



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

April 25, 2023

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, in Council Chambers at 1606 – 14 Street.

- Council heard a presentation by Hope for MVC Kids whose vision is supporting families with children in medical need. Hope for MVC Kids is a non-profit society that runs solely by volunteers, with a board that consists of 11 members. Their Mission is based on a foundation of compassion: "We strive to 'pay it forward' by providing support to those families with children in medical need across Mountain View County".
- Council was presented with an in-depth CAO report and presentation from Community Peace Officer, Lucas Rahn, who provided a first quarter overview and recommended priorities for the Municipal Enforcement Team to focus on in 2023. These priorities are as follows:
 - Traffic Enforcement
 - Community Engagement
 - Unsightly Properties
 - Responsible Pet Ownership
- Council approved amending the Planning and Business Licence Rates and Fees Bylaw 2023-09 which includes a rate for *Residential Development High Density*.
- Council approved a policy for *Seasonal Pop-up Patios*. This policy provides guidelines for the accommodation of this use, and licenced business owners are now able apply for a one-time only permit with no need to reapply on an annual basis.
- Council received a letter and Ministerial Order from the Honourable Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Municipal Affairs, changing the timeline for which a municipality must review their intermunicipal collaboration frameworks (ICFs). The review period has changed from five years to at least every seven years. Council approved Mayor Hunter to send, on behalf of Council, a letter that includes their support of retaining the five-year review period.
- Council approved Development Permit DP 23-020 for a change of use located in the Direct Control District – Industrial for Mountain View Roasterie Ltd., which is a green bean coffee roasting and packaging business.
- Council awarded the Highway 582 and 23 Street Intersection Upgrade to RubyRock Asphalt Works Ltd. in the amount of \$557,554.87. Council also awarded the Memorial Complex Storm Improvements and 20 Street Overlay contract to RubyRock Asphalt Ltd. in the amount of \$515,076.44.
- The Town received an expression of interest from a production company for a major feature film, asking to use the old Town Office and other buildings and facilities in the Town for filming in June. Council approved the temporary use of the Old Town Office and the Train Station for use by the filming/production company.