

Calahoo Villeneuve Sand & Gravel Advisory Committee

2016 Annual Update to Council
July 10, 2017

Committee Mandate

Purpose:

To make recommendations to Council on matters pertaining to sand and gravel extraction and processing within the Calahoo-Villeneuve area. The goal of the committee is to use the expertise of the public and industry support the framework for industry to develop a valuable resource efficiently and in an environmentally responsible manner while minimizing the impact to community.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Consult or inform the process regarding groundwater monitoring, traffic impact, or any other aspects as directed by Council.
- Monitor sand and gravel extraction activities, including but not limited to groundwater.
- Serve as a resource for public information and act as a conduit for public concerns or complaints.
- Perform duties as described in the Community Association Grant Policy.
- Review applications and recommend the award of Dale MacMillan Scholarship applications for Council's consideration.

Board Members

Public Members

Wayne Bullock

Raymond Soetaert

Lyle Quintal – Chair

Industry Members

Bill Gowdy – Lafarge

Dale Soetaert – Inland

Lauren Greenhough – Sureway

Councillor Wayne Bokenfohr

Councillor Jerry Kaup

Accomplishments	Date	Action
<p>Empowered to Review and make recommendations regarding Community Associations Grant Allocations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Award the 2016 Community Association Grant dollars in the amount of \$163,718.68 to the community groups. 	March	Recommendations approved by Council
<p>Consulted on amendments to the Calahoo Villeneuve Sand and Gravel Area Structure Plan and Land Use Bylaw</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee is referred on applications 	March/ November	Response to referrals forward to Planning & Development
<p>Informed of the Groundwater Monitoring Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation by Golder Associates 	March	Filled on the website as a public document
<p>Informed of the Aquifer Interference Groundwater Model</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed to monitor impact radius of extraction activities prepared by Golder 	March	Information presented to the Board

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<p>Consulted on the Public Engagement Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy that outlines expectations for engagement with stakeholders and residents. 	June	Policy approved by Council
<p>Involved in Hosting the Community Hall Tour</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building familiarity with volunteer efforts. 	June	Event Hosted Saturday October 1, 2016
<p>Empowered to review and make recommendations regarding the Dale MacMillan Scholarships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> presented to a Sturgeon County resident who is enrolled in a recognized post secondary educational institution. 	June	Cheque presentations made during August Council meeting
<p>Informed regarding Industry's community support programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girl Guide flower planting, Villeneuve hall, West Country Hearth Attack, Presentation at Sturgeon Composite with 350 students and a Biologist, Owl banding in Tomahawk 	June	Information items shared to acknowledge the community contribution of industry partners – No action

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Update on the Land Use Bylaw Rewrite <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee identified as a stakeholder in the process 	November	Participate in public open house November 28, 2016
Calahoo Operations Site Tour with Alberta Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support transparency in operations 	November	No action - Information
HWY 44 Inland Access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase safety, sightlines, & acceleration lanes at the intersection 	November	Advocacy letter forward to Alberta Transportation signed by Mayor Flynn
Empowered to update the Committee Terms of Reference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and update a requirement of the Committee Bylaw 	November	Approved by Council



Initiatives

Reclamation and Sustainability

A large amount of the non-renewable resource is being lost or at risk of being lost due to gravel deposit sterilization throughout the province. The goal of the ASGA is to work with communities and regulatory bodies to encourage responsible development of this resource and ensure the reclamation of the land following the extraction of the gravel.

Cap Levy

Alberta's Community Aggregate Payment Levy has been in place since January 1, 2006 and is set to expire on December 31, 2017. Municipal Affairs is currently reviewing the CAP program and regulation.

District 3 – Pembina River & AAMDC resolution 17-15F to renew the Community Aggregate Payment Levy Regulation and to update the maximum levy rate to reflect inflation and the increased cost of infrastructure upgrading and maintenance.