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New Collective Agreement Signed

Edson, Alberta, January 10th, 2019 – The Town of Edson and Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 2838 have negotiated a new collective agreement. A new four-year deal was reached in December 2018.

Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara says it was a very smooth process. "Both negotiating teams worked very well over the last few months and our council is pleased that we have come up with a solid agreement that provides long-term stability and sustainability, while taking into consideration the current economic challenges facing our region."

CUPE Representative Matt Lensen says the union was pleased with the deal. "In addition to the wage increases, CUPE members will enjoy a number of other improvements to benefits and working conditions. Our members provide important services to the residents of Edson, and this contract reflects that."

The new deal is effective January 1st, 2019 and features wage increases of 0%, 1%, 2.25%, and 2.5% over the next four years. A lot of work went into modernizing the language of the agreement as well, making it a more clear and concise document.

The Town of Edson looks forward to continuing our positive working relationship with CUPE and our union staff for years to come.

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