



Dawson
ROAD MAINTENANCE

Dawson Road Maintenance (formerly Interior Roads) met with Regional Council to provide an overview of the services they will provide to Service Area 22 as the new provincial contractor.



From the Bear Pit

Regional Council Newsletter

May 13, 2019

Grant-In-Aid Request Third Quarter Approvals

Regional Council approved third quarter Grant-In-Aid requests from Women of Industry, FN Community Literacy Society and FN Sled Dog Association in the amount of \$1000 each. [Administration Report No. 39](#)

Garbage Disposal and Wildlife Attractants Amendment (Deer Feeding) Bylaw Adopted



Regional Council adopted the [NRRM Garbage Disposal and Wildlife Attractants Amendment \(Deer Feeding\) Bylaw No. 173, 2019](#). At the April 8 Council Meeting, Council requested an amendment to prohibit the feeding of deer (as well as elk and moose) within Fort Nelson. Many communities have adopted similar bylaws to avoid the potential for damage to property safety concerns that accompany the feeding of wildlife. A bylaw fine of \$200 may be levied for contravention of this regulation. [Bylaw Report No. 173](#)

Organics Infrastructure Program Grant Application Underway

Regional Council approved the submission of an application to the [Organics Infrastructure Program](#) Fund to help fund the creation of a permanent location for the NRRM's full-scale Vermicomposting Initiative. If successful, grant funding would cover up to 66% of the \$667,640 budget.

Vermicomposting is not a recognized process under the Organic Matter Recycling Regulation (OMRR), but a request for a variance was submitted in November 2018. The grant administrators have encouraged the NRRM to apply as the NRRM's variance request to OMRR is pending. [Administration Report No. 45](#)



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Wheelchair Accessible/Companion Seating in Recreation Center Arena 1

Regional Council approved the purchase and installation of companion seating for the wheelchair space in Arena 1, with a budget of \$16,000. [Administration Report No. 46](#)

Construction Season is Here Along With Several Contract Awards

Airport Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrades

Regional Council approved the Airport Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Upgrades Contract award to Canadian Western Mechanical Ltd. for \$259,300 plus 10% contingency. The upgrades associated with this project will involve a full retrofit of the electrical and mechanical systems, including an electrical kiosk and associated works. [Administration Report No. 41](#)

Public Works/Fire Hall Cladding and Foundation Repair

The Public Works/Fire Hall Cladding and Foundation Repair contract was awarded to Brad Murrin Contracting Ltd. for \$188,751.70 plus 10% contingency. The Public Works and Fire Hall building serves an important dual purpose to the community as the center for public works operations and firefighting services. [Administration Report No. 42](#)

Wastewater Treatment Plant Cells 2-4 Sludge Removal

The Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Cells 2-4 Sludge Removal Contract was awarded to American Process Group (Canada) Ltd. for the amount of \$727,065 plus 10% contingency. The removal of this sludge is necessary to maintain the efficiency of the wastewater treatment process. The lagoons were last desludged in 1999, and sludge in a wastewater treatment plant can lead to potential regulatory exceedances as well as ammonia, which can produce unpleasant lagoon odours. [Administration Report No. 43](#)

Also of note...

- Chris Cooper, District Manager-Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development gave an update on Caribou Restoration Plans, announcing a tentative public consultation on May 29.
- 2018 [NRRM Statement of Financial Information](#) (SOFI) was approved by Council [Administration Report No. 40](#).
- Council received [Recreation Visitor Statistics for April 2019](#) for information.
- The Peace River Regional District has invited representatives from NRRM to make a presentation to the Regional Board on the innovative vermicomposting program underway. [Invitation](#)
- Council received a reply from Northern Health in response to the letter sent regarding medical travel expenses. [Northern Health Response](#) • [19-03-06 NRRM Letter to Northern Health Re: Medical travel expenses](#)

Learn more about what is happening in and around the community on the [NRRM website](#):

Engage Northern Rockies

NEW!!

Worm Composting at the Landfill

(Vermicomposting)

What?

Through a local process, worms are used to eat waste and transform it into fertilizer

Top 3 Reasons Why?

1. Reduce waste going into landfill
2. Reduce GHG gases produced by the landfill
3. Turns waste into fantastic fertilizer

Sort & Drop off At the Landfill:



Cardboard
(flattened)

Newspaper

Printer paper

NO high gloss
(magazines)



3" diameter or less
unprocessed

Trimmed branches
and bushes

NO treated, painted
etc



Grass clippings

Leaves

Garden waste



Vegetable scraps

Coffee & tea
grounds + paper
filters

Meat including
bones

Paper cups (tim's)
and paper take out
containers

Tipping Fees waived for organics only drop offs

Drop offs prior to June 16th will be entered to win \$100 Shop Local G.C.



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