

HESLIN COUNCIL REPORT

JULY 2018

Community Attraction and Retention Meeting – June 25:

We had a very productive meeting with many key people attending including the Kaylna PCN that covers the physician offices in Tofield. There was much discussion around the table of the resignation of Dr. Muneer and the fact that we need to attract another physician to the Tofield area. Medical Affairs as well as AHS have put the advertisements out and we are just in the waiting pattern to hear of when a physician will be coming for a site visit. This is a multi-layered process which does take some time to find a physician with the right “fit” for our communities. I will send out info as it comes in.

BRAED AGM June 27:

I attended, as well as the rest of council the Annual General Meeting in Bruce for BRAED. This meeting was extremely informative to show us how far reaching BRAED is with their many contacts not just in Alberta but Canada and Internationally. At the round table discussion, it was amazing to hear what each of the communities has accomplished and their plans for their future endeavors. Some great ideas were shared that could possibly be used in Ryley as well.

Joint Council Meeting with BMS June 28:

All councils in Beaver County met and heard from CEO Breau of the plans for BMS and what it means to become a municipal corporation. It was interesting to learn all of the plans that could be in the future for BMS and indeed Ryley and our neighbours. The opportunities and new and inventive ways to manage waste are incredible. There will be much more on this in the future.

By-Law Meeting June 29:

Ryley Council met and went over the Council Code of Conduct by-law and the Procedural By-law. These are two key by-laws that have some changes in them

due to the new direction of the MGA. There will be many more by-laws that need attention this year as well due to the new direction of the MGA.

Tofield/Ryley Food Bank and Wecan Food Basket Tour July 9:

I had the privilege, on my own time, to tour the food bank and hear about the Wecan Food Basket that is offered in Tofield. They wanted to see if there is interest in Ryley to have a depot here for Wecan. As there are already some residents that use this service, they see a need for some without transportation to utilize a pick up depot in Ryley to meet all their needs. This is a very affordable option for receiving fresh wholesome food near the end of the month when often families are running low on funds to purchase these items.

Go East July 17:

I will be attending a Go East Board meeting during the day of our Regular Council meeting and will report on it at that meeting.

Upcoming meetings in July:

Northern Lights Library System Executive Meeting in Elk Point on July 30.