DEPUTY MAYORS REPORT Dec 21 2023

Yellowhead Regional Library Dec 4 2023

Elections were had for upcoming years positions on board.

Noted that YRL is a living wage employer.

Budget. Focus on cyber security and online protection Increase from \$4.54 to \$4.65 per capita for 2024

Libraries: are a place for new residents to find out about programs in their area. For Seniors it provides information on social services and other benefits.

Libraries are a gathering place for book clubs, and other, and provide strong involvement for growth in Rural Communities

YRL is respected both provincially and national as a strong viable Library System.

Councilors can obtain budget and other information by contacting YRL.

SVREM Dec 5 2023 zoom

Both Yellowstone and Sunset Point have been granted their request to leave the group as of Dec 31 2023. (note this sets a precedent as originally it is 12 month notice to leave the group) Alberta Beach has requested to join the group. These changes will be sent to Minister as these changes need ministerial approval.

Group discussed and would like to have a Mutual Aid Agreement with County. The County has offered individual SV's their services under a service agreement but would require a different (mutual aid) for a group based agreement.

Discussion on a 5 year commitment to the SVREM.

Note in Doc 4 "any activation of Command Center is to be paid by all members"

We will need to either agree to stay with the SVREM group and sign agreements at our January Council Meeting, or decide to get our Emergency Management under a Service agreement with County. SVREMP has put this timeline on us, as these changes need a Ministerial order and that is needed ASAP

SVREM in my opinion for Emergency Management it comes down to who will be the best prepared to handle and run the logistics of an Emergency. For our village most will start with a call under our agreement with Sturgeon fire. And who will be the **best group**, County or SVREMP for them to bring in to handle a larger emergency. Also in some cases the Emergency would come to us from the County and the county would already be involved. Finally there have been 4 inquiries to the County 2 have been granted leaving the group. At what point will a smaller SVREMP group be ineffective.