

AGENDA

For meeting of the Council to be held in the
Council Chambers, Tuesday, October 13/53 at
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 28, 1953.

DELEGATIONS:

1. Mobile Home Owners

2. Mr. Bobbie Burns

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Re: Leasing of Property for School Bus. Mr. Taylor hopes to make arrangements for leasing part of the Nazarene College grounds.

2. Re: Letter from Red Deer Brewery. It has been suggested that the City collect this year's taxes since it is under a legal obligation to do so. However, the future assessments would be kept below the actual amount until such time as the difference has been made up. That is, we agree to relinquish this year's taxes but spread the loss over one or more years. There still remains, of course, the question as to whether these taxes should be relinquished at all. J.A.B.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter to C.B. Barlow and reply

Re: Lease of city-owned Mineral Rights.

2. Mrs. Joan Kalbfleisch - Police

Re: Signs for school children - 47A Ave. & 55 St.

3. Delegation of Mobile Home Owners

Re: Electrical rates charged.

4. Bobbie Burns

Re: Subdivision of Mrs. Code's property.

5. Copy of letter from Dept. of Public Works - Edmonton

Re: Future extensions of Utilities.

6. Rose Kenzle - Red Deer Teen Town

Re: "Teen-Week" "Shoe Shine Day" Oct. 17th.

7. Canadian Legion

Re: Moving of Cenotaph

8. Recreation Commission

Re: (a) Toboggan slide; (b) Outdoor rinks.

9. Park Hotel

Re: Reserved area in front of hotel for convenience of guests.

10. W.E. Lord

Re: Damage to property and settlement.

11. Red Deer Home & School Ass'n.

Re: Plebiscite on parkland re-zoning to commercial area.

BY-LAWS:

1. No. 1756 - Debentures for increased water supply for City - 2 & 3 readings.

2. No. 1759 - Civil Defence or Disaster by-law - 1 & 2 reading.

3. No. 1760 - Transfer by-law - 3 readings.

4. No. 1761 - Land Sale agreement by-law to cover the following - 3 readings.

How to Reale - Iraq line.

- Beckley

- R R Spurr

- Triang. 105

Agenda continued

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>PLAN</u>	<u>PURCH. PRICE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
CRAWFORD, Mr. & Mrs. Sandford R.	35	10	new VLA	\$770.00	800 sq.ft.
KEMP, Mr. and Mrs. John G.N.	36	10	"	770.00	800 "
MOREAU, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph	3	14	7604S.	330.00	600 "
				(red. to \$1.00)	
MORRIS CONSTRUCTION	4-7	10	new VLA	770.00 ea.	800 "
RAMAGE, Mr. & Mrs. David	29	10	"	770.00	800 "
SANDALACK, Mr. and Mrs. Alex T.	37	10	"	770.00	800 "
SINCLAIR, Mr. and Mrs. G.H.	43	10	"	770.00	800 "
TAYLOR, Mr. and Mrs. R.N.	34	10	"	770.00	800 "

6. REPORTS:

1. Mayor's Report Re: Suggestions to New incoming Council.
2. Recreation Commission minutes of October 5/53. Appointment to Recreation + Planning Commission + Health Unit. Are they to be Councilors?
3. Recreation Commission report for the month of September, 1953.
4. Building Inspector's Report for month of September, 1953.
5. Welfare Officer's report for the month of September, 1953.
6. Report of the Fire Department for the month of September, 1953.
7. Suggested letter to Red Deer Planning Commission RE Extension of City boundaries Chairman should be Councilor
8. City Clerk's Report Re R.D. Junior Chamber of Commerce Grant for 1953. Bring up again - give Council
9. Report of Housing Committee on Land Assembly.
10. Milk test report for the month of September, 1953.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Re: Meeting between Red Deer Chamber of Commerce and City Council.
It was suggested the Chamber of Commerce meet with the Council at its regular meeting of October 26/53. (They could not appear on Oct. 19th because it was the date of their regular meeting). J.A.B.
2. Payment of accounts.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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LETTER NO. 1

Copy of letter written to Mr. C.B. Barlow.

September 29/53.

Mr. C.B. Barlow,
3005 Champlain St.,
CALGARY, Alta.

Dear Mr. Barlow:

The Council discussed your project last night, and it was taken to a vote. One member of the council was absent, leaving only five council members and myself. The result was three against and three for. However, everyone admitted that your proposition as far as percentage and so forth, was very acceptable.

The only sticker was some sort of security for performance on your part. The only solution, and I think would be acceptable to the council is, inasmuch as you don't wish to put up a performance bond, would be that we lease our rights to you for the suggested period of three years; and that your Trust Co. at the end of 12 months after we had signed a contract with you, would be able to show us in a statement that you had spent a minimum of \$25,000. on this project. If your Trust Co. could not show us proof of the above amount being spent during the 12 month period, the lease would be automatically cancelled. During the twelve-month period this amount would be spent on getting titles straightened around, getting leases, legal formalities, seismograph, etc. and not to include purchase of high-priced equipment.

Inasmuch as you would probably be spending a lot more than \$25,000. in the first year, I don't see how this would inconvenience you, and I am sure it would satisfy the 3 opposing members of our council. I personally would like very much to see this deal go through with you, and I feel that something of this nature can be worked out.

Trusting this may meet with your approval and that we may receive your early reply, I remain,

Yours truly,

Paul Crawford,
MAYOR.

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reply

3005 Champlain St.,
Calgary, Alta. Oct. 3/53.

City of Red Deer,
Red Deer, Alta.

Gentlemen:-

Att'n. Mr. Paul Crawford, Mayor.

Our companies would have no objection to your suggestion that we would present evidence that we had spent a minimum of \$25,000. in the first 12 months of operation in the evaluation and acquisition, exclusive of equipment purchased by our companies, should we be granted petroleum and natural gas lease on the mineral rights held by the City of Red Deer. However, as I have stated before, it would necessitate seismic and other geological studies on a 6 mile square, more or less, which would be considered part of the evaluation as to the City of Red Deer lease.

If the above will satisfy the Council, I would be glad to continue with negotiations.

Yours truly,
"C.B. Barlow"

LETTER NO. 2

5525-47A Ave.,
Red Deer, Alta. Sept. 26/53

The City Council,
Red Deer, Alta.

Gentlemen:-

I am writing on behalf of a number of parents of small school age children, living in the vicinity of 47 A Ave. and 55 St.

Our children have to cross 55 St. to go to school and the large number of cars and the high speed of a lot of them make this a treacherous crossing, particularly about 4:00 p.m.

Could we please have some signs erected warning that it is a school area and also possibly have a speed limit established, in signs visible to all. The children have to use the road between 55 St. and the school and we would appreciate some signs being put along this road also.

Thank you.

Yours truly,
(Mrs.) Joan Kalbfleisch.

LETTER NO. 3
Secretary,
City of Red Deer,
Red Deer, Alta.

Red Deer, Alta.
Oct. 1/53.

Dear Sir:-

We would appreciate a hearing before the next council meeting Oct. 13/53 to discuss the unreasonable electrical rates now being charged the mobile home owners in the Red Deer Auto Court.

Trusting that this request meets with your agenda, we remain,

— Before we cut heating

Yours truly,

— Should cut industrial that

Delegation of Mobile Home Owners,

MEMO:

Use power in summer & 5 o'clock cut off in winter,

Have attached previous comments on this proposition. Still think it is unsatisfactory for the City to give domestic rates to trailers. If we do, we will no doubt be asked to give same rates to cabin occupants, as a lot of these are occupied by permanent tenants in the winter. Then it would have to be changed back to single metering in the spring for commercial metering.

While a system could be worked out to have the Auto Court pay for this work, it is very unsatisfactory as such jobs tie up staff that could be working for the benefit of the public at large, rather than for the profit of an individual Auto Court.

If City Council decide to give this rate, I suggest the only way to break even would be to charge a high deposit and a good stiff cutout and reconnection charge. Possible a service charge should be added as well. O.C.M.

LETTER NO. 4

Box 819, Dawson Creek, B.C.
Oct. 7/53.

Red Deer District Planning Commission,
Red Deer, Alta.

Dear Sirs:-

I received your letter of Sept. 23rd re the subdivision of lot 13, Plan 3516HW informing me that the proposal set out by Mrs. M. Code and myself has not been accepted.

I would like to know how long the parties concerned would be responsible for the repairs to the road and up-keep of the sewer and water system, after the final plans are signed by the R.D.P.C.

I believe the D.P.C. is taking a very dark outlook on their first recommendation, in which they gave us authority to proceed with this set project. I believe the City of Red Deer would be responsible for the sewer and water to the property that lies to the north of this project. In this case, they would have to go directly over the hill, which would certainly be impractical and expensive, or cross over the property owned by Mr. Kirby, or tie into the present system put in by Mrs. Code.

We would not have gone ahead with this project of sub-dividing a lot, if we had not received authority from the Planning Commission in the first place, and I feel that the Planning Commission is going back on their word.

The City of Red Deer has had Mr. C.H. Snell do all the surveying and laying out of practically all of the projects, that have been done in the City of Red Deer for the past 40 years, and also have taken his recommendation for the said project until the time the Planning Commission took over.

The City of Red Deer told Mrs. Code, that all expenses would be borne by her to install the sewer and water and the making of the road to this project, which she has done to the full extent. We also had the present Mayor, Mr. Paul Crawford, Commissioner Beveridge, Councilman Edgar, and at a later hour Councilman Sims come up and we agreed verbally as to the proper procedure and recommended that said work, if done would be passed by the City of Red Deer. The first 3 of these gentlemen recommended that the inner bank of the road be sloped back further, and also to put a culvert in and rip raps to stop erosions. All these suggestions are or will be carried out.

When these lots are sold to the individual there will be footage and property taxes payable to the City of Red Deer, not to the owner, Mrs. Code. Therefore, I see no reason why the owner has to maintain a public road, nor a public sewer, which was installed by the owner at no expense to the City of Red Deer.

I believe the sewer that was installed north of this property which is owned by Mr. Kirby, Mr. Lampard, Mr. Woods and Mr. Parson was recommended and engineered by Mr. Snell and is maintained by the City of Red Deer.

The material that is in the Code Installation is copper, the best money can buy. At the time your Mr. Lawson was speaking to me in his office, he brought to my attention that a 2" line would be more serviceable than the 1½" line that we had figured, so that at a later date, the City of Red Deer could tie Mr. Oliver Blue's and Mr. S. Healey's water on the 2" line. I changed my order to 2" instead of 1½" so that when the line that runs up through the property north of Mrs. Code's will be cut off, these lines from the two residences will be joined into Mrs. Code's line.

Gentlemen, I see no reason why Mrs. Code or the next owner should have to maintain a public thoroughfare. Mr. Kirby at a later date will have to have an outlet from his property, which will be joined to Mrs. Code's at considerably less cost to all concerned.

Mr. Snell has had a great deal of experience and gentlemen I think you are not being fair in taking the view that you have taken in regard to this sub-division.

Would you please let me know when Council meets next, as I would like very much to be present on behalf of Mrs. Margaret Code.

Trusting I may hear from you at your very earliest conveniences.

Yours truly,
Bobbie Burns.

Memo:

The City and Planning Commission were more or less against this subdivision, when it was first proposed. If they had whole heartedly approved it, the matter would have been handled just like Mr. Lancaster's subdivision. However, Mr. Burns has agreed to undertake every request the City made re utilities, etc. which includes pre-payment and installation of same. Therefore, provided Mr. Burns completes the road and installs the storm drainage pipe satisfactorily and provided the City does not take any responsibility for the surface drainage or any damage to buildings or water or sewer lines arising from land movement and washouts, there is no reason why the city would not assume its usual responsibilities. That is, it is suggested that a caveat be drawn up along the aforementioned lines and that the subdivision plan be approved when Mr. Burns has completed his work and construction of the road, utilities, etc. have been approved by the City Engineer. J.A.B.

LETTER NO. 5

Department of Public Works,
Edmonton, Alta. Sept. 29/53.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Provincial Institute for Mental Defectives - R.D. Water supply.

Attached please find a general site plan for the proposed Institution for Mental Defectives at Red Deer.

It is planned to supply water to the Institution from a water tower located near the heating plant. The water tower to be supplied via 6" cast iron line from a pumping station close to the city reservoir near the P.T.S. The Institution will have an ultimate capacity of some 1200 patients, reaching this peak in about 5 years. Construction of the institution is to commence in the near future.

It is proposed that the Government will install the pumping station, pumps and metering and connections for the suction line to the city reservoir and delivery line to the new water tower.

Your comments on this arrangement would be appreciated in that it is believed that the connection to the City system may affect the city water distribution.

Yours very truly,
Superintendent of Buildings.

Mr. James Beveridge,
Commissioner,
City of Red Deer.

Memo: In 1954 we will be faced with enlarging water mains supplying the Michener Hill reservoir and city arena. The cost will be well above \$50,000. Further, the cost of running larger electric light and power feeders to supply this institution will cost about \$8,000. In the forthcoming year we will probably have to debenture electric light and power extensions to both this institution and the Chrysler plant. J.A.B.

LETTER NO. 6

4810-47 St., Red Deer.
Oct. 6/53.

Mr. Beveridge,
City Commissioner.

Dear Sir:-

Oct. 11 to 17 is "Teen-Week" throughout the province. The purpose of teen-week is to acquaint the public with the teen group within their city.

We would like your permission to organize a "shoe shine day" for Sat., Oct. 17th. Members of the teen group would be posted on strategic business corners to shine the shoes of the public. All money raised from this project will be added to our "Building Fund".

Thank you very much for your immediate consideration of our letter. We would appreciate very much a prompt reply as arrangements are late.

Yours very truly,
Rose Kenzle, Secretary.

LETTER NO. 7

Canadian Legion,
Oct. 3/53.

Mr. E. Newman,
City Clerk,
Red Deer, Alta.

Dear Sir:- Re: Proposal to move Cenotaph.

We are enclosing a copy of a letter which our president, on behalf of this branch, is arranging to be published in the Red Deer Advocate; the letter is self-explanatory and it is possible the attitude of the Legion may be broadcast over C.K.R.D. if considered necessary.

The copy of the letter is being forwarded to you as a matter of courtesy to the City Council and we shall be very pleased if you will arrange to place it in the hands of the Mayor not later than Wednesday morning.

Your kind co-operation in this matter will be much appreciated.

Yours very truly,
J.M. Findlay.
Secretary.

Red Deer, Alta..
Oct. 3/53.

To the Voters,
City of Red Deer,

Under date of Dec. 12/53, the City Clerk sent us a copy of a letter directed to the City Council from the Red Deer School Division #35, in which it was stated the present location of the Cenotaph caused extensive criticism and suggesting that the Cenotaph be moved to a site adjacent to the Memorial Centre.

A further letter was sent to the Legion on Feb. 13/53 which contains the following extract "The Council wish to stress that the move is not to be in the spirit of getting rid of the Cenotaph, but rather finding a better location for it". This letter referred to the communication of Dec. 12, and did not mention any location other than that already suggested but repeated a request for the views of the Legion.

On March 30/53, the following letter was sent to the City Clerk:

"At the annual general meeting of this branch held on Sunday, March 29/53, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "The Members of this branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., go on record as being opposed to any change in the location of the Cenotaph from the present site". Several members expressed the opinion that if there is actually any traffic hazard at this point, it is possible caused by the parking arrangements immediately north and south of the Cenotaph site".

We might state that the attitude of our members to the moving of the Cenotaph as expressed at the meeting appeared to be a result of the proposal emanating from the Red Deer School Division rather than opposition to the moving of the Cenotaph to a location mutually agreed on by the City Council and the Legion if and when considered desirable. The representations of those who desire an accelerated movement of the traffic on Ross St. would also be carefully considered.

It is our opinion that if the City Council had informed the Legion that a suitable site could be made available for the Cenotaph in the City Park, the opposition of our members would have been of a more moderate nature.

To the members of the Legion and we believe to most other citizens, the Cenotaph is a symbol of the Service and Sacrifice of those who died in defence of our country and was erected at the present location so that our memories of such a sacrifice may never grow dim.

We wish to remind the voters that the Legion held a rededication service shortly after the conclusion of World War II to commemorate those of our former comrades in arms who fell during the period 1939-1945 and placed an appropriate plaque on the Cenotaph at that time.

It is suggested that before voting on the proposed plebiscite to be held on Wednesday, Oct. 14, all the voters should read the inscriptions on the Cenotaph and give positive direction to the City Council not to move the Cenotaph to the Memorial Centre site and probable oblivion.

Great Nations honor the dead and do not bury their memorials.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., Red Deer Branch No. 35

R.R. Moore,
President.

Memo:

Apparently there is no great objection to moving the Cenotaph to City Park.
J.A.B.

LETTER NO. 8

Recreation Commission,
October 6, 1953.

The Mayor and Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

The Recreation Commission asks that you give consideration to the following matters at your next meeting:

(1) A proposal has been put forward to build a children's toboggan slide on 40 Ave. and 55 St. (immediately west and across 40 Ave. from P.T.S.). Such a slide will necessitate the clearing of a path of trees about 15-20 ft. wide down the slope of the hill. The local Kinsmen Club has set aside a sum of money for this project and we would like permission to have the project undertaken; (this fall, if possible).

(2) In view of the fact that it will be necessary to move from the present site of our outdoor rinks before 1954 season, the Commission would ask that Council consider a sum in their 1954 estimates for the purpose of levelling proposed site east and south of the swimming pool. While the entire area might not be needed at present, the Commission feels that sufficient area should be levelled to provide recreation but, two boarded rinks and a skating oval.

Your early attention to the above would be appreciated.

Yours truly,
C. Jarvis Miller,
Secretary.

LETTER NO. 9

Park Hotel,
Oct. 7/53.

The Mayor and Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

We will appreciate your favorable consideration to our request for a loading and unloading area in front of the Park Hotel.

The area that is at present not metered and has been used by Vern's Taxi would suit our purpose. There are numerous reasons why this area is desirable and may we present a few for your consideration.

1. Most cities do grant hotels an area for purpose of loading and unloading guests and baggage.
2. One hotel in Red Deer has these facilities at present and the traffic on Ross St. is heavy enough to warrant such an area.
3. Our main entrance is close to the Memorial Island and cars parking in the street to pick up and discharge passengers and guests are a hindrance to free flowing traffic and a traffic hazard.
4. We hope to accommodate a greater tourist business and naturally we want the first impression to be a good one. If a guest has to park half a block from the hotel and then pack baggage and a youngster under the arms, the impression would not be good and the first impressions of a city are most important.
5. Although there is no taxi in the hotel, there is a direct line to one taxi office and numerous calls are made to the other taxis from the pay phones. This service is used by the general public as well as the guests.
6. The loss in revenue to the city is more than made up by the comfort the general public derive from our centrally located rest rooms.

Red Deer in the Park Hotel have one of the finest hotels in the country. Tourists are amazed that a city of this size should have such facilities outstanding in beauty and comfort. When the tourist talks of the Park Hotel he is also selling Red Deer.

Trusting our request will receive your favorable consideration, we remain.

Yours truly,
The Park Hotel Co. Ltd.
J.L. King, Mgr.

MEMO: Only the Waskasoo Hotel has an unloading area in front and this space was granted because of the heavy traffic on Gaetz Ave. If the above request is granted no doubt the other hotels will make a similar request. Granting a parking space in some cases will force us to remove a parking meter. J.A.B.

LETTER NO. 10

Red Deer, Alta.
Oct. 8/53.

Mayor Crawford,
Commissioner Beveridge
and Aldermen,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

The City was advised to settle (out of court).

At a special meeting of the City Council, called for the purpose of negotiating a settlement with me, the City promised to replace that which was lost of my property.

Appreciating the handicaps under which the City has been operating, I have been patient.

Behold. It is now October of the second year, and this replacement has not yet been completed.

There is little yet to be done, but in all fairness, it should be done before the frost prevents the handling of the ground and gravel.

May I humbly and respectfully request that this work be given immediate attention, and completion.

Incidentally, I am not requesting replacement of as much as was lost, as I have lowered the ground level about 10" immediately east of the rear of the house.

Yours very respectfully,
W.E. Lord.

MEMO: This matter is in the hands of a solicitor acting on behalf of the insurance company. The only way the city is concerned is that they are installing the fill under orders of the insurance company. If we install too much fill it will be at our own expense. As shown by the following figures, the city has spent a considerable sum on fill and the insurance solicitor has suggested we stop work until a further survey has been made. This letter must be turned over to the insurance company but it was thought this matter might be of general interest.

Expenditure:

During Flood	\$2,765.35-
Protection Wall	\$12,614.22-
Fill (to date)	\$1,360.68
	<u>\$16,740.25</u>

J.A.B.

LETTER NO. 11

October 8/53.
4921-53 St.

J. Beveridge,
City Commissioner,
City of Red Deer.

Dear Mr. Beveridge:

A group of approximately 250 citizens of the city attended a meeting of the Red Deer Home and School Association on Wednesday, Oct. 7 and approved the following resolution:

"The Red Deer Home and School Ass'n. requests the Red Deer City Council not to jeopardize by a by-law any land used by the Red Deer Schools for the purpose of recreation".

Kindly draw the above resolution to the attention of the Red Deer City Council.

Thank you.
Yours sincerely,
Alice G. Olson,
Secretary,
Red Deer Home & School Ass'n.

NOTICE

TO: Citizens of Red Deer.

To clarify the plebiscite for changing the zoning of the area immediately east of the United Church from parkland to business, please be advised that the portion of this now used as a playground for the nearby school will be ~~be~~ decided to the

As for voting on the re-zoning of the park areas and moving of the cenotaph, please be advised that all citizens of Red Deer, both land owners and others, can vote on these matters provided they are on the Voters' List or if not on the list, they can swear on a prescribed form at the polling station that they have resided in Red Deer 6 months prior to May 1/53.

Paul Crawford,
J.A. Beveridge,
CITY COMMISSIONERS. (over for memo)

to the
School
Board
if the
plebiscite
is passed

MEMO:

Above notice to go on radio as news item and as paid announcement on Oct. 8, 13 & 14th. It was assumed that an official transfer of that part of the land used as a playground would be made to the school board if the plebiscite carried.
City Commissioners.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

October 9, 1953.

The Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

Re: Suggestions to new incoming Council.

Up to date no definite promises or commitments have been made to anyone to my knowledge. I suggest the City give a lot of consideration to the draining of every bit of storm waters possible from the hospital hill, parts of Michener Hill, and possible some of Mountview into the Waskasoo Creek, the best storm sewer we will ever have.

An enormous lot of water flows off the parade grounds at the army camp that should be ditched east to flow into the Gaetz Lake.

The district in front of the Dominion Fruit, which is the low spot of the commercial district, will definitely have to have a storm sewer; but in the meantime, the present sewer should be cleaned out and unplugged.

The above program should look after us for a long time to come and thus avoid an allout expensive storm sewer program. I don't suggest a long-continued, extensive sewer and water program be carried on in the winter months; reason-too expensive.

A subforeman should be appointed to look after our trucks and be responsible for maintenance, lubrication, and economical use, including personnel driving these trucks. City of Red Deer signs should be printed on each truck door and none of these trucks should be seen outside the City unless on City business without the consent of the Commissioner.

Foreman
I suggest the City foreman appoint more subforemen and himself act more as an over-all supervisor.

I suggest the City Engineer should keep better acquainted with the work being done by the Public Works Department.

I feel that we can not afford to build many more streets as expensive as what is happening on 49 Ave. South. I suggest the City purchase a loading machine for loading gravel and fill dirt. I suggest we devise some means of screening our street gravel and stop putting boulders on the road.

We should endeavour to pick up some of the large boulders already on the street. This fall and winter we should stock pile large piles of screened and pit-run gravel close in and easily accessible.

I think we should give some consideration to a dustlaying program, either using salt or a cheap oil and mixing it in with our seaman filler.

The water sprinkler hours should be re-arranged so as to give service during the evening hours and on Sundays and holidays, at the same time avoiding much overtime.

I think the road graders could be used to better advantage by using them when the moisture conditions are right and used with the idea of draining any wet spots where possible. I would suggest laying them up when the roads are in a hard, dry, impossible condition. I would like to see a proper stores and storeman set up as soon as possible.

During the election years for mayors, I would like to see us elect seven members to the Council and the one receiving the most votes be elected Mayor providing he has served prior time on the Council. That would avoid losing a valuable member to our Council as is a possibility that could happen this year.

I wish the above suggestions be used as suggestions only and hope that some small value can be taken out of them.

Paul Crawford,
Mayor.

*30
\$1200/yr*
Mayors Salary- suggest \$2,000/yr.

Cost on gravel-

City Eng- trucks.

Cost of Materials-

RED DEER RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES - Oct. 5/53

Present: W. Code, H. Webb, B. Woodrow, Dr. Carter, Dr. Parsons, A. Evans, R.B. Gish, Miss Olsen, E.C. Ross, H. Gilchrist, Dr. Fleming, R. Holmes, Mrs. Foster, P. Crawford, C.M. Ward, C.J. Miller.

T. Cornett was absent from the meeting.

The meeting opened at 8:10 p.m. with Dr. Carter in the chair. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as transcribed.

W. Code and A. Evans were welcomed to the meeting as new members of the Commission.

The meeting agreed that "P.T.S. Site" - 40 Ave. & 55 St. would be most suitable location for toboggan slide. Secretary was instructed to write City Council re question of having trees removed from the hillside.

Secretary reported that Boxing Club would be starting classes about the middle of the month. Matter of ring left in abeyance until classes are started.

Matter of rink site and recreation hut came in for considerable discussion. In view of the fact that rinks will have to be moved from present site in 1954 it was felt that some action should be taken on the matter. It was moved by Dr. Parsons and seconded by R.B. Gish that Secretary be instructed to write City Council asking that consideration be given in 1954 estimates for levelling site east and south of the swimming pool so as to provide sufficient room for hut, two boarded rinks and a skating oval. Motion carried.

Dr. Parsons was elected to the Chair to replace Dr. Carter and took over the meeting at this point.

In an effort to provide continuity to the Commission membership, the following periods of office were set up:

Gish, Woodrow, Cornett, Mrs. Foster, Webb to hold office until March 31/54.
Code, Neilsen, Evans, Ross, Fleming to hold office until March 31/55

As other members are City and School appointees, they are to hold office until such time as changed by their sponsoring bodies.

A letter was read from the Red Deer Medical Society re matter of formation of a "Friendship Club" for older citizens. Meeting went on record as being in favour of such a move and Code, Parson, Foster and Miller were appointed as a committee to look further into the matter.

Letter re skiing was turned over to Mr. Gish for his attention.

Dr. Parsons pointed out to the meeting that as his term of office as Alderman expires on Oct. 14th it would be necessary to resign his position as Chairman of the Commission. In view of this fact the Chair called for nominations for the position of Chairman of the Commission. Messrs. Fleming, Gish and Woodrow were nominated for the position. On an open vote Dr. Fleming was declared elected to the position of Chairman.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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RED DEER RECREATION COMMISSION

REPORT - SEPTEMBER/53

Softball and Baseball:

Men's Fastball failed to complete local league play-offs due to the cold, wet weather. Dodgers eliminated from Chinook League play-offs in three-game series with Carstairs. Carstairs, in turn, between by Calgary Purity in five games for league title. Local club played to good crowds all season which would point to our first season in faster company being a decided success.

Football (Rugby):

Central Alberta High School League re-organized at meeting held in Ponoka on Sept. 20th. Ward and Miller returned as executive officers for another season. Wetaskiwin re-admitted to league to form a four-team circuit; others being Ponoka, Lacombe and Red Deer. Interest points to possibility of Camrose and Stettler joining the loop next season.

Local high school has had 40-50 boys turning out for practice and will have a good club. In games played to date Red Deer trimmed Ponoka 10-0 and Lacombe bested Wetaskiwin 12-11. First Red Deer game is slated for October 4th.

Junior High has shown no activity this season. Late start of school and graduation of key players is in a large measure responsible for this - coaching, as well, has been a problem. However, a practice has been called for Oct. 1st and it is hoped to give some instruction in rudiments before the end of the season. If sufficient players turn out a game or two will be played with a junior club from the C.H.S.

Miscellaneous:

Glider Club reports a very successful meet on Sept. 27th.

Director attended Alberta Amateur Hockey Ass'n. meeting in Edmonton on Sept. 26th. Invitation to hold 1954 meeting in Red Deer was endorsed by the Ass'n. In an "off the record" discussion the Ass'n. practically assured Red Deer that a goodly portion of playoffs would come to Red Deer next spring.

Efforts being made to bring football film to city for all those interested in same.

Centres obtained for majority of Health and Recreation Classes and same will start about middle of Oct. Two instructors have evidenced interest in conducting these classes.

Boxing Classes will start winter programme about Oct. 15th. Swim Pool building will again be used for this purpose.

Further information is being awaited before more action is taken on toboggan slide. Kinsmen Club has already set aside a sum of money for this project.

Installation of artificial ice is proceeding nicely and should be ready for operation on or about November first.

Winter programme will be outlined before the November meeting.

Will be little basketball activity until after football season but tentative arrangements have already been made for appearance of famous Harlem Globetrotters in November. Basketball school will probably be held again; queries are coming in from far afield and already one referee has registered from Empress, Alta.

Director on holiday during part of September - will account, in part, for lack of activity on September report.

Three meetings held in Commission Office during the month.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Jarvis Miller,
Secretary.

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BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT
SEPTEMBER, 1953

October 1, 1953.

The Mayor and Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

The following building permits were issued during the month of September:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
B.J. Patterson	addition	\$ 100.00
Hepworth Motors	body and paint shop	5,000.00
R. Rue	dwelling	7,000.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	8,000.00
J.R. Marshall	garage	500.00
W.E. Cooper	garage	600.00
T. Hopp	garage	500.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	8,000.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	10,000.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	10,000.00
Wing Wong	dwelling	9,500.00
W. Jacobson	addition	1,000.00
N.G. Bowles	garage	500.00
K. Cassidy	addition	3,000.00
O. Oswald	garage	500.00
H.E. Wilson	addition	800.00
L. May	sun porch	500.00
S.G. Tisdale	dwelling	9,500.00
National Grain Co.	annex	8,500.00
H. Quam	dwelling and garage	9,000.00
Templeton Const.	dwelling	10,000.00
O. Anderson	addition	300.00
Templeton Const.	dwelling	9,500.00
J.D. Bryant	dwelling	5,000.00
L. Hallman	addition	600.00
Mrs. M. Leidsen	garage	500.00
R. Sharples	garage	400.00
Sl Gaetz	dwelling	6,000.00
F. Hanson	dwelling	2,500.00
A.E. McBride	garage	500.00
A. Lindskog	garage	600.00
K. Pugh	garage	500.00
G.W. Lindsay	dwelling	10,000.00
H. Crook	garage	400.00
Templeton Const.	dwelling	10,000.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	9,000.00
Alton Bros.	dwelling	9,000.00
R.L. Snow	garage	600.00
Hornstrom Bros.	Church, Recreation Bldg.	25,000.00
J.E. Moreau	dwelling	5,000.00
Templeton Const.	dwelling	10,000.00
Templeton Const.	dwelling	10,000.00
E.C. Caswell Jr.	garage	400.00
F.E. Pixley	service station	4,000.00
H. McCune	garage	800.00
G. Murphy	garage	700.00
J. Tucker	garage	800.00
Davis & Castella	office, Apt. & Shop	30,000.00
W.H. Pickett	dwelling	7,000.00
J.N. Olson	dwelling	6,000.00
C. Dyer	improvements	350.00
Don Ewing	garage	450.00
Keith Const. Co.	6 dwellings	60,000.00
Morris Const.	dwelling	12,000.00
Peacock Inn	addition	4,000.00
Western Supplies	warehouse	18,000.00

Total \$362,400.00

Forward 2,316,750.00

GRAND TOTAL \$2,679,150.00

C.E. ROSS, Building Inspector.

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WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 5, 1953.

His Worship the Mayor
and Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit my monthly report to you for September, 1953:

- Sept. 1 Finding new foster home Edna Atkins' son Eddy, due to Mrs. Nelson's illness. Interview with Mrs. Wells re 7 families living in the Gehrke houses.
- Sept. 2 Called on Mrs. Smith re living quarters. Saw Mrs. Domoney, Lacombe re her children going to school in Red Deer. Checked on the Gehrke house with Police.
- Sept. 3 Saw Henry Mar re his daughter Lilly, who is now going to the Convent.
- Sept. 4 Mr. and Mrs. Keples, Rocky Mtn. House re their son Brian.
- Sept. 5 Checking on teenagers. Sorted out winter clothing "used".
- Sept. 6 Reports to Mr. Hill, interview with Edna Atkins, also Mrs. Nelson.
- Sept. 7 Rev. Kemp phoned re a Mr. and Mrs. Nol. Went to Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams home to check on Mrs. Nol, their daughter.
- Sept. 8 Checking 2 girls at hospital re their infant, filling out adoption forms, etc. Interview with Mr. Nol and Mr. McWilliam.
- Sept. 9 Mr. and Mrs. Yee came to my home. Spent all afternoon with them. Evening checking teenagers with police.
- Sept. 10 Checked with Mrs. Thoen re her father, Mr. Edward Goebel. Mrs. Sparks re Edna Atkins son Eddy. Saw Henry Mar's daughter again re staying out late.
- Sept. 11 Mrs. Vanalstyne court case re support for her 5 children from her husband. Mrs. Pierce domestic trouble.
- Sept. 12 Mrs. Anderson re her 2 small children which she is neglecting. This case I checked with police.
- Sept. 13 Edna Atkins, re money for support of her son Eddy. Mrs. Domoney re her children getting to school. This is a Lacombe family, but there is no winter road to the school from this home.
- Sept. 14 Interview with Mr. Puffer, Lacombe, re the Vanalstyne family. Edna Atkins
Sept. 15 re her son's clothing. Mrs. Smith re her daughter Lillian. Mrs. Joyce Thompson re support for her baby from husband who left her. Checked this with police. Checking with Mr. Mar again re his daughter, also boys playing with fire, back of his place of business.
- Sept. 16 Checking on Ernie Wilson re Lillian Smith. Mr. Puffer came to see me re Vanalstynes. Checking with Mrs. Robertson who wants someone to take care of her son, a middle aged lady in return for small wage and board & room.
- Sept. 17 Mr. Nelson re money for keeping Edna Atkins boy Eddy. Interview with Mr. McGregor with police and Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Myers who has left her husband and is back for their clothing. She now lives in Calgary with her two children.
- Sept. 18 Took two infants to Edmonton as wards of Mr. Hill. Interview with Mrs. Laidler in evening.
- Sept. 19 Mrs. Seelye (teacher) wants someone to care for her small son while she works. Interview with Mrs. Hodgeson.
- Sept. 20 Went with police and checked on the 4 small Lee children. Parents away from Saturday, children alone all night.

- Sept. 21 Mrs. Bromley re a room. Checked used clothing from Mrs. Staples. Checked Sars.
- Sept. 22 Placed Edna Atkin's son at another home. Saw Mrs. Bromley re a room and work. Saw Mrs. Nelson re money for E. Atkin's son. Checked on Lornie White.
- Sept. 23 Police and I went to see Mrs. Deas re her sister's 3 boys which she has kept for 4 months with their father's promise to pay for, which he has forgotten to do. I am referring this matter to Calgary Welfare Dept. Checking on Lornie White again re stolen money, etc.
- Sept. 24 Mrs. Deas came to my home for an interview re her nephews. Interview with Joyce Thompson. Mrs. Bromley re work in Calgary of which fell through.
- Sept. 25 Interview with Mrs. Meteil re her son having a gun. Mrs. Thompson came to give me money for the support of her son staying at Mrs. Hodgeson's.
- Sept. 26 Checking clothing for Edna Atkins for her son Eddy. Mrs. Fox & Mrs. Simmons wants help re their children while working.
- Sept. 27 Letters and reports.
- Sept. 28 Mr. McGregor re his papers for Old Age Pension. Saw about a cheaper room for Mrs. Bromley.
- Sept. 29 Phone call from Edmonton from Mr. Nol re note pushed under his door, of which was turned over to Edmonton City Police.
- Sept. 30 Mrs. Deas interview re her nephews. Mrs. McKinnon interview re her neice. Miss Schuler in school. Phone call again from Mr. Nol, Edmonton more notes, so I phoned the Police Inspector re these notes as I needed help for Mr. and Mrs. Nol at once.

Respectfully submitted,
Vera Russell,
Welfare Officer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - REPORT

October 8, 1953.

The Mayor and Council,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

I wish to report that during the month of September, 1953 the Fire Dept. had no fire calls or false alarms, which makes the third month of the year that has been free of any fires in Red Deer.

The Department held its regular Tuesday night practices with an average attendance of 23 members. The fire loss in Red Deer to date is only \$2,050.00 the lowest it has been for a number of years, and through Inspections and Fire Prevention, we hope to keep it at that level.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. N. Thomlison,
Fire Chief.

Send to (10) District Planning
(b) Mr. Stinger Mr. Red Deer
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Will Mr. Stinger
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include
PTS
Planning Commission
meeting

SUGGESTED LETTER TO RED DEER PLANNING COMMISSION
ON THE EXTENSION OF CITY BOUNDARIES.

Red Deer District Planning Commission,
 Red Deer, Alta.

Gentlemen:-

We are preparing a report to Council on suggested changes to the boundaries of the City of Red Deer and would appreciate your comments on the proposed changes. Briefly these changes are as follows:

- (a) The balance of Section 17.
- (b) The balance of Section 20 and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21 and the balance of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21.
- e (c) The balance of the west half of Section 15.
- x (d) The balance of Section 9.
- ? (e) The balance of north $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 8.
- h (f) That part of the south-east $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 8 and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5 between the C.P.R. and Provincial Highway #2.
- l (g) The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29 and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28 (This is not too important).

In general, the proposal is that the City take the financial liabilities of Hillsboro and North Hill into the city limits in exchange for potential revenue areas to the north and south of the city along the #2 Provincial Highway.

Larger govt grant
More taxes from Hillsboro & N.H.
1200 x 7 = 8400 + 600 x 7 = 4200 = 12600
Yours truly,
6,000
 J.A. Beveridge, P. Eng.,
 City Commissioner.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

October 9, 1953.

RE: RED DEER JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Request for a grant for \$200.00 for 1953 which is \$50.00 more than we allowed in 1952.

Our budget for General Government grants was set at \$1200.00 for 1953. To date we have granted the R.D. Board of Trade \$500.00 and the R.D. Safety Council \$500.00, leaving a balance of \$200.00. We allowed \$50.00 for the Film Council, which has not been claimed to date. Therefore we only have \$150.00 left for the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

E. Newman,
 City Clerk.

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REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE -
RE LAND ASSEMBLY

Oct. 5/53.

The Hon. Mr. A.J. Hooke,
 Minister of Economic Affairs.
 EDMONTON, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

By reason of arrangements kindly made for us by Dave Ure, our Mayor, Alderman Alex Sim and our City Commissioner Mr. J.A. Beveridge and the writer, had the pleasure of meeting with our Premier as Provincial Treasurer and the Hon. Mr. Gerhart, Minister of Municipal Affairs, in Edmonton in the Premier's office on May 5th. The Hon. Mr. Ure was also present.

At that time we had the chance to discuss with our Government the financial features of certain projects necessary and/or proposed for our city. The projects considered included an extension to our water works plant, a proposal from the Red Deer Curling Club on an artificial ice plant for curling and a Land Assembly scheme in our city.

Following this personal meeting and through a suggestion at the meeting, our City Commissioner Mr. Beveridge addressed a letter to Mr. Hawkins, Deputy Provincial Treasurer. It outlined various requirements and the understanding was that if our letter was placed with the Government in time and we were of the opinion that it definitely would be in time, funds from our Provincial Government would be available as and when funds were required for the projects that we had discussed and on which we had received favourable consideration. This letter of confirmation to Mr. Hawkins dated May 12th this year is attached hereto.

In addition to the above we anticipate that you will remember our several visits with you on Land Assembly. Following the above as well as prior to the occurrence of the above, Land Assembly was checked with C.M.&H.C. in Calgary and also with the manager of C.M.&C.H. in Ottawa. Calgary office was favourable to one project and when we checked on the same item with Ottawa Mr. Mansur suggested that perhaps it would be good business to have two projects. Accordingly since that time we have been working on two different areas for Land Assembly in our city. Everything as far as we could perceive seemed to be in order. C.M.&H.C. had agreed to supply the 75% and it was our understanding that the Provincial Government would supply the 25% by means of a loan to the city. Later on it developed that as it is an expenditure money on the part of the city and a new project it would have to have approval of our citizens and this was planned for our coming city elections. Our City Commissioner in just casually checking the item with the Provincial or Deputy Provincial Treasurer within the last few days, was advised that the money was not necessarily now available and further there seemed to be some misunderstanding that it might be available. The result of this of course has necessitated us postponing the vote on this project and therefore would have to come up at a separate plebiscite which is something of course that we did not anticipate nor provide for.

In order to deal with this last turn after consideration here by ourselves it was decided that we possible should go to the Department that we first spoke of about Land Assembly and from which we received a favourable reception. Whilst it is not practical for our City Commissioner Mr. Beveridge, to be in Edmonton this week it so happens that the writer will be up in Edmonton this coming Friday and have accordingly arranged.

We are hopeful that this letter reciting the main steps in the handling of this project and reaching you in advance of Friday, might enable you to have the item straightened out so that if you have a few minutes this coming Friday that the feature still not taken care of can be provided for at that time which would, as far as we know take care of all outstanding points on the project up to the presentation of same to our citizens.

Whilst we have some other appointments in Edmonton this coming Friday we can arrange them around to fit in with any time that you might have to spare. We are also hopeful that perhaps Dave Ure might be in Edmonton this Friday and could be present. Under ordinary circumstances we will get to Edmonton around 10 in the morning and any time between 10 and 4:30 in the afternoon can be fitted into our schedule. If circumstances change here in the City Office it is possible that Mr. Beveridge might also be able to be present.

Yours very truly,

Ellis A. Johnstone.
 Chairman, Housing Committee.