

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

September 27, 2022

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 in Council Chambers at 1606 – 14 Street.

- Council was presented with the Didsbury RCMP Detachment First Quarter Report, representing April 1 to June 30, 2022.
- Council approved two appointments to the Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee (DEDAC).
- Council has set October 20, 2022 for a Planning and Development Orientation Workshop to Kickoff the review of the Municipal Development Plan.
- Council approved Mayor Hunter to attend a meeting with Alberta Health Services regarding Healthcare in Alberta.









RCMP Municipal Policing Report

Detachment	Didsbury Municipal
Detachment Commander	Staff Sergeant Stephen Browne
Quarter	Q1 2022
Date of Report	2022-07-27

Community Consultations

Date	2022-05-07
Meeting Type	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	Traffic, Youth
Attendees	
Notes/Comments	2022 Didsbury Car Show - Dedicated uniformed presence at the event to interact with presenters, residents and youth and to educate on traffic safety.

Date	2022-05-11
Meeting Type	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	Education Session, Crime Reduction
Attendees	Didsbury
Notes/Comments	Met with the Didsbury Mayor to discuss new reporting structure for downtown/business district occurrences. Discussed the modification requirements for Didsbury Detachment building including additional workspace for members and support staff.

Date	2022-05-11
Meeting Type	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	Annual Planning, Crime Reduction, Reporting and Information Sharing
	Mountain View County
Notes/Comments	Presented to MVC regarding 2021 fourth quarter statistics, and strategic priorities for 2022/23.











Date	2022-05-21
Meeting Type	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	Education Session, Traffic
Attendees	MD of Bighorn
Notes/Comments	Enhanced ATV patrols on May 21 and 22 in the west district for Victoria Day long weekend. Interacted with campers and provided education on ATV and traffic safety. Visible presence in the backcountry was well received and appreciated by all residents who interacted with our members.
Date	2022-05-25
Meeting Type	Town Hall
Topics Discussed	Education Session, Crime Reduction, Property Crime
Attendees	
Notes/Comments	Town Hall with community members in conjunction with both Olds and Sundre detachments as Bergen is in the middle of all three detachment areas. Resident from all three areas attended. Discussed crime reduction initiatives and youth high risk behavior prevention. Zero concerns brought up by this engagement other than a request to have a livestock response trailer (panels) in the area to assist with incidents where fences are down and cattle are escaping (collisions through fencelines etc).
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Date	2022-06-04
Meeting Type	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	Youth
Attendees	
Notes/Comments	Attended the 3025 Service Battalion Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps Annual Ceremonial Review, upon invitation. Presented several awards to cadets and spoke with family members.









Community Priorities

Priority 1	Serious Investigations
Current Status & Results	During this reporting period members conducted seven (7) serious investigations: Assault with a weapon (Domestic Violence)- April 3, 2022 - One adult charged Assault (Domestic Violence) - May 1, 2022 - One adult charged Assault causing bodily harm - May 15, 2022 - One adult charged Mischief - June 2, 2022 - Three youth charge Firearms/Breach/Drugs - June 5, 2022 - One adult charged with 12 criminal and provincial offenses Assault (Domestic Violence) - June 16, 2022 - One adult charged Mischief under \$5000 - June 18, 2022 - One adult charged

Priority 2	Intelligence-led Drug Enforcement
Current Status & Results	Didsbury RCMP members are and have been involved in the majority of drug enforcement files not only in Didsbury Area but in Mountain View County as a whole. This is because Didsbury members use information gained through the use of confidential informants as well as through conversations with members of the detachment area. Didsbury detachment members are also in constant contact with the District Intelligence Analyst to allow for the flow of intelligence throughout the district. This intelligence-led file work and sharing of information has led to many charges related to CDSA files in the rural areas/ areas outside of the townsites of Didsbury and Carstairs. In total, Didsbury detachment members have been involved in four larger scale drug trafficking files in the area of Mountain View County. These resulted in 40 charges related to 6 individuals charged. Didsbury members also laid 5 other controlled drug related charges this quarter.

Priority 3	Police Visibility and Traffic Enforcement
Current Status & Results	On June 2, 2022 based on targeted patrols, three youth were charged with mischief in relation to spray painting graffiti at the Didsbury Skate Park. Traffic enforcement conducted by Airdrie/Innisfail Integrated Traffic Units and Didsbury Detachment resulted in 32 motorists being charged for moving/non moving driving offences within the Town of Didsbury. A focus on speed enforcement for 15th Avenue was requested, which resulted in 7 violation tickets being issued to motorists









Crime Statistics¹

The following table provides policing statistics on actual offences within the periods listed. Please see Appendix for additional information and a five-year comparison.

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	April - June			January - December		
Category	2021	2022	% Change Year-over- Year	2020	2021	% Change Year-over- Year
Total Criminal Code	144	96	-33%	518	468	-10%
Persons Crime	43	15	-65%	98	111	13%
Property Crime	68	46	-32%	298	231	-22%
Other Criminal Code	33	35	6%	122	126	3%
Traffic Offences						
Criminal Code Traffic	1	2	100%	16	10	-38%
Provincial Code Traffic	41	51	24%	113	153	35%
Other Traffic	0	0	N/A	1	0	-100%
CDSA Offences	3	4	33%	5	18	260%
Other Federal Acts	6	5	-17%	9	19	111%
Other Provincial Acts	41	46	12%	187	160	-14%
Municipal By-Laws	7	13	86%	36	29	-19%
Motor Vehicle Collisions	14	16	14%	48	49	2%

¹ Data extracted from a live database (PROS) and is subject to change over time.

Trends/Points of Interest

Q1 Occurrence Report for Didsbury Business District attached.

51 reported occurrences during the Q1 reporting period.









Municipal Overview: Human Resources²

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Special Leave³	Hard Vacancies⁴	Revised Plan at Q1	2022 FTE Utilization Plan
Police Officers	4	4	0	0	4	4
Detachment Support	1	1	0	0	1	1

 $^{^{2}}$ Data extracted on June 30, 2022 and is subject to change.

Comments

Police Officers - Of the 4 established positions, 4 officers are currently working.

³ Once members are placed on "Special Leave" (eg. Maternity/paternity, medical >30 days, leave without pay, graduated return to work) they are not included in the FTE count and their pay is not charged directly to each location. However, any salary expenditures associated with these employees while on leave is included as an "indirect cost" and billed within the Divisional Administration rate, charged to all contracts.

⁴ Hard vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.









Municipal Overview: Financial/O&M

As a municipality with a population under 15,000, the community benefits from the pooling of several costs, which are allocated on a per capita basis. Overtime and commissionaire guarding costs are direct costs to the municipality, and are not included as pooled costs.

Municipal	Year to Date Expenditures⁵	Revised Plan at Q1	2022 Financial Plan
Pay	101,843	331,476	331,476
Overtime	7,078	45,000	45,000
Operating and Maintenance	9,108	32,178	32,178
Commissionaire Guarding	1,050	15,067	15,067
Equipment	2,038	27,623	27,623
Other	600	6,906	6,906
Div. Admin & Indirect Costs	61,656	201,384	201,384
Total (in 100% terms)	368,341	662,840	687,773
Total (with applicable cost share ratio of 70% applied)	258,154	468,508	468,508
⁵ Includes expenditures up to June 30, 2022.			

Comments

The financial plans as identified above are in alignment with the recent multi-year financial plan and 2022/23 forecast. The forecast includes the approximate 4% pay-raise increase for Non-Commissioned Officers which was effective as of April 1, 2022, as per the collective bargaining agreement. Quarter 1 invoicing for the 2022/23 fiscal year as well as the 2021/22 reconciliation package, will be distributed no later than August 23rd.

Inquiries regarding the retroactive pay-raise can be directed to the to the CMC Secretariat at ps.cmcsec-cgesec.sp@ps-sp.gc.ca.









Definitions

Municipal Overvie	ew: Human Resources
FTE Utilization	A full-time equivalent (FTE) employee is defined by the number of months in a fiscal year that a position is filled. The FTE utilization level refers to the total months filled for all positions within the detachment/unit.
2021/22 FTE Utilization Plan	This reflects the number of working FTEs planned to be in place for the fiscal year.
	This reflects any adjustments to the planned number of working FTEs, which may vary as hard and soft vacancies fluctuate throughout the year.
Municipal Overvie	ew: Financial/O&M
Year-To-Date (YTD) Expenditures	YTD expenditures reflect the actual expenditures within each category, as of the date of the report.
Revised Plan at Q1	This reflects any adjustments to the forecasted spending plan for the relevant category, which may vary as expenditures are realized throughout the year.
2021/22 Financial Plan	This reflects the target spending levels set for each category of expenditure, and the initial financial plan for the 2021/22 fiscal year.
Pay	Includes salary costs and associated allowances for police officers and civilian support.
Overtime	Includes direct overtime costs for police officers.
Operating and Maintenance	Reflects all unit operating costs, including items such as travel, fuel and vehicle repairs.
Commissionnaire Guarding	Reflects the costs of guarding prisoners within detachments.
Equipment	Include expenditures for operational and technology equipment, police vehicles and the fit-up of those vehicles.
Div. Admin & Indirect Costs	This reflects the division administration charges associated to core administration costs, special leaves and health services costs, and the indirect costs associated to all employees, including benefits, Canada Pension Plan and Employment Insurance rates.
Other	This includes all remaining expenditures including applicable training costs, secret expenditures and air services costs if applicable.
Total	Reflects the total costs of all categories of expenditures.