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Council Notes

October 2nd, 2018

- 1. Cannabis Consumption Bylaw.** Council has given all 3 readings to the new Cannabis Consumption Bylaw and it will be in effect October 17th, 2018. This bylaw bans the consumption of cannabis in all public spaces and outlines related fines. More details can be found at www.edson.ca/bylaws.
- 2. Council Travel and Hospitality Expense Policy.** Council has approved changes to the Council Travel and Hospitality Expense Policy to more clearly outline what is considered ineligible expenses.
- 3. FortisAlberta Franchise Fee.** Council has approved a motion to keep the FortisAlberta Franchise fee unchanged at 5% for 2019. A franchise fee is a levy that the Town charges to Fortis to allow them the right to operate within our municipally owned roadways/lands. Fortis adds a fee to consumer bills in order to cover this levy. Municipalities have the option to change this percentage each year up to a cap of 20%.

Next meetings - The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for October 9th, 2018 at 10:00 am. The next Council Meeting is scheduled for October 16th, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

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