



The members of the Redwater Family Recreation Association expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the crew at the Fort Saskatchewan Fortis office for their incredibly generous donation of \$2,500. The non-profit group had recently embarked on a mission to bring more family-friendly recreational opportunities to the Town of Redwater. This sizable donation brought them one step closer to realizing their first project, a bike pump track. On behalf of their members and the families of Redwater and the surrounding area, they extended their thanks for this act of kindness. From left to right, Laurie Hadden, Linda Hewitt, Kevin Reid, Bryce Grant and Thomas Skorija.

Grab a book!

By Brandie Majeau

It is time to head to the local library and grab a stack of books. January 2 marked the launch of the Northern Lights Library System's Winter Reading Program, aptly named "Midwinter Mysteries - Read Beneath the Surface." This theme encourages library patrons to dive in and lose themselves within the pages of literature. Each library is a vault of adventure and mystery, a journey into the unknown, a chance to learn something new. Individuals and families alike can immerse themselves in books, letting their imaginations run wild as they explore the myriads of stories waiting to be discovered.

This year's theme emphasizes the

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A selection of winners from Newbrook's Summer reading program encourages patrons to sign up at their local libraries for the Winter Reading Program. The summer reading program marked Mallaig in first place, Newbrook in second place and Thorhild in third place. This exciting friendly competition is open to all library patrons in Alberta. Fun fact: The adult summer reading program winner in Newbrook read over 14 000 minutes!

Photos courtesy of Newbrook Library

Redwater announces series of workshops

By Brandie Majeau

The Town of Redwater is excited to announce the launch of a series of Health & Wellness Workshops scheduled to kick off in 2025. These workshops are designed as complementary programs to empower residents to prioritize their well-being and embark on a successful health and wellness journey. In partnership with the Sherwood Park-Strathcona County Primary Care Network, the Town

of Redwater is committed to providing these invaluable resources to the local community, focusing on enhancing personal health and overall quality of life. The workshops will be accessible to residents of Redwater and the surrounding areas. Sessions are set to take place from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Pembina Place.

The following Health and Wellness Workshops are scheduled: Healthy Eating for 1-2 People on January 9. This

workshop will cover how to prepare nutritious meals tailored for small households, incorporating portion control and balanced dietary choices.

Diabetes - The Fundamentals on January 30. This is an essential session for those looking to understand diabetes management. This workshop will delve into key aspects of the condition, including lifestyle choices and monitoring

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NOTICE OF INTENTION

On February 24, 2025, the Council of the Town of Smoky Lake will consider bylaws to designate three (3) sites as Municipal Historic Resources under Alberta's Historical Resources Act

Sites to be considered:

- **Eckess Residence** at 410 West Railway Dr
- **Ortona Hall Drop-In Centre** at 124 White Earth St
- **Holy Ascension Ukrainian Orthodox Church** at 3 White Earth St

The preservation of these sites is of architectural, historical, cultural, archaeological, and aesthetic value to the public

P: 780-656-3674 www.smokylake.ca 56 Wheatland Ave

Soup's on

By Brandie Majeau

What began as a creative fundraising idea in the fall of 2024 is set to start up again, commencing on January 27. Spearheaded by the Thorhild Lions Club, they began a luncheon program last fall that offers more community involvement and opportunities and will share its fundraising profits with the Thorhild Drop-In Centre. The monthly lunches will take place on the last Monday of every month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For the modest fee of \$8 per person, everyone can enjoy a plentiful serving of delicious, home-made soup—a selection that rotates to include a variety of flavors crafted to comfort and satisfy. Complementing the main dish will feature a bread and always a delectable dessert, hand-made and donated by skilled local volunteers willing to share their baking talents, ensuring there's something sweet for everyone to indulge in. These lunches are not only about the food; they present an opportunity for residents to come together, share stories, and enjoy each other's company.

As the winter season progresses, this lunch program is a refreshing

antidote to the frost, inviting community members to step out, reconnect, and enjoy the soul deep kind of warmth that one can only get with a hearty bowl of home-made soup. The luncheon fundraiser runs from October through April, carefully timed to meet community needs.

Additionally, there will be options for take-out meals, allowing those who can't stay to still partake in the comforts of home-cooked food. Guests will also have the chance to purchase any leftover meals at the end of service, ensuring that no delicious soup goes to waste.

For large groups planning to stop by the Drop-In Centre for lunch, kindly contact one of the Thorhild Lions Club members ahead of time. This will help them adequately prepare and ensure they have ample supplies to accommodate everyone's needs. Each meal not only represents a home-cooked, prairie-style culinary experience but also embodies the spirit of generosity and community support.

On January 27, a stop by the Thorhild Drop-In Centre is not just to relish the warming flavors of soup but share the joy of community connection that, hopefully, brings a little extra warmth and happiness to the local area!

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adventure and intrigue that reading provides, transporting readers on journeys to far-off places and into the depths of complex narratives. Each library within the Northern Lights Library System serves as a treasure trove of knowledge and excitement—a gateway into realms of mystery and adventure, offering patrons the chance to learn and grow through each page they turn.

Running through the end of February, this program aims to counter the winter blues by providing an engaging alternative to outdoor activities that many might find less appealing in the colder months. While winter sports like skiing, tobogganing, and snowshoeing are undoubtedly enjoyable, the program highlights the importance of maintaining an active mind during this season of hibernation. Encouraging a culture of reading helps combat sedentary habits, fostering literacy and keeping communities engaged with their local libraries.

Since its inception in 2011, the Northern Lights Library System has thoughtfully crafted this winter reading program, offering participation to all 47 libraries within its expansive network. The response from the community has been overwhelmingly positive, with libraries granted the flexibility to design their own unique implementations of the program. This allows each library to tailor activities and events that resonate with their local patrons.

Throughout the course of the program, readers can look forward to a variety of enticing prizes and fun activities, enhancing their reading experience. More details, including additional reading activities and games, can be found on the NLLS Reading Programs website, making it easier than ever for patrons to get involved.

One of the most exciting aspects of the Winter Reading Program is the friendly competition that ensues among local libraries. Each library tracks the reading minutes logged by its patrons, aiming for the title of the library with the highest recorded reading time. This spirit of competition not only motivates readers to read just one more page, but also cultivates a sense of community pride and connection among the libraries. So grab a library card, head to your nearest library, and lose yourself in the captivating world of books this winter!



Photo courtesy of Newbrook Library

NOTICE:

Effective January 31, 2025

THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE IN OUR GENERAL SAFETY CODE & INSPECTION SERVICES



THE TOWN OF REDWATER HAS CONTRACTED OUR SAFETY CODE SERVICES TO



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 1-866-999-4777

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CONTACT THE TOWN OF REDWATER
 780-942-3519
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Mental Wellness on February 20. This will be focused on enhancing emotional health, and the workshop will provide practical tips and techniques for managing mood and encouraging positive mental health in the long term.

Mediterranean Way of Eating on March 13. Participants will learn about the benefits of this renowned diet,

which emphasizes fresh ingredients, balanced meals, and a lifestyle that promotes well-being.

These interactive programs will be facilitated by a team of qualified professionals, including registered dietitians, registered nurses, and behavioral health consultants.

They will guide participants in managing and improving both mental and physical health, ensuring

that everyone feels supported throughout their wellness journey.

For more information, to ask questions, or to register for these health & wellness workshops, please contact the Redwater Community Services Office at 780-942-4101.

The Town of Redwater looks forward to seeing everyone there and joining in on the journey to better health!

To the unsung community heroes

By Brandie Majeau

As 2025 unfolds, it enters a tranquil phase marked by a brief lull in community programs and activities, providing a moment for reflection and respite after the bustling holiday season. With the joyous celebrations of Christmas and New Year's now behind, communities experience a welcomed pause, allowing individuals

to catch their breath before the flurry of events begins anew.

This quiet period offers an opportunity to contemplate the many successes of the past year—events that brought people together, fostered connections, and enriched lives. These cherished moments were made possible through the tireless dedication and countless hours volunteered by members of the


community. Whether a local festival, charity drive, or community service project, they all rely heavily on the generosity of those who offer their time and talents without any expectation of compensation.

Volunteerism serves as the backbone of every successful community. It ensures that the wheels of various organizations turn


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Events like the recently held Smoky Lake Ag Society New Year's Eve Celebration would be impossible without the countless volunteers who pitch in a helping hand to make it happen. Photos courtesy of Smoky Lake Agricultural Society.



Notice of Public Hearing: PD-02-2024 Municipal Development Plan (MDP)



Public Hearing
Bylaw PD-02-2024

Monday, January 20, 2025 | 18:00 | Council Chambers 4924 47 St.
Any member of the public may attend

What is Bylaw PD-02-2024?
The MDP is a high-level, policy document that guides the long-term vision for how the town will grow and develop. The MDP provides a broad framework that guides decisions on land use, infrastructure, housing, economic development, and environmental sustainability. The new plan is built on seven guiding principles: A Prosperous and Efficient Town; An Affordable and Livable Town; A Distinct and Vibrant Town; A Healthy and Safe Town, A Resilient Town; A Collaborative Town and; An Organized and Effective Town.

What does this mean?
If adopted, the new MDP will set a clear vision and framework for Redwater's future. Guided by principles like prosperity, livability, safety, and resilience, it will shape decisions on land use, housing, economic growth, and infrastructure. This plan will ensure sustainable growth while preserving Redwater's unique identity and supporting a vibrant, collaborative community.

How can I get more information
Any member of the public may review the proposed bylaw and ask questions. A copy of the proposed bylaw is available at redwater.ca or you can visit the Town Office during office hours where staff can explain what is proposed, how it might impact you, and how the Public Hearing process works.

Can I provide comments?
Members of the public are welcome to provide comments on the proposed bylaw. You can participate by:

- Registering in advance to speak, either in person or virtually (advance registration is not required but is encouraged to assist with meeting organization)
- Submitting written comments in advance
- Speaking at the meeting, either in person or virtually

To register or submit written comments in advance, call **780.942.3519 ext. 250** or email **redwater@redwater.ca**. **For inclusion in the published agenda, written comments must be received by 10:00 a.m. on the Friday before the meeting.** Each presenter will be allotted up to 10 minutes to speak. Please note that the names of persons providing comments will become part of the public record.

Questions?
Call Us:
780.942.3519 ext. 250

Register in Advance or provide comments at the Public Hearing:
Advance Registration: register by 10 am on Jan. 17, 2025
Written submissions, visuals: submit by 10 am on Jan 17, 2025

By Email:
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This 1,195 sq. ft. bungalow, situated on a spacious lot backing onto an open field, offers incredible potential with some TLC. The home features three bedrooms on the main floor, including a primary bedroom with a convenient 2-piece ensuite. Updates over recent years include newer shingles, a furnace, a hot water tank, upgraded attic insulation, and eavestroughs. The fully developed basement adds extra living space with potential for two additional bedrooms, a large rec room, a 3-piece bathroom, a generous storage room, and a summer kitchen. A great opportunity for those looking to invest in a home with plenty of space and a fantastic location!

5026 50 AVE WARSPITE



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Why rent when you can own? This charming one-bedroom mobile home makes a perfect starter or retirement home. Located in Warspite just off Highway 28, it's connected to city water and sewer for added convenience. Enjoy a bright sunroom with patio doors opening to a deck, as well as a large shed for extra storage.

5219 54 ST REDWATER



\$399,000

Fantastic family home on a large lot with endless possibilities! The main floor features a spacious living room with a cozy gas fireplace, a bright kitchen with patio doors leading to a back deck and a massive fenced yard, three bedrooms, including a primary suite with a 3-piece ensuite and walk-in closet. A 4-piece main bathroom and direct access to the heated double attached garage complete this level. The basement offers a large family room with a wet bar, a 3-piece bathroom, and ample storage space. Recent updates include new flooring throughout most of the home, upgraded vanities and toilets in all bathrooms, a newer high-efficiency furnace, and central air conditioning. The expansive yard provides room to add another garage, create a huge garden, or space for kids and pets to play. Alternatively, the extra lot could be subdivided and sold. A versatile property with great potential!

19408 TWP RD 622 THORHILD COUNTY



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135 acres of productive farmland. Approximately 80 acres cultivated for the last 20 years and the remainder has been brush piled and being turned into farmable acres.

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\$239,900

Spacious 1,480 sq. ft. bungalow featuring two bedrooms on the main floor (with the option to convert the main-floor laundry back into a third bedroom) and an additional bedroom in the basement. Highlights include a cozy wood-burning fireplace, a main-floor family room, a large covered deck, double garage, a generous jacuzzi room, and a basement sauna. While this home has been a rental for the past 18 years and could use some TLC, it offers incredible potential and unique features for the right buyer.

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smoothly, thanks to the selfless commitment of individuals who invest their efforts. This enthusiastic participation not only enriches the community but also provides a unique sense of fulfillment for the volunteers themselves. Engaging in acts of kindness and service can significantly enhance one's mental well-being, creating

a fulfilling bond between the act of giving and personal happiness. The impact of volunteering extends far beyond the immediate benefits it brings; it cultivates a spirit of positivity and interconnection that permeates the community. The tireless efforts of volunteers do not go unnoticed, organizations and not-for-profits consistently express immense

gratitude for the indispensable contributions of their volunteers. Each event carried out, each new endeavor launched, collectively celebrates the dedication of all those involved, acknowledging the unsung heroes who work behind the scenes and on the front lines. Volunteers shine brightly with the joy that comes from knowing they play a

vital role in nurturing a rich, thriving community. Their contributions serve as a testament to the incredible power of human kindness, illustrating that, together, they are capable of creating positive change. In every sense, volunteers are indeed the heroes of communities, deserving of admiration and heartfelt thanks for their unwavering commitment to service.

Robert Henry Lemm

1942 - 2024



Robert Henry Lemm, a retired military pilot renowned for his sharp wit, unparalleled sarcasm, and love of adventure, passed away on Thursday,

December 19, 2024, at the age of 82 years. Born in Creston, British Columbia to Mary and William Lemm he called Penticton his home until he enlisted in the Canadian Air Force and lived in various parts of the country until settling in Sturgeon County in 1982.

Bob, as he was known by friends, family, and countless fellow service members, led a life filled with high-flying achievements, a few misadventures, and a lot of laughter. After retiring from a career as a military pilot, he found new ways to stay airborne—whether navigating the skies in his personal plane or simply steering conversations into bold, humorous and sometimes contentious territory. He had a rare gift of making anyone laugh, often with a well-timed quip or a perfectly delivered sarcastic remark. His trademark humor made him a beloved figure in both his military and civilian life.

Living on a farm filled Bob with a passion for collecting—and let's be honest, borderline hoarding. This place has become a mechanical wonderland, filled with cars, engines, wrenches, and tools stacked in every corner. It's not so much about organization as it is about rescuing old projects and the faint hope that one day, something might come in handy. The farm is a testament to the joy of fixing things that don't need fixing and collecting "just in case"—even if that case never comes. If something of yours was borrowed, please let us know so we can ensure you get it and a few other items back.

Though Bob's demeanour was legendary, it was his love for his family that defined him. He is survived by his wife, Theresa Poulin; two grown children Sonja Shank (Vincent) and David Lemm (Danielle); and five grandchildren, all of whom will carry his wit, humor, and legacy forward. Bob's love for them was unwavering, and while he often joked that he had "seen it all," nothing in life brought him more joy than watching the family grow and thrive.

A Memorial Service will be held in the spring where family, friends, and anyone who appreciated a good laugh (and a little sarcasm) will gather to celebrate his remarkable life. Arrangements entrusted to the care of Sturgeon Memorial Funeral Chapel (780) 921-3900



LIMITED INVITATION TO TENDER Lease of Municipally-Owned Properties

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY extends a Limited Invitation to Tender for lease of the following Municipally-Owned Properties in accordance with Policy Statement No. 13-01

Tender #	Legal Description of Property	
1	SW 8-62-13-W4 (South shore of Whitefish Lake)	+/- 153.50 acres
2	SE 8-62-13-W4 (South shore of Whitefish Lake)	+/- 125.10 acres

Sealed bids for the leasing of Municipally-Owned Properties must be submitted to:

Smoky Lake County
ATTN: Planning and Development Department
P.O. Box 310
4612 McDougall Drive
Smoky Lake, Alberta T0A 3C0

Bids must be received on or before Friday, January 31, 2025 at 4:00 Mountain Time.

Bids are to be placed in a sealed envelope marked "Surface Lease Tender" with the Tender # clearly indicated on the outside of the envelope.

The successful bidder shall enter into a Surface Lease Agreement with the County. Please note, that Policy No. 13-01 restricts the lease of municipally-owned properties for agricultural use only.

Questions? Please contact Jordan Ruegg, Planning and Development Manager at 780-650-5207 or jruegg@smokylakecounty.ab.ca.



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Mayor's presentation to Festival of Trees winners



A big congratulations to this year's Festival of Trees winners and a heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated! On December 11, Mayor Dave McRae presented certificates to the community group representatives whose festive masterpieces lit up our community all for a great cause! This event wasn't just about holiday cheer; it was also about supporting the Redwater Fellowship of Churches Food Bank. A \$50 donation was made in each of the winners' names, for a total donation of \$200. Over the Kris Kringle Holiday Mingle weekend,

the Food Bank collected approximately \$2100 in cash donations, \$300 in gift cards, and 1408 pounds of food donations. Appreciation to everyone who decorated, voted, and supported this wonderful event. The winners of the Festival of Trees, in support of the Redwater Fellowship of Churches Food Bank are:

First Place: Lions Club of Redwater
Second Place: Sturgeon County Emergency Services Station 7
Third Place: Ochre Park School
Fourth Place: Redwater Crafting Group

Glen Kondro

After a life lived with quiet grace, Glen Kondro, of Radway, Alberta, passed away on December 11th, 2024, at the age of 69.



We have all lost and will sorely miss a generous, kind soul who never hesitated when his help was sought, never shirked work to be done, and always had a smile and an open heart for all his family, friends, and community. Glen was all but unbeatable at cribbage, loved curling and fishing, and was a devoted fan to the Toronto Blue Jays, Edmonton Elks, and Edmonton Oilers even during their losing campaigns. He loved going to Blue Jays games when he and Ena visited Wayne, Joan and Lynn in Ontario and loved spending time with them.

He is survived by the love of his life Ena Small; siblings Wayne (Joan), Debbie, and Lynn; nephew Joshua; Ena's children Jason (Misty), Nathan, Shara (Russell) along with Ena's grandchildren Rhett (Louise), Tatum, Dylan and Drew along with countless treasured cousins, relatives and friends who Glen always warmly welcomed at his door.

He was predeceased by his father John, mother Helen (Chykerda), and brother Dale.

A private family service will be held at a later date followed by a celebration of Glen's life at the family farm.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be welcome in the memory of Glen.

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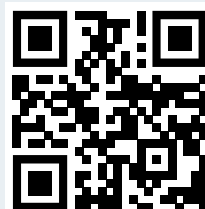
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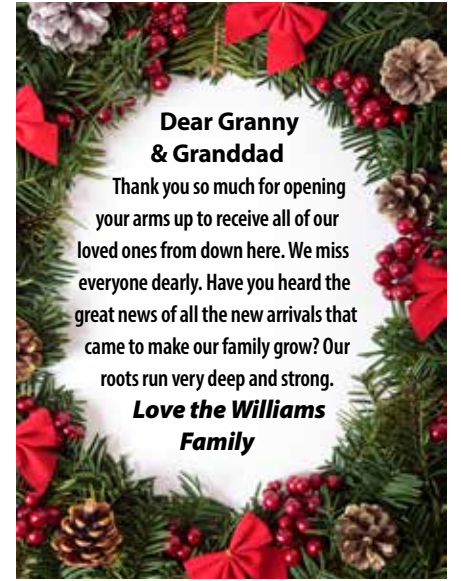
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The Redwater Family Recreation Association announced their excitement about their first initiative: the development of a Pump Park with an attached Skateboard Park. This project aimed to provide a much-needed recreational facility for local youth and families, promoting physical activity, social interaction, and a sense of community pride. The Pump Park and Skateboard Park were planned to accommodate users of all ages and skill levels, ensuring a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone using bicycles, rollerblades, scooters, and skateboards.




MOUNTIE MINUTE
Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment




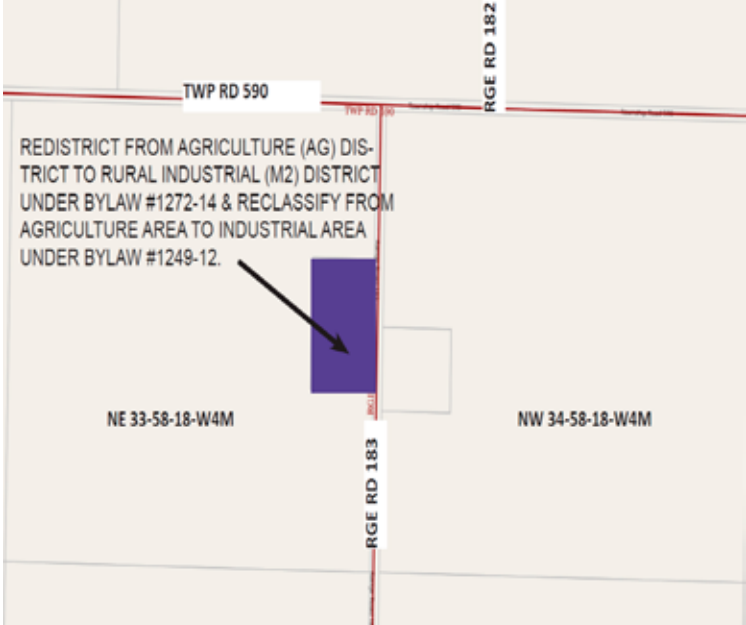
- RCMP received a call of an employee not feeling safe at their current job, resources were provided, investigation on going
- RCMP received numerous calls for collisions
- ****REMINDER WEATHER CHANGE CAUSES ROAD CONDITON CHANGES****
- Reporting that males came on property during the middle of the night near RR 164 and TWP 509, when they seen the cameras they fled
- Break and Enter reports near RR 154A and TWP 585, suspect vehicle is a white truck- no further description
- Break and Enter to a property near Spedden, gates were opened, doors to property were left open, under investigation
- Stolen semi truck- Peterbilt Conventional AB Marker: CNC8930 black in color taken from the Victoria Trail area
- Crime Prevention- member spoke with a young lady about posting or sharing explicit photos
- Member attended a 911 hang up at the hospital, accidental
- RCMP responded to a family dispute in the Village of Vilna
- Reports of a Fraud- etransfer, currently under investigating, if unsure don't accept or sent any money
- RCMP assisted EMS with a possible drug overdose, subject was transported to the hospital
- False Alarms
- Intoxicated male at the Northern Lights RV park, arrested and released when sober
- Family Dispute which results in criminal charges
- Numerous driving complaints were taken

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON A CRIME CONTACT THE SMOKY LAKE RCMP AT 780-656-3550 or CRIMESTOPPERS 1-800-222-TIPS(8477).

Smoky Lake County
NOTICE – PUBLIC HEARING
on Proposed Bylaw 1467-24







REDISTRIBUTE FROM AGRICULTURE (AG) DISTRICT TO RURAL INDUSTRIAL (M2) DISTRICT UNDER BYLAW #1272-14 & RECLASSIFY FROM AGRICULTURE AREA TO INDUSTRIAL AREA UNDER BYLAW #1249-12.

TAKE NOTICE THAT in accordance with sections 216.4, 606 & 692 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of Smoky Lake County is giving consideration of Bylaw 1467-24:

- To redistrict the lands legally described as Plan 9121735, Lot A, from Agriculture (AG) District to Rural Industrial (M2) District, under the County's Land Use Bylaw #1272-14; &
- To reclassify the lands legally described as Plan 9121735, Lot A, from Agriculture Area to Industrial Area, under the County's Municipal Development Plan Bylaw #1249-12.

A Statutory Public Hearing will be held in relation to Bylaw 1467-24, both in-person and via videoconference on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 9:15 a.m. (or as soon as practical thereafter) at: Smoky Lake County Council Chambers, 4612 McDougall Drive, Smoky Lake, AB T0A 3C0 or online: <https://video.businessconnect.telus.com/join/121269341> Meeting ID: 121269341 or via phone: 1-844-511-2074

In-person Speakers:
 If you intend on participating in person, you are encouraged to pre-register for the Public Hearing by contacting Legislative Services at 780-656-3730.

Speakers participating through Telus Business Connect videoconference:
 If you wish to speak at the Public Hearing via videoconference, you are asked to register 24 hours prior to the opening of the Public Hearing by contacting Legislative Services at 780-656-3730. This is to ensure that virtual participants receive instructions to access the videoconference.


Requirements for all Speakers:
 All speakers will be given a 5-minute time limit and are encouraged to provide a written copy of their submission in advance of the Public Hearing.

Written Submissions:
 All interested parties are encouraged to express their views by providing a written submission to Legislative Services by email at patti.priest@smokylakecounty.ab.ca.

Persons wishing to view the Bylaw and/or the Public Hearing are invited to attend in person or view the Meeting at the County website at <http://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca> or view the Bylaw <https://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/notices>

Questions? Contact:
 Jordan Ruegg Planning & Development Manager, Smoky Lake County at 780-650-5207 / jruegg@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: By submitting comments on this bylaw, either orally or in writing, the personal information you provide may be recorded in the minutes of the Public Hearing, or otherwise made public. This information is collected in line with section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have any questions, please contact the Smoky Lake County Access and Privacy Officer at 4612 McDougall Drive Box 310, Smoky Lake, AB T0A 3C0, 780-656-3730, or county@smokylakecounty.ab.ca.





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COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS December 17, 2024

Below is a brief summary of decisions made at the December 17, 2024, Regular Council meeting:

Delegation - Thorhild and District Agricultural Society

Council accepted the presentation from the Thorhild and District Agricultural Society for information, and further approved the request from the Thorhild and District Agricultural Society for operating costs for 50% of funding of utilities and insurance expense for a total of \$40,984.

Long Lake Block Wells Survey Follow-up

Council directed Administration to extend the deadline for responses to the Long Lake Block Wells survey to February 3, 2025.

2025 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets

Council approved the amended 2025 Operating Budget, and the 2025 Capital Budget as presented, and further directed Administration to bring forward a 2025 budget summary to a future Council meeting.

Draft Bylaw 16-2024 Water and Wastewater Rates Bylaw

Council gave first reading to draft Bylaw 16-2024 Water and Wastewater Rates.

Request to Waive Application Fees

Council waived the Development Permit Application fee for The Friends of Newbrook Library Society of \$70 and Egremont Community Club of \$200 for their gazebo developments. Council did not waive the Safety Codes fees as requested by The Friends of Newbrook Library Society and Egremont Community Club for their gazebo developments.

Bounty - Beaver and Pocket Gopher Tails

Council increased the bounty to \$40 per beaver tail and \$3 per pocket gopher tail effective January 1, 2025.

Victoria Trail

Council directed Administration to obtain costs of replacing the Victoria Trail signs and bring back to a future Council meeting.

Correspondence for Action - Chair of the Thorhild County Library Board

Council directed Administration to draft a response to the Chair of the Thorhild County Library Board for Council's approval.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY YOUTH GROUP ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

The following community groups received financial assistance through Thorhild County's Youth Group Assistance Grant Program:

Friends of the Newbrook Public Library	\$250
Friends of the Thorhild Library Society	\$250
Newbrook 4-H Beef Builders	\$350
Newbrook Range Riders	\$225
Newbrook Recreational & Agricultural Society	\$350
Radway Readers Society	\$250
Thorhild & District Agricultural Society	\$350
Thorhild Fun Hockey	\$375
Thorhild Minor Ball Association	\$400
Thorhild Minor Hockey Association	\$400
Thorhild Skating Club	\$400
Thorhild Ukrainian Dancing Club	\$325

PROTECT YOUR PETS IN COLD WEATHER

With the cold weather upon us, it's important to consider how frigid temperatures may affect our furry companions. Alberta SPCA lists several precautions we can take to protect pets from the extreme cold. Below are a few tips. For more information, please visit www.albertaspca.org and insert "Pets & Cold Weather" in the search bar.

Provide Extra Food: Pets outdoors in winter need more food for energy to stay warm.

Refresh Water: Frequently replace water or use heated bowls to prevent freezing. Avoid metal bowls that can cause tongues to stick.

Doghouse Safety: Ensure the doghouse is appropriately sized, sturdy, and has proper bedding like straw. Position it away from the wind to minimize chill.

Supervise Outdoor Time: Keep a close eye on pets outside, as those not used to cold can struggle even for short periods.

HAMLET SIDEWALK CLEARING

Help keep our hamlets safe for pedestrians by clearing snow and ice from sidewalks bordering your property, including in front of your driveway. Please avoid placing snow and ice onto the roadway or adjacent properties.

Remember, it is required by Thorhild County's Community Standards Bylaw that snow and ice is removed from any sidewalk within 48 hours after snow and ice has been deposited.

THANK YOU! 2024 CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROGRAM

Thank you to all the individuals, community groups, and businesses who supported the 2024 Christmas Hamper Program this past season! Thorhild County FCSS collected a total of \$23,500 in donations, along with food, toys, gifts, and toiletries.

The photo below features Reeve Janine Paly (far right) with representatives from several donors, including Waste Management of Canada, Thorhild Lions Club, Pembina Pipeline, Thorhild Community Association, Radway Lions Club, North Corridor Co-op, Thorhild Golden Age Drop-In Centre, and ATB.



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- Driveways will be addressed **after** all County roads are cleared
- Driveway plowing consists of one pass in and back out
- Fees and flags must be purchased before the work is done
- Each flag is good for one plow only

Fee:

\$35.00/Flag

\$20.00/Flag for seniors 65+ who are physically living on the property and can provide age verification.

To register for driveway cleaning, sign an easement form and pick up a flag. After the storm, place the flag at the end of your driveway where it can be seen by the grader operator. Visit the County Administration Building at 801 1st Street, Thorhild, to obtain and sign the easement form.



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