

Former Liberal minister drops out of mass shooting public inquiry

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HALIFAX

One of the three people selected to lead the public inquiry into the Nova Scotia mass shooting has dropped out.

Anne McLellan has informed the federal and provincial governments that she supports the decision to call a public inquiry but is unable to commit the time required to carry out an inquiry commissioner's responsibilities.

Bill Blair, the federal minister of public safety, and Mark Furey, Nova Scotia's justice minister, had described the former federal Liberal cabinet minister as someone whose expertise would help

delve into the circumstances surrounding the mass shooting.

McLellan had agreed to serve on a panel reviewing the killings alongside Michael MacDonald, a former chief justice of Nova Scotia, and Leanne Fitch, the former chief of police in Fredericton.

But the closed-door review came in for strong criticism from relatives of the 22 victims of the April 18-19 killings, who had advocated for a public inquiry with the power to subpoena witnesses to testify under oath.

The two governments did an about-face on the review Tuesday and ordered a public inquiry, and at the time Blair said the three people appoint-



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Anne McLellan has informed the federal and provincial governments that she favours the decision to call a public inquiry but is unable to commit to the time required to carry out an inquiry commissioner's responsibilities.

ed for the review had also agreed to serve as commissioners.

In a statement Friday afternoon, Blair and Furey said the inquiry will continue to move forward, and their governments "will keep Canadians informed on the appointment of commissioners to the inquiry."

Before the inquiry was announced, the two ministers had said the review panel was to complete an interim report by Feb. 28, 2021 and a final report by Aug. 31, 2021.

However, fresh terms of reference and timelines haven't been announced yet.

The original goals and issues of the review were wide-ranging.

They called for a probe into the police response, the gunman's acquisition of firearms, the methods of alerting the public and the police procedures for dealing with domestic violence.

The victims' families have said they wanted a mechanism that could compel testimony about the RCMP's response during the shootings, as well as prior police knowledge of the gunman's alleged criminal behaviour.

Feminist groups have called for an investigation into the issue of domestic abuse, noting the killer had abused his common-law partner.

PUBLIC NOTICES

8AM - 4PM SPECIAL SERVICES

Electric Outages.....	403.529.8260
Gas Emergency.....	403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency.....	403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services.....	403.526.2828



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DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED JULY 23 TO JULY 29, 2020 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

249 SOMERSET WAY SE	(Lot 41, Block 5, Plan 0612243) PLDP20201026. Single Detached House (Garage).
54 SUNSET CRESCENT SW	(Lot 19, Block 27, Plan 0312828) PLDP20201029. Single Detached House (Above Ground Pool).
16 FINLAY COURT SW	(Lot 4, Block 4, Plan 7058JK) PLDP20201034. Single Detached House (Addition).
222 BELFAST STREET SE	(Lot 18, Block 86, Plan 636M) PLDP20201053. Single Detached House (Covered Deck).
57 SOMERSET BAY SE	(Lot 13, Block 7, Plan 0715106) PLDP20201060. Single Detached House (Above Ground Pool).
4 RUNDLE ROAD SE	(Lot 19, Block 35, Plan 8610723) PLDP20201062. Single Detached House (Addition).
11 REDWOD BAY SE	(Lot 32, Block 39, Plan 8811296) PLDP20201087. Single Detached House (Covered Deck).

COMMERCIAL

1789 STRACHAN ROAD SE	(Lot 11, Block 1, Plan 1711628) PLDP20200950. One Electronic Display Sign.
1051 ROSS GLEN DRIVE SE	(Lot 3, Block 42, Plan 0910736) PLDP20201036. Hotel (Patio).

HOME OCCUPATION

1052 BASSETT CRESCENT SE	(Lot 35, Block 5, Plan 1481JK) PLDP20201054. Office With Storage On Site. Plumbing/Gasfitting/Heating.
1 CAMPBELL CRESCENT SE	(Lot 52, Block 7, Plan 7410538) PLDP20201066. Office With Storage On Site. Mobile Mechanic.
96 NORTHLANDS POINTE NE	(Block 6, Plan 0711366) PLDP20201067. Office With Storage On Site. Online Sales (Skincare Products).
329 1433 19 STREET SE	(Lot 3, Block 29, Plan 1410LK) PLDP20201084. Office With Storage On Site. Online Sales (Clothing, Cosmetics).
12 5 STREET SW	(Lot 23, Block 14, Plan 833M) PLDP20201097. Office Use Only. Computer Services.
1042 YUILL STREET SE	(Lot 6, Block F, Plan 59454) PLDP2020015445. Office With Storage On Site. Service (Design and Printing).

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within twenty-one (21) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Third Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

All Development Permits listed are subject to conditions. Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 403.529.8374).

WATER MAIN FLUSHING & FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTIONS

Environmental Utilities performs regular, routine maintenance to uphold the water quality and system infrastructure by annually flushing water mains and inspecting fire hydrants.

During these operations, there may be some discoloration in the water which is not harmful to consume and will disappear when flushing is complete. Please note that discoloured water should not be used for laundry and that fluctuating water pressure may also be noticed.

Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, turn on your cold water tap or an outside sprinkler and let the water run for several minutes until the water runs clear.

For additional information or to confirm whether crews are working in your zone, refer to the Water Flushing Programs page on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca/eu or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 4633 PLAN: 201 0123 - ROAD ALLOWANCE ADJACENT TO 901 - 13TH STREET SW

The municipal council of the City of the Medicine Hat gave First Reading on Monday, July 20, 2020 to Bylaw #4633, a road closure bylaw. The purpose of Bylaw #4633 is to close a road allowance for consolidation with the adjacent property at 901 - 13th Street SW. The intent is to allow for more onsite parking.

A Public Hearing in general accordance with the Municipal Government Act and the City's Procedure Bylaw, and consideration of the Second/Third Readings of proposed Bylaw #4633 will be held at the Esplanade Studio Theatre (401 First Street SE) on Monday, August 17, 2020, beginning at approximately 6:30 pm. This meeting will be open to the public with adjustments in place to ensure alignment with current Alberta Health requirements related to COVID-19. Seating for the public will be limited. Any person who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw may make representation to City Council at the Public Hearing.

For further information please contact Planning & Development Services at 403.529.8374. Bylaw #4633 may be accessed via the 'Proposed Bylaws' section on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca.

Anyone wishing to have a written submission concerning this proposed bylaw placed before the City Council must submit it to:

City Clerk Department, 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 8E6

by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 12, 2020.

Members of the public can view City Council meetings online at the City's YouTube account at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityMedicineHat>.

All submissions are treated as public documents.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 25th day of July, 2020.

Angela Cruickshank, City Clerk
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Fax 403.529.8324
E-mail: clerk@medicinehat.ca

NOTICE OF FIRST READING DEBENTURE BORROWING BYLAW #4625

TAKE NOTICE that the municipal council of the City of Medicine Hat gave first reading on Monday, July 20, 2020 to Borrowing Bylaw #4625. In order to complete the project (the "Project") listed below, the City has elected to borrow monies from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority (ACFA) or another authorized financial institution by the issuance of debenture, pursuant to Section 258 of the Municipal Government Act RSA 2000 Chapter M-26.

Bylaw #	Purpose of Borrowing	Estimated Total Cost	Amount to Be Borrowed
4625	2020 Electric Generation Plant (Unit 17)	\$66,000,000	\$66,000,000

The Municipality shall repay the indebtedness of Bylaw #4625 according to the repayment structure in effect, namely semi-annual or annual equal payments of interest only or combined principal and interest installments for a period not to exceed twenty (20) years calculated at a rate not exceeding the interest rate fixed by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution on the date of the borrowing and not to exceed ten percent (10%).

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that, unless a sufficient petition demanding a poll of the electors is received within 15 days following the date of the last publication of this Notice, the Council may pass the said borrowing bylaw as described in the Municipal Government Act, Sections 219 to 226.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that a copy of the aforesaid proposed Bylaw may be accessed via the "Proposed Bylaws" section on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca.

DATED at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 25th day of July, 2020.

Angela Cruickshank, City Clerk
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WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Residents are reminded that the City of Medicine Hat Waste Management Facility will be closed on Monday August 3, 2020, re-opening the following business day.

Hours of Operation are as follows:

- Monday through Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Closed on Sunday

Refer to medicinehat.ca/eu, download the Recycle Coach App, or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

2020 PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

The 2020 Property Tax Notices were mailed on July 24, 2020 with a deferred due date of September 30, 2020 without penalty.

TAX DUE DATE

Taxes are due on or before September 30th. Payments will be considered paid on September 30th if received by City Hall, processed by a financial institution or postmarked by Canada Post by 4:30 pm on September 30th.

If a Canada Post postmark is absent or illegible, the date received by the City of Medicine Hat will be considered the payment date. Commercial postage meter imprints will not be honoured.

A penalty of 5.82% will be added to any unpaid balance on October 1, 2020.

MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

For a nominal filing fee and paying your missed 2020 monthly payments, you can pay your taxes in monthly instalments by signing up for the Tax Instalment Payment Plan (TIPP) before September 30, 2020.

HOW TO PAY

The easiest way to pay is by automatic withdrawal through the TIPP payment plan. You can also pay by:

Credit Card: Payments will be accepted for taxes without any fees up to August 21, 2020 as part of the COVID Hat Support Framework. Contact Customer Service at 403.529.8111 to pay.

Internet Banking: Payments can be made through telephone/internet banking. Please ensure your taxation account number is registered for telephone/internet banking.

After Hours Drop Box: Payments made by cheque can be deposited in the drop box at the west entrance to City Hall. Please do not leave cash in the drop box.

Post-dated Cheques: Post-dated cheques will be accepted by the City of Medicine Hat. Cheques must be dated for September 30th or earlier.

Mail to: City of Medicine Hat, 580 1 St SE, Medicine Hat AB, T1A 8E6

In Person: Payment may be made at Cashiers, Main Floor City Hall, between 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. Cash, cheque or Interac accepted.

For further information regarding property taxes:

Visit the Website at: www.medicinehat.ca
Email: tax@medicinehat.ca
Telephone: 403.529.8111

RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION

COLLECTION DAY CHANGES

There will be no residential waste collection on Monday, August 3, 2020 due to the Heritage Day Statutory Holiday. Waste collection zones will advance as follows:

DATE	CITY ZONE
Monday, August 3	No Collection
Tuesday, August 4	Zone 1
Wednesday, August 5	Zone 2
Thursday, August 6	Zone 3
Friday, August 7	Zone 4
Monday, August 10	Zone 5

Download the Recycle Coach App, refer to medicinehat.ca/collectionschedule or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.

CART COLLECTION TIPS

- Carts must be out by 7 a.m. on your collection day.
- Waste carts are collected separately with collection times that vary throughout the day.
- Make sure carts are accessible with 3ft (1m) clearance on all sides.
- Ensure cart lids are closed to avoid litter or collection problems.
- Contaminated blue recycling carts as well as yard waste material in plastic bags will not be collected.

Prevent theft or damage to your carts! Remove carts off roadways, sidewalks, back lanes etc. and return to private property within 24 hours of collection.