

File

A G E N D A

For Council Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers on Monday,
February 15th, 1960, at 5:00 p.m.

1. Present:

Confirmation of Minutes of Regular Meeting and Special Private Meeting of
Council held February 1st, 1960.

2. Delegation:

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Mr. D.W. Bruce

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13. Red Deer Health Unit Fourth Quarterly Report for 1959.
14. Red Deer Recreation Commission Summary of Activities for month of Jan. 1960.
15. Building Permits for the month of January, 1960.

8. New Business:

Payment of Accounts.

DELEGATION:

To the City Commissioners,
City Hall,
City of Red Deer.

Dear Sir:

I wish to appeal to Council the decision of the Inspection Department which prevents me from moving my garage from 3329 - 44 A Avenue to 4021 - 51 A Street.

I have deposited with the Inspection Dept., photographs and plans of this building which I intend to use for Storage Purposes. I will be storing mainly personal tools such as valves, spare parts, etc. I would like to appear before council to further explain the purpose of this appeal.

Yours truly,

D. W. Bruce.

We recommend the Building Inspector's decision be upheld by Council. This building will not be used as a garage, and is therefore not an accessory use to the residence. Further Mr. Bruce planned to store a $1\frac{1}{2}$ ton truck outside but on his property. Photos will be presented to Council at the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2.

Letter No. 1

Red Deer, Alta.
February 10, 1960.

To: City Commissioner,

From: Industrial Director.

Re: Public Relations.

With the establishment of a Public Relations Committee under the Chairmanship of Mayor McAfee consideration has been given to preparing for distribution at Conventions - meetings, etc. some form of material advertising the City of Red Deer. It is felt this memento should take the form of a keepsake. Bearing in mind that such an item would be required in bulk quantity, several items were considered and it was felt the best answer would be a small plaque that could be hung on a wall, used as an ashtray or as a coaster.

Such a memento is not being considered as a gift for visiting dignitaries who visit the City. Other arrangements have been made for this purpose.

There have been several instances lately where such a memento could have been put to good use. Banquets have recently been held for the Tuxis Boys' Parliament and the Dominion Speed Skating Championships and had such mementoes been available for distribution to Head Table guests, good publicity could have been obtained.

Other cities are doing extensive promotional work to advertise their cities and it is felt we should have some program to keep Red Deer equally in the public eye as to these other cities.

A sample of plaque is available, together with prices for production.

A.W. Green,
Industrial Director.

Note: Mr. Green will present the sample plaque for Council's consideration. The cost is 35¢ plus tax per plaque in quantities of 2,000.

This report was requested by City Council.

COMMISSIONERS

Letter No. 2

February 12th, 1960.

To: City Clerk

From: Secretary of Finance Committee.

At the Budget meeting of the Finance Committee held on Thursday, February 11th, 1960, request of Council concerning a proposed "ad" in the Newspaper outlining Net Tax Billing was discussed in detail with the following recommendation:

"That in lieu of newspaper advertising, a mimeographed notice be inserted and mailed with all tax notices."

This recommendation is made on the basis that the notice is then received by the Taxpayer individually.

R.N. McGregor,
Secretary,
Finance Committee.

Note: This recommendation endorsed by your Commissioner.

E. Newman.

CORRESPONDENCE:Letter #1

Red Deer Public School District

February 5, 1960.

Mr. E. Newman,
City Commissioner,
RED DEER, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Newman:

Re: Dog menace on School Grounds.

At their meeting of February 4th members of the Public School Board considered the menace and the nuisance of the packs of dogs that are running in school grounds at this time of year. There have been many occasions when small children have been badly frightened by dogs, and on several occasions children have been nipped. The principals and teachers note that this situation does not occur when dogs are restricted from running at large during the period from May to September.

The Board wishes this information to be available to members of the City Council if and when the Council considers the problem.

Yours very truly,

Lillian Scott,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Bearing in mind Dr. More's comments with respect to dog control, this letter and the fact that we are receiving more complaints re dogs than ever before, I can only recommend that Council authorize a By-Law requiring full time control of dogs.

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COMMISSIONERS.

Letter No. 2.

No. 9 (Red Deer) Health Unit.

January 28, 1960.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Garbage - City of Red Deer

Your letter of the 30th of December, 1959, regarding garbage conditions in general in the city is acknowledged with thanks.

It will be recalled that the problems referred to were fully discussed at a meeting in your office, at which the City Garbage Collector, Health Inspector Medical Officer of Health, and yourself were present. Constructive criticisms and suggestions were presented by Mr. Perlick, and it was agreed that unsatisfactory and highly unsanitary conditions are frequently encountered in some districts.

The following recommendations are respectfully submitted for the consideration and approval of City Council:

1) The dog control by-law should be revised to provide for control of all dogs within the city twelve months of the year, instead of the present control requirements applicable only during the summer months. Complaints are frequently received at the health unit regarding garbage containers being overturned by stray dogs, with resultant unsanitary conditions: there is increasing medical evidence that several human infections may be linked with animals, including dogs, and it is believed that stricter regulations will meet with general approval by the public.

2) New residents in the city maynot be familiar with the regulations regarbage disposal. It is suggested that a pamphlet, or leaflet, containing such information be made available for distribution preferable through City Hall, at the time application is made for utilities by new residents.

Thank you for your kind attention to this letter.

Yours very truly,

C.G. More,
M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

The above report was requested by Council respecting garbage in particular, however, Dr. More states that dogs participate to some extent in causing unsanitary conditions in certain areas.

With respect to the last paragraph in his letter, we wish to state this is done at various intervals, however the only effective control would be to have an inspector patrol the lanes for infractions of the garbage By-Law.

We do not feel that such an arrangement is practical at the present time.

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Letter No. 3.

The FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

January 3, 1960.

The City Commissioners,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Newman:

With respect to our recent talk about the taxes chargeable to our church on the Property at 4302 - 39 St., my board has asked that you place the following request before the City Council at their next meeting.

"Having regard to the fact that construction of our church building on our property at 4302 - 39 St. (purchased May 1958) was begun in June 1959 and will be occupied this month; and having regard to the conclusion from this fact that our church had an honest intention from the beginning to use the property solely for the use of Divine Worship: We request that the City Council instruct that the rates chargeable against the property from May 1958 be such as apply to such property used solely for Christian worship."

We wish to assure the Council that it is not our intention to sell any part of the property, nor to place on it any building such as a Manse, used for any other purpose than that of Divine Worship and Service.

It appears from previous action with regard to similar properties, that it has been City policy to charge only frontage taxes against property bought by churches for buildings for Divine Worship.

Yours truly,

Rev. E.A. Follows,

February 4, 1960.

Kirby, Murphy Armstrong & Beames,
201 Regal Building,
5017 Ross Street,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Attention: W.J.C. Kirby.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from the First Baptist Church is self explanatory, also the notations of the writer.

Would you be kind enough to advise me of your legal interpretation of Sect. 544(1) (c). My own thinking is that we cannot exempt churches, until the building is in use for such purpose.

If this is correct then we have been wrong in the two examples quoted.

Your reply before Thursday Feb. 11, 1960 would be much appreciated in order that I might place on Agenda for Feb. 15, 1960.

Yours truly,

E. Newman,
City Commissioner.

Kirby, Murphy, Armstrong & Beames.

February 8, 1960.

Mr. E. Newman,
City Commissioner,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Newman: Re: First Baptist Church - Liability for taxes.

We are of the opinion, by reason of the provisions of Section 544 (1) (c), that until such time as a building has been erected and is being used generally for divine service and for public worship the lands upon which the building is erected are not exempt from taxation. The wording of this subsection is so specific that it does not, in our view, lend itself to any different interpretation.

On the basis of this opinion the other churches referred to in your letter were not entitled to exemption.

Yours truly,

W.J.C. Kirby.

1958 - 190.93 portion of year balance paid by previous owner.
1959 - 362.25
 553.18 plus penalties.

COMMISSIONERS NOTE:

Section 544 (1) (c) of the City Act reads as follows:
The following property is exempt from taxation.

(c) land held by or for the use of any religious body and on which is situated a building chiefly used for Divine Service or public worship, together with the building, but exclusive of any other building thereon to the extent of one-half acre or such greater acreage not in excess of four acres as may be exempted by By-Law from taxation.

Regarding the last paragraph of the above letter, Rev. Follows is referring to:

1. Church of Jesus Christ Property, located on 43rd Ave.
Land was purchased by this group in 1954 from Mr. Lancaster, and held by the Church until they sold to Templeton Construction in 1959.
No Property taxes were charged.
2. Christian and Missionary Alliance
Purchased from City in 1957. Building under construction, no taxes have been charged to date.

The taxes owing on this property are as follows:

1958	-	\$190.93	portion of year only, balance paid by previous
1959	-	362.25	owner.
		\$553.18	plus penalties

In view of our Solicitors' opinion shown in his letter, we cannot recommend this request be granted.

COMMISSIONER

LETTER NO. 4

Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
Red Deer Sub-Division H.Q.,
February 8, 1960.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Policing - City of Red Deer.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter February 5, 1960, requesting that the present strength of the Red Deer City Detail be increased to 18 members.

For your information, I have already received approval to increase this Detail by 3 members; however, in view of the fact that the City of Red Deer request only 2, this matter is being referred to my Headquarters and you will be further advised in this connection. I anticipate that the members will be available for April 1, 1960.

Yours very truly,
M.T. Laberge, Insp.
Comdg. Red Deer S/Div.

Note: The above for information of Council.

COMMISSIONER.

LETTER NO. 5

Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
Red Deer Sub-Division H.Q.
February 8, 1960.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Policing - City of Red Deer.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter, February 5, 1960, requesting that steps be taken to increase the Red Deer City Detail in 1961 by 2 members, bringing the total strength of this Detail to 20 members.

Please be advised that your request will be attended to on my next Establishment Revision, and you will be advised, in due course, of the results.

Yours very truly,

M.T. Laberge, Insp.,
Comdg. Red Deer S/Div.

Note: As we are expected to apply for extra men a year ahead, the above is submitted for Council's approval.

COMMISSIONER

Letter #6.

RED DEER PLANNING COMMISSION

, February 11, 1960.

City Commissioner,
City Hall
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Re: Building Permit Statistics

Herewith comparative figures for Red Deer, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge for 1959.

The most indicative figures are relative percentage of residential to commercial and industrial permit values.

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial & Industrial</u>
Red Deer	74.63%	25.37%
Medicine Hat	69.87%	30.13%
Lethbridge	80.21%	19.79%

Another interesting point to note is the difference in taxable and total permit values in relation to population.

	<u>Pop. approx.</u>	<u>Taxable Construction per capita</u>	<u>Total Construction per capita</u>
Red Deer	18,000	\$272	\$461
Medicine Hat	22,000	\$314	\$341
Lethbridge	32,000	\$250	\$294

The large proportion of non-taxable construction is, of course, due to the hospital extension, the A.G.T. building and Deerhome development.

Yours truly,

Dennis Cole,
Director.

NOTE: For information of Council E.N.

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NOTE: The following four letters are self explanatory with respect to the question asked. COMMISSIONER.

Letter No. 7

Red Deer, Alberta,
January 25, 1960

Honorable A. J. Hooke,
Minister of Municipal Affairs,
Highways Building,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Our Council has been concerned with the problem of Aldermen not having the right to vote on certain questions due to having an "interest" in the matter being voted on. Could you therefore have your solicitor, or the Attorney-General's Department give a ruling on the following cases which we anticipate coming to vote this year?

1. May Aldermen who have preferred shares in The Calgary Power Company vote on a contract for the sale of power by the Company to the City of Red Deer?

2. May Aldermen who are shareholders in a curling rink vote to give a grant in lieu of taxes to that curling rink?

Answers to these will be appreciated by Council members who, at present, are not at all sure of their voting responsibilities.

Yours very truly,

F. A. Amy,
City Clerk.

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Department of Municipal Affairs
Edmonton, Alberta.

January 29, 1960.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to the two specific questions asked in your letter of January 25th addressed to the Honourable A.J. Hooke, Minister of this Department, which has been referred to the undersigned for attention and reply, I would advise that in consultation with our Solicitor, we are of the opinion that an alderman may not vote in respect to the questions enumerated in your letter in view of section 98(2) of the City Act.

Yours very truly,

Deputy Minister.

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Red Deer, Alberta.

February 4, 1960.

Department of Municipal Affairs,
Highways Building,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Attention: Mr. A.W. Morrison, Deputy Minister

Dear Sir: Re: Section 98(2) City Act. Your File 10405

We wish to thank you for your letter of January 29th, 1960 in reply to our questions relating to the above section of the City Act. This has cleared the matter up without any doubt, however what position are we in now?

Mayor McAfee and five of our six Aldermen hold shares in the Red Deer Curling Club, and each year the Curling Club request of the City a grant in lieu of taxes. Would you be kind enough to advise us in view of this ruling what action our Council could take in this matter.

Further, and this could happen, after the next elections it is possible that all members of Council could hold shares.

Sir, we do not wish to create the impression that we are presenting a hypothetical case. The first example I have mentioned is actual.

Trusting you will advise at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly, F. A. Amy, Clerk.

Department of Municipal Affairs
Edmonton, Alberta.

February 10, 1960.

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

Dear Sir: Re: Your File No. L.4-1. Sec. 98(2) The City Act.

I am in receipt of your letter of February 4th and have also read your letter of February 8th addressed to Mr. Morris of this Department.

Section 37 of The City Act authorizes the Mayor and all aldermen present to vote on any matter, while Section 38 in fact requires the Mayor and all Aldermen to vote on every division unless excused by resolution or disqualification by reason of interest.

Of course Section 34 requires a majority of the whole council to be present to form a quorum but this is only for the purpose of establishing the legality of a meeting. There is nothing in the City Act requiring that a majority of the council shall vote on any question. In the instance of the Red Deer Curling Club, Section 98(2) of course prevents the aldermen who are shareholders in the Curling Club from voting but I am of the opinion it is in order for the one remaining alderman to vote on the question.

I may say that an amendment is being presented to the Legislature at this Session, which, if passed, will clarify and remedy the situation.

Yours very truly,

A. W. Morrison,
Deputy Minister.

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Letter No. 8

Kirby, Murphy, Armstrong
& Beames.
Red Deer, Alberta,
February 10, 1960.

Mr. E. Newman,
City Commissioner,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Newman: Re: City of Red Deer vs. Marvin Bishop

I wish to advise you that at the hearing of this charge before Magistrate R.S. McKay on Thursday last, the charge was dismissed.

The reason given by the Magistrate for dismissal was that the penalty clause of the By-Law did not specifically designate who was to be held responsible for compliance with the provisions of the By-Law for early closing.

Counsel for Bishop did not raise this particular point but raised several other points of fact and law, none of which, by reason of this decision, were dealt with.

In order to meet the objection to the wording of the By-Law raised by the Magistrate and also in order to strengthen the By-Law against the other points raised by Council for Mr. Bishop we are preparing and will submit for consideration by Council, amendments to the By-Law.

Note: For information of
Council. E.N.

Yours very truly,
W.J.C. Kirby.

REPORTSReport No. 1

Minutes of Police Committee Meeting held in Council Chambers, City Hall, Wednesday, February 10, 1960.

Present: Alderman Allen, Chairman, Alderman Sinclair, H. Dawe, Sgt. Kumm, Geo. Young, A.W. Green, Secretary.

Minutes of previous meeting read and discussed.

Safety Campaign 1960 - Sgt. Kumm reported on work of Safety Committee and progress of Workshop. Advised there had now been 200 fatality free days. Also that City Entry signs were out for tender.

"U" turn sign Ross and 51st Ave. - Geo. Young reported installation of this sign was awaiting the passage of Traffic By-law, also that proper marking and placing of speed zone signs on north and south approaches to City were awaiting same by-law. Mr. Sinclair recommended that if By-law not passed at next Council meeting then "Begin 25 m.p.h." sign on north side of City be removed as it was confusing to traffic.

Mr. Sinclair recommended that Sgt. Kumm prepare a report for Committee on Halloween damage and suggested control.

Matter of Police foot patrols was discussed. Sgt. Kumm reported foot patrols were used at night, but manpower situation was such no men were available for daytime foot patrols. He advised every effort would be made to have foot patrol on Thursdays and Saturdays. He also advised that men would patrol Gaetz United Church starting Sunday, February 14th to eliminate double parking and jay walking. He advised congregation refused to pay any attention to requests in Church Bulletin to co-operate with Police.

Minutes were then adopted.

Agenda:

1. Report of Sgt. Kumm re Crosswalk - Gaetz Ave. and 45th Street.- After Sgt. Kumm reported his findings that a Crosswalk was necessary it was moved by Mr. Dawe, seconded by Sgt. Kumm that an overhead Crosswalk sign with flashing light be installed.
2. Recommended by Mr. Dawe and Alderman Sinclair that all overhead Crosswalk signs have sign "No Passing" facing both ways attached to main sign.
3. Scooters and Power Bikes - Sgt. Kumm reported owners of all vehicles checked and advised of law respecting these vehicles. Parents were also made acquainted with law. Check also revealed all bikes controlled to 20 m.p.h. Check to continue through spring.
4. Crosswalk between 48th and 47th Ave. on Ross Street - Recommended by Mr. Dawe and Alderman Sinclair that a crosswalk be considered in conjunction with a median strip to eliminate left turn by traffic.
5. Moved by Alderman Sinclair, seconded by Sgt. Kumm that stop signs be placed on 44th Street at its intersection with 41st Avenue.
6. Moved by Alderman Sinclair, seconded by Sgt. Kumm that all amber lights at controlled intersections be extended to a 10 second period to allow proper clearance of Pedestrian traffic.
7. Recommended by Sgt. Kumm, and Mr. Dawe that Yield Right-of-Way signs shall only control converging traffic and not right angled intersections.
8. Hours of Control to be marked on all restricted speed limit signs. - not recommended.
9. Amendment to Dog By-law - no action as matter under discussion by Council.

10. School Zones - recommended by Alderman Sinclair and Mr. Dawe that speed of School Zones be increased to 20 m.p.h. and enforced at 20 m.p.h. Cities of Calgary, Lethbridge and Edmonton have 20 m.p.h. in school zones.
11. Traffic movement - 59 St. lights. Committee approve recommendations of Stanley, Grimble and Roblin re movement lights.
12. Sgt. Kumm reported railway control lights on 43rd St. continue to operate for extended periods when crossing not being used. Same are kept in operation by track engines north of crossing. This is causing a bottleneck of traffic to and from West Park and Industrial area. Recommended that Council confer with C.P.R. and study way of eliminating hazard and controlling speed of trains at the three open crossings within City.
13. 52nd Street and 42nd Ave. - Sgt. Kumm advised he is receiving complaints of cars missing this corner and suggested checkerboard sign. Committee recommended this corner be studied by Engineering Department and reported to next meeting.
Box
14. Post Office Sidewalk Mailing - recommended that same be placed on Ross Street at East end of Post Office block. Present meters be removed if box approved and replaced as 12 minute meters West of Post Office main door on Ross St.
15. School busses - Sgt. Kumm requested to check school busses that are overtaking and passing other school busses while unloading at Separate School.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

VOLUNTARY TRAFFIC TICKET REPORT
January, 1960.

Number of Tickets Issued	1822
Number of Warnings Issued	202
Number of second notices issued	485
Number of Prosecutions	23
Total Receipts for Jan, 1960	\$1,518.00
Total Receipts for Jan, 1959	1,237.00
Percentage Increase - 11.2%	

Report No. 3

Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
February 1, 1960.

Monthly Report Covering Policing of The City of Red Deer for the month of January, 1960.

- Members on Duty - sufficient members on duty to comply with contract.
- Disposition of cases under Municipal By-laws:

	Court Convictions	Voluntary Penalties	Warnings	Dismissed	With Drawn
Traffic, excluding Parking	66	7	nil	2	nil
Parking:	12	1747	194	nil	1
Other By-laws:	2	nil	nil	nil	nil

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| 3. Complaints Received - 180. | 4. Complaints Investigated - 172 |
| 5. Unlighted St. Lamps - 6. | 6. Fires attended 4 |
| 7. Business Places Unlocked-11 | 8. Recoverable Expenses nil |
| 9. Number of Liquor Cases -13 | 10. Liquor Situation - good |
| 11. Articles Lost - 8 | 12. Articles Found 6 |
| 13. Bicycles Stolen - 5 | 14. Bicycles Recovered - 4 |
| 15. Prisoners' Expenses and Maintenance (Meals) | Meals - \$90.75 Guards - \$321.00 |
| 16. Fines Imposed Under Municipal By-laws - \$1,032.00. | |
| 17. Revenue Collected in Municipal Cases and Payable to: | |

	Municipality	Province	Federal Government
Fines	\$1269.50	\$17.50	nil
Costs	nil	167.00	\$57.50

18. Mileage on Municipal Duties:

R.C.M.P. Transport	Municipal Transport	Hired Transport
3,700	nil	nil

19. Number of cases where Assistance rendered to Municipality and no Report submitted -
Material Aid - 23 Welfare - nil

20. Remarks: Traffic situation in City remains much the same as last month with 26 accidents being investigated. The majority of these accidents were of a minor nature with only one injury resulting from the accidents. One charge of careless driving was laid as a result of one accident while another motorist was charged under the criminal code with hit and run. The property damage as a result of the 26 accidents was approx. \$7,000.00. Fifty motorists were issued summons for speeding in school and 25 M.P.H. zones, 44 of these being detected by the electric timer. Thirteen of the fifty motorists were caught speeding in school zones, showing a reduction of 21 from last month. The City has now gone 174 fatality free days.

Crime of a serious nature, was at a minimum, with only two breaking and enterings reported, the culprits in each case being apprehended. Four false pretence charges were laid. The liquor situation in the City remains good with the Hotels giving this office all the help necessary in discouraging minors from entering licensed premises.

Original of this form, together with By-law Prosecution forms handed direct to the City Commissioner.

E.O. Kumm, A/Sgt. #13435
i-c Red Deer City Detail.

Report No. 4.

Fire Dept. Headq.
Red Deer,
February 2, 1960.

His Worship the Mayor
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

I wish to report that during the month of January, 1960 the Fire Department had 14 calls as follows:

Fires in Buildings	- 7
Outdoor fires	- 2
Lockout small child	1
Smoke Investigation	- 2
Car Fires	- 1
Needless Calls	- 1

Jan. 10th 17:30 - Call from N.R.D. 5330-61 St. stating overheated oil stove. On arrival under control, and no damage.

Jan. 11th 1956 - Received call garage on fire at 4830-52 St. On arrival found partially out, wet down; stove too close to cardboard lining. Damage \$35.00.

Jan. 11th, 21:45 - Runner reported City barricade on fire from flare sent private car and informed P. Works. Nil damage.

Jan. 13th, 16:20 - Reported person locked out of house and small child inside. Sent car but O.K. before they arrived.

Jan. 17th. 18:51 - Smoke investigation at 5304-48 Ave. Smell of smoke on arrival but no fire. Inspector gave order to clean up heating units. Nil damage.

Jan. 20th. 13:39 - Ambco mix plant at Riverside Drive. On arrival found conveyor belt burnt out, and put out rest of fire. Open gas flame used on conveyor belt for pliability, but belt stopped due to jamming and ignited. Damage not estimated yet.

Jan. 21st 11:34 - Smoke investigation in basement at 4235-42 Ave. On arrival found quantity of smoke in basement due to open sewer pipe and back-draft from house chimney. Instructed owner to have pipe capped. No damage.

Jan. 26th 17:06 - Explosion and fire at 5222 Gaetz Ave. (Dominion Fruit). On arrival found upper portion of front wall in street and on top of 3 parked cars in front. Main floor and roof gutted. Separate report to Commissioner Newman. All companies and all firemen responded. Truck 2, Eng. 3 & 5 and Ladder 4. Total hose used 4800 ft. Used on fire. 6-2½ nozzles; 1-1½ nozzle, 1 ladder pipe and 1 turret gun. Gal. of water used approximately 740,000 gallons. 3 salvage covers used in Bowladrome and 3 ladders beside aerial ladder. Egg powder in rear of Bowladrome moved by C.A.D.P. personnel. Damage high but not estimated as yet.

Jan. 28th, 12:44 - Call from Motor Car Supply building under construction. Wall of plywood and canvas top and salamanders or oil heating units used to heat mortar and blocks around wall being erected. Stove fell over and ignited canvas top and scorched plywood sides. Damage to Canvas - no estimate.

Jan. 28th - 02:15 - Recall to Dom. Fruit by R.C.M.P. Used Eng. 3 and Ladder 4 to reach space in loft. Impossible to put all fire out and expected rekindle in a large class A fire.

Jan. 28th 17:36 - Car fire at 48th St. between 48th and 49th Ave. Fuel line broken off close to pump and fan spreading fuel in engine compartment. Quite an explosion resulted causing fire damage to the motor.

Jan. 30th 18:02 - Dom. Fruit rekindle, call from watchman. On arrival found foam rubber pad involved and removed and extinguished same.

Jan. 31st 00:41 - Recall to Dom. Fruit no sign of fire or smoke. Needless call.

Jan. 31st 14:22 - Call to R.D. Seed Co. and found spontaneous ignition under porch on north side of elevator. Chaff seedlings had ignited under this part and burnt part of the understructure. Removed all debris, wet down and instructed manager to clean up all debris close to building. Damage - nil.

During the month the Fire Inspector inspected 8 commercial, 4 Industrial, 2 garages, 2 service stations, 2 coffee shops and 3 apartment houses for a total of 21. He made 4 trips to Parkland Church of Christ before recommendations were completed, and 2 trips to apartment houses on check backs.

On January 25, 1960 I attended the Fire Commissioners' Conference in Edmonton. The Fire Chiefs of all the Cities were there except Drumheller. There was some very useful information exchanged by all of us and we were all brought up to date on changes in Alberta Acts and different regulations. There was a lengthy discussion on fire retardant paints now being manufactured and we are endeavouring to get it to the stage where it is a must for all Old Folks' Homes, Hospitals, Schools and School Dormitories, on Company puts on demonstrations of this paint and they will put on a demonstration in Red Deer on February 10th, 1960 at the Fire Hall at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
W.N. Thomlison,
FireChief.

Report No. 5.

No. 9 (Red Deer) Health Unit,
Red Deer, Alta.

WATER ANALYSIS REPORT

Samples of water taken from various points in the City for the month of January all tested NEGATIVE (Coliform). Bacteriological Tests.

Report No. 6.

No. 9 (Red Deer) Health Unit,
Jan. 29, 1960.

The Red Deer Health Unit report for January, 1960 re milk analyses of in connection with samples purchased from vendors in Red Deer, proved satisfactory.

Report No. 7.

Red Deer, Alberta,
February 2, 1960.

The City Commissioners,
City of Red Deer.

Gentlemen:-

Re: Business & Professional Licenses.

The following licences were sold during January, 1960 with comparison figures for January, 1959:

	1959	1960
Apartment houses	\$776.00	\$766.00
Auctioneers	50.00	50.00
Bicycles	15.00	14.50
Building Contractors	348.00	---
Dance Halls	---	15.00
Dogs	111.00	135.50
Drays	90.00	980.00
Electrical Contractors	25.00	100.00
General Licenses	75.00	170.00
Hotels & Motels	225.50	151.00
Kindergarten	3.00	---
Janitors	---	5.00
Machinery	35.00	90.00
Mobile Homes	---	308.00
Peddlers & Canvassers	80.00	100.00
Plumbers	100.00	50.00
Plasterers	---	50.00
Painters	---	50.00
Photographers	35.00	35.00
Public houses	65.00	34.00

<u>Reports Cont'd.</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>
Sheet Metal	50.00	---
Steel Erectors	---	50.00
Taxi	105.00	100.00
Taxi drivers	10.00	24.00
Transient Traders	50.00	---
Tile & Terrazzo	---	100.00
Wood Workers	---	25.00
	\$2,148.50	\$3,403.00
Total for January, 1959		\$2,148.50
Total for January, 1960		3,403.00

Yours truly,
J.M. Douglas,
Licence Inspector.

Report No.8

Red Deer, Alta.
February 9, 1960.

The Mayor and City Council,
Red Deer, Alta.

Gentlemen:-

Attached herewith is the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of February 3, 1960.

The Public Works Committee would like to have the approval of City Council to proceed with the suggested programme.

Yours truly,

N.J. DECK,
for: Alderman McRobbie,
Chairman of the
Public Works Committee.

Note: The above recommendation of the Public Works Committee is endorsed by your Commissioners.

E. Newman.

MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The Public Works Committee met in the Council Chambers, Wednesday, February 3, 1960 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the 1960 debentured programme.

Present: Aldermen McRobbie, Moore and Kalbfleisch, City Engineer N.J. Deck and Secretary D.W. MacGowan.

Moved by Alderman Kalbfleisch, seconded by Alderman Moore that the Public Works Committee present for Council's approval the following 1960 debentured works programme as laid out in the City Engineer's letter of January 28, 1960 with the exception of Item 15 which is herewith amended.

PAVING AND CONCRETE WORK:

1. Ross Street - 37 Ave. to 40 Ave.....\$ 50,000.00
2. 40th Avenue - 39 Street to 50 Street 80,000.00
- * 3. Lanes - location to be decided 15,000.00
4. 41st Street - 56 Avenue to 57 Avenue 8,000.00
5. 46th Street - 49 Avenue to 50 Avenue 13,500.00
6. 47th Street - 50th Avenue to 51st Avenue 13,000.00
7. Sealing Gaetz Avenue 13,000.00
8. 39th Street - 40 Avenue to 125' West 3,000.00
9. West Service Road on #2 Highway - 34th to 33rd Street.... 7,000.00
10. Sidewalk around Imperial Bank 2,000.00
11. 48th Street - 50 Avenue to 51st Avenue 13,000.00

12.	55th Street - 47A Avenue to 49th Avenue	\$ 25,000.00
13.	47th Street - sidewalk south of Red's Esso	1,000.00
14.	Ross Street median strip	5,000.00
* 15.	Construction of a graded and gravelled access road on 64 Ave. - Burnt Lake Road to 60 th Street.....	4,000.00 500.00
16.	Lancaster sidewalk	
		<u>\$253,000.00</u>

UTILITIES

1.	40th Avenue Storm Drain - 39 Street to 44th Street.....	10,000.00
2.	Storm Sewer to 39th Street - 52 Avenue to Creek.....	15,000.00
* 3.	Sewer and Water in 45th Street - 50th Avenue to 52nd Avenue....	10,000.00
4.	Army Camp Storm Drain	88,000.00
5.	Burnt Lake Road Storm Drain	40,000.00
6.	Allowance for proposed Subway.....	70,000.00
		<u>\$233,000.00</u>

SUMMARY

Utilities	\$233,000.00
Paving and Concrete	<u>253,000.00</u>
	\$486,000.00
Credit for gravel crushing.....	<u>14,000.00</u>
	\$472,000.00
Engineering.....	<u>36,000.00</u>
	508,000.00
Contingencies.....	<u>25,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL.....	<u>\$533,000.00</u>

* - Items to be handled by City crews. The remainder to be contracted.

The Committee discussed the construction of the median strip for Ross Street. They recommend that posts and guard rails be tried.

Moved by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Kalbfleisch that the thinning of trees in parks be done as a Winter Works project and that it be proceeded with in the areas shown on the map presented by the Public Works Department.

Chairman McRobbie adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

D.W. MacGowan,
Secretary.

Report No.9

Red Deer, Alta.
February 9, 1960.

ASSESSMENT FOR 1960 AND COMPARISONS

Year	Land	Improvements	Total	Exempt Land	Exempt Improvements	Taxable Net Assessment
1960	\$7,305,375.	\$25,561,235.	\$32,866,610.	\$1,538,750.	\$7,646,000.	\$23,681,860.
1959	7,030,131.	13,078,335.	20,108,466.	1,357,591.	3,116,865.	15,634,010.
1958	6,753,088.	12,191,493.	18,944,581.	1,370,823.	2,804,007.	14,769,751.
						Taxable Increase 1960 - \$8,047,850.
						Taxable Increase 1959 - 864,259.
						Taxable Increase 1958 - -----

BUSINESS TAX

Year	Assessment	Increase
1960	\$700,320.	50,220. (12% - \$87,070. (10% - 533,980. (4½% - 79,265.
1959	650,099.	4,236 Decrease
1958	654,335.	-----

C.E. Ross,
City Assessor.

(Next page for Comment).

Note: The above report for Council's information. The General Assessment shows an increase of \$8,047,850. and a \$50,220. increase in Business Tax Assessment.

The Business Tax figure increase is due to new businesses.

The General Taxable Increase is made up by the reassessment of improvements in 1959 \$1,500,000. of this figure is the approximate increase due to new construction in 1959. The total taxable assessment figure of \$23,681,860. is a proven balanced figure, and could only change slightly subject to Court of Revision.

Exempt assessment of land - \$1,538,750.

Improve. 7,646,000.

TOTAL - 9,184,750.

are yet to be proven and balanced. However, they will not vary to any great extent.

COMMISSIONER.
