

Boards/Committees/Commission Reports

September 10, 2024, Committee of the Whole
Deputy Mayor R. Balanko



Over the summer months, I attended Legal Fete Parade, alongside other council members and the Rolling Barrage, held at our MLC.

The remaining committee appointments have not met since our summer break.

Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance

A day long planning and grant detail session was held in August, to fine tune the details of the application and request of Municipalities to provide supporting letters.

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This overview is provided with the intention of giving councils a better idea of what SRWA is applying for within the ACP Grant.

Our municipality has been asked to compile a letter of support, please let me know so I can add it to the application.

ATTACHMENTS:

Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance

The Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance (SRWA) is a municipally-supported watershed stewardship group that works in partnership with the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA). The SRWA is guided by a Steering Committee of elected officials and a Technical Advisory Committee of staff and volunteers. Promoting knowledge transfer and sharing of BMPs.

SRWA has been able to complete an array of technical reports that address data and/or information gaps. In addition, educational communications materials have been produced for SRWA to utilize. Together these resources are readily available and are advisory. Their purpose is to provide guidance to members in order to sustain and advance watershed health and implementation of the Sturgeon River Watershed Management Plan.

To maintain momentum, SRWA is applying to the 2024 Government of Alberta's Community Partnership Grant (ACP) - Intermunicipal Collaboration Stream (Application Due October 1, 2024).

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The actions will be further discussed, reviewed and finalized with the SRWA through consensus-based decision making.

To increase SRWA's chances of success we ask that member municipalities pass a motion and provide a letter of support.

Suggested Motion: [Insert Name] supports the application for funding to the Alberta Community Partnership grant program, which will enable the continuation and further development of the work of the Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance (SRWA) and the implementation of the SRWA's Watershed Management Plan (WMP).



EMRB Growth Plan Five Year Interim Review Task Force

Preliminary Servicing Analysis Results

The purpose of the servicing analysis is to review the adequacy of existing servicing for each defined major employment area in the Region as part of the regional growth study. The intent is to provide a high-level analysis, relying on existing servicing plans and system capacity for water, sanitary sewer, and transportation. There are three components to the servicing analysis:

Understanding System Capacity: for each service area the development capacity for each employment area is evaluated against the growth potential and geospatial allocations to ensure that the capacity exists to accommodate future growth.

Identifying System Upgrades: where capacity constraints exist upgrades may be required to increase capacity to accommodate the planned or future growth. A high-level cost of any system upgrades will be identified.

Identifying Allocation Options and Impacts: where servicing capacity constraints exist and the cost of required upgrades is significant, alternatives to the allocations will be evaluated. This will involve the following analysis:

- o A determination as to whether alternative allocations of growth are possible without any impact to the growth potential of the Region (Feedback Loop).
- o A determination as to whether changes in the definition of the employment area(s) can result in an effective distribution of growth that avoids any required and costly service upgrades (Feedback Loop).
- o Consideration of agriculture land implications of the alternative geospatial allocations (Feedback Loop)

The geospatial analysis, accepted for information at the June task force meeting, allocated employment growth to the current major employment areas within the growth plan using low, medium, and high growth scenarios. The low, medium, and high growth scenarios are utilized for a

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- <https://emrb.civicweb.net/document/29911/mts%20-%20Growth%20Plan%20Five-Year%20Interim%20Review%20Task%20Fo.pdf?handle=4451FF275BE1440487C6AB65FEEDC78D>

August 15, 2024
Vicki Zinyk
Sturgeon Victim Services Association
Board Chair
10512 101 Avenue, Morinville, Alberta T8R 1K9

Dear Vicki Zinyk:

I am writing to extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to you and your team for your exceptional service to victims of crime and tragedy across Alberta. The dedication and commitment demonstrated by the victim service units in our province have been truly commendable.

Your tireless efforts in supporting victims, often during their most challenging times, have had a profound impact on our communities. The transition to the new regional service delivery model in partnership with Alberta Public Safety and Emergency Services has been a significant undertaking, and your ability to adapt and continue delivering high-quality support throughout the development and implementation of the new model speaks volumes about your professionalism and resilience.

I would also like to acknowledge and express our deep gratitude to the many volunteer advocates, board members, program managers, and other frontline service providers who have played an integral role in the success of your programs. Their selfless contributions and unwavering commitment to providing the compassionate and effective assistance that victims need has been remarkable.

As we approach September 30, 2024, and your society begins to wind down, we wanted to remind you that we are here to support you as you work towards transitioning out of the RCMP detachments and completing reporting requirements for your final conditional grant agreement. An Information Bulletin will be circulated with detailed information.

Should have specific questions, you can contact Jessi Evanoff, Service Delivery Oversight at jessi.evanoff@gov.ab.ca or by phone 780-641-9622.

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Thank you once again for your ongoing work and dedication. Your contributions have made a significant difference in the lives of those you serve, and we are deeply appreciative of all that you have done.

Warm regards,

Yours truly,
Trent Forsberg
Director, Victims Services
Public Safety and Emergency Services