Wheatland County Request for Decision

Regular Council Meeting May 19, 2020

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Appointment of Fire Guardian

Recommendation from Administration

THAT Council appoint Mike Hager (Hussar Fire Department) as Fire Guardian for Wheatland County for a term of May 19, 2020 to March 1, 2021.

Chief Administrative Officer's Comments

Council appointed 17 Fire Guardians via resolution 2020-02-70 at the February 18th, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

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Council to accept and appoint the above-mentioned individual as a Fire Guardian. This individual 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.

By appointing this individual, it will fill the vacant Fire Guardian position for the Hussar area.

Relevant Policies, Practices, and 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.'

Alignment with the Strategic Plan

Wheatland County Values - Transparent, Accountable and Open

Response Options

Option 1: THAT the proposed recommendation is accepted/approved.

Option 2: THAT the proposed recommendation is not accepted/approved.

Option 3: THAT an alternate recommendation is accepted/approved.

Implications of Recommendation

General

Hussar will have an individual who can approve fire permits within the area.

Organizational

N/A

Financial

Environmental, Staff, and Public Safety

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

Inform potential fire guardian candidate of Council's decision.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Brian Henderson