

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Bylaw 21O8-25 Land Use Bylaw (LUB) Text Amendment - Solar (Freestanding)

BYLAWS

- Bylaw 21O8-25 Land Use Bylaw (LUB) Text Amendment - Solar (Freestanding) - **Motion to approve 2nd & 3rd reading was carried**
- Bylaw 21I0-25 Amendment to Bylaw 21O6-25 Local Improvement - Lake Newell Resort Path - **Motion to approve 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading with consent was carried.**

DELEGATIONS

RCMP Quarterly Report (July-Sept) - Bassano, Sgt. Joe Schmidt

- 208 events/calls for service, 361 proactive patrols, 41 criminal record checks, 48 violation tickets issued
- Bassano & Brooks RCMP Community Policing Unit, new fraud-prevention initiative - red "STOP – Don't be a victim of a scam" signs at local gift card retailers to raise awareness and protect vulnerable residents.
- Met with Bassano Fire Department to debrief a July incident - discuss a disruptive resident at an active fire scene & response protocols, and request RCMP notification for future fire/medical calls to ensure timely response & prevent further disturbances.
- Body cameras are being used to improve investigational and response process, and transparency and accountability.
- SAFE School action plans complete & updated information for all surrounding school partners, and attended:
 - Four lock down and hold & secure drills at Rosemary, Bassano and Colony schools
 - Two 911 presentations to Grade 5 classes
 - Eight school zone enforcement initiatives - no speeding or unsafe driving observed
- Hundreds of patrols were conducted in rural & recreational areas, with no safety or public nuisance issues observed—campers & visitors reported safe, enjoyable experiences with no concerns for police.
- Bassano Detachment Staffing:
 - Fully staffed - 5 Members on duty & hired a highly new Detachment Service Assistant.
 - Ongoing collaboration with Brooks Detachment continues to improve efficiency, increase rural patrols, and has contributed to a reduction in crime this quarter.
- Significant files:
 - Assault with a Weapon (July) - Bassano RCMP arrested a 52-year-old resident after he interfered with firefighters battling a structure fire, assaulted a firefighter, and resisted arrest; he was charged with Assault with a Weapon, Mischief, Obstruction, and Resisting Arrest, and later released pending a court appearance.
 - Motor Vehicle Collision (Aug) - collision on Hwy 1 - impaired cyclist rode into traffic and was struck by a vehicle, resulting in a broken arm for the cyclist, no injuries to the driver, and several Traffic Safety Act tickets issued to 44-year-old Brooks resident.
 - Motor Vehicle Collision (Sept) - crash on Hwy 56 near Hussar after an RV's front tire blew out, sending it through a fence and into a field, resulting in minor injuries to the two occupants and extensive damage to the vehicle.
 - Uttering Threats (Sept) - isolated incident at a local hotel - 73-year-old resident was arrested & charged with uttering threats against a 53-year-old man, then released with conditions & an upcoming Brooks Provincial Court date.

- Crime trends:
 - Vehicle thefts down
 - Online/scam/fraud related events are high, mostly from overseas & untraceable - stay vigilant
 - Motor Vehicle Collisions are higher - driver distraction & animal collisions

RCMP Quarterly Report (July-Sept) - Brooks (Staff Sgt. Robert Harms)

- 506 events/calls for service, 1103 proactive patrols, 110 criminal record checks, 157 violation tickets issued
- In partnership with Bassano Detachment, 24/7 hour coverage provides Brooks Detachment more resources to deal with property theft, engage in proactive initiatives, and take on more complex workloads & investigations.
- Brooks Detachment has 22 municipal funded & 6 provincial funded operational positions
- Two new members include:
 - Cst. Scott Lachance - School Resource Officer
 - Cst. Sonya Dey - General Duties Officer
- Significant events include:
 - 12 Supercell Storm calls (Aug)
 - Check Stop with Partners (City & County Peace Officers) (Sept) - 1 impaired driver, 6 tickets for no registration, 4 tickets for failing to produce insurance, and multiple warnings to drivers
 - Uttering Threats with Weapons (Sept) - Armed male with a baseball bat outside Tilley Hotel left before officers arrived and was located & arrested without incident. Charged with Possession of Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose, Uttering Threats, Mischief - he was subject to a hearing & released with conditions.
 - Collision on Highway Involving Motorcycle (Sept) - attempt to avoid a deer at approx. 11PM, male driver lost control & entered ditch where he remained until next morning when found by a passing motorist. Driver was taken to hospital with serious, non-life threatening injuries.
 - Semi/Cyclist Collision - Semi hit cyclist, who was transported to hospital with serious, non-life threatening injuries. Investigation ongoing.
- NEW Coffee with a Cop Initiative - provides platform community, public engagement
- NEW Youth Criminal Justice Initiative - committee establishment is in early stages & ongoing ???????
- First Responder Drill - Lake Newell - 6 agencies participated, 36 participants, 15 assets, 9 scenarios
- Uniform Change - Navy blue uniform shirts are replacing grey shirts - initiative may take up to a year to complete

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- Alberta Municipalities Convention (Nov. 12-14)
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Fall 2025 Convention (Nov. 17-20)

You can watch the meeting here > **[October 30 MPC/Council Meeting](#)**

The next meeting is scheduled for November 13. Join us in Council Chambers or watch the **[livestream](#)**.

