

Carroll inks three-year extension

The Associated Press

SEATTLE
The first major contract extension finalized by the Seattle Seahawks following their Super Bowl title was a commitment to coach Pete Carroll — and to an ideology that finally proved successful at the professional level.

While getting stars such as Earl Thomas and Richard Sherman locked up remains important, the focus for the Seahawks was making sure Carroll was sticking around.

"This was a huge priority for us coming into the off-season," Seattle general manager John Schneider said Friday. "We knew it was around the corner and it

was, quite honestly, we're trying to take care of our own people and keep our young players together. But where do you start? You start at the top."

The Seahawks locked up Carroll through the 2016 season with a three-year extension announced Friday. The new contract rips up the final year of the original five-year deal Carroll signed in January 2010, and cleared up any uncertainty whether the 62-year-old coach wanted to stick around after his original deal expired.

Carroll is staying. So are the ideas and beliefs he brought with him when he arrived from Southern California. Back then, there was skepticism whether his style and attitude would

work in the NFL.

Now, there's no question. "Whether this came about or not I was going to keep busting it and going for it. It wasn't going to matter in that regard. But I think the statement, that they wanted to validate the commitment to what we're doing and how we're doing it, was extraordinary," Carroll said. "It was an extraordinary effort on their part and I'm just humbled and thrilled they see it that way."

Carroll is 38-26 in four regular seasons with Seattle and 5-2 in the playoffs. He's the second-oldest head coach in the NFL — yet rarely acts his age — and one of seven current coaches with a Super Bowl title.



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Seattle Seahawks NFL football head coach Pete Carroll talks to reporters during a news conference Friday in Renton, Wash. The Seahawks have locked up coach Carroll with a three-year contract extension after he led the franchise to its first Super Bowl title.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

**8AM - 4PM
SPECIAL SERVICES**

Electric Outages.....403.529.8290
Gas Emergency.....403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services.....403.529.2828

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GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR APRIL

The City of Medicine Hat has set its April energy commodity rates.

Natural Gas

The April natural gas commodity rate of \$5.18 per gigajoule (GJ), down from \$8.35 in March, for all customers is based on the average of the monthly gas charges set by Alberta gas distribution (pipes) owners and Gas Alberta Inc. as established and posted on the Alberta Consumers Advocate and the Gas Alberta Inc. websites.

(per gigajoule)	April 2014
AltaGas Utilities	\$6.386
Direct Energy Regulated Services North	\$5.189
Direct Energy Regulated Services South	\$4.226
Gas Alberta Inc.	\$4.900
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$5.18

Electricity

The April electricity rate of \$0.0688 per kilowatt hour, down from \$0.0732 per kilowatt hour in March, for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting is based on the average of the monthly electric energy charges set by Alberta electric distribution (wires) owners as established in accordance with the provisions of the Alberta Regulated Rate Option (RRO) Regulation (AR 262/2005) and published on the Alberta Consumers Advocate website with the following exceptions:

- RRO electric energy charges set by Rural Electrification Associations (REAs) that own electric distribution systems in rural Alberta; and
- RRO electric energy charges set for customer classes described as anything other than "Residential" or "Commercial"

April 2014 (per kilowatt hour)	Residential	Commercial (Small / Medium)
Direct Energy Regulated - Atco Electric Area	\$0.07116	\$0.07129
Enmax - Calgary	\$0.070838	\$0.070838
Enmax - Red Deer	\$0.06932	\$0.06932
Enmax - Cardston	\$0.06801	\$0.06801
Enmax - Fort MacLeod	\$0.06801	\$0.06801
Enmax - Crowsnest Pass	\$0.06801	\$0.06801
Enmax - Ponoka	\$0.06889	\$0.06889
Epcor - Edmonton	\$0.06986	\$0.06986
Epcor - FortisAlberta	\$0.06804	\$0.06899
City of Lethbridge	\$0.06445	\$0.06445
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$0.0688	

The April default electricity rate for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting customers is based on the monthly average Alberta Power Pool price as established and published by the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) plus \$0.02 per kilowatt hour. The rate for March was \$0.0637 per kilowatt hour.

The Electric Utility also offers a fixed rate for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial customers. The fixed rate for 2014 is \$0.0968 per kilowatt hour.

NEW

Going Green Charge

Customers also have a "Going Green" surcharge on their bill. This surcharge is for renewable energy purchased for residential, farm, small and medium commercial customers.

The Going Green surcharge is calculated monthly to recover costs incurred to purchase renewable energy.

The Going Green surcharge for April is \$0.0008 per kilowatt hour.

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403-502-8756

FIRE HYDRANT & WATER MAIN FLUSHING

The Environmental Utilities Department will test and flush fire hydrants plus water mains until October 2014. This is an annual maintenance activity that maintains water quality and system infrastructure. Residents may notice some discoloring of water, which is not harmful and will disappear when flushing is complete. Fluctuating pressure may also be noticed. Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, you may wish to flush the water from your home for a few minutes by watering your lawn or running your tap. Please note that the flushing in your home will not correct private plumbing/corrosion problems. Thank you for your understanding.



The City of Medicine Hat and you partners in safe drinking water

**SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2014
KIN COULEE PARK**



**Saturday, April 12, 2014
Kin Coulee Park (weather permitting)**

Join us as more than 100 responsible dog owners PICK POOP to ensure that all park and trail users have a positive experience. Well-behaved dogs are encouraged to attend! Participants are encouraged to bring rakes & shovels if possible.

SCHEDULE:

- 10 AM - Noon: Pickin' Party
- 12 Noon: Mike's Meats BBQ
- 12:30 PM: Demonstrations
 - Flashing Canines Agility Club
 - Search & Rescue

DISPLAYS:

- Parks & Recreation
- Bylaw Enforcement
- Veterinary Medicine
- S.P.C.A.
- Persian Dreams and Canine Themes
- Pet Valu
- Health & Fitness
- Save Old Souls (SOS) Senior K-9 Rescue Society

If you would like to pick poop on a trail in your neighborhood, please pre-register so we know where to pick up the full poop bags and so you can join us for the BBQ at noon in Kin Coulee!

Please pre-register:

EMAIL: msteiner@shaw.ca
PHONE: 403.502.4055 or 403.529.8333
WEB: www.medicinehat.ca/parks



PARKS & RECREATION



PROTECT WATER LINES FROM FREEZING

To protect your water lines against the possibility of freezing this winter, consider the following actions:

- Repair broken windows and ensure windows and vents are closed during the winter.
- Insulate water pipes in unheated areas of your home or business, including crawl spaces.
- If a sink is located against a non-insulated outside wall, consider opening the vanity door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes. A light bulb placed near the water pipe may generate enough heat to keep the water flowing. Similarly a heat tape wrapped around the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.
- Residents of mobile homes should check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and water meter. An unheated indoor water meter should be protected with an insulated box and water pipes should be wrapped in insulation and heat tape.
- Outside water taps and underground sprinkler systems should have their water supply shut off inside the house at the isolation valve for the tap and sprinkler line. Lines should be drained/blown out.
- A very thin stream of water (as thick as a pencil lead) running continuously from at least one tap will help prevent a frozen water service.
- If you plan to be away from home over the winter period, close the main water isolation valve in your home. This is located next to your water meter.

A frozen water service, or a burst water pipe, is an inconvenience and expense that most people would like to avoid. Please take precautions to prevent this happening in your home or business.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED MARCH 27 TO APRIL 2, 2014 PLANNING, BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

- 78 Perry Crescent NE** (Lot 20, Block 7, Plan 9912107) Permit No. DP11578. With Conditions. Rear Addition to Detached Residence.
- 1235 Ross Street SE** (Lot 5, Block 14, Plan 481M) Permit No. DP11584. With Conditions. Detached Residence.
- 481 11 Street SE** (Lot 15, 16, Block 31, Plan 1595M) Permit No. DP11588. With Conditions. Detached Garage.
- 299 Stratton Road SE** (Lot 19, Block 12, Plan 0715426) Permit No. DP11590. With Conditions. Detached Residence.

COMMERCIAL

- 3 - 645 South Railway Street SE** (Lot 21 to 24, Block L, Plan 1837F) Permit No. DP11570. With Conditions. Three Fascia Signs

HOME OCCUPATION

- 266 Carry Drive SE** (Lot 33, Block 6, Plan 7510668) Permit No. DP11587. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Massage Therapy.

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 fourteen (14) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning, Building & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 529-8374).

CUTTING & REMOVAL OF HAY ON CITY OWNED PROPERTIES

Bids are now being accepted for the cutting and removal of hay for the 2014 season from the following areas.

Area 1 - Box Springs Interchange, PT NE ¼ section (3-13-6 W4M) 14 acres more or less.

Area 2 - Red Deer Drive SW/Cemetery, PT (NW 26-12-6 & SE 35-12-6) 110 acres more or less.

Full colour maps may be viewed on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca, picked up at the Land & Properties Department on the 3rd floor of City Hall or received via email by sending a request to land_properties@medicinehat.ca

Submit your written and signed bid indicating your interest in Area 1 or Area 2 with a cheque for the full bid price a bid in a sealed envelope to:
Land & Properties Department
3rd floor, City Hall 580 - 1 Street SE
Medicine Hat, AB T1A 8E6

A separate sealed bid and a separate cheque is required for each hay area you are bidding on.

BIDS CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 9, 2014 at 4:30pm - No late bids will be accepted.

Direct inquiries to the Land & Properties Department at 403.529.8148

The Land & Properties Department reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids submitted and to select a single item from any bid.

