



# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

May 9, 2023

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, in Council Chambers at 1606 – 14 Street.

- Council heard a presentation from the Bethany Care Society regarding their ongoing pathway and gazebo project at the Didsbury Bethany facility.
- Council was provided an update from the Olds & District Hospice Society, who are working towards getting a hospice room in Didsbury.
- Council approved the Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee (DEDAC) Bylaw 2023-13, which establishes the DEDAC Committee and sets out guidelines and parameters for the running of the committee.
- Council passed the Tax Penalty Bylaw 2023-07, which establishes penalties for unpaid taxes.
- Council passed the 2023 Tax Rate Bylaw 2023-10, which represents a reduced mill rate for residential and non-residential properties. With the passing of this Bylaw, residents will receive their tax notices before the end of May and taxes will be due June 30, 2023.
- Council directed Administration to explore the 15A playground land and the Memorial Complex outlying land as possibilities for the East Reservoir site.
- Council agreed to provide a letter of support for the Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce, for use in their grant application to the Community Facility Enhancement Program.
- The Public Hearing for Creekside Area Structure Bylaw 2022-15 and the Creekside Municipal Development Plan Amendment Bylaw 2022-16 were opened on December 13, 2022. After considering the information presented, Council temporarily adjourned the Public Hearing. Council moved to reconvene the Public Hearing on June 13, 2023 during the Public Hearing portion of the Council agenda.
- The lease on the Five-0 Club building was terminated on March 1, 2023. Council approved that the lands commonly know as the Community Hall (former Five-0 Club) at 2500 15 Avenue be listed for sale, with a requirement for timely development and consideration of the vision of the development proposal, as well as the purchase amount to be decided upon by Council.
- Council gave their appreciation and thanks to the Didsbury Fire Department and regional members who were deployed to assist Drayton Valley with their firefighting efforts.
- As wildfires rage in so many regions north of our community, Council is keeping all those affected by the wildfires in their thoughts as we all search for ways to offer our support in the extremely overwhelming and difficult days, and in the days ahead, in the wildfire regions.