

Mayor Sean Carnahan
Council Report February 2024

In addition to regular council meetings, Special council meetings and various correspondence and administration duties

February 7,14,21 & 28th – Elected Officials Education Program – attended the EOEP 4-week course on councils' role in service deliver. Identify different types of service, how best to deliver services (internal, 3rd party or shared services), how to fund the services being provided (taxation, user fees, grants, cost sharing agreements). The course also had discussion on review of services, reporting on services provided and allowed for many municipalities to discuss the variation of models, funding, and approach.

February 12th – Leduc 1 Exhibit – Attended the new opening of the Rig shack interactive exhibit at the Canadian Energy Museum: Home of Leduc 1. Heard from Museum operations the importance of the new exhibit and what it was like for a family to live in the industry in the 40's & 50's chasing the drilling activity around.

February 15th – Brownlee Law Emerging Trends – this year's seminar touched on: Teamwork; How Governance CAN work and stressed public participation and the importance of having a policy. Clearing up concerns related to Municipal Utility Bylaws, how municipally controlled corporations can help in utility provision, the importance of cost recovery versus funding with taxation. Tax Incentives and how this can be used to harness new development within a community. They covered the new rules regarding tax exemptions to developers and how it can foster growing relations with non-residential development. Just Cause was a topic as we see new higher standards of workplace conduct and harassment free workplaces. The conference wrapped up with Municipal Risk Management around public spaces, employment, and construction. The conference was again a great learning experience with many resources to draw from.

February 15th – Leduc Regional Housing Foundation – attended the Leduc Regional Housing Foundation finance committee meeting. Reviewed financial statements and made recommendations to forward to the next board meeting.

February 26th – Yellowhead Regional Library – Attended the library for the Trustee orientation to learn about the regional library service provider, the makeup of the organization, and a review of programs and government involvement and funding.