

## ***TOWN OF ELK POINT***

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File No. 19-54

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Operations Manager  
Operations - Athabasca  
Transportation  
Main Fl Jewell Building  
3603 - 53 Street  
Athabasca, AB  
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ATTENTION: Operations Manager, Paula Campbell

Dear Paula,

RE: Request to Reduce Speed Limit  
Highway 646  
Elk Point/County of St. Paul

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The Town of Elk Point Council reviewed a letter of request (see attached) from the President of the Elk Point and District Golf and Country Club as well as the Elk Point Lions Club, the Elk Point Minor Ball Association, and the Elk Point Soccer Association to reduce the speed limit from 100km/h to 70km/h from the intersection of Highway 646/Highway 41 to south of the Recreation Area.

Council passed motion #19-146 at the regular meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019 as follows:

*"MOVED by Councillor Dwayne Yaremkevich that Council direct Administration to write a letter from the Mayor's Office to Paula Campbell, Operations Manager at Athabasca requesting a reduction in speed limit from 100 km/h to 70 km/h from the intersection of Highway 646 and Highway 41 to south of the recreation grounds just past the curve based on safety concerns with increased public usage at intersections, gravel pit, and transfer station trucks. Further that Council direct Administration to request a letter in support from County of St. Paul No. 19."*

We also met with Mr. Ralph Gilbertson at the Alberta Transportation Department, Bonnyville Office to discuss our concerns and he kindly directed us to your office.

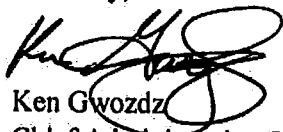
Our concerns are the intersections at Recreation Grounds/Transfer Station/Gravel Pit and 54 Street/Highway 646 by the Water Treatment Plant. The Recreation Grounds intersections to highway 646 are critical due to increased traffic to camping grounds, soccer fields, ball diamonds and the golf course. As well, year round use – cross country skiing. This intersection is very active and right across from the Transfer Station and Gravel Pits. The Transfer Station is open 3 days a week with a high volume of truck traffic. As well, there are heavy trucks from gravel pits in the same area.

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We appreciate your department's assistance in reviewing these safety concerns along Highway 646 that see a lot of large/small vehicular movements.

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Gwozdz', written over the printed name.

Ken Gwozdz  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Town of Elk Point

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C.c Town Mayor and Council  
C.c County of St. Paul Chief Administrative Officer, Sheila Kitz  
C.c Superintendent of Public Works/Utilities Jay Duffee  
C.c AT, Contract Inspector, Ralph Gilbertson