



A gold standard for children at the annual Coronation Fair is the money pit and it was no different this year. Harry Domoney sponsored an extra \$150 in coins to add to the excitement. Landy Abdullah (7) of Coronation shows off her find. More Fair photos on page 9. ECA Review/J.Webster



ALIX COUNCIL

Village of Alix looks for help with  
Canada Revenue Agency’s tangled web

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The quote “Hell is the absence of reason” is generally attributed to German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche, who might find a warm welcome in the Village of Alix in 2022 if the municipality’s recent experience with the Canada Revenue Agency

(CRA) is any indication. At their regular council meeting Aug. 3 council heard a report from village Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Michelle White describing her odyssey regarding a huge unpaid federal tax bill on a local property which incidentally also owes the village unpaid taxes. “This has been a bit of an exercise in patience,” said White.

“Council and administration were made aware of a CRA writ registered on title shortly after the property had entered into the village’s tax recovery process,” stated White in her memo to council. The memo described the property in question is located at 4904 - 47 St., as lot 15a, block 1, plan 6146RS. “Despite the writ it was decided by resolution of council to take possession

of the property when it did not sell at public auction. It was determined to be in the best interest of the neighbourhood for the village to take steps to discharge the writ and sell the property,” stated White. Easier said than done, apparently, as White reported she was stymied or checkmated at every turn.

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