## **VILLAGE OF RADIUM HOT SPRINGS**

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA FOR MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2021.

Zoom meeting details: https://us02web.zoom.us/

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1. ORDER:

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

- 2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:
- 3. MINUTES:
  - (a) Council meeting minutes from April 28<sup>th</sup> will be on next agenda.
- 4. DELEGATIONS:
  - (a) RCMP policing report: Staff Sergeant Darren Kakuno.
- 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS / BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
- 7. BYLAWS:
- 8. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS:
- 9. NEW BUSINESS:
- 10. SUNDRY MATTERS & QUESTIONS:
- 11. NOTICE OF COMMITTEE, SPECIAL & CLOSED MEETINGS:
- 12. ADJOURNMENT:





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2021-04-14

To the Mayor and Council,

Mayor and Council Quarterly Report - Radium Hot Springs Fourth Quarter - 2020/2021

### Introduction

This report is a summary of the activities of the Columbia Valley Detachment for the period of January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021. During the fourth quarter our Detachment handled 773 files which was up from 682 files during the same period last year.

## **Detachment Personnel Status**

Our Detachment, when at full strength, consists of the following:

- 1 Sergeant (Detachment Commander)
- 2 Corporals (Supervisors)
- 8 Constables (Provincially funded)
- 3 Administrative Staff
- 1 Victim Services Worker

Our detachment has been operating with only one Corporal since Corporal Ayers' retirement in January. I'm happy to report Corporal Jeff Witzke of the Whistler Detachment has been identified for a lateral transfer to our detachment. His anticipated arrival is in June.

As mentioned in my last quarterly report, Constable Bell will be transferring to the Forensic Identification Section. Her anticipated start date at her new unit will likely be prior to July, 2021. A replacement Constable has not yet been identified.

#### **Statistics**

Please refer to Attachment A for Fourth Quarter Stats.

#### **Detachment Priorities 2020/21**

Last year our Detachment Priorities were Road Safety, Crime Reduction, Youth and Substance Abuse.

Road Safety - Over the past year our officers made concerted efforts to conduct traffic enforcement as part of their regular duties. These officer/violator contacts not only contributed to road safety but they also proved to be effective in addressing property crime and drug trafficking.

Crime Reduction - Our officers made efforts to identify and target our prolific property crime offenders. Although our call volume increased last year, thefts from motor vehicles and other thefts remained consistent. Thefts under \$5,000 were down nearly 10% when compared to the previous year.

Youth - Our youth initiatives included introducing the WITS program (Walk away, Ignore it, Talk it out, Seek help) to a third elementary school. Our Detachment received \$1,500 in funding from Crime Prevention Services and school PAC's to purchase WITS educational material for Eileen Madson Primary School, Martin Morigeau Elementary and Edgewater Elementary School. Other youth initiative included introducing the "It's a No" campaign and healthy relationship presentations to the David Thompson Secondary School.

Substance Abuse - Over the past year our Detachment has worked with neighbouring Detachments and units to develop and share intelligence related to drug trafficking in our area. Columbia Valley members were successful in securing two drug trafficking related charges in our area last year.

## **Detachment Priorities 2021/22**

For 2021/22 our Detachment Priorities will be Road Safety, Substance Abuse, Youth, and Employee Wellness.

Road Safety - Columbia Valley General Duty members will again be encouraged to conduct pro-active traffic enforcement in the Columbia Valley. These officer-violator contacts will address road safety, drugs and property crime offences. Additionally, I will work collaboratively with Golden and Cranbrook Highway Patrol Unit Commanders in an effort to have more traffic resources in our area during periods when Trans-Canada traffic is diverted into the Columbia Valley.

Substance Abuse - A current list of all available support services in the Columbia Valley will be compiled, updated and made available to our members. Members will liaise with local support services to determine how we can work together to address addictions and mental health. Proactive contacts will be made with those suffering from addictions to try to connect them with supports and services.

Youth - Columbia Valley Detachment will continue to build on relationships with school administrators, staff and youth. Members will be encouraged to seek out opportunities to engage with youth in formal settings such as school programs and informal settings such as youth centres, organized sports and skate/bike parks. Flexibility will also be provided to members who wish to coach or mentor youth in sports/activities.

#### Non-sensitive

Employee Wellness - This past year has been a difficult time for everyone, including our officers and detachment staff. Employee wellness is a priority for me. I will be seeking out opportunities to provide wellness training to our Detachment members and staff. Areas of focus will be mental and physical health for our members and their families. Once restrictions are lifted I will also be prioritizing operational skills training.

If you have any questions or concerns with this report please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Sgt. Darren Kakuno Columbia Valley RCMP

# Offence Type Statistics - Columbia Valley

Offence Type	2019/20 Quarter 1 Apr-Jun	2020/21 Quarter 1 Apr-Jun	2019/20 Quarter 2 Jul-Sept	2020/21 Quarter 2 Jul-Sept	2019/20 Quarter 3 Oct-Dec	2020/21 Quarter 3 Oct-Dec	2019/20 Quarter 4 Jan-Mar	2020/21 Quarter 4 Jan-Mar
Break & Enter	5	8	8	13	9	10	4	10
Theft of Auto	8	4	10	13	5	6	6	4
Theft from MV	6	8	14	19	17	7	2	4
Theft Other	10	24	20	22	24	10	10	11
Mischief	58	50	60	74	30	35	32	38
Robbery	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Total Criminal Property	104	109	122	150	92	77	78	89
Other Criminal Code	40	29	41	28	20	42	41	40
Assault	31	13	31	35	17	26	29	19
Sexual Offences	3	5	2	6	2	2	4	5
Persons Offences	31	51	51	65	36	37	43	36
Cause Disturbance	14	7	18	13	8	7	16	6
Drugs	7	5	2	6	1	2	3	2
Mental Health	24	27	34	32	21	29	23	45
Impaired Driving	5	11	14	15	6	8	13	8
MV Collisions	38	26	51	52	50	51	33	28
Driving Complaints	29	50	51	75	38	38	24	27
Bylaw	34	33	41	93	7	13	13	23
Animal Calls	22	19	29	29	15	21	11	11
Abandoned 911 Calls	56	66	94	132	45	25	52	27
False Alarms	43	47	57	47	56	46	35	43
Prisoners	38	22	45	38	31	32	28	31
Total Calls	859	860	1126	1361	675	739	682	773

# Calls for Service - Specific to Radium Hot Springs

Month	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
January	18	21	20	20	21
February	21	14	15	26	21
March	32	18	12	10	16
Total	71	53	47	56	58