

VILLAGE OF ROSEMARY

2009 Annual Report



A growing, vibrant community supporting family values



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Report from Mayor & Council for 2009



The Village Council would like to thank the residents and businesses of our Village for keeping their properties so neat, clean, and picturesque! Visitors to Rosemary have certainly noticed and made very positive comments about our well maintained little Village.

We also thank the many residents who volunteer their time and effort throughout the year. This includes serving on different boards and committees, delivering meals, helping the Agricultural

Society, the School, and the Village with various functions.

Continued growth and improvements truly “takes a village”. Thank you!

Your Council, *Yoko, Don, & Laura*

Report from Administration & Public Works for 2009

2009 was a busy and challenging year!

Each year the Village Council has a requirement by the authority of the Municipal Government Act to provide financial statements or a summary of them, as well as the auditor’s report of this information to the public. That information is a part of this 2009 Annual Report and a complete copy is available at the Office.

2009 saw Council and Staff continue to identify and complete projects that have been pending for some time. The new treated water reservoir was one of these projects. This project is now complete and in use. A water main loop project was also completed. This will provide better control of the water distribution system should a portion of the system have to be shut down. Several smaller projects were also undertaken; sidewalk repairs, minor road repairs, etc. Council also continues to review the bylaws and policies of the Village.

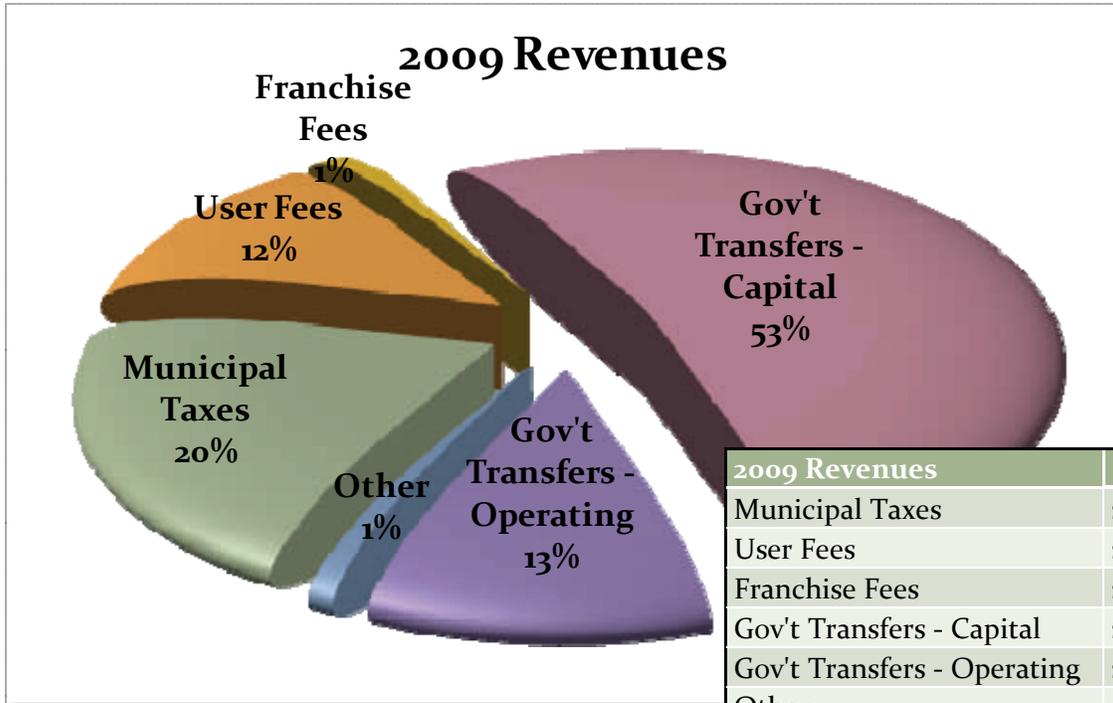
The Village works closely with our regional counterparts to find ways of providing services to our residents in a cost effective manner. Several regional initiatives have been identified; some have been operating for several years, some began in 2009, and other are pending. Two of the more recent initiatives are the contract with the City of Brooks Protective Services to provide bylaw and traffic enforcement for the Village and the Newell Regional Services Corporation, which will be constructing a water pipeline to Rosemary this year to provide potable water for the Village. Both of these initiatives provide a valuable service and substantial cost savings to the Village.

The Village successfully applied for several grants in 2009. The lift station at the sewage lagoon was one of these. The funding comes from the Federal Stimulus Fund grant and is shared 1/3 each by the three levels of government. Due to time constraints in 2009, the project will be completed in 2010. Another project approved in 2009 and to be completed in 2010 is the campground and walking trail. This is also Federal grant accessed through Canadian Badlands Ltd. and Western Economic Diversification Canada.

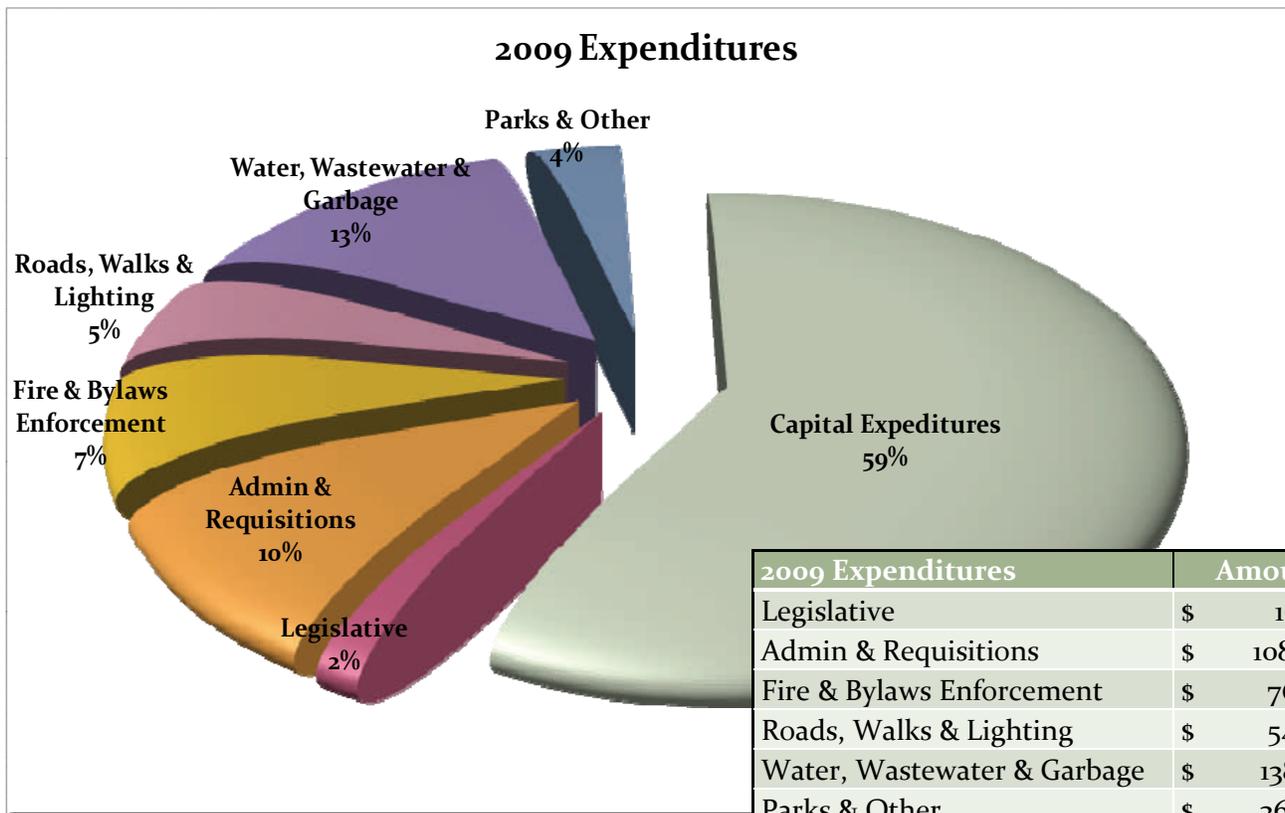
As always, questions and comments are appreciated. Call your councillors, call or stop by the office—we’re happy to answer your questions.

Marg, Sharon, & Gerry

2009 Financial Summary—Village of Rosemary



2009 Revenues	Amount
Municipal Taxes	\$ 230,083
User Fees	\$ 141,368
Franchise Fees	\$ 13,206
Gov't Transfers - Capital	\$ 607,765
Gov't Transfers - Operating	\$ 146,039
Other	\$ 11,400
Total	\$ 1,149,861



2009 Expenditures	Amount
Legislative	\$ 16,772
Admin & Requisitions	\$ 108,368
Fire & Bylaws Enforcement	\$ 76,714
Roads, Walks & Lighting	\$ 54,695
Water, Wastewater & Garbage	\$ 138,186
Parks & Other	\$ 36,086
Capital Expenditures	\$ 618,541
Total	\$ 1,049,362

For complete details, please drop by the Village Office for a copy of the 2009 Audited Financial Statements.

Public Works Projects

2009 - Projects Funded with Government Grants:

• Water Treatment Plant Upgrade (2007-2009)	\$ 1,506,416
• Watermain Loop thru School Yard	75,800
• Street / Sidewalk Improvement Program	26,017
• Fire Department—Suits, Tanks, & Masks	39,654
• Wastewater System Repairs	31,695



New Treated Water Reservoir added onto Water Plant (2007-2009).

2010 - Budgeted Projects with Government Grants:

• Campground & Interpretive Trail (Federal/Prov)	\$ 285,000
• Sewer Lift Station Replacement (Federal/Prov)	148,120
• Sewer Main Repairs—Dahlia Street	77,000
• Repair & Paving Gwen Ave. East	152,000
• Repair & Paving Lupin Ave. (Dahlia to Centre)	123,000
• Area Structure Plan & Infrastructure Management Plan	45,000
• Water Meter Replacement Program, Year 1	11,180
• Street / Sidewalk Improvement Program	18,000



New Sewer Lift Station (2010) with old one (1958) in the background.

2010 will be an election year. Nomination packages will be available at the Village office by the end of July.

Election 2010

Nomination day will be September 20, 2010 and **Election Day will be October 18, 2010**. Municipal elections are run under the authority of the *Local Authorities Election Act*.

Municipalities derive their authority from the *Municipal Government Act*. One of the most significant roles of a councillor is to develop and evaluate the bylaws, policies, and programs of the municipality so that administration and staff can provide for the day-to-day operations and legislated requirements of the municipality.

Council meets twice each month—one meeting is formal Council meeting where decisions are made and ratified; the other meeting is a less formal workshop meeting where a more general discussion of the policies, programs, issues, and an exploration of ideas takes place. Councillors also share committee representation. The Village has several committees that require resident participation as well. All of these roles are opportunities for taking an active interest in your community and shaping its' future.

Municipal Affairs is providing a Candidate Information Session in Lethbridge on September 1, 6:00—9:30 pm. There is also a website to assist potential candidates **www.elections2010.info**