



WHEATLAND COUNTY

Where There's Room to Grow

Request for Decision

February 18, 2020

Resolution No. _____

Date Prepared February 11, 2020

Subject

Decision-making topic title

Appointment of Fire Guardians

Recommendation

Clear resolution answering – what/who/how/when

THAT Council appoint the following individuals as Fire Guardians for Wheatland County for a term of February 18, 2020 to March 1, 2021:

- **Dean Young, Jordan Maier, Michelle Van Haarlem, Diane Bodie, Kris Permann, Matthew Curwin, and Vern Elliott – Wheatland County Staff**
- **Albert Jensen – Dalum Fire Protection Association**
- **Ryan Hauswirth – Carseland Fire Department**
- **Mark Duguay & Malcolm McKinnon – Standard Rural Fire Association**
- **Ron Welcher & Brad Williamson & Garry Tschetter – Cluny & Gleichen Fire Departments**
- **Art Hudson & Craig Nelson – Rosebud Fire Association**
- **Mike Jakubiszyn – Wheatland West Fire Department**

CAO Comments

Any additional comments regarding the reason for the recommendation

RECOMMENDATION

Report/Document:

Attached

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Available

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None

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Key Issue(s) / Concepts Defined

Define the topic, reference background material and state question to be answered

Council is to accept and appoint the list of Fire Guardians who will in turn operate the Fire Permit program which provides County residents with the ability to burn acceptable materials in a safe manner for legitimate reasons.

Relevant Policy / Practices / Legislation

Cite existing policies, practices and/or legislation

Fire Services Bylaw 2019-06 – Section 8.1 – *‘Each year before the first of March, the Council shall appoint a sufficient number of Fire Guardians to enforce the provisions of the Forest and Prairie Protection Act and this Bylaw within the boundaries of the County.’*

Strategic Relevance

Reference to goals or priorities of current work program

Wheatland County Values – Transparent, accountable and open

Response Options and Desired Outcome(s)

Main result, along with highlighted requisites and benefits

With the appointment of the named individuals as Fire Guardians, Wheatland County will have enough numbers to enforce the provisions of the Forest and Prairie Protection Act and this Bylaw within the boundaries of the County.

IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION**General**

Consequences to community, overall organization and/or other agencies

Permitting system requires Fire Guardians to review permits to ensure safety and security of the community at large is maintained.

Organizational

Policy change or staff workload requirements

N/A

Financial

Current and/or future budget impact

N/A

Environmental, Staff and Public Safety

Consequences for the environment, consideration of effects on the safety of staff and the public

Fire Guardians provide a checkpoint for fire permits which provide a safe, efficient and effective means of monitoring burning of appropriate materials by the community.

Follow-up Action / Communications

Timelines, decision-making milestones and key products

N/A

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