

Carey Benson Councilor Report January and February 2024

Jan 15th Regular Meeting of Council

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Jan 23rd Library Board Meeting

- Carey will do the town reports and Sean will do YRL report at the library board meeting.
- The Calmar Library has a food pantry and anyone in need can take from the stock.

Jan 24th, 39/20, AGM

- Attend the meeting with Sean, Don and Sylvain. Was great to see all other municipalities from 39/20 attend.
- Votes were made to nominate members for Chair, ex.

Feb 5th Regular Meeting of Council

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- I had to step out of chambers for a potential pecuniary interest conflict. Suhki from Eagle Quest came to Council as a delegation and since I purchased a home from his company it felt right for me to step out of this part of the meeting.
- Closed session

Feb 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th EOEP training

- I attend online training hosted by EOEP. The course was Councils Role in Service Delivery. Material covered in the course dealt with What Services our town has. What staff and council's role in service delivery. What levels of service should we have and how we Monitor service delivery success. We had many breakout sessions over the 4 weeks, and I got to network with other councilors. I got a lot out of the course and gave me a better understanding of setting service levels for Calmar.

Feb 20th Regular Meeting of Council

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Feb 21st FCSS Advisory meeting

- I was nominated and won the position of Vice Chair.
- We talked about Volunteer Development around getting more people involved with volunteering and setting them up for success. I'm hopeful will see lots of people sign up as volunteers.
- FCSS received over 23 applications for their Seniors Grant. Only 11 groups were selected and a total of \$15000 was awarded.

Feb 24th Nik Nak and All that grand opening

- Attend the opening with other members of council and staff. I wish this business lots of success and prosperity.

Feb 27th Library Board meeting

- The library Board Director presented to the board about creating a new logo for the library. We should see a design hopefully at next meeting.
- A letter of support was presented from the town to the library board with their support for the Friends of the Library to apply for funds from AGLC. These could also include working at Casino's for fundraising monies.
- The board received \$1800 from Leduc County for Seniors programming.
- We passed the 2023 Statistic Report