

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

February 8, 2022

The Town of Didsbury Council held the Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday February 8, 2022, in Council Chambers at 1606 – 14 Street.

- Council was presented with the information and recommendation of the Community Services Board for the 2022 FCSS allocation of the provincial/federal funds that the Town receives and manages annually. Funding in the amount of \$64,000.00 has been budgeted for the 2022 FCSS Community Grants, and the 12 applications received totaled \$178,696.60. Council approved the recommendations from the Community Services Board and will discuss the eligibility of further funding consideration for FCSS program applicants at the Operating Budget Workshop.
- Council was pleased to make another appointment to the Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee (DEDAC).
- The Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee (DEDAC) Chair Mike Crampton brought forward the EV Station opportunity for Didsbury. Chair Crampton, in collaboration with Economic Development Officer Alexa Ross, investigated EV station options, infrastructure, cost and revenue. Moreover, they explored partnership models, possible grants and what it could mean for Didsbury from an economic development perspective. All information was provided through a presentation to Council. Council directed Administration to further explore EV Stations and apply for the Provincial grant currently available under the Provincial Electric Vehicle Charging Program.
- The CAO report contained good information and was appreciated by Council.
- Council welcomed Mountain View County Councillor Gord Krebs who gave a presentation regarding the attraction and retention of rural veterinarians.
- Council approved a new policy that will manage the annual reserve allocation of the Operating Surplus for Tax Purposes and Unbudgeted Revenues in a fiscally responsible and transparent manner.