

POLICY

Title: MAYOR'S CHAIN OF OFFICE		Number: 0005
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STATEMENT

THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT SHALL HAVE A CEREMONIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE. THE OCCASIONS ON WHICH IT WILL BE WORN SHALL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE MAYOR.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE CEREMONIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.

PURPOSE

To authorize the use of the ceremonial chain of office by the Mayor of the City.

CEREMONIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE

The Mayor's Ceremonial Chain of Office consists of a silver chain affixed to a wine colored velvet backing. A round chrome disc, showing presentation details, is at the top of the oval with the following emblems duplicated on each side:

- Gold wheat sheaf on a silver maple leaf
- The Canadian Flag
- The Canadian Coat of Arms
- A Hereford Cow on a gold maple leaf affixed to a gold shield
- A railway locomotive
- The Provincial Coat of Arms
- A gold symbol of energy
- A second golden wheat sheaf on a silver maple leaf

A brass medallion depicting an Indian Medicine Man's head is at the bottom of the oval to which is affixed a larger silver medallion showing the City of Medicine Hat official Crest. The back of this medallion has inscribed on it the names of all former Mayors of the City.

The official chain of office was presented to Mayor C. J. (Chuck) Meagher by Mayor Leonard C. Jones of Moncton, New Brunswick as that City's gift to Medicine Hat. The ceremony took place at the Mayor's office on Friday, June 7, 1968. On the same date a civic dinner was held at the Westerner in honour of the visit of Mayor Jones and several of his Aldermen. Because Moncton was Medicine Hat's Canadian Centennial twin sister City, the Chain of Office was patterned after that of Moncton's.