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# **MUNICIPAL UPDATE**

## **FINANCIAL**

**2024 Budget & Tax Rates >** Tax Rates and the 2024 Budget were passed on June 17, 2024. The current residential tax rate for 2024 is 4.093318%. The approved budget represented a 3.9% levy increase for 2024.

**2023 Audit Process >** The 2023 Audit process is almost complete, the presentation to Council and the Community from BDO will be scheduled within the next month.

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

**Dunville Memorial Ball Park >** Passed by Council on June 3, 2024 to dedicate the baseball field on Baker Road to the Dunville siblings of Red Rock; Harvey, Larry, Penard, Gordon, Art & Helen.

**Timbits Youth Soccer Program >** Over 90 kids from Nipigon, Dorion and Red Rock took part in the 5 week long Red Rock Youth Soccer Program in May and June.

Mayor's Annual Easter Egg Hunt > Held on April 1, 2024 at the Red Rock Recreation Centre parking lot. A total of 37 children registered and were given prizes.

**Live from the Rock Folk Festival >** Taking place on August 9-11, 2024. The Township of Red Rock assists with set up and take down, garbage and other festival requests as an In- Kind sponsor.

**Action on Litter Challenge** > Partnered with St. Hilary School to offer an Action on Litter Challenge to students over a 3 week period, picking up litter from around the community.

**Canada Day Festivities >** Annual Canada Day festivities took place July 1, 2024 at the Red Rock Marina. Full day of free activities, food and fireworks for Red Rock and surrounding communities.

**Memorial Banner Program >** Memorial Banners to honour veterans posted around town for the fall. Currently have 11 banners, with 8 more submissions to go up in 2024.

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

**Recreation Centre Upgrades >** Approximately 2 million dollars in upgrades to the Recreation Centre includes: entire bowling alley re-vamp (updated scoring system, lanes, approaches & pins), HVAC system in gymnasium, new flooring in the Golden Club Room, exterior siding, roof repairs, foundation repairs, header system & condenser for ice plant and more.

**Bridge #1 Upgrades** > Initial inspection of Trout Creek Bridge for 2024 was completed & we are currently waiting on engineering drawings for 2024. This work is 100% funded by NORDS & OCIF funding. The amount spent for 2023/2024 to date is approximately \$235,000.00. The 2024 allotment remaining is approximately \$150,000.00.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Community Interpretation Plan (New Logo) >** Approved the new logo and branding image guidelines for Red Rock that meets highway traffic act requirements.

**Red Rock Marina \*NEW\* Café >** Accepted an unsolicited offer to lease the empty Red Rock Marina Restaurant space year-round for the Log Driver Café, opening soon.

**BMI Industrial Site** > Continue to work collectively with the BMI Group to redevelop the old mill site for industrial use.

**Rock Tech Lithium >** Continue to work with the BMI Group and Rock Tech Lithium to bring an industrial base to the community and surrounding area.

**Bruno's Development >** Continue to work with Bruno's Development regarding the waterfront development plans.