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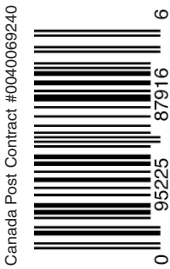
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Town of Cardston passes first reading for noise bylaw

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Draft Bylaw 1705 came to the table at Cardston's regular meeting of council; dealing with noise and noise complaints.

The basics of the bylaw is to give utilities to the Peace Officer so they are able to deal with noise complaints all day, effectively making the bylaw an all-day noise bylaw where any and all excessive or unnecessary noise is enforceable.

Jeff Shaw, CAO with the Town of Cardston took the stand to explain the bylaw further.

"It's been asked that I bring this to council in response to a couple challenges that have been had in regards to noise and policing noise. We've always had a noise bylaw that would be in effect from 10:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.. The challenge we have is we've got a few folks that have been pushing the limits of their neighbors tolerance with noise during the daytime hours too. Sometimes you can't just appeal to people being nice in the neighborhood, so what was asked is we add, in Section 7, is something that essentially regulates noise that emanates from the property at any time and then Section's 9 and 11 and 12 were amended to deal with motor vehicle noise. We have a couple people that have modified their vehicles, and we've had some challenges with that. Those are the main changes, everything else was consistent with what it was before."

Mayor Maggie Kronen brought an observation to the table, "Let's look at 11B, that is now the section that has been amended except that there's the thinking that it gives a time limit, and then it doesn't say anything now. The context almost gives me the feeling that we could add something in 11B to add something to make it completely clear. If we could add that so that nobody is confused about the context."

Coun. Paula Brown would then ask the first question, asking if music is being played too loud at 10:00 a.m. and the officer does show up — then what are the consequences.

Shaw noted if a person isn't a habitual offender then they will likely just be notified that they are disturbing their neighbours and will be asked to quiet down. "If you do it often you're fined \$100, then \$200, then \$2500."

An all-day noise bylaw, however, does beg the question of what happens when the town or an independent organisation wishes to hold an event — an issue that Coun. Allan Burton echoed.

"The pool has been really good lately. There's been times where they've been noisy but they've been good. A parade. A parade is intentionally noisy and joyous, I couldn't see where the parade would fit in here unless somebody gets a permit for the parade but it's sponsored by the town so we might want to look at it."



AWARDS: (left) Jenna Farrell holds her 2022 Citizen of the Year award next to Cardston's Mayor, Maggie Kronen. (right) Vern Quinton accepts his 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Cardston presents multiple awards to citizens

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Citizen of the Year 2022:

Cardston's 2022 Citizen of the Year award was presented to Jenna Farrell, it is said that Farrell is an amazing, extremely well loved and respected individual within the community.

"She seeks no public validation despite her many contributions to our town and surrounding area. She is a successful business woman who has been with The Co-operators Insurance for 14 years and has recently taken a new role as a Sales Coach within the business' western region this year. Farrell has also recently completed a financial designation as a Qualified Associate Financial Planner."

In addition to other accomplishments, Farrell is also proud to be a volunteer firefighter and medical first responder.

"This year Jenna was awarded the Volunteer of the Year award by Cardston Minor Hockey where she has volunteered her time every year for the last 20 years. Along with refereeing, Jenna and her sister also run the concession counter in the ice rink with proceeds going directly back into the minor hockey program."

Farrell has also served four years on Cardston's Parks and Recreation Advisory committee and has been their Chair for three years.

"Jenna is the epitome of selfless love, she is always willing to go



above and beyond, not only for the people she knows but for perfect strangers as well. She is very humble in her achievements and does not boast of her success."

Lifetime Achievement Award 2022:

Cardston's 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Vern Quinton, who has served on both the Cardston Handicapped Association and the Remington Carriage Museum voluntary boards for 15 years; alongside the Good Samaritan-Lee Crest continuing care facility for six years.

"Vern's kindness, good sense of

humour and willingness to lend a hand has earned him many friends. Vern has always shown love and support to the aged and the handicapped, both vulnerable populations. Over the years he has mown lawns for many in his neighbourhood, and continues to shovel sidewalks and driveways — the first to help and the last to quit."

Quinton has also served as the Chair of the Library Board for more than 15 years, and has proven to centrally suggest and support initiatives to help the library honor the past and build for a bright future.