

Community REPORT



February 2026

Delegations

Staff Sergeant Rod Rudnisky, Humboldt RCMP - Detachment Commander

Rod Rudnisky made a presentation to Mayor and Council that highlighted policing in the community. He provided an overview of his monthly policing report for January and also gave an update on staffing levels.

Council thanked S/Sgt Rudnisky for his presentation and accepted the information for file.

Updates from City Administration

Protective Services

MIKE KWASNICA - FIRE CHIEF/DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Fire Department: In January, there were 3 in city responses for fire crews and one outside of the city.

Community Safety Officers(CSO): January was busier with parking concerns, snow removal complaints, and vehicles parked on streets for extended periods.

Planning and Development: There were 3 permits issued and 1 inspection completed. The pattern of permits issued reflects the typical seasonal trend for winter months.

Corporate Services

LORI YAWORSKI - CITY CLERK/DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

HR/Payroll Platform: training and implementation process for the new digital HR platform is underway. The system will centralize payroll, HR, and Safety processes in one place.

City Council appointments: Official appointments were finalized for City positions, community board members, and City Council representatives on various committees in January. Since then, it was discovered several appointments are still needed. A report will be presented on those at the Regular Council meeting on February 23rd.

City Hall renovation: The renovation of the City Hall basement is complete, and the process of reinstalling furniture and equipment is underway. The project provided an opportunity to optimize the buildings footprint; notably, large restroom areas were repurposed into additional office space and a dedicated room for cemetery records and mapping.

Water Ridge Open House: City Administration will be hosting an open house regarding paving options available to the residents of the Water Ridge subdivision as well as the businesses to the immediate south. The agenda will consist of history and development of Water Ridge, current paving options, summary of Local Improvement process and a Q&A period. The open house takes place at the Uniplex on Feb. 18 at 7 p.m.

Community & Leisure Services

MICHAEL ULRIKSEN - DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY & LEISURE SERVICES

Outdoor rink installation - Jacob Leicht Outdoor Rink: Administration has made the decision to forego any further attempt to install ice at the new outdoor rink at Centennial Park this season.

Rink Affordability Grant: The grant, administered by the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association, provides \$5,000 per sheet of ice, whether skating or curling, to help offset operating expenses. The grant doubled from last year and will see Humboldt receive a combined \$10,000 for the Elgar Petersen Arena and Humboldt Curling Rink.

Staffing: The Building Maintenance Manager position has been filled.

BUILDER INFORMATION SESSION

Presentation by Municode about inspection services

Planning and Building Services is hosting an information session to walk builders and contractors through the development and building process and how it applies to specific projects.



- PERMITS & APPLICATIONS
- INSPECTIONS & TIMELINES
- COMMON QUESTIONS

Feb 13, 2026
1:30-3:00 p.m.
Uniplex - Meeting Room

RSVP by email:
Jarrett.delbridge@humboldt.ca



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Cultural Services

JENNIFER FITZPATRICK - DIRECTOR OF CULTURAL SERVICES

Museum exhibit: A Taste of Science is a giant, quirky interactive exhibit where visitors can learn about food decay and the role scientific innovation plays in keeping food fresh and safe.

Archives Week: This exhibit highlights Humboldt's 75th anniversary in 1982 and the city status celebrations in 2001, marking 25 years since Humboldt became a city.

Gallery exhibits: A Water Journey by Fort Qu'Appelle artist Shannon Labatt is all about water with a mixture of realism, impressionism, and abstract styles.

The Earth Turning by Saskatoon artist Anne Simmie centers around time passing, both in the form of seasons and rust forming on old cars. Both exhibits close on February 21.

Song of Air by Montreal based sound artist Jen Reimer on the 2nd floor of the Gallery includes audio, video and photographic material from when she turned the Humboldt Water Tower into a large-scale musical instrument.

Reid-Thompson Public Library

HUMBOLDT CULTURAL SERVICES

**An Evening of
Storytelling**
with Curtis Peeteetuce

Reid-Thompson Public Library
February 12 at 6:30pm

humboldtmuseum.ca



Public Works

PETER BERGQUIST - DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Transportation operations: Snow removal has been completed around hydrants and at key locations to prepare for future snow events and to mitigate potential spring melt issues. Salt and sand continue to be applied at high-priority intersections.

Water and sewer infrastructure: The new Waste Water Treatment Facility lagoon cells are full and operating in full circulation mode. Excess effluent is temporarily directed to old Cell #5 until treatment levels meet permit requirements. This effluent will be pumped back for final treatment in spring/summer 2026.

Engineering:

The SGI Provincial Traffic Safety Fund grant application was successful. The Trail along Hwy 5 from 17 St to Peck Road will be paved in 2026 with the full cost of \$97,600 paid for by the grant.

The FCM/GMF grant application was successful for the creation of a "Climate Hazard Assessment Report" which is needed for future capital grants. A Request for Proposal (RFP) has been issued. The expected cost of this report is \$70,000 with the City funding \$14,000.

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MUSEUM & GALLERY

FEBRUARY 11: OLLEE OWENS CONCERT WITH HUMBOLDT ARTS COUNCIL @ GALLERY

FEBRUARY 12: CURITS PEEETEETUCE STORYTELLING EVENT @ LIBRARY

FEBRUARY 17-21: FEBRUARY BREAK ACTIVITIES @ MUSEUM & GALLERY

OTHER:

FEBRUARY 28: HUMBOLDT EMERGENCY SERVICES CHARITY GALA @ THE LEGION

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 10, 14, 16, 27 & MAR 14: HUMBOLDT BRONCOS HOME GAMES

MARCH: 14: TRAPPERS CONVENTION

MARCH: 13 & 14: ST. PATRICK'S BONSPIEL

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