

Lac La Biche County

Report

to Council

SUBJECT: Council Correspondence – March

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: March 9, 2021

CONFIDENTIAL: This matter is not confidential.

Purpose: That Mayor and Council receive a report on the correspondence received.

Proposed Motion:

That Council accept the Council Correspondence Report as information.

Options:

- Mayor and Council may accept the report as information.
- Mayor and Council may provide alternate direction.

Recommendation: Administration's recommendation is that Council accepts the Council Correspondence Report as information.

Background: On March 1, 2021, Council received a letter and email from Mr. Eugene Lebas concerning the ball diamonds in McArthur Park. The letter received is dated and was received by Council on April 24, 2019.

During the June 4, 2019 Regular Council Meeting, Council reviewed the letter as part of Council Correspondence and passed Motion 19.506: *Motion by Councillor Cote to accept the correspondence from Mr. Lebas and Ms. Lauzon as information.* A letter following this motion was signed and sent to Mr. Lebas from Mayor Moghrabi on June 10, 2019 that is included within the report as information.

Within the letter, Mr. Lebas acknowledged the history behind the ball diamonds along with the amount of kids registered for baseball in Lac La Biche. Mr. Lebas has concerns about not having enough facilities. The letter further noted that other groups in the community are renting spaces that are ran by volunteers.

Since 2019, Administration has reached out to community groups that Mr. Lebas has referenced in his letter. Community groups were also contacted and given the opportunity to provide feedback when the use of the Old Curling Rink was discussed. During the September 3, 2019 Regular Council Meeting, Council passed Motion 19.819: *Motion by Councillor Cote to accept the Future Planning Old Curling Rink Briefing as information and further that the McArthur Park development plan and community consultation be brought forward to the 2020 budget deliberations.*

Mr. Lebas noted in his recent email that his view has not changed based on his feedback from 2019. Administration can reach out to Mr. Lebas with respect to his concerns as outlined in his email to discuss further. Administration can also draft a letter from Mayor Moghrabi to send to Mr. Lebas.

Strategic Alignment: Strategic Goals: Recreation and Culture; and Social Wellness

Financial Implications:

Costs: N/A

Source of funding: N/A

Relevant Legislation, Policy or Practices: Correspondence and Submissions at Public Meetings ADM-14-008.

Internal Impacts: Administration to communicate between internal departments affected by this letter.

Communication: Administration to draft a letter for the Mayor's signature acknowledging the letter sent by Mr. Eugene Lebas.

Attachments: Letter from Mr. Eugene Lebas, Volunteer for KidSport Lac La Biche

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