

## Highlights from the May 18, 2021 Regular Council meetings

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### National Police Federation

Council welcomed a virtual delegation from the [National Police Federation](#). The NFP is [advocating against the establishment of a provincial police force](#) in Alberta. The Town of Rocky Mountain House has already expressed its opposition to a provincial police force in a letter to Minister of Justice Kaycee Madu, and thanked the NFP for its presentation.

#### **Related documents:**

[Letter to Minister Madu \(March 4, 2021\)](#)

[Reply from Minister Madu \(April 6, 2021\)](#)

### Proclamations

May 24 through 28 is [Alberta Rural Health Week](#), celebrating the contributions of rural health professionals and community volunteers whose abilities and efforts enhance the quality of life in rural Alberta.

June 1, 2021 is [Intergenerational Day](#), celebrating the positive influence of intergenerational relationships and age-friendly communities.

June 7 through 13, 2021, is [Seniors' Week](#), celebrating the past, present and future contributions of seniors in this community and throughout Alberta.

### Feeding of wildlife

Council discussed the merits of a wildlife attractant bylaw versus a wildlife feeding bylaw. In April, Council heard from Fish and Wildlife Officer Conor Noyes about the risks of human-wildlife conflict in Town. Council will consider a bylaw to prohibit the intentional feeding of wildlife at its June 8 meeting.

### Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw

Council discussed the merits of updating the Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw to eliminate cats as a registered pet in Town. This was considered as a means to reduce the annual expense of controlling feral and at large cats. Council asked administration to consult with the Rocky Organization for Animal Rescue (ROAR) and

#### **Related documents:**

[Administrative Report](#)

[Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw](#)

**Other items of note**

Council reviewed results of a [raw water test for selenium](#) in the North Saskatchewan River. The test found a less than 0.0002 mg/L of selenium, lower than the nominal detection limit.

Council reviewed [Central Alberta real estate data](#), showing favourable house sales in Rocky Mountain House in the first four months of 2021.



**If you have any questions on these or any other items, please contact:**

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