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A G E N D A

For the meeting of City Council to be held in the Council Chambers
on Monday, February 10, 1958 at 7:30 p.m.

1. Present:

Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held February 3, 1958.

2. Delegation:

1. Provincial Co-ordinator of Rehabilitation

3. Unfinished Business:

1. Re: Sidewalk on 46 Avenue

4. Correspondence:

1. M. Sckenswiller re Permission to Open Coffee Shop in
Premises of Michener Hill Bakery

5. Aldermen's New Business:

6. By-laws:

1. No. 1914 - Closing of 43 Avenue *26 - 24th*
2. No. 1843 (C) - Amendment to "Use of Streets" By-law *36*
3. No. 1844 (I) - Amendment to Traffic By-law *36*
4. No. 1341 (E) - Amendment to Zoning By-law *1st 1 main 3*
5. No. 1942 - Land Sales *✓ 6*

NAME	LOT	BLK.	PLAN	ADDRESS	PUR. PRICE	MIN. FLOOR AREA
RUE BROS.	15	25	97OKS	5548 - 35 St.	375.00	750 sq. ft.
RUE BROS.	16	25	97OKS	5552 - 35 St.	375.00	750 sq. ft.
RUE BROS.	17	25	97OKS	5556 - 35 St.	375.00	750 sq. ft.

7. Reports:

1. Re: Fire Call to Rehn Cartage
2. Fire Chief's Monthly Report
3. Re: Ornamental Street Lighting
4. Re: New Equipment for Electric Light Dept.
5. Electric Light & Power Dept. Annual Report
6. License Returns for January, 1958
7. R.C.M.P. Monthly Report
8. Voluntary Traffic Ticket Report
9. Building Permits - January, 1958
10. Recreation Commission Summary of Activities
11. Report on Recreation Commission Lethbridge

8. New Business:

1. Payment of Accounts

DELEGATION:

January 20, 1958

Mr. F.A. Amy
City Clerk
City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Mr. Amy:

I have your letter of January 10th.

This letter will serve to confirm my appointment to address your Council at 8:00 p.m., Monday, February 10th, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Should there be any reason why I could not fulfil this obligation I shall let you know in advance.

Yours sincerely,

L.R. Gue
Provincial Co-ordinator of
Rehabilitation

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

February 6, 1958

To: City Commissioners
 From: City Engineer
 Re: Sidewalk on 46 Avenue (Parkvale)

In the last four years the City has adopted the policy that sidewalks be built only at the time of road construction. There have been very few exceptions to this policy. One of the main reasons for this policy is when sidewalks are built prior to road construction the only acceptable sidewalk is a separate sidewalk.

The reasons why a separate sidewalk is more acceptable than a monolithic, prior to road construction are as follows:

- (a) A monolithic sidewalk must be constructed to an exact grade corresponding to the road grade, whereas a separate walk may be built to conform with existing grades and eventually any difference may be taken up across the boulevard. This means that the separate walk would look alright, whereas a monolithic walk may be in excessive cut or fill.
- (b) Because a monolithic walk is built to the final road grade, and because it may be in excessive cut or fill, the sidewalk may be undermined or flooded by water.
- (c) A monolithic walk on an unimproved road means that pedestrians are liable to be splattered in the wet weather.
- (d) Vehicles are liable to damage or be damaged by a monolithic sidewalk on an unimproved street (because of excessive cuts or fill).
- (e) Catchbasins on sidewalks in fill would not normally drain street water. Though a separate walk is preferable to a monolithic walk on an unimproved street there are objections to a separate walk, i.e.
 - (a) Separate sidewalk, curb and gutter is more expensive than a monolithic walk.
 - (b) Separate sidewalk, curb and gutter means a small blvd. strip which has been found unsatisfactory for a number of reasons.
 - (c) A curb separate from a sidewalk is considered weaker. Therefore maintenance costs would be higher.
 - (d) A monolithic sidewalk give the property owners abutting the street better opportunity to make the joint property between his house and the City sidewalk look nice.

With either sidewalk it is necessary to cross the street, and if the street is unimproved the pedestrian is going to get muddy anyway.

The foregoing reasons do not constitute strenuous arguments against the construction of sidewalks without street improvements. However they are good points, and Council has seen fit to abide by them to date.

There are at least two other petitions for sidewalks pending.

Dealing in particular with 46 Avenue, we will present a plan and profile of the proposed sidewalk.

To date the City loses money (so to speak) whether roads are built on flankage or frontage. However, presuming that all City roads will eventually be paved, there would seem to be merit in balancing the annual amount to be contributed out of general revenue. This can be done by balancing the amount of flankage and the frontage road construction each year.

Parkvale has two major roads and a number of minor roads. The major roads are mainly flankage, the minor roads being frontage. One of the major roads was constructed last year. We feel that the minor frontage roads should be constructed next or in conjunction with 46 Avenue. Perhaps this can be done in 1959.

N.J. Deck
City Engineer

NOTE:

Would suggest a decision could be made when the plan is placed before Council.

Commissioners

CORRESPONDENCE:LETTER NO. 1

January 25, 1958

The City Clerk
City of Red Deer

Dear Sir:

I wish to start business of Coffee Shop in premises of J. Pickert,
Michener Hill Bakery. Opening to be approximately February 15, 1958.

Yours sincerely,

M. Sckenswiller

NOTE:

The above requires a resolution subject to the requirements of
the Provincial Licensing Authorities being complied with.

COMMISSIONERS

5.
February 5, 1958

Mr. P. Amy
City Clerk
City of Red Deer

Dear Sir:

Re: Fire Call to Rehn Cartage

In regards to the above, the writer would like to make clear that with ALL Rural Calls the following procedure must be adhered to. This procedure is laid down in the Fire Departments Running Orders.

1. Permission must be obtained from either Mayor McAfee or Commissioner Newman to send any ~~piece~~ of fire fighting equipment out of the City limits. The Fire Chief has authority to send equipment within a one mile radius of the City limits, however he was out of the City the day this alarm was received and as I have had no written authority, all Rural Calls in his absence are treated alike.

2. If the alarm is received during the hours the Fire Chief or the Deputy Chief are not on duty at the hall, they must be contacted by the Shift Captain for instructions by them as to equipment and manpower that will be dispatched.

3. Turn on the Siren and wait for sufficient help to arrive to man the piece of fire fighting equipment that will be responding to the alarm. Seven men are required and in most cases there are only three men on duty for each shift.

As this particular call was just on the out skirts of the City limits, the alarm was answered immediately after permission from Commissioner Newman was obtained as these were the instruction given to the Shift Captain by myself. No time was wasted waiting for more help to arrive, as once the scene of the fire was reached and it was seen that more help was needed, the Captain in charge could of radioed the hall and informed us as to how much more help was needed, and it would of taken only a matter of minutes to transport sufficient help to the scene. The siren was turned on to make certain that there was enough help at the hall should more be needed.

Our daily log shows this alarm was received at 7:31 a.m., January 13th, 1958. Engine #3 with Captain Shaw and three firemen responded. The final entry regarding this call was made in our log book at 8:01 a.m., 30 minutes later when Engine #3 returned to the Fire Hall.

From the time the alarm was received and until the apparatus returned to the hall, 30 minutes had elapsed. During these 30 minutes, permission was obtained from Commissioner Newman to leave the City limits, the Shift Captain contacted the writer for instructions, the vehicle proceeded to the scene of the fire, extinguished the blaze, and made certain that it would not re-kindle, disconnected and drained and rolled 150 feet of hose, drained the fire pump, obtained all information as to the cause of the fire, name of the owner of the premises or the object involved, checked the apparatus to make sure no equipment was missing, and returned to the hall. From this it is plain to see that no time was wasted and that a great deal was accomplished in a period of 30 minutes.

Furthermore, the Captains Run Report which is completed immediately after returning to the hall shows that in this case the damage resulting from the blaze was very slight, which will verify the fact that this alarm was responded to immediately after permission to leave the City and instruction from myself were received by the Shift Captain.

Our records to verify the above mentioned times are open for inspection at any time.

L.G. Zimmerman, Deputy Chief

NOTE:

The above report was requested by Council and we feel it is self explanatory and most satisfactory, further, we will produce the actual "punch" cards to substantiate these times. COMMISSIONERS

February 5, 1958

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council
City of Red Deer

Gentlemen:

I wish to report that during the month of January, 1958, the Fire Department answered 14 calls. Last year the Department answered only 4 calls for the same period. This years breakdown is as follows: Rescue or Emergency - 4; Country Calls - 4; Fire in Buildings - 2; Outdoor Fires - 1; Vehicle Fires - 2; Needless Calls - 1.

January 1st, 11:16 a.m. Call in for our Resuscitator from the Wiley Oil-field Garage. Two men with the resuscitator responded and on arrival found one of their mechanics unconscious due to an excess amount of carbon monoxide fumes in the building where he was working. Oxygen was immediately given to the patient. An ambulance arrived shortly after the Department's arrival and the patient was taken to hospital. The Fire Departments resuscitator was used while the patient was being transported to hospital.

January 1st, 1:08 p.m. Country call from A. Litteau, 3 miles south on No. 2 highway. Engine #3 and crew, plus the water tank, responded and on arrival found a two storey frame house well involved. Two lines of 1½ inch hose were taken into the building to extinguish the blaze. The fire was confined to the area around the stairway leading to the second storey and the ceiling in the basement, where the fire originated. Fire was caused by a faulty furnace. Mr. Litteau was invoiced \$100.00 for this call.

January 2nd, 11:41 a.m. Alarm in from 5911 - 58 Avenue, Engine #5 and crew responded and on arrival found a frame shell which was being used as a garage ablaze. Fire was quickly extinguished with two lines of 1½ inch hose and water from the booster tank. Caused by two small children playing with matches. The inside of the building was fairly well charred but due to the run down condition of this building damage would be very slight. There were no contents in the building at the time.

January 2nd, 3:55 p.m. Country call in from Tomalty Brothers farm, 5 miles S.W. of town. Engine #3 and crew plus the water tank, proceeded to the scene. On arrival found an old log barn, which was being used for feed storage at the time, well involved. The Department had insufficient water to extinguish, so operations were confined to covering exposures as hot embers were landing all over the farm yard. Before leaving the scene, 2500 gallons of water were used to wet down embers and remaining debris that might have flared up due to high winds. Tomalty Bros. were invoiced \$280.00 for this call.

January 4th, 11:49 a.m. Country call in from Thornton and Bates drilling rig, .4 miles North, 1 mile East and 1 Mile South. Permission to respond to this alarm was received from Commissioner Newman. When Enginer #3 arrived at the scene, flames were shooting from their mud tanks and oil pit, and the flames were endangering their drilling rig. The fire was quickly extinguished with the 1½ inch lines with water from the booster tank. The damage was very slight to the drilling rig, and was caused by a spark from a welder. Thornton and Bates were invoiced \$90.00 for this call.

January 6th, 5:50 p.m. Call in from a Mrs. Gregg stating there appeared to be a fire in the Mountview School, and would the Fire Department come up and check. Enginer # 5 responded, and on arrival found no sign of a fire or smoke. We checked all the other schools on the hill, and found janitors working in them all. Later learned that it was the Eastview School that she had wanted us to check. A janitor at this school was burning garbage, and she happened to notice the reflection in a window.

January 11th, 5:32 a.m. R.C.M.P. phoned in stating a pole was on fire west of the Seed Mill on the Burnt Lake Road. Engine #5 and crew responded and on arrival found that the high tension wires were shorting, causing the pole to burn. Electric Light Department were notified as well as

Calgary Power as the voltage in the line was high enough to warrant immediate attention. Damage to the pole only.

January 11th, 4:17 p.m. Alarm in stating a car on fire at corner of 50th Street and 51st Avenue. Engineer 5 proceeded to the scene and found fire in around the motor of the vehicle. Dry chemical was used to extinguish blaze. Car was owned by G. Roth and was caused by a short. Damage confined to the wiring only.

January 13th, 7:31 a.m. Rural call from Rehn Cartage at the top of the North Hill. Permission was received from Commissioner Newman to respond and on arrival found three elevated fuel storage tanks burning. Flame was extinguished with a 1½ inch line and fog nozzle with water from the booster tank. Caused by either a spark or cigarette when trucks were being refueled. Damage was confined to the tanks where the fire started, this was very slight. Rehn Cartage were invoiced \$60.00 for this call.

January 17th, 12:45 a.m. Call in stating a car beside the Buffalo Hotel was leaking gasoline. One fireman proceeded to the scene. Was unable to locate owner, so R.C.M.P. were notified, who assured us that the car would be removed from the street.

January 19th, 9:21 p.m. Alarm in stating a car fire at 47th Avenue and 50th Street. On arrival of Engine #5 it would found that the wiring under the hood and under the dash of this vehicle was burning. Dry Chemical and the HP reel were used to extinguish. Damage to the wiring was excessive. Owner of the car was R. Griffith and the cause thought to be a short.

January 20th, 12:55 p.m. Call in reporting a fire at the Old Folks Home on 34th Street. Engine #5 responded, and on arrival found one suite well filled with smoke. Entering the bath room of this suite a bunch of paint rags were found smoldering in the bath tub. The painters had been working in this suite in the morning, and when they left for lunch, they threw their paint rags into bath tub. Either a spark or spontaneous combustion started these rags smoldering. Rags were taken outside to extinguish, and the suite was ventilated. Only damage resulted from the smoke.

January 27th, 11:45 a.m. Call for our Resuscitator from 5427 - 39th St. It was stated that a one year old child was choking. Car #1 with two men and the Resuscitator responded, but on arrival the child's throat had been cleared by the mother and another lady.

January 27th, 1:25 p.m. Ladder #4 and two men were sent to 3402 - 44 A Avenue to rescue a cat which had been perched on a power pole for some time.

The Fire Inspector inspected 16 commercial buildings and 9 industrial buildings during the month of January. Checked the new Bowling Alley regarding their Fire Escape as well as the Hopp Block in regards to an alarm system. Two apartment buildings were reported to the Provincial Electrical Inspector. Read and recorded temperatures during the month as well as performing many other duties such as checking complaints regarding the burning of garbage, checking and plotting hydrants, and re-inspections. Accompanied the Fire Chief to attend a Fire Prevention meeting which was called in Edmonton by Fire Commissioner Bridges.

The Fire Chief attended a one week course at the Civil Defence College at Arnprior, also attended the Fire Prevention Meeting in Edmonton which was called by Fire Commissioner Bridges.

The Brigade held its Tuesday evening practices during the month of January with an average attendance of 33 members present. All members of the Brigade were given an exam on the lectures which they have received in the past four months. From these results, the members were divided into two groups, as it was quite evident that some members were a bit more advanced, while a few of the others were a bit slow grasping theory.

A total of 29 wrong numbers were received on the Fire Phone during the month of January.

Respectfully submitted,
L.G. Zimmerman
For: W.N. Thomlison, Fire Chief

City Commissioners
City of Red Deer

Gentlemen:

Re: "Ornamental" Streetlighting

We have a group of projects lined up covering streetlighting with underground wiring at a total estimated cost of \$11,316.00. About \$6,860.00 of this would be recovered under the proposed charge of \$40.00 per 50 foot lot, leaving \$4,456.00 to come out of City revenue.

The projects are: Springbett Drive (5 lights)
Waskasoo Crescent (5 lights)
40 A Ave. from lane N. of 39 St. to 44 St. (3 lights)
41 Ave. in the 4400 block (1 light)
45 St. from 41 Ave. to 43 Ave. (2 lights)
46 St. from 41 Ave. to 43 Ave. (2 lights)
47 St. from 41 Ave. to 43 Ave. (2 lights)
Eastview Subdivision (West Section) (10 lights)

The above would require 30 lights, and I would suggest 10 of them be 175 watt size and the balance 250 watt size. In addition to the above, I suggest we should continue with a program of modernization of streetlighting and so would recommend that we place orders for 30 of the 175W units and 30 of the 250W units.

30 - 175W units @ 85.60 each	\$2,568.00
30 - 250W units @ 93.50 each	2,805.00
	<hr/> \$5,373.00

The balance of the 175W units would be satisfactory replacements for the existing lights on Michener Hill which have a quite short spacing. The present Michener Hill lights are good units, and could be re-located to replace some of the old radial wave type, which are obsolete and inefficient. The 250W size would be more effective where the required spacing is longer, say along 43 Ave., Spruce Drive, etc.

I am also wondering if we should continue with the new lighting in the business section, perhaps Ross St., in the 4800 block, or 49 St., from 49 Ave. to 51 Ave? The program completed last year would be a normal three years' project, and it might be desirable to leave this section for a year or two? However, I would recommend that at least a few more be installed every year so that we would not get so far behind on a modernization program. 51 St. and 52 Streets in the 4900 block are going to require additional lights in the near future, as well as Gaetz Avenue both north and south of the present lighting, so I believe we should continue with the installation of 400W mercury vapour lights in our business section.

If possible, I would suggest that Ross Street in the 4800 block, and 49 Street from 49 Ave. to 51 Ave. be done this year, and if required, we could make up estimates for this job. But if sizable program could be lined up it might be preferable to have a contractor in on the work and in this case it might be better for Haddin, Davis and Brown to draw up plans and specifications.

In any case, we should place our order soon for any streetlighting equipment required in order to ensure having it on hand when needed. I suggest we again appropriate \$10,000.00 for improving streetlighting in residential areas, plus a sum for what streetlighting improvements is required in the business section.

Your comments and instructions would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

O.C. Mills
Elec. Supt.

NOTE: The above report indicates we require \$16,860.00 out of revenue for street lighting, this compares with \$9,640.00 spent on this project in 1957. Would recommend this be included if the budget can stand it, in the meantime we recommend that the lights in paragraph 2 be ordered at an approximate cost of \$5,373.00, as there is a 2 month delivery on same.

COMMISSIONERS

Regarding Our Proposed Budget, and in Particular EL115
New Equipment

We have been offered what appears to be an excellent deal on two trucks, provided we can complete arrangements to accept delivery by 15 March, 1958. The reason for the date deadline is that the truck body manufacturer (Truck Engineering Ltd.) will have two employees returning to this area about that time, and they have agreed to deliver two trucks, with us paying only for gas and oil for one truck, and living expenses for one man on the trip out. The only condition on the second truck is that they would use it to demonstrate one day each in Calgary and Edmonton.

Their first proposal is for a replacement for our 1950 Ford, presently used as a line truck. We propose to keep this Ford strictly as a ladder truck, and it should be adequate in this capacity for a few years yet. By this means we could expect to give better service to streetlight maintenance where we have steel poles.

The replacement they offer is a 1957 Ford F600 which they have used as a demonstrator, and has 3,000 miles on it. It has a proper line truck body, with hydraulic derrick and digger, winch and various other extras. The new price on this unit was \$12,867.80 f.o.b. Woodstock, Ontario, and they offer it at \$9,300.00 f.o.b. Red Deer. We have an alternative offer from Smith Bros. Motor Bodies for a more elaborate outfit, also a demonstrator unit, for \$15,950.00. While this latter is perhaps a more complete unit, and is fixed up more fancy, it will do essentially the same work as the proposal by Truck Engineering. I believe the Truck Engineering proposal is a good buy, and request permission to finalize the deal on a satisfactory basis.

The second proposal is in regard to a replacement for our 1953 Fargo $\frac{1}{2}$ ton service truck. This truck is too small for the work required of it, and is worked at a constant overload with the result that it is out of service repeatedly. We propose to either trade it in, or sell it, and replace with a $\frac{3}{4}$ or 1 ton truck and a larger body. Truck Engineering are primarily interested in supplying the body for this vehicle, and would seem to prefer that we buy a new truck through a local dealer and have it delivered to their plant at Woodstock. They would mount the body and deliver the truck as outlined in the first paragraph. They would be willing to obtain a truck in their locality and bring it out on the same basis if this works out to our financial advantage. Firm quotations have not been obtained on this truck and body, but enquiries would indicate that the complete unit should not run over \$4,000.00 f.o.b. Red Deer. If purchase of this equipment is authorized, both truck and body would be bought on a firm quotation basis, and from the lowest tender. Truck Engineering believe they can win this business on their offer of delivery. I would therefore ask permission to go ahead with the purchase of this truck so we can take advantage of the deal offered, if it works out to our advantage.

I would also point out, in regard to the proposed trencher for underground streetlighting, the delivery on these machines is about 3 months, and if we are to have it to use this summer, the order should be placed in the near future. Competitive bids have not been received on this equipment, but a price was obtained some time ago, and it should be available within the estimate of \$3,600.00. Permission is requested to order this equipment so it will be available when required.

O.C. Mills, Elec. Supt.

NOTE:

Re: 1957 Ford F600 - Would recommend this be agreed to.

Re: $\frac{3}{4}$ - 1 ton Truck - Mr. Mills will be supplied with prices by Truck Engineering of Woodstock. Would suggest this be tentatively agreed to.

Re: Trencher - Agree to Mr. Mills obtaining prices.

COMMISSIONERS

Annual Report E. L. & P. Dept.

January 1958

City Commissioners
City of Red Deer

Gentlemen:

This report is intended to show work accomplished by the E. L. & P. Dept. and to give a general outline of the workings of the department. Statistics and finances are adequately covered in reports from other departments (City Treasurer, City Clerk) and so only enough are included here to indicate trends.

The year as a whole has been a busy one, although a levelling off was quite noticeable. This is particularly noticeable in our Calgary Power Ltd. account. The K.W.H. consumption having increased only about 12% compared to about 16% last year. At the same time our K. W. of demand increased only 2% this year compared to 14% last year. This low increase in demand could be attributed to the unseasonable weather, and the demand could increase appreciably the next cold spell. K. W. hrs. sold to consumers has increased by 14% compared to a 23% increase last year.

To handle the increasing load only two major projects were undertaken this year. The loop-line through the C. P. R. yards to 49 St. and 52 Ave. was increased by installation of 4/0 aluminum conductor. This same size was strung on 44 St. from 40 Ave. to provide the needed capacity in this area. A third substation in the South-West area of the City is under consideration at this time, and this would provide a substantial increase in capacity for next year if brought to a successful conclusion. We are also in process of building suitable tie lines between the substations to provide more reliable service and to equalize voltage fluctuations.

New construction was about average, and about three miles of new line constructed this year. The largest job was perhaps the Card property subdivision. Further extensions were made in West Park, and several small extensions installed in North Red Deer and the North Hill areas.

We managed to catch up on a lot of maintenance work this year, both in re-poling and re-wiring. We installed poles in several locations so that the changing of wires and crossarms can be carried out during the winter months. Wires were enlarged in several locations, the larger projects being along 43 Ave. from 37 to Ross St., and in the West Park area. One line in North Red Deer was completely rebuilt and relocated in the lane. We also built a line in the lane between 50 and 51 streets in the 4600 block, and if possible we propose to continue moving a few lines to the lanes each year so that we would gradually clear the streets as much as possible. Main feeders and tie lines would still have to remain on the streets in some locations, but with service wires removed the general appearance is at least improved.

Our work with meters slackened considerably this year. We only had 577 meters tested this year compared to 1193 last year. Of this number 278 were new meters and 299 were retests from 1951. We had only 6 disputed meters this year to 16 last year, and only one of these six meters was rejected.

Transformer installations were considerably above average this year as we installed a total of 1355 KVA compared to 962 KVA last year. We now have 9350 KVA of transformer capacity installed. This is a rather large figure compared to our peak demand of 5472 KW. (6400 KVA) but it is a healthy situation to have a reasonable amount of reserve transformer capacity. We had quite a few transformers showing overloads this fall and a lot of work went into checking loads and installing additional capacity where required. We had two transformers burn out from overload, one of which was a good sized transformer. This one had been repaired in Calgary some years ago (about 1937) and some splices finally came loose, contributing to the burn out. The other was a small one that got overheated from too much load and just exploded. We did not lose any transformers from lightning this year so our losses are about average for the year. The load in the downtown area showed a surprising increase this year and again we are being hard pressed to find sufficient space to install transformers. Much thought and planning has gone into the requirements of this area, and we hope to solve the problem this coming year. We have two or three alternative methods and it just remains to decide which is the most suitable, as well as economical.

This year was our best ever regarding streetlighting. Our total number of streetlights increased by 79 units, and we now have 629 installed. Perhaps the most noticeable improvement would be the Gaetz Avenue lighting where 46 new units were installed this year, replacing 24 of the old type. The underground wiring for this project was installed by a contractor but the above ground connecting and installation of standards was done by our own crews. A few standards remain to be connected to the underground and we expect to complete this early in 1958. A big improvement was made to the streetlighting in West Park where we installed small mercury-vapor lights on the main roads and more modern incandescents on the side roads. At the moment I believe the lighting in this area compares very favorably with any residential district lighting in the Province. A considerable improvement was also made in North Red Deer, but this area is still rather patchy as we were short of suitable units to complete the job. Also some re-arrangement of power lines will be required before this area can be brought up to standard. It is suggested that we continue with a progressive program of changing to mercury-vapor lights, and in this regard a new 250 watt size fixture is now available which I would recommend for use in 1958.

Much work was required in the process of widening roads again this year. However, a large portion of this work was planned well in advance this year, which gave us the opportunity of getting a lot of it done before the contractor moved onto the job. This was much more satisfactory for all concerned. We did not do too well in keeping ahead of the contractor on the 49th Avenue project as this job was not laid out in advance, and was done on the old rush, emergency, basis. Gaetz Avenue was pretty well cleared before the contractor arrived, except for streetlighting which was cleared as work progressed. The work done by the P.W.D. survey section in providing plans well in advance, was much appreciated by this department.

Following is a list of power interruptions during 1957:-

- 9 Feb. 1957 - Calgary Power off 20 minutes due to trouble in City Calgary.
- 17 Feb. 1957 - Calgary Power planned interruption of one minute to change transformer taps.
- 24 April 1957 - Power off at C.A.D.P. Condensery for one hour when digging machine hit pole.
Power off at Memorial Centre and part of 45 Ave. about 20 mins. when a dragline contacted primary wires 45 Ave. 5800 block.
- 26 Apr. 1957 - Power off in West section of City about 5 mins. when lineman accidentally shorted primary wires.
- 2 May 1957 - Calgary Power off about 7 mins. trouble caused by lightning.
- 24 June 1957 - Power off about 15 mins. in East section of City when lineman accidentally shorted primary wires.
- 1 Nov. 1957 - Power off about 35 mins. on 50 and 51 Avenues, 4800 block when transformer burned out in lane rear Red Deer Motors.
- 8 Dec. 1957 - Calgary Power off for about 15 mins. Trouble caused by very heavy winds in Calgary area.

There were a few other minor interruptions in outlying areas but none of these were of a serious nature. Prompt service to restore power was given on all these interruptions. It is my opinion that Calgary Power Ltd. have maintained service as good as can be expected, and were certainly on the job at all times to restore service as promptly as possible when their lines were knocked out by storms etc. I also believe our staff were quite adequate during all power breaks, and worked well and willingly to restore service.

Wiring in City buildings was about average. Most of the larger changes were made by electrical contractors as our staff were tied up with other work. In connection with this wiring in City buildings, I should mention that various additions to lighting and machinery in the City Hall has placed the wiring in this building in an overloaded condition and suggest that a sum of about one thousand dollars should be placed in next years' budget to revamp the electrical installation.

The traffic lights at Gaetz and Ross have operated perfectly again this year, the cost of maintenance being negligible. Some changes were made during the reconstruction of Gaetz Avenue resulting in a better over-all appearance of this intersection. We installed another set of lights at 43 Street and Gaetz and after a rather hectic breaking in period these seem to be working quite satisfactorily. Material is arriving for the lights to be installed at 48, 50, 52 and 55 Streets and some preliminary work has been done for these jobs and it is hoped to instal them early in 1958.

Our staff presently consists of six journeyman linemen, three of these being sub-foremen, two apprentice linemen, one meter reader, one laborer (who is also spare meter reader), and one draftsman. This staff did not seem to be quite sufficient to maintain our usual good service, but we do not have sufficient equipment for a larger staff at the moment. Due to the slacking off in new construction we were able to maintain a reasonable service though, and I do not think anyone was very seriously inconvenienced. However, if the City should continue to grow at the same rate as the past few years, we will no doubt require more staff and equipment, and should perhaps plan on this increase during the coming year.

I believe we can again report a very successful year of progress, and indications are that next year will be even better.

Respectfully, submitted,

(O. C. Mills) Elec. Supt.

NOTE:

Re the traffic lights, this work is now well under way.

Commissioner

January 31st, 1958

The Commissioners
City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Sirs:

License Returns - January 1958

The following licenses were sold during January, 1958 within the City. No return was made in January 1957, so no comparison can be made.

Auctioneers	\$ 50.00
Apartment Houses	772.00
Billiards	75.00
Bakeries	150.00
Bicycles	11.50
Building Contractors	375.00
Dogs	106.00
Electrical Contractors	50.00
General Licenses	30.00
Hotels	123.50
Laundries	75.00
Painters	25.00
Plumbers	100.00
Pedlars	90.00
Rooming Houses	80.00
Roofers	25.00
Steel Erectors	50.00
Taxi Companies	105.00
Taxi Drivers	18.00
Transient Traders	25.00
	<u>\$2266.00</u>

Total License Revenue January, 1958 \$2,266.00.

Yours truly,

A. W. Green,
License Inspector

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Date Feb. 3rd, 1958

To: THE CITY COMMISSIONER,
The City of Red Deer,
RED DEER, Alberta

Monthly Report Covering Policing of the City of Red Deer, Alta.

for the Month of JANUARY 19 58

1. Members on Duty SUFFICIENT MEMBERS ON DUTY TO COMPLY WITH POLICING CONTRACT.

2. Disposition of Cases Under Municipal By-Laws:

	Court Convictions	Voluntary Penalties	Warnings	Dismissed	Withdrawn
Traffic, excluding Parking:	6	27	Nil	Nil	Nil
Parking	15	1444	138	Nil	4
Other By-Laws:	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

3. Complaints Received 212 4. Complaints Investigated 176

5. Unlighted Street Lamps 31 6. Fires Attended 2

7. Business Places Unlocked 11 8. Recoverable Expenses Nil

9. Number of liquor Cases 17 10. Liquor Situation Under Control

11. Articles Lost 11 12. Articles Found 23

13. Bicycles Stolen 1 14. Bicycles Recovered 1

15. Prisoners' Expenses and Maintenance (Meals) MEALS \$47.25 GUARDS & MATRONS \$238.00

16. Fines Imposed Under Municipal By-Laws \$231.00 PRISONER MEDICAL \$5.00

17. Revenue Collected in Municipal Cases and Payable To:

	Municipality	Province	Federal Government
Fines	\$570.50	\$285.00	Nil
Costs	NIL	\$106.00	\$65.00

18. Mileage on Municipal Duties:

R.C.M.P. Transport	Municipal Transport	Hired Transport
5,015 Miles	NIL	NIL

19. Number of Cases where Assistance Rendered to Municipality and no Report Submitted NIL

20. Remarks: Usual contact maintained with City Officials during the month. Other than one safe attack, there were no serious trends of crime encountered. Aforementioned safe attack was unsuccessful. Traffic conditions remained heavy. V.H.T. Act tickets issued - 2 - prosecutions, 19 warnings; Six prisoners escorted during the month. Convictions registered being; Criminal Code - 18; Liquor Act - 16; Bylaws - 17; V & H. T. - 2.

A second Police Car was taken into use on the 29-1-58 and same is being used on traffic work. A further member bring the total to 13 members on City Detail, was taken on strength on the 30-1-58.

By-Law prosecution forms together with Original of this Form, direct to City Commissioner.

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

(E. V. Christianson) Cpl.
City Detail. i/c Detachment

VOLUNTARY TRAFFIC PENALTIES

Tickets Issued	1415		
Warnings	137		
Second Notices	708		
Prosecutions	34		
Amount Collected - Jan/58	-	\$1,345.00	
Amount Collected - Jan/57	-	913.00	
Per Cent Increase	47.3%		

CITY BUILDING PERMITS for JANUARY, 1958.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
H. Quam	Alteration	\$ 2,000.00
J. G. Burns	Basement room	400.00
D. Twack	Basement room	600.00
H. A. Leonard	Basement room	250.00
H. Buss	Games room	250.00
Builders Hardware	Office Space	2,000.00
Bank of Nova Scotia	Alterations	500.00
Imperial Bank of Canada	Night Depository	1,500.00
Mr. E. Sultz	Games room	300.00
Mrs. Hurlburt	Games room	300.00
J. Huber	Games room	325.00
Mr. J. A. Morgan	Games room	500.00
S. Leung	Rumpus room	500.00
E. G. Tomalty	Basement room	250.00
Mrs. O. Munro	Alterations	300.00
Royal Bank of Canada	Alterations	1,900.00
C. W. Hiles	Garage	500.00
Northwestern Utilities	Calorimeter Building	1,000.00
Red Deer Curling Club	Alterations	400.00

Total City Permits - - - - - \$13,775.00

NO. M.D. Building Permits

Grand Total - - - - - \$13,775.00

Total for January, 1957. \$85,500.00

Summary of Activities - January 1951

Hockey and Skating

Skating attendance of 1675 for the month and grand total of 15352 since opening of skating season on Sept. 24th. Attendance always takes drastic drop at this time of year with all of open air rinks available for use.

Red Deer Rustlers have cinched first place in the C. A. H. L.--the first time in several years. Rustlers have played to 25316 fans in 18 home games for an average attendance of 1405-- well over that of last year. Only two home games remain until completion of schedule.

Local Minor Hockey Leagues are enjoying one of the best seasons on record. Improved facilities plus the mild winter weather have been conducive to excellent turn-outs of players as well as spectators. Over-all average attendance of teams to end of January was 834. Since inception of league play the following games have been played: Mite - 34 (two sections); Pee Wee - 34 (two sections); Bantam - 25; Midget - 20. A total of 123 games for an aggregate attendance of 2586 boys. It is interesting to note that there have been no postponed games in these leagues.

Bantam "B" and Midget "B" teams have been selected from above leagues to take part in Provincial playdowns. Midget "B" was entered in Central Alberta Midget Tournament held in Stettler and made quite a creditable showing--losing out to Drumheller by a 6-5 score in the only game they played.

Midget "A" and Juvenile "B" are far ahead in league play in the Central Alberta Leagues, Midgets having won all six of games played while Juveniles have won three and lost none. Superiority of Red Deer Clubs is creating a problem as to league completion for another year. Juveniles have won two exhibition games against City clubs during the month while Midgets have won three. Both of these clubs should do well in Provincial playoffs.

Red Deer Junior "B" Club has been a pleasant surprise in the Chinook League. While only winning one of five games to date they are playing pleasing hockey and all scores have been close. They are also entered in Provincial playdowns.

Commercial hockey players are having a lot of fun and played fourteen league games to the end of the month.

R.C.A.F. Hockey teams have had eight seasons in the arena during the month.

Outdoor rinks have been used to capacity during the month and boarded rinks have been booked solid for games and practices.

Figure skaters using arena three hours each Saturday afternoon as well as hour periods on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Speed skaters had slite-off for Provincial Outdoor on January 26th at boarded rinks. Thirty-one skaters took part with 175 spectators looking on. Club will take part in Provincial Outdoor in Edmonton on February 2nd. Complete results of this meet will be available for the February report.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ladies "Keep Fit" classes being held in Eastview gymnasium since first of the year. Attendance is holding up well with an average of 33.

Boys classes being held at North Red Deer and West Park are quite successful. A total of 70 boys have turned out at North Red Deer for three sessions and 63 at West Park for two sessions.

Broomball league has played 36 games to the end of January. Chrysler, R.C.M.P., Contractors and Crawfords are front-running teams at the present time.

Central Alberta Bantam Hockey Tournament to be held in Lacombe the middle of February, Juvenile Tournament to be held in Ponoka and Pee Wee Tournament in Red Deer.

Red Deer still holding down first place in Central Alberta Basketball League although being hard-pressed by Lacombe High School. Playoffs for Askin Trophy will commence about the middle of February.

Arts and Crafts group have good attendance with approximate membership of 60. This group hopes to expand to include more younger groups if adequate housing is available.

Playoffs in all local hockey leagues will be starting about end of first week in February.

Minor Hockey Week (Young Canada Hockey Week) was a pronounced success in Red Deer. Radio, press and T.V. coverage was excellent and goodly numbers of parents turned out for league games. About 300 boys were guests of Rustlers at home game against Edmonton Oil Kings.

Six meetings held during the month.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Miller,
Recreation Director