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A G E N D A

For the meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers on  
Monday, April 8, 1957 at 7:30 p.m.

1. Present:

Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held April 1, 1957

2. Unfinished Business:

Request for Sewer and Water Line - 57 St. from 58 Ave. to 60 Ave. and  
60 Ave. from 57 to 58 St.

3. Aldermen's New Business:

4. Correspondence:

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| 1. Quota Club       | re: Permission to Sell Flowers on the Streets. |
| 2. C. Jarvis Miller | re: Recreation Commission Membership           |

5. Reports:

1. Re: Intermediate "A" Hockey - Red Deer Indians
2. R.C.M.P. Monthly Report
3. Voluntary Traffic Violations for March, 1957.
4. Charges for Closing of Lanes, Sidewalks, Roads or Parking Spaces.
5. Fire Chief's Monthly Report.
6. Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes - April 3, 1957.
7. Summary of Activities - Rec. Commission - March, 1957.

6. New Business:

1. Payment of Accourts

*Additional*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1.

To The City Commissioners  
and City Council  
Red Deer, Alta.

On March 31, 1956 the following petition was received

March 31, 1956

City of Red Deer  
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Sirs:

We the undersigned request sewer and water @ 43¢ per front foot per annum for 20 years. This is on 57 Street from 58 Avenue to 60 Avenue and on 60 Avenue from 57 Street to 58 Street.

Yours truly,

Olive Russell	5705 - 60 Ave,	
Wilhelm Bolze	5706 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
J.L. Nelson	5822 - 58 St.	O.K.
Mrs. Edith A. Kerr	5818 - 57 St.	O.K.
William Swanson	5607 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
Andrew Slaw	5604 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
J.W. Russell	5712 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
Wm. Nielson	5708 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
Lloyd William Bowie	5709 - 60 Ave.	O.K.
Bill Koneski	5903 - 59 St.	O.K.
Mr. & Mrs. R. Pearce	5702 - 60 Ave.	O.K.

On June 26, 1956 the following letter was sent to the petitioners by the City Clerk.

Mrs. Olive Russell  
5705 - 60 Avenue  
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Madam:

In answer to your petition for a sewer and water line on 57 Street from 58 Avenue to 60 Avenue and on 60 Avenue from 57 to 58 Street, I wish to advise you that Council agreed to this project after it has been advertised, but as our program is already full for this year, we cannot guarantee that these lines will be installed in 1956.

However, it will be given priority on our 1957 program.

Yours truly,

E. Newman  
City Clerk

I suggest that these items be placed on this years Public Works Programme. The total cost of the work would be about \$9,000.00 and the recoveries would be about \$3,700.00

N.J. Deck  
City Engineer

NOTE:

The above item was on last weeks Agenda and was referred back for further information re recoveries. The original recoveries are correct and the above petition represents 100% of property owners. Would recommend this work be included in 1957 program.

COMMISSIONERS

## CORRESPONDENCE:

LETTER NO. 1

April 4, 1957

Mayor J.M. McAfee  
City of Red Deer  
4819 - Ross St.  
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Quota Club of Red Deer would like permission to sell flowers for Mother's Day on the Street, Saturday, May 11th.

Would you be kind enough to bring this to the attention of the City Council at their next meeting, so that we may know whether we may go ahead with our plans?

All money raised is used for charitable purposes,

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

"Marie Jacobson"  
Mrs. F. Jacobson, Sect.

## NOTE:

This is very similar to a tag day and we have discouraged same in the past. Do not recommend.

COMMISSIONERS

April 4, 1957

F.A. Amy, Esq.  
City Clerk  
Red Deer, Alta.

Dear Sir:

Re: Recreation Commission Membership

Retiring members of the Commission as of March 31st, 1957, are as follows: H. Bailes, F. Nielsen, P. Crawford, J. Kennedy, J. Douglas, and also W. Martin, who has resigned with one year left in his term.

The Commission has made the following appointments for terms as listed below:

F. Nielson	Reappointed for two years
J. Kennedy	" " " "
H. Bailes	" " " "
P. Crawford	" " one year (Balance of W. Martin's term)
P. Brown	Appointed for two years.

Separate School Board - Appointment for two years (to be named).

Yours truly,

C. Jarvis Miller  
Recreation Director

## For Information of Council

## - Present Recreation Membership

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. R.J. Seater - Chairman | 9. Mrs. W.B. Parsons                 |
| 2. Alderman J. McRobbie   | 10. Howard Bailes                    |
| 3. H. Gilchrist           | 11. Chas. Campbell                   |
| 4. Mrs. P. Foster         | 12. Durb Holmes                      |
| 5. Paul Crawford          | 13. John Kennedy                     |
| 6. Miss A. Olson          | 14. Paul Brown                       |
| 7. Fred Nielsen           | 15. One appointment still to be made |
| 8. Mrs. Geo. Hancock      | representing Separate School Board   |

REPORTS:

3.

The Mayor and Council  
City of Red Deer

Gentlemen:

Re: Intermediate "A" Hockey - Red Deer Indians

Concerning request of above club for financial assistance the following should be noted.

(1) Various executive members of the Red Deer Indians Hockey Club are holding notes in the sum of \$2,500.00 representing losses incurred in the 1955-56 season. The operating statement for 1956-57 shows a further loss of \$2,252.41.

(2) The Red Deer Indians is a non-profit organization operated by a group of men interested in the promotion of hickey in Red Deer. To date, as well as losses mentioned, each subscriber has a \$100.00 "Share" in the enterprise.

With hockey operating at a loss in Red Deer the question arises as to the future of Intermediate "A" Hockey:

- (1) Should we drop from Intermediate Hockey altogether?
- (2) Should we revert to Intermediate "B" Hockey?
- (3) Should the hockey be placed on a "cooperative" basis where it is run by the players themselves?
- (4) Should the City subsidize hockey?
- (5) Should the hockey be operated by a limited company such as the Fair Board as in Calgary and Edmonton?

The following observations are noted re the above alternatives:

(1) Dropping from hockey does not appear to be the answer. Certainly, if such is done, the present hockey executive is immediately confronted with the problem of raising approximately \$5,000.00 to meet their liabilities. A winning hockey team will make money for the arena, plus numerous indirect benefits to the City as a whole. It might also be mentioned that we can expect no playoff or exhibition games in Red Deer if we are not in a position to support a team of our own.  
professional

(2) I feel that this suggestion is not the solution. People have come to expect a high calibre of hockey and if we step down a notch crowds will suffer. Attendance has been very poor for Intermediate "B". No doubt, without "A" hockey, crowds would be better but not enough to warrant the expense involved.

(3) This might be an answer. Certainly, with players sharing any profit we can be sure that expense would be kept to a minimum. This, however, would not solve the problem of present indebtedness of hockey club. (if players were operating club they would naturally expect to start with a clean slate).

(4) Subsidizing the Club. Once a precedent is set I am afraid we will have the problem continually facing us - and not from the hockey club alone! It costs approximately \$15,000.00 per year (exclusive of debenture payments) to operate the arena. If we subsidize hockey we immediately have an extra charge to the taxpayers as a whole. If subsidizing is the answer the City must insist on having a Council Member on the hockey executive to scrutinize all expenditures. Once we subsidize in such a manner as above it appears to be only another step until the City takes over operation of the Club.

(5) A limited company. Our hockey is definitely becoming "big business" with thousands of dollars involved each year. This points up the necessity of full time management. The present hockey executive has done a reasonably good job. However, these men have their own living to make and it is inevitable the necessary time and thought cannot be given to all the aspects of running the Club. Rather than the City running the Club I believe that an exhibition board would be the answer - with a manager to handle all details pertaining to operating of entire plant at the fairgrounds, including hockey. Such a move would precede some arrangements to handle present liabilities of the hockey club. Whether our City has arrived at a size to consider such is, of course, another matter.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. Jarvis Miller, Red. Director and  
Arena Manager

## NOTE:

The Council will be interested to note that net revenue from October 1, 1956 to March 31, 1957 has been \$12,114.43 (with several smaller payments still to come). City share from Indian games was \$4,965.10. We anticipate a further revenue of approximately \$3,000.00 for the summer months which mean that the hockey club will have contributed roughly 1/3 of our revenue for the year. Revenue has been very satisfactory when we remember fact that no inter-provincial playoff games are slated for our arena this spring - owing to elimination of Central Alberta teams. Revenue from five such games last spring was in excess of \$3,000.00.

C.J. Miller

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RED DEER HOCKEY CLUB

Statement of Financial Position  
As of March 24, 1957

Bank Loan Payable	\$ 2,500.00
Accounts Payable	1,836.04
Due to Players	<u>1,209.60</u>
	5,545.64
Less cash on hand and in bank	<u>355.29</u>
	<u>\$ 5,190.35</u>
Represented by:	
Payment on 1954-55 expenses	\$1,791.05
1955-56 loss	4,046.89
1956-57 loss	<u>2,252.41</u>
	8,090.35
Less payments by shareholders	<u>2,900.00</u>
	<u>\$ 5,190.35</u>



5.

RED DEER HOCKEY CLUB  
Statement of Operation  
To March 24, 1957

Receipts:

Gross gate receipts:			
Season tickets	\$ 2,093.50	\$ 1,873.00	
League games	11,168.15	11,667.30	
Exhibition games	-	594.75	
Playoff games	<u>2,989.00</u>	<u>3,210.25</u>	
	\$16,250.65	\$17,345.30	
Deductions:			
City of Red Deer	5,033.90	4,354.05	
Ushers, firemen, etc.	654.00	911.00	
League team split	-	906.15	
Exhibition teams	<u>-</u>	<u>225.00</u>	
	5,687.90	6,396.20	
Net gate receipts	<u>10,562.75</u>	<u>10,949.10</u>	
Other receipts:			
Programmes	1,078.65	850.00	
Pre season exhibition games	242.41	724.05	
Hockey tournament	300.00	500.00	
Sportsmens' Dinner - net	190.93	-	
Other projects	<u>849.76</u>	<u>163.38</u>	
	2,661.75	2,237.43	
Total Receipts	13,224.50	13,186.53	

EXPENSES:

A.A.H.A.	274.06	280.08	
Advertising	467.90	666.26	
Bank interest	113.85	32.52	
Board and accomodation	-	155.05	
C.A.H.L.	445.00	295.00	
Gifts	-	60.86	
Hockey Sticks	1,180.29	949.87	
Meals and refreshments	135.07	95.48	
Medical expense & supplies	235.46	163.79	
Medical insurance	300.00	288.00	
Miscellaneous	7.99	195.34	
Players and coach	9,519.90	10,185.00	
Referees	1,120.00	1,350.00	
Repairs and Supplies	585.74	620.24	
Telephone	72.68	72.87	
Ticket sales	71.16	50.00	
Timekeeper	44.00	-	
Travel - players	534.81	881.50	
Travel - team	369.00	426.60	
Uniforms and equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>464.96</u>	
	15,476.91	17,233.42	
Net Loss	\$ <u>2,252.41</u>	<u>4,046.89</u>	

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

6.

Date ..April.2nd.,1957.

TO: The City Commissioner,  
City of RED DEER,  
RED DEER, Alberta.

Monthly Report Covering Policing of .....The City of RED DEER.....  
for the Month of .....March..... 19 57.

1. Members on Duty ..... Suff. members on duty to comply with Policing Contr.
2. Disposition of Cases Under Municipal By-Laws:  
COURT VOLUNTARY  
CONVICTIONS PENALTIES WARNINGS DISMISSED WITHDRAWN  
Traffic, excluding  
Parking .....10.....28.....26.....  
Parking .....1395.....172.....  
Other By-Laws .....  
3. Complaints Recived .....130..... 4. Complaints Investigated .....130.....  
5. Unlighted Street Lamps .....5..... 6. Fires Attended .....2.....  
7. Business Places Unlocked .....8..... 8. Recoverable Expenses .....Nil.....  
9. Number of Liquor Cases .....11..... 10. Liquor Situation .....Under Control.....  
11. Articles Lost .....10..... 12. Articles Found .....19.....  
13. Bicycles Stolen .....3..... 14. Bicycles Recovered .....1.....  
15. Prisoners' Expenses and Maintenance (Meals) .....Meals \$18.85 Guards (\$77.00).....  
16. Fines Imposed Under Municipal By-Laws .....\$110.90.....  
17. Revenue Collected in Municipal Cases and Payable To:  
MUNICIPALITY PROVINCE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
Fines: .....\$390.00.....\$185.00.....\$25.00.....  
Costs: .....\$ 52.50.....\$33.75.....  
18. Mileage on Municipal Duties:  
R.C.M.P. TRANSPORT MINICIPAL TRANSPORT HIRED TRANSPORT  
.....5,032.....  
19. Number of Cases where Assistance Rendered to Municipality and no Report Submitted .....1.....  
20. Remarks: Contact maintained with City Officials. No Juvenile crime of serious trends encountered. Criminal Offences during the month were of a minor nature. Traffic fairly heavy during month. Liquor cases showed a slight increase. There were no cases involving meter violations. Voluntary Penalty tickets issued - 1395 of which 172 were warnings.

Escort during month - 3 prisoners to Edmonton, Alta.

If additional information is desired it will be supplied upon request.

City of Red Deer Prosecution (By-Law) forms forwarded direct with original of this form to the City Commissioner.

(E.V. Christianson) #14305 Cpl.  
i/c Red Deer City Detail.

## MONTHLY REPORT

## VOLUNTARY TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

MONTH OF MARCH 1957

Tickets Issued	1395
Warnings	172
No. of Second Notices Sent	123
No. up for prosecution	41
No. waiting for second notice	49
Amount of Ticket paid	March \$ 1,083.00
	Year to Date \$ 3,057.00
	Jan. to March/56\$ 1,831.00
	Increase 66.9%

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The following notice was issued in May, 1953.

To Whom It May Concern:

Effective May 15, 1953 the following rates shall be charged any person or persons or company wishing permission to close or partially close any lane, sidewalk, road or parking space.

Complete closing of lane, sidewalk or road	\$10.00 per day
Partial closing of lane, sidewalk or road	5.00 per day
Coverage of parking meters or use of parking space per space or meter.	.75 per day

Paul Crawford  
J.A. Beveridge  
City Commissioner

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The above notice was not authorized by Council, either by resolution or by-law. We could suggest these rates, if acceptable to Council, be authorized by by-law to make them effective.

Perhaps the rate on parking spaces should be increased to a minimum of one dollar per day, but only where they are closed off for construction.

These fees are not for the purpose of revenue but to encourage speedy removal of re-opening of streets, etc.

COMMISSIONERS



April 22, 1957

His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council

Gentlemen:

I wish to report that the Fire Department had a comparatively quiet month, in March, 1957, having only three fires as follows: two buildings, one rubbish. This brings the number of calls for the first three months of 1957 to twelve as compared to five in 1956.

March 3rd, 9:44 A.M. Call came in stating rubbish and manure pile on fire near barn at the Fair Grounds. Number Five Company responded and emptied a couple of booster tanks of water on it as pile was about three feet deep. Told Caretaker to keep an eye on it to make sure it didn't re-ignite. No damage.

March 9th, 8:37 A.M. Call came in from Red Deer Auto Court stating fire in one of the cabins (#19). Number Three Company responded and found wood burning in attic near defective chimney. Department extinguished same with dipper of water, gas was cut off and owner was informed to have chimney fixed before using it again. Damage estimated at \$50.00 by owner.

March 13th, 9:08 p.m. Call came in from 4839 - 49 Street stating smoke in basement. Number Five Company responded. Checked furnace and found nothing wrong. I then checked basement suite occupied by Mr. R. Porkka and Mr. E. Mikkelsen, and found suite full of smoke. Occupants had put supper in oven, turned on two burners and apparently forgot about it, as they were not in the suite and supper was burned to a crisp. All windows were opened to ventilate the suite. No damage.

Department had eleven wrong number calls on 2550. Also removed a cat off electric light pole at 5305 - 42 Avenue.

Department held its regular Tuesday night practices with an average attendance of 44 members present. As soon as the ground dries up a bit all crews will be going outside to practice.

On the basis of his mark on the exam given by the Fire Commissioners Office, Captain L. Zimmerman was promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief effective March 1st, 1957.

Also on March 1st, 1957 the Fire Department held its First Annual Ball at the Holiday Inn, and unfortunately some people got sick and some of my men were off work for two or three days. The Fire Inspector was off for a week.

On March 15th, 1957 I sent Deputy Chief Zimmerman out to Antler Hill Community Hall to show fire prevention film and give a talk on Fire Prevention.

On March 17th, 1957 I gave five of the firemen the Captains promotional exam as the Deputy Chiefs promotion had left a vacancy in the Captains ranks.

On March 19th, 1957 on the basis of his excellent mark on the exam of 90% Fireman Dave Wilson was promoted to the rank of Captain and will be on probation for a year.

As fireman N. Bergdall wished to attend a Skiing Instructors course at Jasper from March 25th to 31st, 1957, I gave him one week of his holidays.

On March 4th, 1957 I hired A. Danyluk as a permanent Fireman, his mark on the Civil Service exam was 93%. On March 18th, 1957 I hired another fireman, R. McPhedran. His mark on the exam was 90.8%. As of March 31st, 1957 the Fire Department personnel is as follows: 36 volunteers, and 14 permanent men counting all ranks.

On each Monday night during March, I have had 12 Scouts in the hall. They are given training so that they can write an exam for their Firemanship badge.

During the month of March, 1957 the Fire Inspector inspected 31 buildings, issued four recommendations under our Fire By-law 1848, reinspected these places, found two completed.

Out of all the recommendations issued in 1956 sixty-five have been completed. There are still some twenty left. The Fire Inspector also made two visits to the Hospital and the Twilight Homes, and was off work sick for one week.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Thomlison  
Fire Chief

RED DEER

RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting - City Hall - April 3, 1957

Present: R.J. Seater, H. Gilchrist, J. Kennedy, P. Crawford,  
C. Campbell, Miss Olsen, Ald. McRobbie, J. Douglas,  
D. Holmes, Mrs. Hancock, Mrs. Parsons, H. Bailes,  
F. Nielsen, Asst. Director D. Moore, Sec. C.J. Miller.

W. Martin and Mrs. Foster were absent from the meeting.

Meeting opened at 8.10 p.m. with R. J. Seater presiding. Minutes of the March meeting were approved in motion of Crawford and Campbell.

Business out of Minutes:

- (a) Building Committee Report: Mr. Crawford reported that difficulty has been experienced in getting together with Inter-Club Council, and suggested that a direct appeal be made to interested clubs followed by a general mass meeting. He also reported that there was further talk of soliciting Government dividends. The Friendship Club is contemplating a 22 Club.
- (b) A. R. A. Meeting: The Secretary reported that the Alberta Recreation Association annual meeting had been postponed and will now be held May 10th and 11th.
- (c) Hockey & Baseball Reports: Don Moore reported that the baseball committee had drawn up a list of proposals which were presented to the Red Deer Minor Baseball Assn. These were approved by that body at their annual meeting. (Copy attached to office minutes.) A hockey committee meeting will be called about April 15th.
- (d) Arena Heating: Mr. Seater stated that he had nothing final on this as yet. Further information will be available at the May meeting.

New Business:

- (a) Petition re Playground: Secretary reported receipt of a petition sent to District Planning, and forwarded to Recreation Commission requesting a new playground in North Red Deer. A letter from District Planning Commission suggested that Block 11 would serve this area better. Recreation Commission approved this suggestion.
- (b) Horticultural Society: Commission recommended that no action be taken, and that interested parties proceed with formation of their own group.
- (c) Booster Club: Don Moore reported that the Booster Club had re-organized and were now drawing up a new constitution. The Club are presently contacting service club directorates requesting their approval and co-operation of Booster program. It was also reported that the Booster Club planned to send a maximum of six men to the Football Clinic to be held in Edmonton during Easter week.
- (d) Ball Park: Secretary reported that the Red Deer School Division had purchased some 18 acres of land adjacent to the Composite ...

High School and that Sir Arthur Stonhouse had suggested that part of this may be used for city recreation. The Secretary was instructed to write the School Division stating our interest and appreciation of this proposal.

- (e) Commission Membership: Secretary advised that the City Council had not seen fit to grant request for a reduction in the number of members. Their feeling being that better representation would be available with the present number. The resignation of Mr. Bill Martin from the Commission was accepted with regret. On motion of Nielsen and Crawford, the Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Martin thanking him for his fine service.

Retiring members Bailes, Nielsen and Kennedy were re-appointed for a further two year term, Mr. Crawford was reappointed for a one year term replacing Mr. Martin. The Secretary was instructed to contact the Separate School Board and Mr. Paul Brown as replacements for J. Douglas and P. Crawford for a two year term.

#### Other Business:

- (a) Crests for Hockey Players and Speed Skaters.  
Moved by F. Nielsen, seconded By J. Douglas that the Secretary be authorized to purchase suitable awards for Bantam and Midgets Hodkey teams, and Speed Skaters.

#### Correspondence

- (a) Letter re football school:  
A letter from the Edmonton Eskimo Football Club suggesting the Commission send representation to their Easter coaches clinic was read. On motion of Nielsen and Kennedy, Don Moore was authorized to attend this clinic with \$25.00 fee to be paid by the Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 9.35 p.m.



## SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES - March 1957

### Hockey and Skating

Arena closed for skating on March 31 with a total attendance of 14720, for season, about 3000 more than last year despite fact arena was open until April 22 in 1956.

#### A very successful season in Minor Hockey.

Mitten & Sherbine won Advocate Trophy in Mite League.

Town & Country won Gauthier Trophy in Pee Wee League.

~~E2k:~~ Lions won Whyte Motors Trophy in Bantam League.

Total of 123 games played in above leagues with aggregate of 2952 boys taking part.

Pee Wee Tournament held last Saturday in March with teams from Stettler, Ponoka, Lacombe, Innisfail, Sylvan Lake and Red Deer taking part. Five games played in tournament with Red Deer winning Albertan Trophy. This is the first time such a tournament has been tried in Central Alberta and will no doubt be enlarged and improved for another season. Trophy is up for annual competition and winning club will be presented with crests by Red Deer Recreation Commission.

Red Deer Bantams won Alberta "B" crown eliminating Ponoka, Edmonton, Stettler and Standard in that order.

Nance Silver Streak Midgets retained Alberta "B" crown after defeating Ponoka, Stettler, Vegerville and Strathmore. A series was not arranged with "A" titleholders due to distance involved. An exhibition series arranged with Kimberley (B.C. Champ) with Kimberley winning first game in Red Deer on March 30th by 3-1 score.

Red Deer Indians eliminated in C.A.H.L. by Ponoka in five-game series. Ponoka, in turn, defeated Lacombe for Central Alberta championship. Medicine Hat trimmed Ponoka three-straight to capture Alberta title. In 22 league and playoff games Indians had total attendance of 27964 for average of 1271 per game as against average of 1085 last season.

Monarchs eliminated Edson and Vegerville in Intermediate "B" play-downs and lost to Stettler two games to one in Provincial Final.

Speed skating (Provincial Indoor) held in Red Deer on March 2nd with crowd of approximately 500 in attendance. Butte, Montana captured first place in number of points with Red Deer a close second. Red Deer Club attended Montana Meet in Butte on March 22-23 and made commendable showing.

Rotary Ice Carnival held on March 9th with about 2500 people attending the two performances. A very enjoyable show with nearly all numbers being contributed by local talent.

Cosmopolitan first annual "Scout Jamboree" held on March 29th. Over 2000 people saw a very commendable show. Already plans are under way for a bigger and better exhibition next year.



Broomball league finals completed last week of the month with R.C.H.P. winners of Askin Trophy--held last year by Crawford's.

R.C.A.F. Station, Penhold used arena for final playoffs of all their local leagues as well as Command Playoffs with teams from Claresholm, Moose Jaw and Saskatoon.

Several hockey games of local nature also played in arena during the month.

Ice to be removed from arena starting on April 2nd.

#### Miscellaneous

Local Minor Baseball Association reorganized for the season with Bob Gish as president, Durb Holmes vice-president and Don Moore as Secretary-treasurer.

Senior Baseball reorganized for 1957 with the idea of playing tournament and exhibition ball. A move is under way to obtain better facilities for senior ball.

Local skiers returned from Ski School with two obtaining instructors certificate and one receiving amateur qualifications. All indications would point to a banner season next winter, especially with plans underway for a new ski hill.

Annual Meeting of Alberta Recreation Association to have been held in Red Deer on March 22-23rd was postponed. Will probably be held early in May.

Track & Field School, sponsored by Recreation Bureau of Department of Economic Affairs to be held in Red Deer on April 26-27.

Football School, sponsored by Eskimos, to be held in Edmonton April 23-27th. Plans call for several prospective coaches from Red Deer to attend this school.

Booster Club re-organized with plans to support various types of sport in Red Deer.

Director to attend N.R.A. Conference in Vancouver, B.C. April 8-11th.

Arts & Crafts Group invited to enter display for opening of Jubilee Auditorium in Calgary latter part of April.

Red Deer and Penhold fencers attended invitation meet in Calgary on March 30th making a very creditable showing--winning eleven of twenty-five matches. Ten fencers made the trip. Local fencers now closing all of their training at Penhold Air Station and building up a worthwhile interest in the sport. Tournament to be held at Penhold latter part of April.

Six meetings held during the month.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. Jarvis Miller,  
April 3, 1957

ADDITIONAL AGENDA

April 8, 1957

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A verbal report will be given by the City Engineer re eliminating boulevards for a short distance from Gaetz Avenue on all streets connecting with Gaetz Avenue to facilitate right turns.

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Gentlemen:

In response to our request for tenders on the supply of 1200' of 2½" corporation fire hose coupled in 50 foot lengths, with a synthetic fibre filler thread, eight bids were received.

It was requested that all hose quoted be in accordance with specifications as laid down by Underwriter's Laboratories of Canada. All hoses that were bid will meet these specifications.

Bids received are as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Make of Hose</u>	<u>Total Price Including Sales Tax</u>	<u>Delivery</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Red Deer Motors	Dominion Terylene	\$1,976.04	4-5 weeks	2% - 10
Petroleum Rubber Co.	Goodrich Hipus	\$1,983.96	not given	2%
Dial Industries	Angus Nyflex	\$2,068.97	1-2 weeks	not given
Goodall	Goodall Dacron	\$2,195.00 *	3 weeks	2% - 10th
Gutta Percha	Ajax	\$2,204.40	Immediate	2% - 10th
Dunlop Canada	Dunlop Terylene	\$2,481.60	2-3 weeks	2% - 10th
Dunlop Canada	Dunlop Samson	\$2,204.40	2-3 weeks	2% - 10th
Goodyear	Wingfoot Duplex	\$2,513.40 * \$2,236.20 *	3 weeks 3 weeks	2% - 10th 2% - 10th
King Seagrave	Bi-lateral	\$2,481.66	3 weeks	2% - 10th

Prices marked thus \* , have an Underwriter's inspection charge included in the cost. Goodyear show this charge as being \$31.80.

While some firms have quoted on two grades of fire hose, there are no specifications laid down by any independent authority for these two grades. This grading is done entirely by the manufacturer themselves.

We have received information from the Dominion Rubber representative that the Terylene as quoted by Red Deer Motors is their "first grade" fire hose.

In view of the fact that any of the above mentioned hose is built in accordance with Underwriter's specifications we would recommend the purchase of our fire hose from Red Deer Motors.

Yours truly,

"A.S. Krause", Purchasing Agent

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To City Commissioners:

Report on Service Station Proposal  
Gaetz Avenue & 55th Street

1. Requirements of City By-law:

- (a) Building shall cover not more than 1/7th and not less than 1/10th of site area.
- (b) An entrance and exit shall be permitted where frontage is 125 feet or more and an entrance or exit shall be permitted on a frontage of 100 feet - 125 feet.
- (c) Curb cuts shall not exceed 35' and sidewalk crossings shall be 16' - 25' wide measured at right angles to sides of crossing.
- (d) Distance between curb cuts measured along curb shall not be less than 40 feet.

2. Applicants Proposal

- (a) Area of site - approximately 23,278 sq. feet.  
Area of building - approximately 1600 sq. feet.  
The building does not therefore meet the size requirement of the By-law. The applicant could overcome this difficulty by subdividing the lot into 2 parcels, one of 16,000 sq. feet or less for the Service Station, and one for the balance or enlarging his building to 2,300 sq. ft. The service station site would have to be on the corner as 200' of frontage is required on internal lots. If the turning lane was incorporated this site could however be treated as a special case.

NOTE: This restriction on minimum size was to ensure that unreasonably large land holdings with small improvements in the Commercial Area of the City do not hold up commercial development.

- (b) The applicants proposal meets this clause of the by-law in respect of Gaetz Avenue. The by-law would not permit an entrance off 55 Street as the site has only 94 feet frontage to this road.
- (c) and (d) The applicants proposals meet these requirements.

3. City Proposals:

Assuming 5% - 10% of traffic turning North from 55 Street will be truck traffic, sound engineering design for a turning lane calls for a minimum radius on the inner curve of : -

50 feet if the turning lane is 19 feet wide  
75 feet if the turning lane is 18 feet wide  
150 feet if the turning lane is 17 feet wide  
400 feet if the turning lane is 16 feet wide

assuming curbs on each side of lane.

If a 75 foot radius is used on the inner curve, the outer curve would intersect the curb or traffic lanes on 55th Street about 20 feet back from the corner. This would mean that if 2 cars proceeding along 55th Street with the intention of crossing Gaetz Avenue or turning left at Gaetz Avenue were stopped by lights or traffic, they would block access to the turning lane and thereby defeat its purpose.

The proposal therefore provided for an internal radius of 110 feet with a 17 foot turning lane. This provided adequate space for a pool of 4-6 cars intending to turn left or cross Gaetz Avenue.

- NOTES: (a) It is agreed that this turning lane is not essential at the present time.
- (b) It is considered that the City traffic problem is at present the facilitating of City traffic entering and crossing Gaetz Avenue rather than delays of through traffic.



This problem can be solved by improved intersections, traffic lights and the provision of 4 lanes for traffic on Gaetz Avenue where it is anticipated the through traffic will use the center lanes and right turn traffic will have an outer lane. This will also expedite the through traffic and leave greater space for City traffic.

(c) It is considered that as a right turn into Gaetz Avenue becomes increasingly difficult, traffic originating in the City (or to the East) and intending to proceed North, will seek the most convenient intersection, and the development of a turning lane on Gaetz and 55th Street is likely to encourage such traffic to use this intersection.

N.B. (d) No satisfactory system of synchronized lights can be used on a 2 way basis on Gaetz Avenue due to the short blocks. Our traffic consultants are of the view that ultimately Gaetz Avenue and 49th Avenue will have to be developed as one way streets with completely synchronized lights.

The first stage of such a development would involve cutting the corner of the property in question as proposed and the property on the corner of 49th Avenue and 55th Street.

The second stage would be the development of the south end of 49th Street by acquiring property and extending 49th Avenue across the Nazarene property to Gaetz Avenue.

The third stage might involve the extension of 49th Avenue to the river and a new bridge across the river.

These stages might be developed at 10 year intervals more or less, but there is little doubt that if the population of the Province and City continues to grow at the present rate, and vehicular traffic increases at the present rate, Gaetz Avenue will bisect the City as definitely as a river or a railway unless major costly development projects are planned and carried out. The re-routing of the Provincial Highway will only delay the time these projects will be necessary by 5-10 years.

#### 4. Comments on City Proposals as They Effect Applicants Proposals -

(i) It is possible to meet the requirements of the City By-law as the proposal stands.

(ii) If the internal radius of the turning lane is reduced to 100' and the lane is widened to 18', this will not materially affect the City proposal and would leave the applicant two 35 foot curb cuts on Gaetz Avenue 54 feet apart, that is 14 feet more than that laid down as a minimum by the By-law and better than the arrangement allowed on a standard corner lot having 125 feet frontage.

(iii) The Service Station itself is 1600 square feet and would normally be the minimum permitted on a 16000 sq. foot site. The normal corner lot occupied by service stations has not less than 125' frontage by 125' flankage. i.e. 15,600 sq. feet. It therefore follows the size of the service station it is proposed to build is no larger than is normally found on 125 feet frontage and the provision of 124 feet effective frontage for the purpose of curb cuts, clear of the turning lane would not seem unreasonable.

(iv) It is clear that the proposed turning lane changes an exceptionally good service station site to a normal service station site.

#### 5.

#### SUMMARY

(i) The proposed turning lane is not essential at present and may not be for some years to come, but the City may be in critical need of this corner cut in the foreseeable future.

(ii) The development of this site as a service station will in itself improve this intersection.

(iii) Even with the turning lane, this site represents a desirable service station location but not as desirable as without the turning lane.

(iv) It is for the City Council to weigh the immediate advantages of development of this property by the B.A. Oil Company against the need for this cut off at a future date in connection with the overall traffic needs of the City.

(v) If the land could be deeded to the City now, and leased back to B.A. for a period of 10 years at a nominal rent of say \$1.00 per annum, it is considered that the City's interest would be adequately safeguarded. The matter could then be reviewed by the City in the light of traffic developments over the next 10 years.

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A decision on this matter is urgently required because the retaining wall order from U.S.A. was cancelled and we must re-order if the levelling of this site cannot be expected this year. Sewer and water connections must be laid from 55th Street at an early date so that construction does not interfere with detoured traffic.

Yours truly,

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Director  
R.D.D.P.C.



## GAETZ AVENUE WIDENING - WEST SIDE

52nd STREET TO 150' NORTH OF 55th

STREET (ATLAS LUMBER TO HORNE &amp; PITFIELD)

In considering the development of Gaetz Avenue it has been necessary to weigh the three demands on the space available namely:

- (1) Traffic
- (2) Parking
- (3) Pedestrians

It was considered that an 11 foot sidewalk was the minimum sidewalk that could be provided in a Commercial Area on a permanent basis.

The alternative was a four foot walk to provide an extra seven feet for parking.

In the sidewalks are located fire hydrants, lamp standards and parking meter making a four foot walk on a permanent basis quite impracticable.

It was considered desirable to construct four lanes for traffic, a 7 foot parking lane on each side and eleven foot sidewalks wherever possible.

On the West side of Gaetz Avenue from 52nd Street to 55th Street, the buildings of Atlas Lumber, Moreau Motors and the Dominion Fruit are on the property line and the retaining wall of the C. A. D. P. and the building of Horne and Pitfield are also on the property line. It was therefore considered that no widening of the road could be put into effect on the West side.

Further examination of the situation, however, calls for a re-examination of the situation in the light of the following observation.

(1) The distance from 52nd Street to 55th Street is 1020.5 feet which provides about 45 parking spaces.

(2) The businesses on this section of frontage are not dependent on walk in trade and therefore are not particularly interested in the sidewalk.

(3) If an 11 foot walk is built the City will have the option of removing 45 parking spaces or reducing South bound traffic to one lane for this section. The former measure will almost certainly be necessary at a future date if not undertaken at the present time.

(4) If a curb is built with 3.5 feet of concrete inside it will be virtually unusable for a sidewalk and the population living on the North Side of the river and to the West of Gaetz Avenue will be obliged to cross to the East side of the Avenue at or before 55th Street (where lights are proposed for the future and a cross walk sign is now in place).

(5) When the buildings between 52nd Street and the C. A. D. P. are re-built they will be set back seven feet which will make an 11 foot walk possible in front of the new buildings.

(6) Discussions with the Managers of C. A. D. P. and Atlas Lumber have indicated that they would prefer a four foot walk if permanent parking space can be assured.

(7) Observation shows that considerable parking is taking place on the West side in connection with businesses on the East side of Gaetz Avenue.

(8) The cost of widening the road by seven feet and narrowing the sidewalk to four feet would be in the neighborhood of \$3500.00. Frontage charges would be reduced by about \$250.00 per annum (that is capital recoveries would be reduced by about \$5000.00) Total cost to the City at large would therefore be about \$8500.00 or about \$600.00 per annum.

(9) For the cost of \$8500.00 the City would provide four lanes of traffic plus parking on both sides of Gaetz Avenue up to 52nd Street from the bridge.

(10) It is considered that for the loss of the sidewalk and \$8500.00 expenditure the provision of four lanes plus parking in this section is well justified, especially as it has the support of the businesses concerned.

Submitted for your consideration,

Denis Cole,  
Director, R.D.D.P.C.

Agreed to this recommendation.

Commissioners.