



# Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

## Request for Decision (RFD)

**Meeting:** Regular Meeting of Council  
**Meeting Date:** May 14, 2024  
**Originated By:** Esther Quiambao, General Manager of Planning and Community Services  
**Title:** Glendon Library Board – Request for Funding Support

### **PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND**

At the Regular Meeting of Council on February 27, 2024, the Glendon Library Board presented Council with information on their recent grand opening event and launch successes and a request for the M.D. to establish annual funding to their Board, similar to that provided to the Bonnyville Municipal Library and the Cold Lake Public Libraries.

Administration is bringing this request back to Council today for their consideration.

### **DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS**

The Glendon Library Board is requesting \$20,000 to assist them with their 2024 operating costs. To date the M.D. has provided the following support to the newly created Board:

- a 2023 contribution in the amount of \$31,000 towards their 2023 operating budget shortfall,
- approval of a Council representative to participate on the Glendon Library Board for a two-year term to expire November 2025 (Councillor Krywiak)

The following library contributions are included in the 2024 M.D. Operating Budget:

1. Bonnyville Municipal Library: \$176,548.59
2. Cold Lake Public Libraries: \$107,126

In addition to this request, the Northern Lights Library System has requested confirmation from Council if they wish to integrate the Glendon Library Board into the current model they use to disseminate other funding to the two other local library boards on our behalf, or to maintain the model as is for 2024 as previously directed.

1. Current dissemination model: 30% Cold Lake; 70% Bonnyville
2. Proposed dissemination model: 27% Cold Lake; 63% Bonnyville; 10% Glendon

Attached for Council's reference and consideration:

- Appendix A: Glendon Library Board Delegation RFD from February 27, 2024
- Appendix B: Letter from the Northern Lights Library System
- Appendix C: Email correspondence with NLLS October 2, 2023 thru January 9, 2024

### **REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal #1 – Building a Prosperous and Sustainable Community

### **REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION**

N/A

## **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING**

Cost: \$20,000

Source of funding:

- This contribution is not included in the 2024 Municipal Operating Budget
- 2024 Council Operating Budget (Grants to Industry & Non-Government Organizations) available balance = \$1,000

## **COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY**

All local library boards and Northern Lights Library System will be informed in writing of the decision of Council.

## **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION**

MOTION 1: THAT Council approves a contribution in the amount of \$1,000 towards 2024 operating costs as requested by the Glendon Library Board to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget, and furthermore, directs Administration to recommend that the Glendon Library Board apply for any additional funds through the existing municipal funding programs.

MOTION 2: THAT Council directs the Northern Lights Library System to integrate a ten percent allocation to the Glendon Library Board into the current funding they disseminate to the two other local library boards in the Town of Bonnyville and the City of Cold Lake on behalf of the M.D. of Bonnyville as presented, effective immediately and including 2024 allocations.

## **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

MOTION 1:

1. THAT Council approves a contribution in the amount of \$1,000 towards 2024 operating costs as requested by the Glendon Library Board to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget, and FURTHERMORE, directs Administration to recommend that the Glendon Library Board apply for any additional funds through the existing municipal funding programs.
2. THAT Council approves a contribution in the amount of \$20,000 towards 2024 operating costs as requested by the Glendon Library Board to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget
3. THAT Council denies the funding request in the amount of \$20,000 towards 2024 operating costs by the Glendon Library Board.

MOTION 2:

1. THAT Council directs the Northern Lights Library System to integrate a ten percent allocation to the Glendon Library Board into the current provincial funding they disseminate to the two other local library boards in the Town of Bonnyville and the City of Cold Lake on behalf of the M.D. of Bonnyville as presented, effective immediately and including 2024 allocations.
2. THAT Council directs the Northern Lights Library System to integrate a ten percent allocation to the Glendon Library Board into the current provincial funding they disseminate to the two other local library boards in the Town of Bonnyville and the City of Cold Lake on behalf of the M.D. of Bonnyville as presented, to commence in 2025.
3. THAT Council directs the Northern Lights Library System to maintain the current provincial funding model they disseminate to the Bonnyville Library Board and the Cold Lake Public Libraries on behalf of the M.D. of Bonnyville.

## Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Glendon Library Board - Request for Funding Support.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A - Glendon Library Board RFD February 27, 2024.pdf - Appendix B - Letter from the Northern Lights Library System.pdf - Appendix C - Email Correspondence with NLLS 2023-2024.pdf
Final Approval Date:	May 1, 2024

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Stephanie Severin