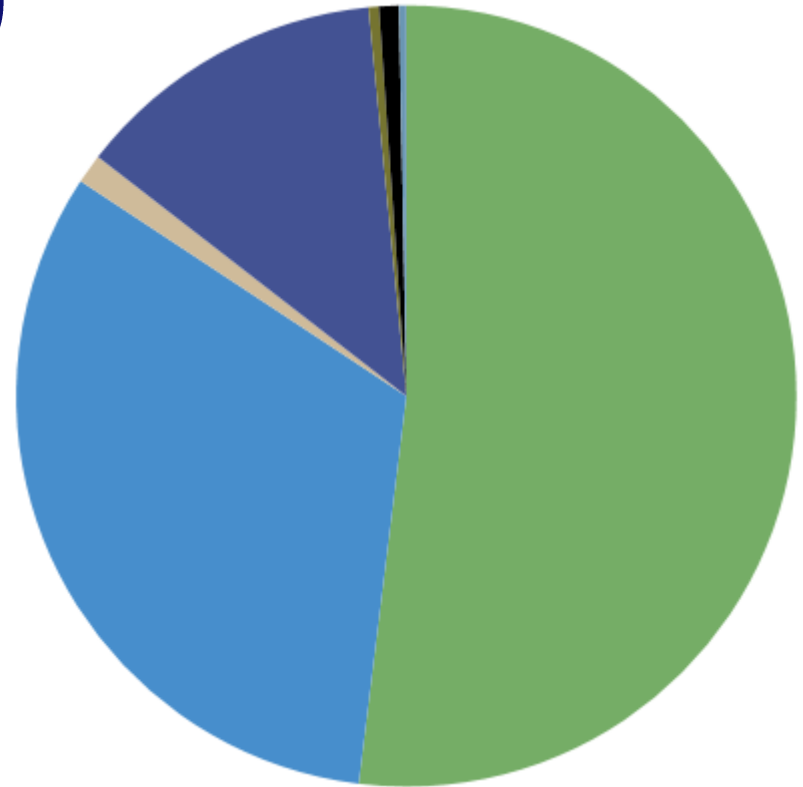


Riparian Intactness Assessment Project



Funding (2020-2021)

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| Provincial Grants | \$440,289.65 |
| Federal Grants | \$273,999.00 |
| Municipal Funding | \$10,334.00 |
| Corporate Grants | \$109,824.00 |
| Other Program Income | \$3,641.00 |
| Interest | \$6,915.00 |
| Fee for Service | \$2,560.00 |



How you can help the BRWA this year:

Land and Water Advisory/Technical Committee

- Integrating municipal planning processes with regional land and water management

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2022 Budget Summary - March 31, 2022

| Revenue | 2021 Operating Budget May 2021 (not included \$645,000 Operating Capital Budget) | 2022 Interim Operating Budget (no operating capital budget) | 2022 Operating (Interim) Actual - March 31, 2022 | Variance | % | Notes |
|-------------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Administration | \$280,020.00 | \$272,020.00 | \$79,320.59 | \$192,699.41 | 70.84% | |
| | Inter Dept Utility Transfer - \$250,000 | | | | | |
| Police | \$495,308.00 | \$548,804.00 | \$8,451.32 | \$540,352.68 | 98.46% | MSI Operating - \$52,448 |
| | Traffic Fines - Budget - \$60,000 | | | | | |
| | Provincial Grant - \$347,000 | | | | | |
| | Community Resource Program - Clearview \$40,000 / County - \$43,356 | | | | | |
| Fire | \$449,247.00 | \$452,321.00 | \$24,318.19 | \$428,002.81 | 94.62% | |
| Disaster Services | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| Bylaw Enforcement | \$109,950.00 | \$109,950.00 | \$109,255.00 | \$695.00 | 0.63% | |
| | Business Licenses Budget - \$86,250 - Actual \$86,650 / Animal License Budget \$21,700 - Actual \$20,755 | | | | | |
| Roads, Streets, Walks, Lights | \$63,800.00 | \$64,535.00 | \$0.00 | \$64,535.00 | 100.00% | |
| Airport | \$10,880.00 | \$10,880.00 | \$4,838.20 | \$6,041.80 | 55.53% | |
| Drainage | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00% | |
| Water Supply & Distribution | \$3,147,358.00 | \$3,148,438.00 | \$463,828.95 | \$2,684,609.05 | 85.27% | |
| | Metered sale of water (Budget - \$1,962,728 - Actual \$270,743 = 14% - end of February - 16%) | | | | | |
| | Metered out of Town (Budget - \$1,070,000 - Actual \$180,514 = 17% - end of February - 16%) | | | | | |
| | Bulk water - Budget - \$40,000 - Actual - \$1800 - 5% | | | | | |
| Sewer | \$950,701.00 | \$950,701.00 | \$141,565.86 | \$809,135.14 | 85.11% | |
| | Sewer Service Charges (Budget - \$888,681 - Actual \$141,566 = 16% - end of February - 16%) | | | | | |
| Garbage Collection & Disposal | \$836,789.00 | \$839,812.00 | \$138,676.86 | \$701,135.14 | 83.49% | SWMA haul rebate - \$26,619 |
| | Residential Garbage Revenue (2022 Budget - \$636,975 - Actual \$102,835 = 16% - end of February - 16%) | | | | | |
| | Recycling Revenue (Budget 2022 - \$171,210 - Actual \$28,405 = 17% - end of February - 17%) | | | | | |
| FCSS | \$157,148.00 | \$157,148.00 | -\$13,095.00 | \$170,243.00 | 108.33% | |
| Cemetery | \$23,600.00 | \$23,600.00 | \$5,550.00 | \$18,050.00 | 76.48% | |
| Planning & Development | \$44,500.00 | \$44,500.00 | \$7,041.03 | \$37,458.97 | 84.18% | |
| | Building Permits (Budget - \$30,000 - Actual - \$3,334.08) | | | | | |
| Economic Development - BOT | \$232,125.00 | \$137,420.00 | \$87,045.02 | \$50,374.98 | 36.66% | |
| Subdivision Land | \$2,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,000.00 | 100.00% | |
| Land, Housing & Rentals | \$282,015.00 | \$278,580.00 | \$86,256.92 | \$192,323.08 | 69.04% | |
| | AE Kennedy Health Unit - \$205,300 | | | | | |
| | Ambulance Station - \$20,100 | | | | | |
| | SRC - Library - Budget - \$42,000 | | | | | |
| Recreation - General | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | -\$278.50 | \$3,278.50 | 0.00% | |
| Recreation Programs | \$22,700.00 | \$26,190.00 | -\$5,228.72 | \$31,418.72 | 119.96% | Ball / Soccer |
| Facilities | \$952,732.00 | \$1,009,465.00 | \$143,481.28 | \$865,983.72 | 85.79% | County / Pool / SRC |
| Community Hall | \$30,000.00 | \$40,000.00 | \$3,752.20 | \$36,247.80 | 90.62% | |
| Senior's Center | \$20,875.00 | \$22,875.00 | \$9,024.79 | \$13,850.21 | 60.55% | \$6000 Casino |
| Parks | \$115,650.00 | \$120,650.00 | \$5,442.18 | \$115,207.82 | 95.49% | |
| | Lions Campground - Budget - \$120,000 - actual - \$546.91 | | | | | |
| Operating Contingency | \$4,529.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00% | |
| Taxes / Penalties | \$8,677,404.00 | \$8,737,622.00 | \$0.00 | \$8,737,622.00 | 100.00% | |
| Other Revenue | \$1,938,350.00 | \$2,078,400.00 | \$425,364.72 | \$1,653,035.28 | 79.53% | |
| | Franchise Fee - GAS (Budget - \$1,065,000 - Actual \$236,684 = 22% - end of March - 25%) | | | | | |
| | Franchise Fee - ELECTRIC (Budget - \$805,000 - Actual \$142,778 = 18% - end of February - 16%) | | | | | |
| | Return on Investments (Budget - \$140,000 - Actual - \$10,848) | | | | | |
| Total Revenue | \$18,850,681.00 | \$19,078,911.00 | \$1,724,610.89 | \$17,354,300.11 | 9.04% | |

| Expense | 2021 Operating Budget May 2021 (not included \$645,000 Operating Capital Budget) | 2022 Interim Operating Budget (no operating capital budget) | 2022 Operating (Interim) Actual - March 31, 2022 | Variance | % | Notes |
|---|---|---|--|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Council & Legislative | \$221,630.00 | \$222,640.00 | \$50,011.70 | \$172,628.30 | 77.54% | |
| Council Honorarium (Budget - \$153,640) | | | | | | |
| Council per diem - Budget - \$27,000 | | | | | | |
| Council travel & subsistence - Budget - \$22,000) | | | | | | |
| Council membership Conferences (Budget - \$16,000 - Actual \$6519.38 = 41% - AM membership) | | | | | | |
| Administration | \$1,294,932.00 | \$1,234,618.00 | \$236,136.03 | \$998,481.97 | 80.87% | |
| Police | \$1,264,942.00 | \$1,277,089.00 | \$3,992.44 | \$1,273,096.56 | 99.69% | |
| RCMP - Contract Billings (2022 - \$1,087,211) | | | | | | |
| Fire | \$794,059.00 | \$917,264.00 | \$84,945.96 | \$832,318.04 | 90.74% | |
| Disaster Services | \$33,080.00 | \$33,530.00 | \$113.19 | \$33,416.81 | 99.66% | |
| Bylaw Enforcement | \$192,716.00 | \$196,777.00 | \$33,155.46 | \$163,621.54 | 83.15% | |
| Common Services | \$156,733.00 | \$159,815.00 | \$28,087.32 | \$131,727.68 | 82.43% | |
| Roads, Streets, Walks, Lights | \$2,032,829.00 | \$1,949,578.00 | \$312,162.42 | \$1,637,415.58 | 83.99% | |
| Airport | \$47,635.00 | \$49,187.00 | \$5,675.92 | \$43,511.08 | 88.46% | |
| Water Supply & Distribution | \$3,078,025.00 | \$3,094,431.00 | \$547,807.83 | \$2,546,623.17 | 82.30% | |
| Sewer | \$706,865.00 | \$721,420.00 | \$174,298.97 | \$547,121.03 | 75.84% | |
| Garbage Collection & Disposal | \$724,917.00 | \$748,219.00 | \$46,508.99 | \$701,710.01 | 93.78% | |
| FCSS | \$196,435.00 | \$196,435.00 | \$49,108.75 | \$147,326.25 | 75.00% | |
| Cemetery | \$65,790.00 | \$64,290.00 | \$3,453.42 | \$60,836.58 | 94.63% | |
| Planning & Development | \$330,035.00 | \$421,345.00 | \$63,846.80 | \$357,498.20 | 84.85% | |
| Comm Services -Handi Bus | \$25,000.00 | \$25,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$25,000.00 | 100.00% | |
| Economic Development | \$679,030.00 | \$587,646.00 | \$106,597.74 | \$481,048.26 | 81.86% | |
| Subdivison Land | \$55,820.00 | \$56,620.00 | \$9,842.12 | \$46,777.88 | 82.62% | |
| Land, Housing & Rentals | \$44,890.00 | \$44,760.00 | \$8,097.66 | \$36,662.34 | 81.91% | |
| Recreation - General | \$151,470.00 | \$146,025.00 | \$41,059.88 | \$104,965.12 | 71.88% | |
| Recreation Programs | \$84,740.00 | \$81,320.00 | \$5,757.72 | \$75,562.28 | 92.92% | |
| Facilities | \$2,375,397.00 | \$2,507,648.00 | \$504,753.92 | \$2,002,894.08 | 79.87% | |
| Culture | \$334,162.00 | \$354,497.00 | \$77,531.04 | \$276,965.96 | 78.13% | Parkland, Library, Museum |
| Community Hall | \$107,546.00 | \$107,397.00 | \$19,061.73 | \$88,335.27 | 82.25% | |
| Senior's Center | \$13,330.00 | \$13,280.00 | \$1,404.05 | \$11,875.95 | 89.43% | |
| Parks | \$630,581.00 | \$658,412.00 | \$33,634.64 | \$624,777.36 | 94.89% | |
| Operating Contingency | -\$220,000.00 | -\$210,000.00 | \$0.00 | -\$210,000.00 | 100.00% | WTP Gross Recovery, Tran to Res |
| WTP gross recovery - (\$210,000) (JE made at end of year prior to Audit) | | | | | | |
| Available for Capital from 2022 Operating Budget for 2022 Capital Budget - \$698,353 (Water \$54,007 + Utility \$320,874 (sewer, waste, recycling) + Total Available for Capital - \$323,472) = \$698,353 | | | | | | |
| Requisitions | \$2,684,629.00 | \$2,721,315.00 | \$441,300.55 | \$2,280,014.45 | 83.78% | |
| ASFF (Budget - \$2,168,932 - Actual - \$399,629.19 - 18%) | | | | | | |
| ASFF Separate School (Budget - \$178,725 - Actual - \$41,671.36 - 23%) | | | | | | |
| County of Stettler Senior Lodges (Budget - \$372,742 - Actual - \$) | | | | | | |
| Total Expense | \$18,107,218.00 | \$18,380,558.00 | \$2,888,346.25 | \$15,492,211.75 | 15.71% | |
| Surplus / Deficit | \$743,463.00 | \$698,353.00 | -\$1,163,735.36 | | | |

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| Ranges: | From: | To: | From: | To: |
| Vendor ID | First | Last | Chequebook ID | GENERAL |
| Vendor Name | First | Last | Cheque Number | 76101 |
| Cheque Date | First | Last | | 76109 |

Sorted By: Cheque Number

Distribution Types Included:All

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Alberta Land Titles | 76101 | 2022-04-22 | \$6.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| P&D Discharges | | 2022.03.31 | \$6.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Arctec Alloys Limited | 76102 | 2022-04-22 | \$227.23 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Shop Welding Rods | | INV0043064 | \$227.23 |
| ----- | | | |
| Guaranteed Great Baking | 76103 | 2022-04-22 | \$2,500.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| PR Trade Show Cupcakes | | 005 | \$2,500.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Pumps & Pressure | 76104 | 2022-04-22 | \$731.75 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Fire Joint 6 20L Truck Wash/3 | | IN743301 | \$731.75 |
| ----- | | | |
| Receiver General for Canada | 76105 | 2022-04-22 | \$60,672.09 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Town Tax Remittance | | PP08-22 | \$52,196.23 |
| Town Tax Remittance | | PP08-22. | \$3,359.65 |
| BOT Tax Remittance | | PP08-22.BOT | \$2,276.68 |
| Library Tax Remittance | | PP08-22.LIBRAR | \$2,839.53 |
| ----- | | | |
| Receiver General for Canada | 76106 | 2022-04-22 | \$327.23 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
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| Garnishee | | PP08-22 | \$327.23 |
| ----- | | | |
| Town of Stettler | 76107 | 2022-04-22 | \$5,000,000.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Transfer money from TD to CU | | 2022.04.22.TRF | \$5,000,000.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Town of Stettler - Petty Cash | 76108 | 2022-04-22 | \$218.70 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Office Lotto Tickets | | 2022.04.20 | \$218.70 |
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| United Rentals of Canada Inc. | 76109 | 2022-04-22 | \$682.24 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Trans Annual Inspection #168 | | 204643683-001 | \$682.24 |

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
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| | | Total Cheques | ----- \$5,065,365.24 ===== |
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| Ranges: | From: | To: | From: | To: |
| Vendor ID | First | Last | Chequebook ID | GENERAL |
| Vendor Name | First | Last | Cheque Number | 76110 |
| Cheque Date | First | Last | | 76115 |

Sorted By: Cheque Number

Distribution Types Included:All

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cal-Trac Contracting Ltd. | 76110 | 2022-04-29 | \$752.86 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Snow Removal Machine Rental | | 303972 | \$752.86 |
| ----- | | | |
| Canada Post Corporation | 76111 | 2022-04-29 | \$1,550.78 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Water Billing Postage | | 9820659247 | \$1,550.78 |
| ----- | | | |
| Cianfarani, Tony | 76112 | 2022-04-29 | \$113.50 |
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| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Fire Provide Truck & Dump Trai | | 2022.04.19 | \$113.50 |
| ----- | | | |
| Gendre Construction Inc. | 76113 | 2022-04-29 | \$1,890.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Snow Removal D6 Cat for Pushin | | 3074 | \$1,890.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Highway 12/21 Water Services C | 76114 | 2022-04-29 | \$5,850.21 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Water 2021 True-up | | 2021 | \$5,850.21 |
| ----- | | | |
| Shirley McClellan Regional Wat | 76115 | 2022-04-29 | \$14,141.57 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
| ----- | | | |
| Water 2021 True-up | | 2021 | \$14,141.57 |
| ----- | | | |
| | | Total Cheques | \$24,298.92 |
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| Ranges: | From: | To: | From: | To: |
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| Vendor Name | First | Last | Cheque Number | EFT0004623 |
| Cheque Date | First | Last | | EFT0004645 |

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Distribution Types Included:All

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Alberta Elevating Devices | EFT0004623 | 2022-04-26 | \$252.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Office Joint Elevator Permit | EP047974 | \$126.00 | |
| SRC Elevator Permit | EP054393 | \$126.00 | |
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| APEX Supplementary Pension Pla | EFT0004624 | 2022-04-26 | \$424.87 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Supplementary Pension Plan Tr | PP08-22 | \$424.87 | |
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| Black Press Group Ltd. | EFT0004625 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,342.27 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| P&D/Mun Plan/HBC/Other Events | 34236630 | \$1,342.27 | |
| ----- | | | |
| Stettler Regional Board of Tra | EFT0004626 | 2022-04-26 | \$250.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| PR Trade Show Prize | 1917 | \$250.00 | |
| ----- | | | |
| Canadian Union of Public Emplo | EFT0004627 | 2022-04-26 | \$660.00 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Union Dues | PP08-22 | \$660.00 | |
| ----- | | | |
| Clearview Public Schools | EFT0004628 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,938.18 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Joint Office March Office Exp | 6557 | \$1,938.18 | |
| ----- | | | |
| Dillon Consulting | EFT0004629 | 2022-04-26 | \$10,663.96 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Mun Paln IDP & SEASP Consult | 254276 | \$10,663.96 | |
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| EC&M Electric Northern Ltd. | EFT0004630 | 2022-04-26 | \$576.45 |
| ----- | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| WTP ASCO Valve | 121633 | \$576.45 | |
| ----- | | | |
| Gateway Mechanical Services In | EFT0004631 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,046.50 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| SRC Shut Down | 682606 | \$1,046.50 | |

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| GT Hydraulic & Bearing | EFT0004632 | 2022-04-26 | \$2,523.37 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Shop Bearings for Hoist/Tools | 000-369852 | \$975.40 | |
| Shop Hydraulic Ram for Removin | 000-369851 | \$256.96 | |
| Parks/Trans/Water misc filters | 000-370492 | \$380.32 | |
| Water 2 Plugs/2 Cap Assy | 000-369970 | \$14.24 | |
| Fire Joint/Rescue/County Light | 000-370421 | \$896.45 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Heartland Auto Supply | EFT0004633 | 2022-04-26 | \$2,820.27 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Fire Tower 10 & Engine 12 Batt | 001-506550 | \$1,983.87 | |
| Shop Janitor supplies | 001-506474 | \$120.37 | |
| Shop & General Supplies | 001-507323 | \$241.52 | |
| Shop Supplies Spray Paint | 001-508013 | \$28.54 | |
| Shop Wiper Blades Unit #48 | 001-508431 | \$33.85 | |
| Hydrovac Fittings Flow Switch | 001-507894 | \$6.63 | |
| Trans Oil Filter unit #42 | 001-507588 | \$12.26 | |
| Tran Shock Absorber unit #141 | 001-507742 | \$98.21 | |
| Trans Fitting for Hose unit #8 | 001-508096 | \$3.20 | |
| Trans Tools | 001-507402 | \$98.14 | |
| Trans other goods | 001-508022 | \$21.23 | |
| Trans Drainage other goods | 001-507330 | \$71.57 | |
| WATER Windshield Wipers #135 | 001-506608 | \$33.60 | |
| Water Blade Edge Mount Nuts | 001-506695 | \$19.40 | |
| Parks Wiper Blades Unit #83 | 001-508430 | \$33.85 | |
| Fire Joint 4 Over Center Latch | 001-508801 | \$14.03 | |
| ===== | | | |
| IJD Inspections Ltd. | EFT0004634 | 2022-04-26 | \$2,030.77 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| P&D Building Permits & Inspect | 03-2022 | \$2,030.77 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Kathy's Printing Service | EFT0004635 | 2022-04-26 | \$3,927.00 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| PR 3400 Town Life Spring 2022 | 5918 | \$3,486.00 | |
| Water Meter Replacement Forms | 5910 | \$441.00 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Keiths Refrigeration | EFT0004636 | 2022-04-26 | \$115.50 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Health Unit Check RTU | 21567 | \$115.50 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Merlin Shredding Inc. | EFT0004637 | 2022-04-26 | \$261.98 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Office 2022 Record Shredding | 216663 | \$261.98 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Spray Lake Sawmills (1980) Ltd | EFT0004638 | 2022-04-26 | \$6,513.47 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Parks Premium Mulch | 151074 | \$6,513.47 | |
| ===== | | | |
| Stettler Registry Services Ltd | EFT0004639 | 2022-04-26 | \$305.25 |
| ===== | | | |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Parks/Wtr/WTP Drivers Abstract | SR300013122 | | \$305.25 |
| ===== Tagish Engineering Ltd. | EFT0004640 | 2022-04-26 | \$16,086.07 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| TS105-44th Ave 50st-Hwy12 | 19125 | \$4,532.60 | |
| TS106-53rd St Water Replace | 19126 | \$11,373.45 | |
| TS103-44St Lane Replacements | 19124 | \$180.02 | |
| ===== Trinus Technologies Inc | EFT0004641 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,265.02 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Computer Anti Virus/Email/Back | R72590-34912 | \$775.98 | |
| Computer Exchange SSL Renewal | R71835-34885 | \$359.10 | |
| Computer Software Support | P354-34678 | \$129.94 | |
| ===== Uptown Office Supply Ltd. | EFT0004642 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,682.51 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Office Stationery | 03316B | \$95.47 | |
| Office Stationery | 03347B | \$773.89 | |
| Office Stationery | 03517B | \$128.96 | |
| Shop White Board for Office | 03400B | \$370.58 | |
| Water Stationery | 03528B | \$23.43 | |
| P&L Stationery & Office Suppli | 03432B | \$234.58 | |
| P&L Stationery | 03513B | \$55.60 | |
| ===== Wet Water Industries Ltd. | EFT0004643 | 2022-04-26 | \$76.89 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Fire Joint May Wtr Treat Equip | AR38115 | \$76.89 | |
| ===== Wilford, Dallas | EFT0004644 | 2022-04-26 | \$17.00 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Trans Class 3 Written | 2022.04.11 | \$17.00 | |
| ===== Yost, Dustin & Maria Cristine | EFT0004645 | 2022-04-26 | \$1,800.00 |
| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Comm Hall April Hall Janitor | 2022.04.01 | \$1,800.00 | |
| | Total Cheques | \$56,579.33 | |

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| ClearTech Industries Inc. | EFT0004646 | 2022-04-29 | \$10,380.68 |
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| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
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| WTP Chemicals | | INV1011863 | \$10,380.68 |
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| Hach Sales & Service Ltd. | EFT0004647 | 2022-04-29 | \$5,599.70 |
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| WTP Lab Supplies | | 281358 | \$4,346.50 |
| WTP Chemicals | | 281698 | \$1,253.20 |
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| Hi Way 9 Express Ltd. | EFT0004648 | 2022-04-29 | \$892.91 |
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| Trans Freight from WR Meadows | | 6597547 | \$784.15 |
| Trans Freight from Titan Suppl | | 66021353 | \$108.76 |
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| Stettler & District Handibus | EFT0004649 | 2022-04-29 | \$446.85 |
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| Bus Garage March Utilities | | 3632 | \$446.85 |
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| W.R. Meadows of Western Canada | EFT0004650 | 2022-04-29 | \$986.87 |
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| Invoice Description | | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount |
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| Roads 4 Barrels of Road Repair | | 120013756 | \$986.87 |
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| | | Total Cheques | \$18,307.01 |
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Distribution Types Included:All

| Vendor Name | Cheque Number | Cheque Date | Cheque Amount |
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| Shaw Cable | ONL000526 | 2022-04-22 | \$73.50 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Comm Hall May14 to Jun16 WiFi | 2022.04.17 | \$73.50 | |
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| Shaw Cable | ONL000527 | 2022-04-22 | \$288.75 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| SRC WiFi May 15t o Jun 14 | 2022.04.15 | \$288.75 | |
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| Shaw Cablesystems GP | ONL000528 | 2022-04-22 | \$109.15 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
| Fitness Area May Cable TV | 2022.04.01 | \$109.15 | |
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| | Total Cheques | | \$471.40 |
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| Access Gas Services Inc. | ONL000529 | 2022-04-29 | \$32,838.76 |
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| Joint Office March Gas Bill | 202203-3693 | \$1,877.89 | |
| Fire Joint March Gas Bill | 202203-3687 | \$1,401.51 | |
| Town Shop March Gas Bill | 202203-3694 | \$1,192.94 | |
| Airport March Gas Bill | 202203-3686 | \$316.06 | |
| WTP March Gas Bill | 202203-3689 | \$7,978.82 | |
| Water Trans March Gas Bill | 202203-3684 | \$365.58 | |
| Sewer 1 March Gas Bill | 202203-3685 | \$422.48 | |
| Sewer 2 March Gas Bill | 202203-3692 | \$345.80 | |
| SRC & Pool March Gas Bill | 202203-3691 | \$17,472.15 | |
| Community Hall March Gas Bill | 202203-3690 | \$706.39 | |
| Parks Lions March Gas Bill | 202203-3688 | \$266.27 | |
| Gear Up March Gas Bill | 202203-3679 | \$492.87 | |
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| Corporate Payment Systems | ONL000530 | 2022-04-29 | \$18,278.75 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
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| Trans Training/Coffee Room Sup | 2022.04.05.727 | \$1,623.08 | |
| BOT Corporate Visa | 2022.04.05.BOT | \$821.06 | |
| Parks 34 Garbage Pickers/Janit | 2022.04.05.343 | \$115.62 | |
| Fire Joint Freight/P.R.Postage | 2022.04.05.492 | \$649.35 | |
| Fire Jlint 50 Custom Patches/F | 2022.04.05.655 | \$951.25 | |
| Sewer Coffee Room Supplies/Ass | 2022.04.05.748 | \$350.07 | |
| P.R. Municipal Leaders Caucus | 2022.04.05.758 | \$105.01 | |
| Pool Online Scheduling Subscri | 2022.04.05.762 | \$568.65 | |
| Water Trans Conference | 2022.04.05.763 | \$770.61 | |
| Fire Joint Radio Authorization | 2022.04.05.767 | \$8,096.48 | |
| Fitness Area Special Event Sup | 2022.04.05.768 | \$138.17 | |
| WTP Concrete Anchor Bolts | 2022.04.05.832 | \$1,220.94 | |
| GIS Memory Card & Cable/Power | 2022.04.05.854 | \$1,360.05 | |
| Fitness Area Janitor & Medical | 2022.04.05.981 | \$15.45 | |
| Fire Ram X Grip Phone Mount | 2022.04.05.292 | \$1,389.82 | |
| SRC Janitor Supplies | 2022.04.05.764 | \$103.14 | |
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| Rogers | ONL000531 | 2022-04-29 | \$170.10 |
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| Invoice Description | Invoice Number | Invoice Amount | |
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| Fire Joint Data Apr19 to May18 | 2457487436 | \$170.10 | |
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| | Total Cheques | \$51,287.61 | |
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**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 26, 2022
REGIONAL WATER SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING
TOWN OF STETTLE – BOARD ROOM
1:00 P.M.**

Present: Wayne Smith, Councillor, Town of Stettler
 Greg Switenky, CAO Town of Stettler
 Steven Gerlitz, Assistant CAO, Town of Stettler
 Melissa Robbins, Director of Operations, Town of Stettler
 Brenda Knight, Lacombe County, Hwy 12/21
 Dion Burlock, Agricultural Fieldman, Lacombe County
 Larry Clark – Reeve, County of Stettler
 Yvette Cassidy – CAO, County of Stettler
 Christa Cornelssen – Director of Corporate Services, County of Stettler

1. Call to Order

B. Knight called the meeting to order at approximately 1:03 p.m.

2. Additions to Agenda

Moved by L. Clark that the agenda be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

3. Minutes of the Regional Water Meeting – December 13, 2021

Moved by W. Smith that the minutes of the Regional Water Meeting held December 13, 2021 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

4. Current Business

a. 2021 Final True-up Rates

- S. Gerlitz highlighted the 2021 Regional Water Services True-up Summary

| Town of Stettler 2021 True-up | | Total Water Used Budget | Total Use | 2021 Interim Rate (Nov 2020) | 2021 Billed Amount | 2021 True-up Cost (March 2022) | 2021 True-up Amount | Difference (Paid to regional partners) |
|--|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| 2021 | SMRWSC | 500,000 | 563,409 | \$1.4420 | \$812,435.78 | \$1.4169 | \$798,294.21 | \$14,141.57 |
| | Hwy 12/21 | 250,000 | 256,588 | \$1.3960 | \$358,196.85 | \$1.3732 | \$352,346.64 | \$5,850.21 |
| | | 750,000 | 819,997 | | \$1,170,632.63 | | \$1,150,640.85 | \$19,991.77 |
| | | Difference | 69,997 | | | | | |
| Budget vs Actual | | | | | | | | |
| 2021 Budget Summary - December 31, 2021 - Final B Run - April 26, 2022 | | | | Expenses | | WTP - Power | | \$16,500 |
| | | | | | | WTP - Travel | | \$9,405 |
| Total Interim Budget - (water model - November 2020) | | | | \$2,630,849 | | Trans - Salaries | | \$30,032 |
| Total Actual - (water model - December 31, 2022 - B Run) | | | | \$2,556,759 | | Reservoir - materials | | \$15,574 |
| 2021 Budget / Actual difference | | | | -\$74,090 | | 2021 Budget / Actual diff | | \$71,511 |
| Annual Water Consumption m³: | | | | | | | | |
| Year | Town | SMRWSC | Total | % Town | % SMRWSC | % Total | | |
| 2010 | 797,953 | 370,928 | 1,168,881 | 68.3% | 31.7% | 100.0% | | |
| 2011 | 773,225 | 380,745 | 1,153,970 | 67.0% | 33.0% | 100.0% | | |
| 2012 | 728,403 | 379,191 | 1,107,594 | 65.8% | 34.2% | 100.0% | | |
| 2013 | 727,559 | 397,433 | 1,124,992 | 64.7% | 35.3% | 100.0% | | |
| 2014 | 716,222 | 426,455 | 1,142,677 | 62.7% | 37.3% | 100.0% | | |
| 2015 | 745,816 | 436,671 | 1,182,487 | 63.1% | 36.9% | 100.0% | | |
| 2016 | 651,972 | 464,287 | 1,116,259 | 58.4% | 41.6% | 100.0% | | |
| 2017 | 676,576 | 532,598 | 1,209,174 | 56.0% | 44.0% | 100.0% | | |
| 2018 | 665,765 | 615,825 | 1,281,590 | 51.9% | 48.1% | 100.0% | | |
| 2019 | 632,597 | 603,866 | 1,236,463 | 51.2% | 48.8% | 100.0% | | |
| 2020 | 597,850 | 506,664 | 1,104,514 | 54.1% | 45.9% | 100.0% | | |
| 2021 | 643,696 | 563,409 | 1,207,105 | 53.3% | 46.7% | 100.0% | | |

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Moved by L. Clark that the following 2021 Water True-up amounts be accepted and paid:

- SMRWSC - \$14,141.57
- Hwy12/21 - \$5,850.21

MOTION CARRIED

Unanimous

b. Operational Update(s)

M. Robbins – Town of Stettler

- Operational:
 - 1 High Lift Pump VFD, 1 Low Lift Pump VFD, 1 Transfer Pump VFD failed in 2021. All of the VFD's have now been replaced and are currently in service.
 - Chemical tender bids were awarded to vendors. Costs are expected to be slightly up for 2022 because supply chain surcharges are now being added by the vendors.
 - Quality Controls has been doing some work with our PLC's and putting new programming in place for our Microfilter CIP process for enhanced cleaning.
 - A smaller pump was purchased that is sized properly for the potassium permanganate system. The previous pump was oversized and not in service due to over capacity. Waiting on a new air solenoid valve so that the system can be put into service.
- Capital Projects:
 - A new Service Water Pump was installed. The old pump was inspected to see if it could be overhauled and kept as an emergency backup pump. However, it was cost prohibitive to rehab and costs less to just purchase a new one when needed.
 - High Lift Pump motor was removed for repairs. The upper bearing had failed. Shaft current was found to be the cause and a second grounding ring at the top bearing was installed to help wit this issue. The motor was reinstalled and the pump is back in service.
 - There is a new CIP caustic tank heating system installed with all electric components now outside of the tank. The old heater was an electric element inside the tank that when failing would cause a hard ground fault that would be hard on other electrical systems including the Microfilters PLC.
 - We have ordered back up parts for all PLC's as these parts are no longer items that will be in stock with supplier as the supply chain problems will exist for some time yet. These items are a must for plant security.
 - The chlorine gas replacement project was put on hold with Covid risks and additional outside contractors, however we will be looking at this to eliminate gas and use powder chlorine as it poses lower handling risks.
 - The existing compressors were relocated upstairs to the main level of the new membrane building in an effort to reduce corrosion and exposure to chemicals and reduce maintenance and to extend the life of the compressors.
- Staffing:
 - A Level II operator resigned their position. We are currently interviewing for a Level II operator.
 - We hired a NAIT Water/Wastewater graduate student for a 6-month summer contract position.
 - We have a senior lead operator who will be retiring late 2022

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- Water treatment plant max consumption is approximately 10,000 cm³ per day before upgrades to the clearwell will be required. Current consumption approximately 7,300 cm³ in peak demand times
- M. Robbins will arrange a tour of the plant for regional commission boards

D. Burlock – Hwy 12/21

- Construction on Phase 6 – Edberg and Phase 7 – Alix to Mirror is complete and to be commissioned May 31 and June 1. Experienced construction delays with supply chain issues

L. Clark – SMRWSC

- Rochon Sands Extension to the SMRWSC Water Line from White Sands. Truck fill construction to begin in August
- Extension of Rochon Sands water line to Buffalo View Estates
- After Rochon Sands, the Commission will have Rosalind to service
- County of Stettler considering water line expansion of about 20km in the Gadsby area

5. Additions

(a) None

6. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 1:00 pm at the Town Office.

7. Adjournment

The Regional Water Services Committee Meeting was adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Subject: Canadian Junior Gelbvieh Show

Good morning,

My name is Jessica Pearson and I am with the group putting together the Canadian Junior Gelbvieh show July 21-22 in Stettler. The event is taking place at the Stettler Ag Society grounds. It will feature juniors from across Canada competing in cattle events such as showmanship, grooming, and conformation classes. The Canadian Gelbvieh Association 50th anniversary banquet held in conjunction with the event is expected to bring in over two hundred people. Therefore, its easy to say that this event will bring business to Stettler and area hotels, restaurants, and other businesses.

We are approaching the town to see if you would like to support our event. There are a number of ways to do so:

- 1.) Prize sponsorship- we have levels ranging from \$100- \$500.
- 2.) Meal sponsorship- we know the last years have been extremely tough on families, so it is our goal to have all meals covered for juniors at the event.
- 3.) Auction contribution- we are having an online auction to raise money for the Canadian Junior Gelbvieh Association. We would appreciate any items that people could bid on to help raise funds for our junior program.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request. If you have any questions, please feel to reach out to me at (780) 297- 2352. If there is someone in particular that we should call, please let me know and we will have a junior contact them.

We would invite members of council and town leaders to come in and take in our event as well. We would love to see you there!

Thanks!

Jessica Pearson

Dear Mayor Nolls and Town of Stettler Council,

Recently, the National Police Federation (NPF) completed our KeepAlbertaRCMP Community Engagement Tour. We promised Albertans we would report back to the Government of Alberta what we heard. Today, NPF today released its final report [Your Police, Your Future – Listening to Albertans](#).

In it, we outline the reason for broad engagement, who we spoke with, and the places we visited. Most importantly the report details what Albertans from across the province told us in response to the Government of Alberta’s proposal to replace the RCMP with a new provincial police service.

Across 38 municipalities, five virtual sessions and over 1000 participants including the public, Mayors, Reeves, Councillors, Members of the Legislative Assembly, and Members of Parliament, here are the key themes we heard:

- The majority of Albertans told us loud and clear that they do not want an expensive police transition to replace the RCMP with a new provincial police service.
- The Government of Alberta should make priority investments aimed at improving the justice system, strengthening social services, and increasing police resources.
- Participants felt they had not been consulted by the Government and that targeted investments would bring better and more immediate results to addressing crime in their communities.

If you have any questions or if you would like to further discuss the report, please contact Colin Buschman, Western Government Relations Advisor, at cbuschman@npf-fpn.com.

Sincerely,

Colin Buschman

Western Government Relations Advisor | Conseiller, Relations Gouvernementales de l’ouest

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RCMP MEMBERS
ALBERTAN
at Heart



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

What we heard

Through the NPF's community engagement sessions and online surveys with Albertans we heard loud and clear that the majority do not want a new police service, and instead want to redirect that funding to prioritize improving the justice system, strengthening social services, and increasing police resources. Participants felt that these targeted investments would bring better and more immediate results to address crime within communities.

Background

In 2020, the Fair Deal Panel (FDP) recommended that the Government of Alberta consider transitioning away from the RCMP to an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). The Panel's own survey showed that most Albertans do not support this idea, ranking it second last in terms of priorities for Alberta. Following the FDP recommendations, the Government hired PricewaterhouseCooper (PwC) in October 2020 to conduct a \$2 million report which was completed in spring 2021 and released publicly in November 2021, titled [APPS Transition Study](#).

Since December 2020, the National Police Federation (NPF) has conducted three rounds of public opinion research through Pollara Strategic Insights which have consistently shown that only less than nine per cent of Albertans support such a transition. This research has shown that

Albertans do not want to pay for increased costs and instead want additional resources to be invested into the Alberta RCMP to continue to reduce and mitigate rural crime and more funding within the Alberta justice system to tackle the issue of repeat offenders.

Our community engagement

The NPF has been actively meeting with Albertans, stakeholders, and elected officials over the past year, all of whom have shared these same sentiments. Following the release of the APPS Transition Study, the Government continued to assert that the majority of Albertans supported such a plan: which is the exact opposite of Pollara's findings and what the NPF has heard. In response to this, the NPF undertook a community engagement tour of Alberta municipalities to both inform and hear from municipalities and residents on policing.

The KeepAlbertaRCMP Community Engagement Tour held meetings in [38 municipalities](#) from Pincher Creek to Fort McMurray with five additional [virtual sessions](#), and other meetings with stakeholders and organizations as requested by them. From the Community Engagement Tour, the NPF developed this report sharing what we heard from communities across the province and the questions they still want answered by the Government.



WHO WE HEARD FROM



The KeepAlbertaRCMP Community Engagement Tour held public sessions throughout the province which were open to everyone. Significant social media ads, print and digital ads, and local radio commercials ensured that as many people as possible knew we were coming to their community and how to join. The NPF also held additional presentations with community groups, on request, such as Rotary Club and Rural Crime Watch, as well as presented to numerous First Nations Chiefs and First Nations members.

In addition to the public, Mayors, Reeves, Councillors, Members of the Legislative Assembly, and Members of Parliament attended these engagement sessions, as well as various other municipal officials and municipal employees. Many community organizations also attended our engagement sessions including Rural Crime Watch chapters, Citizens on Patrol chapters, and others who work to make the Alberta justice system safer and fairer for all.

WHAT WE HEARD

Survey respondents and engagement session participants shared a great deal about both the positive aspects of the current policing structure and the challenges they have experienced with policing in their community. Participant views, challenges, and their need for more information on the proposed police model are outlined in more detail in the following sections.



The image above captures the most used words in open-ended responses across all surveys. The size of the word corresponds with the relative frequency each word was used. “RCMP”, “money” and “resources” were the most frequently used words, followed by “financial pain”, “judicial system”, “great jobs” and “utmost respect” - indicating the predominance of these sentiments. It is important to note that in most open-ended responses, 86% supported keeping the RCMP. Statements most often reflected their concerns with transitioning to a new police service, while at the same time highlighting the great job and respect for the RCMP.

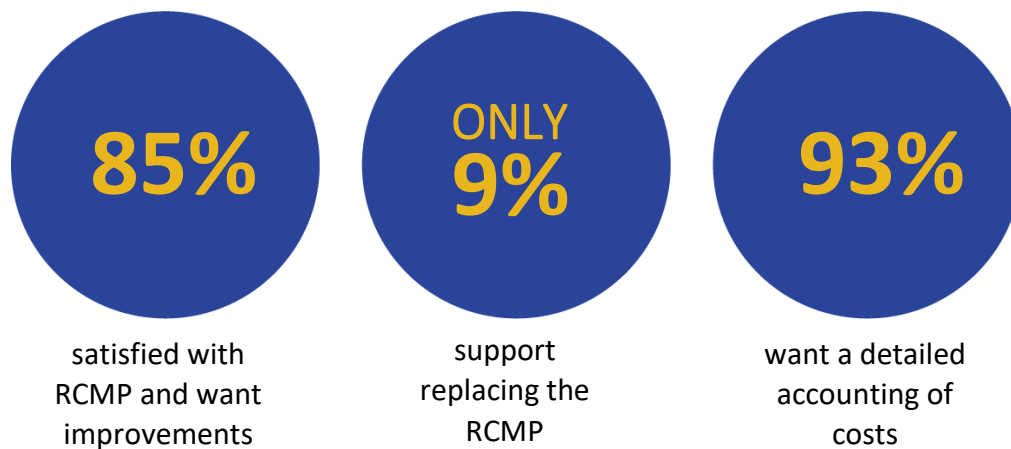


By the Numbers

Since October 2020, the NPF has conducted three rounds of research through Pollara Strategic Insights, October 2020 (W1), April 2021 (W2) and October 2021 (W3). The NPF also conducted an online survey during the same timeframe as the engagement sessions to gain feedback from those who attended and those who were unable to attend. This survey was open from January to March 31, 2022.

| SURVEYS | Number of responses |
|--|---------------------|
| Pollara October 2020 (W1) | 1,300 |
| Pollara April 2021 (W2) | 1,228 |
| Pollara October 2021 (W3) | 1,221 |
| NPF: Satisfaction of RCMP policing (2022) | 672 |
| NPF: Policing improvements within communities (2022) | 739 |

Across all research conducted between 2020 and 2022, the graphic below demonstrates the average response to questions asked. See Appendix A for further analysis of the survey responses.



Municipal Support

In March of 2022, both of Alberta’s municipal associations, Alberta Municipalities (ABmunis) and Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA), passed resolutions opposing the Government of Alberta’s provincial police service transition proposal. Together, these organisations represent all the 300+ municipalities across Alberta.

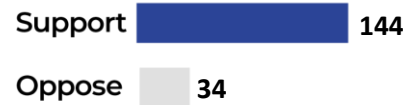
ABmunis passed a resolution that “Alberta Municipalities strongly oppose the APPS models proposed in the PwC study and develop an advocacy and communications strategy to advance our position.

Further, that Alberta Municipalities urge the Government of Alberta to invest in the resources needed to:

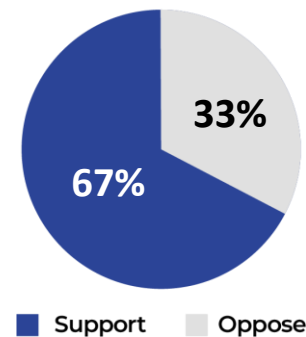
1. Address the root causes of crime (i.e., health, mental health, social and economic supports); and
2. Ensure the justice system is adequately resourced to enable timely access to justice for all Albertans.”ⁱ

RMA passed a resolution that “Rural Municipalities of Alberta request that the Government of Alberta not create an Alberta Provincial Police Service”.ⁱⁱ

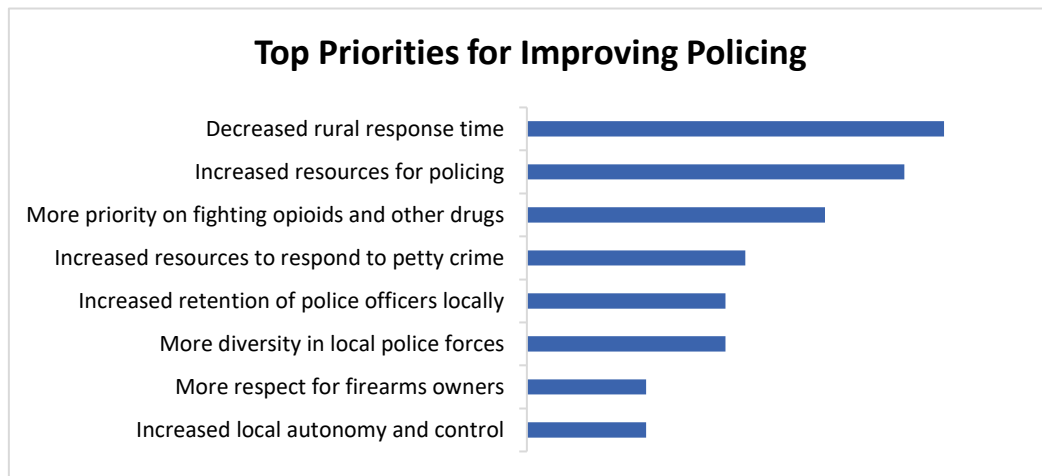
ABMUNIS MOTION 2022



RMA RESOLUTION 2022



Priorities of Albertans



We know that there are improvements that can be made within the current policing model in Alberta. Through our surveys and during discussions at our engagement sessions and as noted above in the ABmunis motion, Albertans want the Government to decrease rural response time, increase resources for police and focus on fighting opioids and other harmful drugs that are on the rise within communities.

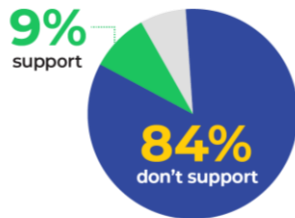


Key Themes

We heard about the positive aspects of the current policing model and of the challenges experienced by residents and communities. While some aspects of the discussions differed across the province, we heard overwhelmingly the same message: Albertans do not support a transition away from the RCMP.

During engagement sessions, two main issues continued to be raised: associated costs and impacts to public safety.

Albertans DO NOT SUPPORT replacing the Alberta RCMP



Participants also shared their frustration over the lack of basic information surrounding the potential transition from the Government. Many participants expressed that they had reached out to their local MLA and either did not receive a satisfactory answer or are still waiting for answers.

More specifically, Albertans noted that the challenges they face with the current policing structure are not just a result of policing, but a multitude of services that impact public safety including: the judicial system, lack of crown prosecutors, lack of community supports, reduction of mental health programs, and a need for better police infrastructure and resources - all of which the province oversees.

The following key themes emerged from the NPF's community engagement sessions:

1. Why is This Being Pursued?

Frequently asked questions

Why is the Alberta government continuing to pursue this?

What is so broken it must be replaced instead of fixed?

Who is going to benefit from this transition?

Many attendees questioned whether the Government was pursuing a new police service for motives other than public safety. This topic arose as residents pointed out that the Fair Deal Panel's findings through surveys of Albertans showed a lack of community support. Many continue to feel that this proposed transition is going to move forward, regardless of what Albertans want. Albertans want to ensure that public safety will not and can not be compromised for any political reason. Many people expressed that they did not feel consulted and were not heard by either the Government or their local MLAs.

Participants also questioned why the Government failed to conduct a review of the current services provided by the RCMP to identify where resources could be invested to improve the current police structure and associated costs of doing so.



2. Costs

Frequently asked questions

Why isn't the Government investing this "extra" money to address the root causes of crime?

Why does the Transition Study seem to ignore the federal contribution?

Where is all this additional money going to come from?

How much will costs increase if transition timelines are delayed?

Throughout the engagement sessions and surveys, participants emphasized their concern surrounding additional costs associated with a potential APPS. Many felt that while the Transition Study was fulsome in some cost areas, there were many noted "unknown" costs or areas where more analysis would be needed to assess the full costs and impacts. This has left participants with more questions than answers.

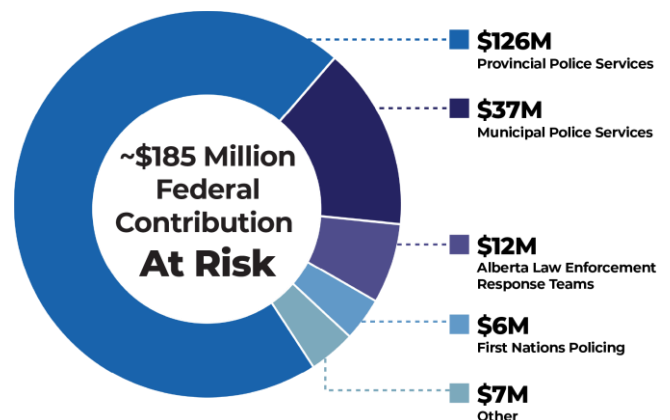
The most common question raised surrounding costs was "who is going to pay for this?" Attendees noted that the Government has stated that municipalities would not pay for the additional costs (+\$139 million per year, increasing with inflation) but has still not been able to state clearly to Albertans who would. We heard that participants felt that ultimately municipalities and taxpayers would be saddled with the increased costs and/or the fear that taxes would be raised.

"Municipalities cannot bear to have more of these (police) costs downloaded to them, especially if there's not proof that there will be increased levels of service."

– Sturgeon County Mayor Alanna Hnatiw
St Alberta Today (February 9, 2021)ⁱⁱⁱ

Costs continued to be the main concern amongst participants. Many found it hard to rationalize the proposed costs associated with an APPS and pointed out that the Transition Study noted that the APPS would be modeled after the RCMP. Many saw this as a waste of taxpayers' money which could be better spent in other ways to better address public safety in Alberta. Participants believed increased investments alone into policing will not fix rural crime, but instead a multi-pronged approach including hiring and retaining crown prosecutors and ensuring an end to the revolving door of the justice system would provide more immediate crime reduction.

We heard that some residents did not fully understand the current federal contribution that the federal government provides to the Government of Alberta to cover 30% of the policing costs for having the RCMP as the provincial police service. Many believed that the federal government would continue to provide the Government some money to cover policing costs.



At the same time, participants felt the Transition Study was misleading because it didn't outline the Ontario Provincial Police or the Sûreté du Québec policing models and associated costs, which would be the best comparison to demonstrate potential costs for an APPS. Neither Ontario nor Quebec receive any federal contributions to cover their own provincial police services. This benefit is provided only to provincial partners who use the RCMP. Many participants also expressed that they felt the Government was not doing a great job at providing accurate information to MLAs on the topic, as some UCP MLAs had been telling their residents that the federal contribution would continue under an APPS model. During one of our sessions, a UCP MLA in attendance, also stated this misleading information. In addition, we also heard from some UCP staff who attended that they believed that the contribution would continue. Many attendees felt misled, frustrated, and expressed a lack of trust with the information being provided to them.

3. Oversight & Provincial Responsibility

Looking at the current state of policing in Alberta, there appeared to be some misunderstanding as to the role the Province plays in setting the priorities of the Alberta RCMP. Participants expressed that part of this confusion stems from false claims by the Province that the RCMP priorities are set by Ottawa.

During our engagement sessions we pointed to the various sections of the [Provincial Police Service Agreement](#) (PPSA), which outlines police services between the RCMP and the province, which state:

Article 6.1:

"The Provincial Minister will set the objectives, priorities and goals of the Provincial Police Service."

Article 6.3:

"The Provincial Minister will determine, in consultation with the Commissioner, the level of policing service to be provided by the RCMP..."

Article 18.1(e):

"Each fiscal year the Provincial Minister will...provide the Commanding Officer with the projected annual budget for the Provincial Police Service for the next fiscal year, as well as projected budgets..."

Did You Know?

Detachment Commanders hold townhalls regularly to get input from the general public in their communities around policing priorities, along with general discussions around community safety issues.

Some attendees found this helpful, while others still questioned why the Province would state otherwise. It was expressed that these two narratives are creating confusion amongst the public.

Municipal officials who attended the engagement sessions expressed appreciation for the hard work of Alberta RCMP Members and the difference they make in their communities. Municipal officials maintain direct and open contact with their local Detachment Commander through strong relationships. We heard that many municipalities utilize local advisory committees with their local RCMP as a way to express local concerns, identify crime trends, and to discuss and determine local priorities for the year. Many municipal leaders expressed fear that these strong



relationships would be lost through a transition, including local knowledge of crime trends and offenders.

“I believe that the town of Millet has great relationship with the local RCMP detachment and would not support their removal from the Province”

- Millet Mayor Doug Peel
The Wetaskiwin Times (Nov 3, 2021)^v

4. Staffing and Training

Frequently asked questions

If Alberta has the money for a transition, why not use it to provide additional resources to the RCMP?

Where is the Government going to find that many officers in Alberta?

How would an APPS match the high-level of police standards of the RCMP?

How much would a training facility costs, and the staff needed?

We consistently heard about staffing challenges with the current policing structure and concerns about how an APPS would better address these challenges. Participants noted that there is a decline in police personnel within Canada, which does create staffing issues within the RCMP and can impact crime rates within their communities. However, many noted that the Transition Study does not outline this issue and how it would be able to recruit and train the number of officers it would need to fully staff a provincial police service.

Many participants questioned if the current Alberta RCMP Members would transfer over to a new APPS. However, some municipal leaders pointed out that in the Government consultations they attended, the provincial government was citing that they predict about 15% of the current Alberta RCMP would transition over. This flagged a further issue with attendees on how the Government would recruit the remaining ~2,500 officers needed to form an APPS. During the engagement sessions, the NPF outlined that most of the RCMP officers would continue to stay with the RCMP and transfer to other postings, as we have seen in other jurisdictions. We then heard attendees note that the Government is highlighting a potential APPS as being local officers from Alberta, and with recruiting challenges and most of the RCMP officers remaining with the RCMP, such a notion would be impossible.

“The RCMP are serving us well...I don’t see a lot of positives to a provincial police force.”

- St. Albert Mayor Cathy Heron
St Alberta Today (February 9, 2021)^v

Another issue that was raised was that the current RCMP model allows for officers to move in and out of communities, which can be a challenge. While the current RCMP structure does move officers, most often these officers are relocated between communities within Alberta and not out of province. This still allows the community to benefit from the Member’s Alberta crime knowledge. However, not all participants saw this as a concern and praised the model as it allows for officers with various expertise and backgrounds to come into the community; stops political influence of officers in communities; and if a municipality wishes to retain an officer there were avenues to obtain the officer for a longer contract.



“Lethbridge County Council and a majority of other rural municipalities do not support this proposed transition to an Alberta Provincial Police Service.”

– Lethbridge County Reeve Tory Campbell
My Lethbridge Now (Jan 20, 2022)^{vi}

During our sessions we also heard that the RCMP has some of the highest training standards in the world and that a move to an APPS could jeopardize the quality of service they receive. The Transition Study also noted a two-tiered police model for an APPS with less fully trained officers. Many participants expressed huge concerns, especially in rural communities, on how this could negatively impact police services to some of the complex crimes they experience and how this would improve public safety and confidence in the police.

5. Improve, Not Replace

Communities across Alberta appreciated having both the NPF and the Government come to their community to discuss policing but felt that the conversation should not be about replacing, but instead on ways to improve the current policing model.

It was often repeated throughout the NPF engagement sessions that Albertans do not have an issue with the RCMP, but instead with the Alberta justice system that seems to create a revolving door for criminals to reoffend with little-to-no repercussion. Part of this problem comes from the shortage of crown prosecutors which communities want addressed first and foremost.

“The issue with rural crime is not about the police force, it's about the justice system not performing well”

– Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara
CBC Edmonton (March 9, 2022)^{vii}

We heard how the RCMP can better serve communities including better support for mental health calls, continuing to address rural response times, addressing delays in RCMP transfers, and increasing administrative help to ensure RCMP officers can be out on the streets instead of behind a computer.

6. Call for Consultation and Answers

Frequently asked questions

Why isn't the public allowed into the Government consultations?

How do we make sure our MLAs are listening to us?

Why is the Government pursuing this without consulting Albertans?

Since the release of the Transition Study, the Government has undertaken limited consultations with only municipal leaders and key stakeholders. The public was not allowed to attend and even had their participation revoked if they were invited by a municipal official. We heard repeatedly from participants that they do not feel properly consulted by the Government on this matter. They were frustrated that the only consultation that is open to the public is a proposed online survey. We also heard from many First Nation leaders that they were not consulted and grew frustrated with this proposal and lack of communication from the Government.

We heard that participants have written letters to their local MLA, but many have gone unanswered, or the response received was vague and did not answer the questions asked, but instead only received a templated response.



Unanswered Questions

During our engagement sessions we heard a multitude of questions from participants that have gone unanswered by the Government. Albertans need answers to make an informed decision.

1. The proposed APPS transition will cost Albertans more than \$185 million/year in Federal contributions, plus more than \$366 million in transition costs. Where is this money going to come from?
2. With so many police departments struggling to recruit, and the Government assuming only 15% of Alberta RCMP would transition to an APPS, how do they plan to fill the other ~2,500 positions in just four years?
3. The Transition Study states that APPS officers would initially be trained in municipal training facilities (Calgary and Edmonton police services). Are these facilities prepared and equipped to train the ~2,500 officers needed?
4. The APPS report offers two models, with Model A offering half as many fully trained officers as the current Alberta RCMP. Why would the Government consider providing less than the current complement of fully trained police officers for rural Albertans, and for more money?
5. Why didn't the Provincial Government review the current Alberta RCMP police service model for how efficiencies could be made, and the cost to do so?
6. When will the Government be completing a true feasibility study to clarify the assumptions made in the Transition Study as recommended by PwC?

ABOUT THE NPF



The National Police Federation (NPF) is the sole certified bargaining agent representing ~20,000 Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) across Canada and internationally, including about 3,500 Members in Alberta. Certified in 2019, the NPF is the largest police labour relations organization in Canada. The NPF's mission is to provide strong, fair, and progressive representation to promote and enhance the rights of RCMP Members.

APPENDIX A: Survey Results

The following charts display the results from the surveys conducted since October 2020 and show a cross comparison overtime of the responses to specific questions asked.

Table A1: Surveys

| SURVEYS | Number of responses |
|--|---------------------|
| Pollara October 2020 (W1) | 1,300 |
| Pollara April 2021 (W2) | 1,228 |
| Pollara October 2021 (W3) | 1,221 |
| NPF: Satisfaction of RCMP policing (2022) | 672 |
| NPF: Policing improvements within communities (2022) | 739 |

Between January and March 31, 2022, the NPF conducted its own online survey at the same time as the NPF’s engagement sessions to further collect information and feedback.

Figure A1: How satisfied are you with the RCMP’s policing in your community? (4,421 respondents)

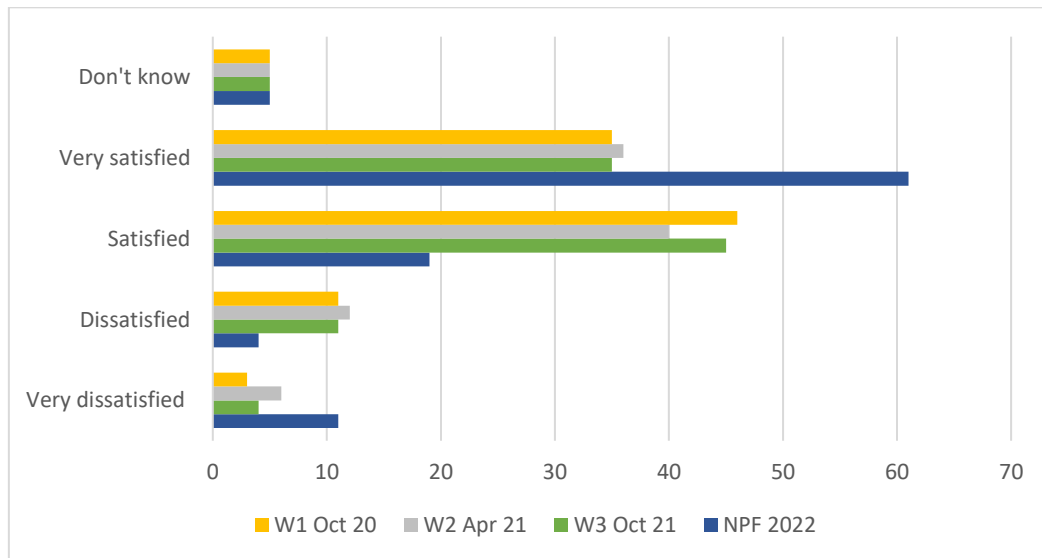


Figure A2: Before any changes to policing are made, there needs to be a detailed accounting of costs and impacts to service levels. (3,749 respondents)

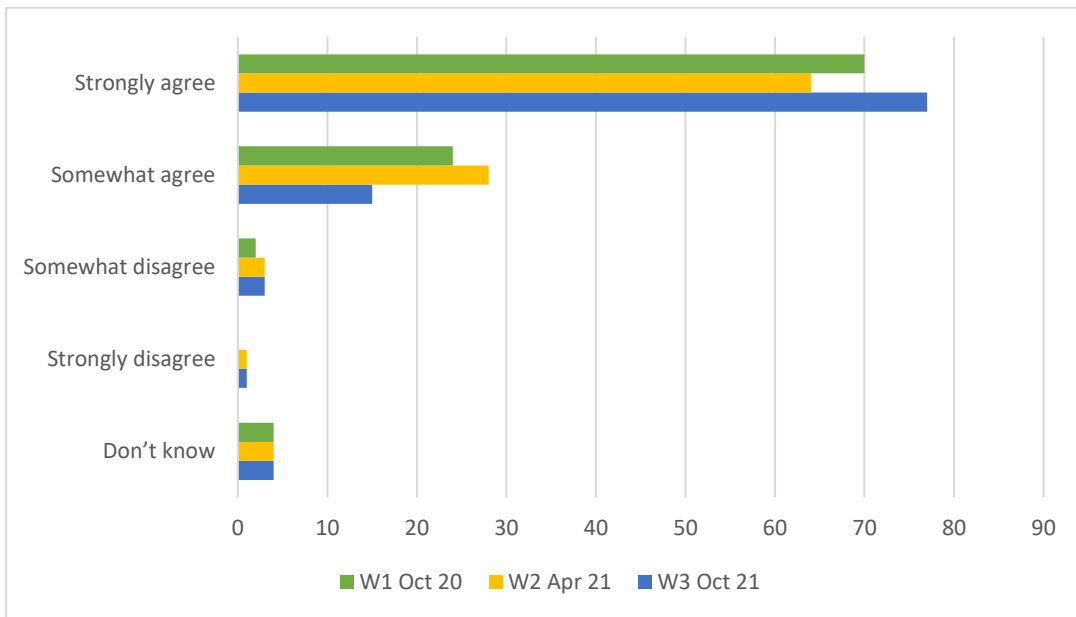


Figure A3: What is the most important improvement you'd like to see in policing in your community? (4,448 respondents)

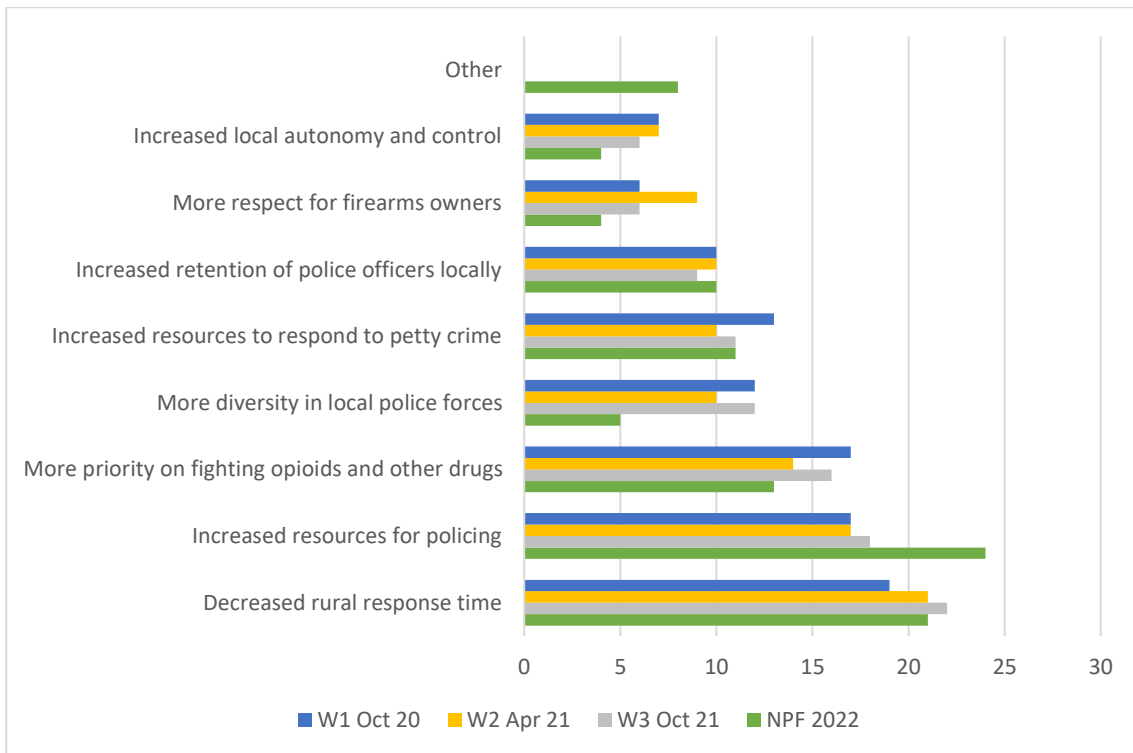
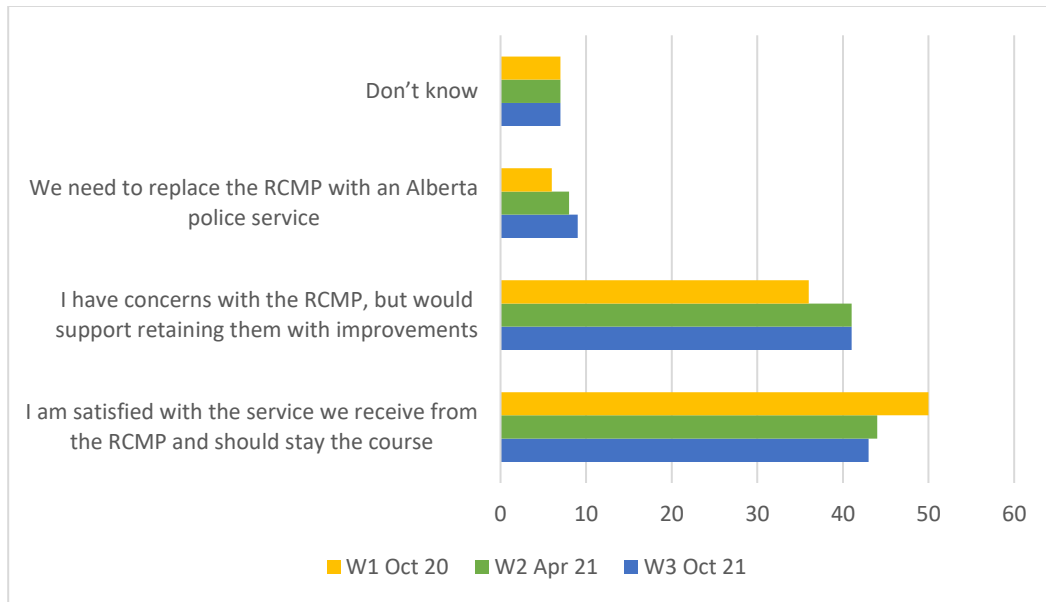


Figure A4: Which of the following statements best reflects your viewpoint? (3,749 respondents)



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