

# Executive Directors Report

September 2019

(For the months of July and August 2019)

---

## 1. Telecom Savings

North Peace Housing Foundation is close to entering into a contract with Costek, telecom industry professionals and cost reduction specialists, reducing our overall telecom expenses by approximately 50% over the next 3-5 years. The savings will be immediate upon entering the contract.

## 2. Compliance Review

Alberta Seniors and Housing visited Central Office from July 15-18, 2019 to perform our Operational Review. We have yet to receive the final report but are prepared to create an action plan based on any deficiencies found.

## 3. Lobbying Seminar

On August 21, 2019 Don Good, Director of IT, Communications and Stakeholder Relations and I spent the day at the St. Isidore Cultural Centre learning how to *Lobby Government Effectively*. The extremely informative session was offered by the MacEwan University School of Continuing Education and instructed by Maurice Fritze, who was a wealth of knowledge and gave us a great deal of insight into understanding the role of a lobbyist.

## 4. Resident and Tenant Levels

As of July 31, 2019, we had a total of 186 lodge residents, down 3 from the month of June. Our lodge unit occupancy currently equates to 81% occupied of the 224 lodge suites.

We had 119 occupied senior apartment suites at the end of July, consistent with the month of June, equating to a 92% occupancy rate.

Garden Court Seniors Apartments had 57 out of 63 units occupied at the end of July, consistent with the month of June. We continue to have 6 out of the 8 trailers in Cadotte occupied, with no pending applications.

The Family Housing units had 82 of the 123 Community Housing units occupied, up 1 from the month of June, and 25 of the 40 R&N units occupied, up 1 from the month of June, with an overall occupancy of 66%.

Rent Supplement tenancies in July were consistent with the month of June; we are currently at our maximum capacity as determined by our Rent Supplement budget and the total amount of monthly subsidies that are being allocated at this time.



Tammy Menssa  
Executive Director