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Vegreville Breaks Ground On New RCMP Detachment

Vegreville – One of Council's priorities this term was to finalize the future plans for a new Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment in Vegreville. As an urban Municipality of over 5,000 people, the Town of Vegreville is responsible for providing suitable facilities for the RCMP. The current detachment in Vegreville is out of date and does not meet the operational requirements of the RCMP.

In 2016 Town Council agreed to plan for a new standalone detachment at 6640 – Hwy 16A West. Later in 2016 an architectural design was approved and a tender was sent out to secure a general contractor. In September 2017, Atkinson Construction Ltd was awarded the tender as general contractor for this project. The new detachment location is ideal due to its highway access and will allow for expansion in the future if required. The new detachment will be approximately 10,000 sq ft, and will be completed in early 2019.

Mayor Hayduk stated that after Council realized in 2013 that the request for renovations or to provide a new facility to the RCMP was already 16 years old. Council then knew that this was a priority to get this matter resolved before the end of their term. After years of discussion in regards to financing and planning they are pleased to see the start of construction said Mayor Hayduk. This new building will support the policing operations today and for the future.

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