

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

June 23, 2020

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 using Zoom Meeting. Seven (7) members of the public participated in the meeting.

- Council granted first reading to Bylaw 2020-10 being a bylaw to amend the Land Use Bylaw 2019-04 by adding Cannabis Production to the discretionary use under Direct Control Industrial (DC IND) and set a Special Council Meeting on and Public Hearing on July 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- Council approved the establishment of playground zones on Westhill Drive and Valarosa Drive.
- Council approved a Pilot Project for Mobile Vendors (food trucks) who wish to come into Didsbury to sell food or goods. They must purchase an out of Town Business License and follow guidelines related to where they are located. A full report will go back to Council later in the year with recommendations on a governance framework on mobile vendors.
- The 2020 Didsbury High School Scholarship was awarded to Paton Rothenbush for \$1500.00 and Mayor Hunter will present the award on Council's behalf.
- Administration was approved to apply for the Asset Management Capacity Building Cohort program
 from RMA, AUMA and IAMA, therefore committing Town resources to participate in the cohort to
 advance the Town's Asset Management Capacity Building Cohort application.
- An updated addendum to the 2019 Town of Didsbury Recreation Master Plan was presented and approved as presented which can be found on the Town's website: http://www.didsbury.ca/p/recreation.
- Council approved the reopening of Town of Didsbury Community Service facilities on a phase-in approach, which will see a July 6 reopening of: the Memorial Complex, Multi-Purpose Room, Upper Level of Curling Rink, Train Station and Didsbury Neighborhood Place and a July 13 reopening of the Didsbury Aquatic Centre with reduced hours and a modified schedule. All reopening's are in line with AHS requirements and recommendations regarding COVID-19, and increased sanitization and PPE requirements will ensure a safe environment for both staff and patrons.
- Council approved an additional \$250,000 in capital funding for the 2020 project of replacement of the refrigerated floors and dasher boards within the Didsbury Arena. These additional funds are required for the removal of two additional buried concrete slabs there were discovered mid-project, as well as for the repair of underground cross ties within this facility that are essential for the structural support of the building. These items were unanticipated and must be addressed prior to the project moving forward. These unexpected repairs will cause some delay in the project schedule, but the contractor is working hard to minimize these delays.