

## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

# Manager's Report

**Department: Community Services** 

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**Director of Community Services, Michelle Honeyman** 

**Governance – Goal 1 – Increase Staff Success** 

Administration assisted with the Men's Mental Health BBQ Friday afternoon to spread awareness and support.

## **Governance – Goal 2 – Provide Quality Municipal Services**

Administration presented the Community Impact Grant applications for final decision at the June 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Administration has advised all grant applicants of the status of their requests via the grant portal. All cheque requisitions have been completed and are in for processing.

Administration worked closely with community groups for the May and June Committee of the Whole delegations and preparing RFDs (Request for Decision) for meetings.

Administration attended and assisted with the Ratepayers BBQ in Grovedale and helped with cleaning and packing up at the end of the evening.

Administration, in collaboration with Asset Management hosted Greenview's annual Additional Named Insured (ANI) meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the DeBolt Public Service Building facilitated by Rural Municipalities Association (RMA). There were approximately 16 individuals from 9 different ANI organizations in attendance to discuss ANI insurance. Also, in attendance were two of Greenview's Community Peace Officers (CPOs) and two RCMP out of Grande Prairie who discussed issues within the communities and answered any questions that attendees had.

Administration, along with the Rec Services Assistant Manager met with a member of the Little Smoky community Centre committee to assist with their new playground initial planning. Recreation Services will be placing their project on Alberta Purchasing Connection (APC) to help find vendors and assist with the processes.

Administration assisted a member of the New Fish Creek Hall committee over her lunch break to assist with processes for the new grant portal and submitting annual required documents prior to their monthly meeting.

The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) has approved the following sponsorships and donations:

Organization Name	Event	CAO Approved
Cranberry Lake Rodeo	Cranberry Lake Rodeo	\$1,000.00 sponsorship &
		\$200.00 in-kind
Valleyview Fire Department	Golf Tournament	\$200.00 in-kind

The Greenview Sponsorships and In-Kind Donations Policy states the "CAO, or designate, has the delegated authority to approve a sponsorship or donation for a single event up to a maximum of \$1,000.00" and it also states, "Administration will provide an update to Council regarding sponsorships and donations approved by the CAO in the monthly manager's report".

## Economy - Goal 1 - Maintain fiscal responsibility.

The Valleyview & District Agricultural Society advised Administration that they have been chosen to move forward to the application process of the CFEP Large Stream Grant for \$1,000,000.00. The Agricultural Society has also been awarded a \$150,000.00 grant from Co-op Community Spaces for the Greenview Regional AgriPlex project.

Land Titles has approved the Sturgeon Heights Cemetery transfer to the MD of Greenview from the Dioceses of Athabasca. Administration has advised the Sturgeon Heights Community Club of this approval and will be meeting with the community club in the coming weeks to discuss the process of cemetery board appointments, Greenview's cemetery bylaw and legislative requirements. Administration will also begin collecting asset management information in the coming weeks, while keeping communication open with the Community Club.

## Culture, Social & Emergency Services-Goal 2-Enhance communication to our public.

Administration, in collaboration with communications, updated the Grande Cache Cemetery Brochure. The updated brochure will be added to the website.

Administration is drafting cemetery rules signs for each cemetery to assist cemetery groups with bylaw enforcement.

#### **Agricultural Services Manager, Sheila Kaus**

## Environment – Goal 3; Create a Balance between Development and Natural Resources

Thus far into the season, 539 kilometers of rotational spraying has been completed, with a prioritization to have roads in the Little Smoky area completed early. In addition to this, the parks and public spaces in Grande Cache were moved to early season control for turf weeds to good effect. 100 areas have been sprayed with a concentration of these areas in Grande Cache and amongst other Greenview owned properties.

The Weed Incentive Program is experiencing another busy year with 1,920 acres enrolled in the program. Rebates are calculated on the label rate for control and how many acres that herbicide would control, so the total rebates may not reflect the total acres enrolled. It is the department's hope that 2025 marks complete utilization of the available rebate to Greenview ratepayers, with a subsequent request to increase the amount

available in 2026.

The herbicide demonstration site along Highway 43, south of Valleyview, has been reinstalled. At the request of the landowner, check strips between the demonstration plots were not left, to prevent seedbank buildup within the site. The Acting Landcare Coordinator is working towards an event for ratepayers to tour the location in the coming weeks. The department is currently working with a landowner in the Sunset House area adjacent to the highway to install an additional herbicide demonstration site for Wild Caraway control.

The scentless chamomile infestations being managed by one producer over 13 quarter sections in the Puskwaska area appear to have been controlled by the producer. These infestations were mostly concentrated along the perimeter of the parcels. Signs of herbicide application were apparent in most locations while plants were not found adjacent to drainage ditches and dugouts. It is believed these areas were picked as plants were observed during early inspections. The team will continue to be vigilant throughout the rest of the season to ensure the control work has been successful.

A tansy infestation along Range Road 222, near Highway 49, was issued a weed notice and the teams are preparing to enforce. The landowner is very difficult to contact and attempts in previous years to have them sign a private spray request were unsuccessful. The weed notice protects the municipality, allowing access to the land and the ability to spray but as the infestation is much less than 1 acre, no billing will occur. The landowner is grateful as they are very willing to have the area sprayed by Greenview but does not have an email address and attempts to have the papers signed through the mail were unsuccessful. The department is investigating ways to have papers signed electronically via a link that can be texted in the future to better interact with absentee landowners for situations such as this one. This is an example of a weed notice assisting a landowner while still providing protection for the teams to do their jobs.

The five quarter sections under active pest notices within Greenview have all been confirmed to be compliant with the notices for 2025.

#### **Problem Wildlife Work Orders**

File Status	Beaver- MD	Beaver- Ratepayer	Customer Service	Predatio n	Tot als
In Queue	-	-	-	-	
Open	12	11	2	3	28
Closed	4	2	4	5	1
					5
TOTALS	1	1	6	8	4
	6	3			3

87 problem beavers have been removed thus far in the 2025 season. Beavers have been active in all areas of Greenview, and it is hoped the seasonal dispersal will slow in the coming weeks. The team remains busy with problem coyotes, with 42 having been removed. The team is getting ready for a potential increase in predation mitigation calls as canine predators begin training pups to hunt in July and August. Fish and Wildlife has been in touch with the team to request to add them to an active damage control license for problem wolves in the Grovedale area.

#### **Extension and Outreach Activities**

## Economy- Goal 2; Create a diverse economy.

The Acting Landcare Coordinator is happy to report that of the 6,750 seedlings that were ordered, 6,430 have been sold. Sales will continue until June 27<sup>th</sup>, maximizing the recovery of expenses related to the program. Currently, all expenses related to the purchase of the seedlings have been recovered with the remaining recovery being related to the labor hours associated with the program.

On June 21<sup>st</sup>, the second annual AgricultHER was held at a local Greenview ranch. This event is a partnership between four Peace Region municipalities, PCBFA and Cows & Fish. 20 women were in attendance with a focus on work life balance, grazing and mental health.

A presentation is being finalized with the Alberta Invasive Species Council executive director for July 8<sup>th</sup>. Attendees will walk through Johnson Park as the executive director discusses local native plants, invasive plant species and native pollinators.

Towards the end of July, a presentation on preparing for successful shelterbelts is hoped to be offered to Greenview residents in the DeBolt area. Soil testing will be discussed as well as vegetation management in shelterbelts, and species selection.

## **Economy- Goal 2; Create a diverse economy**

The Agricultural Equipment Rental Program contributes to the economic viability of agricultural producers by providing equipment for rent that is cost-prohibitive to purchase when measured against the frequency of use. Rental Equipment stands at 380 rental days up to June 15<sup>th</sup>. This is well ahead of the 5-year average to the middle of June of 170 rental days. Reports from the satellite locations indicate that both yards have also been experiencing busy seasons compared to previous years.

During the June 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, a discussion regarding the land roller was had, with a motion being passed to have the unit repaired to allow it to be used for the rest of the season. The department had pulled the unit due to safety concerns and proposed surplus without significant repair, as seeding was nearing its completion and the unit is scheduled for a 2026 replacement. The surplus discussion will occur at the June 24<sup>th</sup> Regular Council meeting, with the slated auction taking place in August, should Council approve. The intention had been to bring a report to the Board asking for early replacement, but with the direction of Council, the matter will be brought to the Board in July as part of the preparation of the 2026 Agricultural Services capital budget.

The heavy harrows sustained significant damage inflicted by a rental client. Parts have been ordered, and the unit is expected to be back in the fleet in early July. All repair costs will be invoiced to the client.

## **Protective Services Manager, Chris Power**

**Culture, Social & Emergency Services** 

**Greenview Fire-Rescue Services (GFRS)** 

## **Administration:**

On May 31, 2025, STN 32 was dispatched to a wildfire on Two Lakes Road (see PHOTO 1). Wildfire started in a log deck adjacent to the road. Forestry crews were already on scene. STN 32 assisted with extinguishing efforts before returning to STN 32 at 8AM on June 1, 2025. Wildfire continued to burn,

making the roadway impassable. Greenview provided CPOs to man the roadblock to prevent entry. On June 1, 2025, at approximately 12 PM the road was opened temporarily to allow trapped campers to egress. It is expected that the road will be fully open on June 4, 2025.

On June 2, 2025, a meeting was organised by the Regional Fire Chief (RFC) to discuss issues in the Ridgevalley area. In attendance were representatives for EMS, GP Fire Dispatch, Greenview Land Use and Dev., and STN 31 Deputy Fire Chief. Great discussion regarding Greenview addressing and the processes of our agencies. Next steps include:

- o Alberta Health Services (AHS), Greenview Fire, GP Dispatch will report all response issues related to addressing the Regional Fire Chief (RFC) for investigation.
- o Greenview Land Use will review all addresses to ensure that the addressing is consistent and in place for all residents. Internal meetings are planned with RFC to discuss and push the project forward.
- o RFC will meet with Comms to produce community reach outlining the importance of proper addressing on your property. Addressing or lack of in the Sturgeon Lake cabin communities was discussed.
- o RFC will reach out to the Friends of Sturgeon Lake to begin a discussion.

On June 3, 2025, Director of Emergency Management (DEM) attended an information session organized by Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA).

#### AGENDA:

- o 2025 Emergency Management, Legislative and Regulatory Amendment
- o 2025 Incident Reporting Processes and Procedures
- o Changes to AB Disaster Financial Assistance Program

These changes are significant in all three categories and will need to be discussed fully to ensure compliance.

On June 4, 2025, Greenview CAO, Community Service Director, and RFC will meet again with Wanyandie Flats representatives to discuss emergency access into the community.

We have received delivery of the one ton slated for deployment for STN 33. The Command unit at STN 31 has experienced transmission problems; therefore, the one ton has been deployed to STN 31 until repairs can be undertaken and the unit returned to service.

On June 5, 2025, Regional Fire Chief (RFC) met with Wanyandie Flats Coop to discuss emergency response planning in the area. RFC has committed to engaging CST Coal in the upcoming discussions.

On June 9, Mr. Chris Power was announced as the new Regional Fire Chief & Protective Services Mgr. for the MD of Greenview. He will be working with the outgoing RFC until October 31, 2025, to ensure a smooth transition.

The FRIAA grant supported projects have been completed:

o Sturgeon Lake Communities Fire Smart awareness and home hazard assessments

o Retreatment of the existing Grand Cache northwest fire guards.

All documents have been submitted to FRIAA for reimbursement as per the specific grant.

New Regional Fire Chief attended training night at Station 31 on June 16 and Station 32 on June 17 for introductions, as well as the Grovedale Ratepayers BBQ.

On June 18, 2025, I will be meeting with AWN to discuss Wildfire preparedness and the FRIAA Grant for fire smart work for Muskeg See Pee Coop.

On June 18, 2025, I presented to the Grande Cache Big Horn Golden Age Club in regards to Wildfire preparedness. Also met with Wanyandie Flats Coop to discuss emergency response planning in the area. RFC has committed to engaging CST Coal in the upcoming discussions.

Mr. Chris Power has now transitioned to the position as Regional Fire Chief & Protective Services Mgr. for the MD of Greenview. I will continue to support to ensure a smooth transition.

#### **Fire Stations:**

## **STN 31**

On June 2, 2025, STN 33 – DFC presented to the STN 31 fire crew on mental health, presentation was well received.

Firefighters attended the Ridgevalley School on June 20 to participate in end-of-year student celebrations.

#### **STN 32**

STN32 hosted the annual visit from Pre-Kindergarten students at Penson School. Eleven students came for a tour of the fire station and equipment; five firefighters reviewed the trucks with the students. 2)

STN32 responded to a mutual aid request by Forestry to a small wildfire at Nose Creek on June 6, 2025. On June 11, 2025, STN32 Deputy Fire Chief (DFC) and 7 Firefighters and Hosted System 64 Live Fire training with 7 West Fraser Mill ERT Team. Working on firefighting knowledge and team building with the group. This is the second training session with the mill this year.

STN32 River Boat has been out for training, the unit is fully functional and ready for this years' service.

#### **STN 33**

Three members from STN 33 and one from STN 32 deployed with the Type 3 engine on May 30 to Swan Hills/Lake Edith Wildfire Complex where they provided engine operations support for the wildfire. They returned June 2 from deployment.

Two members from STN 32 and two members from STN 33 deployed with STN 32's Type 6 for deployment to Peers. They were stationed at Robb for engine operations on May 31 and returned June 2.

June 2, twenty-six kindergarten students toured STN 33 where they learnt about fire safety and went through the trucks with firefighters. The second class will be coming through June 9th for the same tour.

Six firefighters attended a hazmat operations and awareness course in Edson. This will complete the six firefighters with their full 1001 certifications.

The Grande Cache tourism center hosted a touch-a-truck event on Father's Day. Fire crews showcased 3311, this fire truck has had a big influence with it being Wildfire season and it's an apparatus that is well known in the community and has its own personality.

#### Wildfires

GWF040 - Wildfire south of Grande Prairie:

Alberta Wildfire continues to respond to wildfire GWF040, located approximately 78 km south of Grande Prairie and 19 km east of Highway 40. At present the wildfire is estimated at 325 hectares in size, with Forestry firefighting crews, heavy equipment, and aircraft actively working in the area. A section of the Forestry Trunk Road has been closed. It is expected that the FTA will re-open in the coming days.

Greenview Fire-Rescue wildfire deployments:

STN32 RDC and STN33 Firefighters are assisting with sprinkler protection deployment to the Forestry Frying Pan Creek fire base and Smokey Lookout Tower.

Two Greenview Sprinkler Protection Units were deployed to protect structures in the County of Grande Prairie due to the approaching Kiskatinaw wildfire.

STN 33 DFC was deployed to the County of Grande Prairie under mutual aid as a Division/Group Supervisor for Structural crews due to the Kiskatinaw Fire.

STN32 deployed the Type 6 Unit and 5 firefighters to the County of Grande Prairie.

Additionally, Greenview, at the request of AEMA, provided firefighting units, equipment, and personnel to wildfires in Swan Hills and Yellowhead County. All resources have completed the assignment and are back in service at their specific fire stations.

PHOTO 1 - STN 32 - Two Lakes Road Wildfire



## **Enforcement Manager, George Ferraby**

## **Culture, Social & Emergency Services**

## Period of May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Several officers were away during the month of June, making it a quiet month for Enforcement Services. CPO GUTIERREZ attended a ground fighting instructor's course in Calgary for a week. He will now be able to train staff and outside agencies to enhance their abilities and improve officer safety. He also instructed 2 outside agencies with training, providing a revenue stream for Greenview.

Enforcement assisted with closing the Two Lakes Road for 2 days during the wildfire response. Enforcement assisted with evacuating and closing the Forestry Trunk Road between Km 70 and Km 122 for the GWF040 wildfire response. Everyone cooperated and got out safely. See PHOTO 1 School zone patrols continue throughout Greenview, Valleyview and Fox Creek.

## **Grande Cache:**

Issued 4 warnings for fifth wheel parked on the street. Two were unregistered and the other was parked illegally.

Provided lawn maintenance reminders to approximately 60 property owners by speaking with them directly or posting compliance notices on their doors. The majority have since complied.

Conducted crosswalk monitoring to ensure pedestrian safety. Issued two warning notices to motorists who proceeded through crosswalks while pedestrians were still present. Educational conversations were provided. Warnings were issued as there was no immediate danger, and the pedestrians were nearing the far side of the crosswalks.

Coordinated a mountain rescue operation alongside Search and Rescue for three lost hikers on Stern Mountain. All individuals were safely located and evacuated just before nightfall.

Conducted speed enforcement on Highway 40, resulting in 11 violations. This included one vehicle recorded at 172 km/h in a 100 km/h zone and another driver charged with dangerous driving.

Door to Door sales team working illegally in Grande Cache. They were warned that they needed a business licence prior to continuing. Sales team left town without obtaining licence.

Officers assisted with Hoofing for Hope by leading horses through Grande Cache to the Institute. Followed up with a Touch a Truck event following the presentations. Children got to interact with officers and got to see the trucks. Officers explained the roles of CPOs to the children that attended. See PHOTOS 2, 3, 4.

#### **Grovedale:**

Investigated a complaint of a roaming dog that was chasing horses. The horse owner shot the dog. Charges laid against dog owner.

CPO GUTIERREZ attended training in Calgary.

Assisted the County of Grande Prairie Enforcement Services and the RCMP during the Grande Prairie Stompede at Evergreen Park. Enforcement Services addressed matters related to the Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act (GLCA), the Traffic Safety Act (TVSRA), and trespassing, among other provincial statutes. Provided support to RCMP members with individuals arrested for public intoxication and Criminal Code violations.

Stopped a commercial vehicle for speeding past a marked cruiser actively engaged in a traffic stop. The vehicle was recorded at 104 KM/H. A subsequent inspection of the cargo revealed six cargo securement violations, including two out-of-service conditions. The driver was issued fines totaling over \$4,000.

Proactive patrols conducted along the Forestry Trunk Road. Two traffic stops were conducted, resulting in one minor commercial vehicle violation being addressed through education and a verbal warning.

Officers supported the City of Grande Prairie and County of Grande Prairie Enforcement teams with annual control tactics recertification training for officers.

Stopped a vehicle travelling at 125 km/h in a posted 50 km/h zone. The driver was issued a summons for exceeding the posted speed limit by 75 km/h.

## Valleyview area:

Investigated complaint of burning in FPA during fire ban.

Officer observed smoldering fire on farmland property. Unable to get a hold of owner, Valleyview Fire Department (VVFD) was dispatched. They advised owner to use water truck as no structure was in danger and as he was directed to do so prior at the original time of the fire. Advised owner that an officer will follow up to ensure compliance. Forestry also notified.

CPO KING & JABAT were travelling on HWY 669, when they observed a side by side rolled over in the ditch. Officers quickly responded- one person trapped under the OHV and pinned by neck. Officers along with one bystander lifted the OHV and safely removed the trapped person. Officers trusted and applied first aid until EMS and VVFD attended. See PHOTO 5

Officer observed the illegal towing of a passenger vehicle. A subsequent traffic stop resulted in the RCMP seizing Schedule II drugs. The Community Peace Officer executed two outstanding warrants on one of the drivers and issued a violation for operating a vehicle without insurance to the second driver. The uninsured vehicle was towed from the scene.

Officer attended the Rainbow Block Party Event in Valleyview.

CPOs attended the Bike Rodeo event in Valleyview, where Enforcement Services donated four helmets to children in need. Officers assisted with properly fitting helmets and provided support throughout the event as needed.

Officers attended and engaged with children and community members at the Preschool Park Party hosted by the Greenview Regional Multiplex.

Officer observed an intoxicated person near the highway in the ditch. The person was apprehended as they were a safety risk to themselves and motorists.

CPO assisted a transient individual who was loitering at the Valleyview Information Tourist Centre. The officer provided transportation to the Town of Valleyview, where the individual could access available transportation services.

## DeBolt/Ridgevalley area:

Assisted with missing person complaint- located missing person.

Complaint of traffic speeding during gravelling of roadway on the Forestry Trunk Road. Officers conducted proactive patrols and will continue to ensure traffic is not speeding.

CPO KING attended ANI/RMA meeting and presented on the CPO Program.

Investigated several complaints of cats at large within the Hamlet of Ridgevalley.

During the period of May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Enforcement Services attended 376 calls for service, including 130 bylaw calls. Officers issued 39 violations and issued 43 warnings.

PHOTO 2 PHOTO 1





РНОТО 3



PHOTO 4

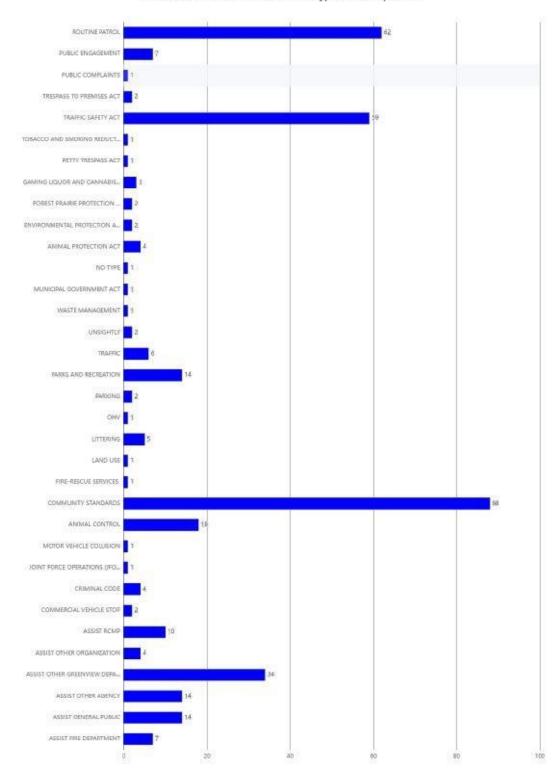


## PHOTO 5



## Stats:

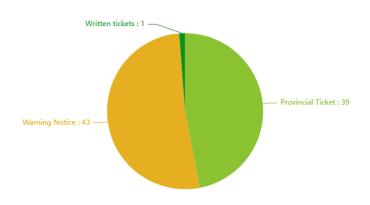
#### OCCURRENCE REPORT Count of Incident Types Total:376 | 100.0%



Ticket Create Date:

2025-05-29 ~ 2025-06-24

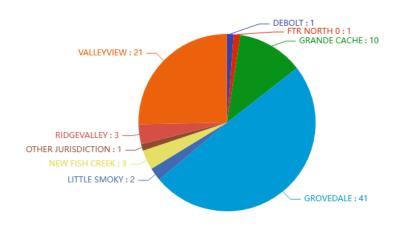
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2025-05-29 ~ 2025-06-24

Provincial tickets by zone



**Green View Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Manager, Lisa Hannaford** 

## **Governance-Provide Quality Municipal Services**

In recognition of Seniors Week, an Older Adult Information Day was delivered in Grande Cache on June 3. Throughout the day there were a variety of presentations that included Death Cafés, a Just in Case Workshop, Guardrails as you Age (setting boundaries with friends and family), and Information Session on Estates and Will planning (offered from Oliver's Funeral Home. The Valleyview location will have an Older Adult Information Day later in the fall, but did provide support to the Red Willow Lodge for their Seniors Week celebration with funding for a BBQ.

The Grande Cache office hosted an open house on June 12, while the attendance was low; the team did a wonderful job showcasing the variety of programs and services available.

The Resource Center for Suicide Prevention will be running the Alberta Health Services Community Helpers Program at the FCSS Resource Center in Grande Cache on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Currently there are 4 youth registered, and we predict an additional 6. The Community Helpers Program strengthens an individual's existing supportive skills and provides the knowledge necessary to support the mental health and well-being of others through a variety of topics: effective communication, self-care, healthy boundaries, the ethics of helping, handling crisis situations, and suicide awareness.

The Youth Coordinators have wrapped up the majority of in-school programs and are now focused on facilitating Home Alone Courses. This summer two girls' groups will run, one in Grande Cache and one in Valleyview. These groups will focus on self-esteem, healthy relationships, and empowerment. The groups will be broken up into age groups, 8-12- and 13-17-year-olds.

The Health Unit at Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation has requested a one-day Home Alone Course to be facilitated at the Community Resource Center in Valleyview. This request will be fulfilled with a charge of \$500.00, and transportation and supervision will be the responsibility of the Sturgeon Lake Health Unit.

A Night to Lead Change 2025 Green View FCSS will partner with the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) and Internet Child Exploitation unit (ICE) to bring an online safety presentation to Valleyview at the Burnside Performing Arts Centre on October 8. Some topics of discussion in this live presentation include the internet and social media, child luring and sextortion, artificial intelligence, as well as emerging online sites/apps and how we can work together to keep kids safe online. This community event is open to anyone 14 years and up and will include dinner.

Administration has received training on the new FCSS Accountability Framework. The Provincial Priorities include homelessness and housing insecurity, mental health and addictions, employment, family and sexual violence, and aging well in community. In addition to the provincial priorities, there are six provincial prevention strategies outlined that FCSS programs can do to enhance protective factors. These include:

- 1. Promote and encourage active engagement in the community.
- 2. Foster a sense of belonging.
- 3. Promote social inclusion.
- 4. Develop and maintain healthy relationships.
- 5. Enhance access to social supports.
- 6. Develop and strengthen skills that build resilience.

In addition, the province has identified 4 Service Types that FCSS programs across the province engage in. These activity categories include:

- Programs (everything from mental health promotion, Home Support, child development and caregiver support, skill building programs, healthy relationship programs, community outreach, group-based connection.)
- 2. Information and referrals
- 3. Community Events
- 4. Community development and capacity.

All data currently collected will be used to report on priorities, strategies and service types set by the province.

The Green View FCSS board met for the last time before summer on June 18 and received a presentation from Peace Wapiti School Division who provided an overview of services from the School Liaison workers who provide services in the Penson and Ridgevalley schools. Green View funds \$45,000.00 annually for this service.

## **Recreation Services Manager, Kevin Gramm**

**RE21007 Grande Cache Fieldhouse** Administration met with representatives of ACI Architecture to continue progress on providing updated engineered drawings, task delegation and schedule all annual meetings to be posted for 2025.

#### **RE22003 Victor Lake Recreation Enhancements**

The consultation with Aseniwuche Winewak Nation consultation documents have been reviewed and approved by the Province of Alberta. As such, Historical Resources Clearance has been provided for the project contingent on development not impacting the adjacent willow tree. This will be easily accommodated. Now that this clearance has been received, Administration can submit the lease application for the project.

## **Grande Cache Recreation Board**

On May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:30 PM at the Grande Cache Recreation Centre, the Grande Cache Recreation Board met to conduct scheduled business and hear presentations from scheduled delegations. At this meeting, the Board awarded the Grizzly Motocross Racing Association a Capital Grant of \$5000.00 towards site improvements for upcoming events the group has planned.

At this meeting as well, the Boad heard presentations from the Grande Cache Disc Golf who will soon become a not for profit and look to apply for granting in Grande Cache from the Board. They proposed a temporary disc golf course to be placed in Central Park below the Grande Cache Recreation Centre.

## <u>Governance – GOAL 2: Provide quality municipal services.</u>

#### Grande Cache Recreation Centre – Administration

**Events and Facility Use** 

Strategic Alignment: Community Well-Being – Support Vibrant and Inclusive Communities

## Safe/Dry Grad Event

The facility hosted a successful youth-centered event in partnership with community organizers. Risk was well-managed through a 1:3 parent supervision ratio, mocktails, and staggered adult monitoring. Impact: This event aligns with Greenview's goal of enhancing social development and public safety, especially for youth and families.

## **Grande Cache Heritage Rendezvous**

We supported the Rendezvous by providing space for events such as the pancake breakfast and wood horse building. These activities supported heritage appreciation and community gathering.

Impact: Aligns with cultural enrichment goals and leverages recreation as a tool for building a connected, proud community.

#### **Programming and Rentals**

Strategic Alignment: Economic Prosperity – Diversify Local Economic Opportunities & Community Well-Being – Promote Active and Healthy Lifestyles

Arena & Floor Hockey Rentals: Usage is steadily increasing. A parent-organized floor hockey group has begun regular Sunday evening bookings.

User Group Rentals for AGMs and Meetings: The facility is increasingly used as a neutral community gathering space for governance and planning.

Back-Up for Outdoor Sport: The arena pad has served as an indoor backup space for both Grande Cache Minor Soccer and Minor Baseball, ensuring no disruptions in youth programming during poor weather.

Pickleball Engagement: Pickleball continues to thrive. Notice was provided to a local community advocate regarding unavailable dates due to prior bookings—supporting communication, trust, and user satisfaction.

Impact: These activities increase facility utilization, support diversified revenue streams, and promote wellness, aligning with goals to "optimize use of Greenview's community infrastructure."

## **Interdepartmental Collaboration**

Strategic Alignment: Effective Government – Foster Collaboration and Transparency

Our Customer Service team meeting featured representatives from both the Greenview Regional Multiplex and Grande Cache Tourism Centre, which helped clarify overlapping services and foster stronger interdepartmental collaboration.

Impact: Builds cross-functional alignment and supports a cohesive organizational culture that emphasizes teamwork and citizen-first service delivery.

## **Community Registration & Outreach**

Strategic Alignment: Community Well-Being – Improve Access to Recreation and Culture

Our summer registration event in the curling rink, held simultaneously with active arena bookings, created cross-promotion opportunities for Minor Soccer and Baseball, resulting in strong turnout and community engagement.

## **Facility Demographics & Tourism**

Strategic Alignment: Economic Prosperity – Attract Visitors and Enhance Tourism

We continue to see an increase in seasonal users—tree planters, campers, and out-of-town visitors—demonstrating the facility's role as a regional draw and community hub. This supports Greenview's broader economic development and tourism strategies.

## **Community Bus Service & Mobility Enhancements**

Strategic Alignment: Community Well-Being – Enhance Accessibility and Mobility Options

The Community Bus service to Grande Prairie now regularly serves 8–10 attendees per trip, indicating growing use. Although Hinton trips are less attended, the service remains vital for community connectivity, especially for seniors and low-mobility residents.

Membership Statistics	s - <b>202</b> 5		
Active Memberships		New Membership F	Purchases (MAY)
10x Corporate Pass (All)	81	10x Corporate Pass (All)	10
Corporate – Adult	73	Corporate – Adult	42
Adult	60	Adult	42
10x pass – Adult	559	10x pass – Adult	7
Corporate – Youth	6	Corporate – Youth	2
Youth	12	Youth	7
10x pass – Youth	136	10x pass – Youth	2
Corporate – Child	4	Corporate – Child	2
Child	3	Child	3
10x pass – Child	38	10x pass – Child	-
Corporate – Family	95	Corporate – Family	3
Family	21	Family	5
10x pass – Family	98	10x pass – Family	1
Corporate – Senior (60-69)	6	Corporate – Senior (60-69)	4
Senior (60-69)	22	Senior (60-69)	8
10x pass – Senior (60-69)	65	10x pass – Senior (60-69)	8
Super Senior (70+)	42	Super Senior (70+)	4
TOTAL	1,321	TOTAL	150

## **Programming**

#### **Summer Kick Off Fair Event June 12**

## Jump into Summer – Summer program Kick -Off Fair- 106 people attended (75 last year)

The Jump into Summer Kick off Fair Event is an event where parents can come and explore all the exciting children and youth programs being provided in Grande Cache this summer and register for them at the same time! We had a summer programs calendar, created by community organizations, which was available to provide families with an overview of all the fantastic programs for ages 0-17 being offered in July and August 2025. We had this event held in the Grande Cache Recreation Centre in the Curling Rink! We had 106 people attend this year. This was our 4<sup>th</sup> year providing this event and as always, we had great feedback! 70 slushie coupons that were donated and handed out to the kids that attended, and we had a door prize filled with summer items. It was a fun event and great for the community to know what's going on.

Organizations that attended and had a table were Green View FCSS, BEST, Grande Cache Recreation Programs, Grande Cache Aquatics Centre, Grande Yellowhead Public School Division Wellness Navigator, Grande Cache Tourism & Interpretive Centre, Grande Cache Municipal Library, Resource Center for Suicide Prevention from Grande Prairie and Lil' Bees Daycare. We had 4 other organization register a table, however, were not able to make it (Youth Connections - Mountain Metis, Search & Rescue, KidSport and AHS). We had a total of 13 tables booked with 9 showing up!

#### **Fitness**

June had an outdoor, indoor and aquatic selection that was great. The ideas we have for July involve getting outside while shuffling the 'indoor' classes around. Our aquatic schedule will remain the same this summer and the attendees for this program are thrilled.

#### **Aquatics**

School Swim lessons are wrapped up for the 2024-25 year we had every grade Kindergarten to grade six in all schools including Sheldon coated, Summitview and Susa Creek attend a 10-lesson set taught by swim lesson instructors. Drowning is the second leading cause of injury related death for Canadian children. Every year almost 60 children drown in Canada. This is equal to more than two classrooms full of children. Evidence shows that a range of interventions are effective at preventing drowning among others, these include teaching school-age children basic swimming, water safety and safe rescue skills.

School Swim lessons an affordable way for schools to give students a meaningful swimming experience and provide them with essential water survival skills. The lesson keeps students engaged, moving and having fun and increases their physical literacy. The program is appropriate for all ages and skill levels. Anybody can learn. For some children, particularly new Canadians, participating in School Swim lessons will be their first step to being safe around water. There is clear evidence that survival swimming skills decrease drowning.

Otters wrapped up their final season they ended the season with a mini meet- race night and a sponsored swim that all community members could attend.

Aquatics Monthly staff meeting – including national lifeguard skills, Shandis, Kyle, Abby and Cooper will recertify their national lifeguard certificate, meeting will also include safety items and facility updates. This is also a chance to build relations among staff through icebreakers and staff to grow as lifeguards.

## Greenview Regional Multiplex - GRM

#### Administration

- June brings on the summer months and heat, and we are incredibly excited to share the news that the fieldhouse AC project has been complete. On Wednesday June 11th and Thursday June 12th, we had TRANE Controls finalizing their install of the controls on the building management system, along with Nordic Mechanical who then finalized their end with refrigerant top up. It has been operational since the 12th! Stay tuned for the upcoming M2M edition with a highlight around this project.
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> & June 7<sup>th</sup> had our boardroom booked out for both Valleyview Crime Watch and 4H respectively, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> was also the community Pembina BBQ in the Fieldhouse.
- June 6<sup>th</sup> the fieldhouse was booked for a Renewable Energy Public Information session. 150 people were in attendance.
- On June 8<sup>th</sup>, The Fieldhouse and Kitchen are rented on Sunday, June 8*th* for the Senior's BBQ put on by The Lodge.
- Lastly, June 24<sup>th</sup> is the ratepayers BBQ at the GRM from 5-7pm, with hundreds of patrons expected to be in attendance, as well as our council and Reeve.

#### Recreation

- On Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Preschool Park Party 2:00-3:30pm occurred at the Trout Pond in collaboration with various organizations, over 40 children were in attendance. We look forward to the next one!
- Wednesday June 11th was our first Speed Puzzling Competition starting from 6:30-8:00pm. With 8 teams and a full registration, teams competed and had 3 teams finish under the hour, 3 teams finish over the hour, and 2 teams did not finish. What a great night this was held by the recreation department, with snacks, beverages and a grand prize for first place team.
- 11 teenagers joined the last Teen Night of the season, and 10+ seniors enjoy the Senior Fun Afternoon at the Multiplex. June has surely been a great month in the recreation world at the GRM, and we look forward to carrying into the summer months when school is out!

#### **Facility Usage**

Active Memberships		New Membership Purchases in March	
Corporate - Adult	413 Corporate - Adult		117
Adult	393	Adult	52
Corporate - Youth	36	Corporate - Youth	5
Youth	66	Youth	10
Corporate - Child	39	Corporate - Child	0
Child	90	Child	4
Corporate - Family	52	Corporate - Family	14
Family	31	Family	6
Corporate - Senior	50	Corporate-Senior	10
Senior	81	Senior	10

Super Senior	168	Super Senior	27
Childmind Punch	89	Childmind Punch	•
Pass	03	Pass	U
Toonie Track	16	Toonie Track	0
Punch Pass	10	Punch Pass	U
Total	1524	Total	225

#### **Fitness**

- Fitness maintains status quo throughout the summer months, and some group fitness classes taking a break with our fitness contractors. Fitness programs slow down during the summer months; will all our contractors be taking a break for their summer months as well. As such, Yoga, Zumba and Strong, will all return in the fall.
- With 5 clients in the personal training stream, we continue to see users all year long working on their wellness and fitness journeys, whether they started new, or maintain their current lifestyle.
- The fitness department continues to be a focal point all day and weeklong, with our early morning patrons, right until the evening with our evening patrons.

## Aquatics

- We wrapped up the Swim Greenview Lakes challenge and had 21 people registered swimming for a total of 375,000 meters swam (375km)! Upon completion, all participants were entered into a draw to win an amazing swimmer's gift basket based on kilometers completed April 1 through May 31. Swimming the distance of one of Pierre Grey's Lakes (4,698m) gives 1 draw entry, Grande Cache Lake (8,162m) gives 3 draw entries, and Smoke Lake (14,850m) gives draw 5 entries. Congratulations to all participants who completed this challenge in any capacity.
- June 17/18th, we hosted First Aid for Greenview staff as per the Health and Safety departments first aid requests.
- We are excited to have a new school attending swimming lessons with us the week of June 16<sup>th</sup>, (Valleyview Ranch Colony)! This will be our last week for school swimming lessons including Hillside Highschool Students. We have 4 classroom ends of the year parties coming for some fun swim times with us.
- Coming up on Sunday, June 22, we have a sponsored swim and play time for community members where buses will bring residents from Sturgeon Lake Cree nation to attend. All are welcome!

## Culture, Social & Emergency Services – GOAL 4: Support and maintain recreational opportunities.

#### **Site Improvements**

Administration has been utilizing contractors to complete brushing within campgrounds and day use areas to clean up downfall and remove hazardous trees.

## **Little Smoky Ball Diamond Upgrades**

Administration continues to support the Little Smoky Community Centre with upgrades to the baseball diamond in Little Smoky. The community group has now completed mulching for the project and removed additional hazardous trees which were identified this spring. The wood from those trees was picked up by Greenview Administration for firewood.

## **Outdoor Recreation Programs**

Greenview hosted grade one students from Oscar Adolphson Primary School at Johnson Park on June 6<sup>th</sup> for their year end field trip. Sessions were provided to students by the school, Greenview Search and Rescue and Greenview Administration.

	Paid Camping Nights - May 2025	Paid Camping Nights - May 2024
Grande Cache Campground	270	256
Johnson Park	18	16
Kakwa River PRA	16	9
Moody's Crossing	68	72
Sheep Creek PRA	10	3
Shuttler Flats PRA (Group)	5	4
Smoky River South PRA	5	15
Swan Lake	129	83