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## Aging schools drive push for new K-12 facility in Redwater



**Redwater School**

Originally built in 1951, Redwater School serves Grades 5 to 12 and has undergone multiple additions. The building faces aging infrastructure and significant maintenance needs. **Sturgeon Public Schools photo**



**Ochre Park School**

Built in 1982, Ochre Park School serves students from pre-kindergarten to Grade 4. The facility has design and accessibility limitations and is currently operating below capacity. **Sturgeon Public Schools photo**

**By Shelley Winger**



A proposed school consolidation project in Redwater has been identified as a key infrastructure priority

by Sturgeon Public School Division, as part of its latest capital funding request to the province. The project would

see Ochre Park School and Redwater School combined into a single, newly constructed K-12 facility to be located on the current Redwater School site. The estimated cost of the project is \$34

million, with funding approval from the provincial government still pending.

The proposal aims to address ongoing challenges at both existing schools, including aging infrastructure,

rising maintenance costs, and underutilized space.

Redwater School, originally constructed in 1951 and expanded several times over the years, is currently rated in poor condition.

The facility is projected to require approximately \$8.5 million in deferred maintenance over the next five years. Ochre Park School, built in 1982, is

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## “Once Upon a Skate” brings season to a close



**By Brandie Majeau**

The Thorhild Skating Club wrapped up a memorable season with excitement, hosting their much-an-



ticipated year-end showcase, “Once Upon a Skate,” to a smiling and enthusiastic crowd of family, friends, and community supporters.

The afternoon carried a cheerful but slightly bittersweet air, as the joyful celebration of the skaters’ achievements

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# Sturgeon County issues Spring Breakup Advisory as road conditions deteriorate



**By Haylee Winger**

Sturgeon County officials are warning residents to prepare for rapidly changing road conditions as spring breakup arrives earlier than usual this year.

Warmer temperatures, combined with forecasts of additional rain and snow over the coming weeks, are accelerating the seasonal thaw. Road surfaces may become soft and unstable, with conditions shifting throughout the day

as temperatures rise and fall. Drivers are advised to use caution, especially on rural routes where deterioration can occur quickly.

Crews are actively monitoring roads for issues such as localized washouts and flooding. According to the County, maintenance and emergency response teams are fully deployed to respond to repairs based on urgency. In some cases, temporary road closures may be

necessary. Residents are encouraged to stay informed about current conditions and closures through Sturgeon County's website at <https://www.sturgeoncounty.ca/closures-and-outages/>.

To report an issue, residents are encouraged to call 780-939-8252 from 8:30am-4:30pm, or 780-939-4321 for 24/7 afterhours support. Road concerns can also be reported at <https://transfeedback.sturgeoncounty.ca>.

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# Cultural Art comes together through Gelli Printing Session



Photos courtesy of Smoky Lake FCSS and Newcomer Program

## By Brandie Majeau



On March 18, Smoky Lake FCSS and the Smoky Lake Family Resource Network, in collaboration with the Newcomer Navigator Facilitator, proudly launched their

first Cultural Art Making: Gelli Printing Session. Gelli Printing is a printmaking technique that employs paint, stencils, and a variety of textured materials to produce distinctive, layered designs, making it an accessible and engaging medium

for participants of all skill levels. The session was designed as a beginner-friendly introduction to creative expression, welcoming seven participants to explore the art form in a supportive and inclusive environment. With additional sessions already in the planning stages,

this program is hoped to grow and reach an even broader audience within the community. This initiative was made possible through the SILP (Settlement, Integration and Language Project) Grant. Newcomer Navigator Sukhan Bajaj has championed the use of art as a meaningful

vehicle for cultural connection and community building, bringing creativity, dialogue, and belonging among newcomers and long-time residents alike. A sincere thank you is extended to Studio 28 for their valued partnership in bringing this session to life, and

to the United Church for generously providing the venue. Anyone looking to participate in the workshops again or those who missed out on the Gelli Printing Session are encouraged to watch Smoky Lake's social media pages for upcoming dates and timing for future workshops.

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rated in fair condition but is also facing significant maintenance needs, estimated at \$6.5 million over the same period. Both schools have been identified as having deficiencies related to building design,

accessibility, mechanical and electrical systems, and indoor environmental quality, including natural light and ventilation. The presence of hazardous materials has also been noted. Under the proposed plan, the new school would accommodate

approximately 515 students. Current combined enrolment at the two schools is 398 students. The new facility is expected to operate at about 85 per cent capacity, aligning more closely with current and projected enrolment levels while

allowing space for future growth. According to the division, consolidating the two schools into one modern facility would improve operational efficiency and support expanded programming, staffing flexibility, and student services in the region.

The project is listed as Priority Two in the division's capital plan, alongside other infrastructure requests aimed at addressing facility conditions, enrolment trends, and long-term sustainability. No timeline has been confirmed, as the

project remains subject to provincial funding approval. If approved, the project would mark a significant step toward modernizing educational infrastructure in Redwater and supporting students in the community for decades to come.

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## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS March 24, 2026

Below is a brief summary of decisions made at the March 24, 2026, Regular Council meeting:

### Unfinished Business - 2026 Swimming Pool Rates Policy

Council amended the Community and Recreational Services Schedule of Fees Policy 606 as presented.

### Unfinished Business - Hamlet of Thorhild Business Entrance Sign

Council directed Administration to proceed with removing a section of the Thorhild Business Entrance Sign and provide the information on this at a future Council meeting.

### Unfinished Business - Traffic Calming, Hamlet of Radway

Council directed Administration to proceed with option five to implement traffic control by changing the intersection of 50th Street and 50th Avenue in the Hamlet of Radway from a two-way stop to a four-way stop with funds to come from accumulated surplus with a maximum budget of \$2,500.

### Delegation - Thorhild and District Agricultural Society

Council accepted the presentation from the Thorhild and District Agricultural Society for information, and further directed Administration to bring back a draft lease agreement for the Thorhild and District Agricultural Societies proposed use of Lot 072 5210 2 2 NW-5-60-21-W4 to a future Council meeting.

### Delegation - Redwater RCMP

Council accepted the presentation from Redwater RCMP for information.

### Borderlands Mutual Aid Agreement

Council directed Reeve Trevor Dafoe and CAO Ryan Maier to sign the extension to the Borderlands Mutual Aid Agreement.

### Thorhild County Integrity Management Program

Council adopted the Integrity Management Program, as revised from time to time, as a guideline in operating and maintaining the County's gas distribution system.

### Thorhild County Quality Management Plan

Council accepted the attached Thorhild County Gas Utility Quality Management Plan and authorized the Reeve to sign on behalf of Thorhild County.

### Thorhild County Safety and Loss Management System

Council approved the Thorhild County Safety and Loss Management System.

### Correspondence for Action - Thorhild Community Association

Council approved funding in the amount of \$500 for the Thorhild Community Association Stampede event on July 1, 2026 and for the funds to come from the Community Allowance.

### Correspondence for Action - Town of Redwater

Council authorized Councillor Scott Nedeljak, Councillor Neil Halun, and Deputy Reeve Angela Zilinski, to attend the Town of Redwater Mayor's Breakfast on April 10, 2026.

### Correspondence for Information - Northeast Alberta Alliance for Growth and Opportunity

Council directed Administration to provide a link to the Fair Electricity Distribution Alliance website on Thorhild County's website and social media pages.

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- Couples combined income up to \$45,000
- Families with a combined income up to \$52,500

### Taxes will be completed during April by appointments on the following dates:

- Monday, April 13, 2026 10 am-3 pm
- Friday, April 17 10 am-3 pm
- Tuesday, April 28 10 am-3 pm

To book an appointment or for information please call Kelly at 780-398-3741 ext. 2820.

## ROAD BAN IN EFFECT

Road Order 01-2026 comes into effect on **April 2, 2026**, defining 75% axle weight restrictions on select municipal roads. These restrictions are necessary to preserve the integrity and lifespan of municipal roadways.

Visit the homepage at [www.thorhildcounty.com](http://www.thorhildcounty.com) to find Road Order 01-2026 and related weight restriction details.

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## ARE YOU A SMALL BUSINESS IN THORHILD COUNTY?

### Then you may qualify for the Non-Residential Small Business Property Sub-Class

The Owner of the Non-Residential Property must apply by the **April 30, 2026** deadline to receive the Small Business Property Sub-Class Tax Rate for your 2026 property taxes.

Obtain your application online at [www.thorhildcounty.com](http://www.thorhildcounty.com) or in person at the County office (801-1st Street, Thorhild, AB).

For further details call the Tax Clerk at 780-398-3741 ext. 2822; [taxes@thorhildcounty.com](mailto:taxes@thorhildcounty.com) or visit [www.thorhildcounty.com](http://www.thorhildcounty.com), then click on the Services tab > Corporate Services > Assessment & Property Taxes > Tax Rates, then click on "2026 Non-Residential Small Business Sub Class Declaration"

## SEEKING BOARD MEMBER

Thorhild County is seeking a public member to join the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB). Please submit your application in writing, expressing your interest and relevant experience, by 12:00 PM on April 22, 2026.

Board	Frequency	Members Required	Contact
<b>Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB)</b> The SDAB hears subdivision and development permit appeals and stop work order appeals. <i>Successful completion of mandatory training is required.</i>	When required	One	Carol Revega Email: <a href="mailto:Carol.Revega@thorhildcounty.com">Carol.Revega@thorhildcounty.com</a> Ph: 780-398-3741 ext. 2808

## DISCRETIONARY USE PERMIT ISSUED – APPEAL BY APRIL 14, 2026

Take notice that the Municipal Planning Commission for Thorhild County has approved the following Development Application:

- i. Legal Description: Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 0828507 within NW 14-58-20-W4
- Land Use Designation: AG - Agricultural District
- Proposal: For the approval of a Private Recreational Vehicle (RV) Campground consisting of not more than four (4) permanent sites but would allow invited guests to visit the four permanent RV sites only and approval for an existing unpermitted 8.5 x 15 foot storage shed and subsequent electrical permit approval for the Campground as required by a Safety Codes approval.
- Division: 1
- Permit #: DP25-2705

**Date of Decision: March 24, 2026; Appeal by: 4:00 PM, April 14, 2026**

### Additional Information:

For additional information regarding this permit, please contact Manager of Planning and Development David Blades at 780-398-3741 Ext. 2825 or email: [David.Blades@thorhildcounty.com](mailto:David.Blades@thorhildcounty.com).

### Appeal Information:

If you wish to appeal this decision, you must appeal to the following appeal body (see below for details):

### Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB).

Appeals must be filed with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board via email at [carol.revega@thorhildcounty.com](mailto:carol.revega@thorhildcounty.com) or via mail to Thorhild County, P. O. Box 10, 801 - 1st Street, Thorhild, AB, T0A 3J0. Telephone enquiries can also be made to the Planning & Development Department at 780-398-3741. Pursuant to Section 686 (1) of the Municipal Government Act, an appeal may be commenced by filing a notice of appeal within 21 days of the decision date. Please note that there is a \$200.00 fee for any appeal.

## EASTER HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

The Thorhild County Administration and Public Works offices will be closed **April 3, 2026 for Good Friday and April 6 for Easter Monday.** Offices will reopen Tuesday, April 7, 2026. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Easter weekend.



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**Where:** Newthorad Seniors Housing Foundation (Thorhild Lodge)

**When:** Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 1:00-3:00pm

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**Requirements/Qualifications**

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- Be fit to work, and available on weekends (rotational weekend work).
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- **Willingness to work rotations (including afternoons, overnight and some weekends).**
- Front End Loader and Asphalt Dryer experience considered an asset.

**Additional Information:**

- As this is a safety sensitive position, pre-employment D&A testing will be required.
- Starting wage: \$24-\$27 / hour (depending on experience)

**How to apply:**

Submit your resume referencing **"TPL-MOR-OP"**  
Drop off in Person: **9503 - 87 Ave. Morinville**  
Email: [Morinville.order@quikrete.ca](mailto:Morinville.order@quikrete.ca)

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# PUZZLES

SEE SOLUTIONS PAGE 15

## SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

### Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

## CROSSWORDS

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### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## Crossword Clues

### CLUES ACROSS

- Absence of difficulty
- Preserve a dead body
- Gratitude
- The act of coming together again
- More cushy
- Visionaries
- Large fish-eating bird
- Indicates near
- Former CIA and CIA critic
- Icelandic poems
- Pop
- Hammer is one
- Selfs
- Thyroid-stimulating hormone
- Nowhere to be found
- Electronic data processing

### CLUES DOWN

- Body part
- Mimics
- Expel or eject (variant sp.)
- Sea eagle
- Taxonomic category
- Chinese languages
- Mr. T's "A-Team" character
- Consumed
- Chinese dynasty
- NFL legend Randy
- Ireland
- Palm trees with creeping roots
- Fungal disease
- Tall, slender-leaved plants
- Affirmative! (slang)
- It says who you are
- Atlantic coast state
- Grow older
- Associations
- Woman (French)
- Sunscreen rating
- Brew
- Leader
- Indigo bush genus
- Burn with a hot liquid
- Junior's father
- Mackerel genus
- Morning
- Straight line from side to side (abbr.)
- Type of molding
- Small, thin or twisted bunch
- Worn by exposure to the weather
- Mars crater
- Humanities
- Relating to the ears
- "To the \_\_ degree"
- Residue when something is burned
- It cools a home

## HOROSCOPE

### ARIES

(March 21 - April 20)



Your confidence is at an all-time high, Aries. This is the week to pitch an idea or finally send that text you've been mulling over. The universe is backing your bold moves.

### TAURUS

(April 21 - May 21)



Taurus, this week you're entering a cycle of "treat yourself." You deserve it right now, so enjoy. Whether it's a brunch out with friends or a mental health day, lean into the experience.

### GEMINI

(May 22 - June 21)



Expect a random invitation to create a new connection, Gemini. Your wit is extra sharp this week, so use it to charm the room. Your social calendar is likely to fill up.

### CANCER

(June 22 - July 22)



Cancer, the things you have been visualizing are about to materialize. You might feel an urge to organize your space or redecorate. Jump on that opportunity this week.

### LEO

(July 23 - August 23)



Leo, you have been feeling underappreciated lately, but that ends soon. Expect a moment when your unique talents become the star of the show. It's a great week for travel.

### VIRGO

(August 24 - September 22)



Virgo, a puzzle that you have been trying to solve finally clicks into place. You are moving among different social circles and it can be tricky to balance it all.

### LIBRA

(September 23 - October 23)



Libra, harmony is an ideal to aspire to this week. If there has been any tension in your circle, you are able to help dissolve it quickly. This is prime time for a date night or friends' dinner.

### SCORPIO

(October 24 - November 22)



Scorpio, people are drawn to you this week, and you have that certain something that is impossible to ignore. Use this influence wisely.

### SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)



This week you're in the mood to see what happens and let fate take the lead. Letting go of control might put you in a very fun situation, Sagittarius.

### CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)



This week you are ticking off your to-do list with amazing efficiency, Capricorn. The real magic happens when you sign off of work and head home to great news.

### AQUARIUS

(January 21 - February 18)



Aquarius, you are thinking light years ahead of everyone else right now. Share your ideas, however unusual they may be and see who is along for the ride.

### PISCES

(February 19 - March 20)



The universe is making you choose whether to enjoy financial riches or riches of the heart this week, Pisces. It can be a tough choice to make, so give it some time.

## LOVE FISHING WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

### WORDS

- ANGLER
- BAG
- BAIT

BOBBER

CAST

CATCH

CHUMMING

DRAG

FISHING

HOOK

JIGGING

LEADER

LIMIT

LURE

RELEASE

SIGHT

SINKER

SKUNKED

SPAWNING

STRIKE

STRUCTURE

TACKLE

TERMINAL

TROLLING



By Brandie Majeau

Thorhild Central School marked Pi Day this year in deliciously memorable fashion, as the graduating class of 2026 organized a school-wide celebration that brought students and staff together for an afternoon of laughter, friendly competition, and, of course, pie. The event featured around a spirited pie-eating contest featuring several of the school's bravest teachers, who stepped up to the challenge in front of an excited and cheering student audience. After the dust (and whipped cream) had settled, students who correctly voted for the winners were rewarded with the opportunity to throw pie at the victors. A special

congratulations goes out to Mr. Klein and his team, who claimed victory on the day. Both Mr. Klein and Mr. Purin accepted their well-deserved fate with grace and good humour, taking the pies squarely in stride.

The event was a fitting tribute to a celebration that has grown far beyond its mathematical roots. Pi Day is observed each year on March 14, a date that mirrors the first three digits of pi, the mathematical constant representing the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. While often rounded to 3.14, the digits of pi actually continue forever without repeating,



making it one of the most fascinating numbers in terms of mathematics.

The origins of Pi Day trace back to 1988, when physicist Larry Shaw organized the first celebration at the San Francisco Exploratorium, where he worked, with the goal of making mathematics more relatable and fun. The idea quickly spread among schools, teachers, and math enthusiasts around the world. In March 2009, the U.S.

House of Representatives officially recognized March 14 as National Pi Day, passing a resolution that encouraged schools to teach their students about pi and to "engage them about mathematics." In

2019, UNESCO further elevated the occasion by designating March 14 as the International Day of Mathematics.

For students, Pi Day offers a chance to see math from a different perspective.

Rather than viewing numbers as difficult, the day turns mathematics into a fun challenge, whether through memorizing

the digits of pi, measuring circles, or, as Thorhild Central School demonstrated, engaging in a little friendly pie-eating and pie throwing. Schools across the country mark the occasion with pi-recitation contests, circle-themed games, and, naturally, plenty of pie.

Thorhild Central

School's celebration was a fun and light-hearted example of how a school community can come together to make learning both meaningful, a little silly and a lot of fun. The graduating class of 2026 is to be commended for planning an event that will no doubt be remembered long after the last pie was thrown.



## Bill 18 and the debate over who can choose

By Brandie Majeau



In a move that has ignited fierce debate from hospital corridors to the halls of Parliament, Alberta Premier Danielle Smith's government tabled sweeping new legislation that would dramatically curtail access to medical assistance in dying (MAID) in the province and potentially reshape the national conversation on assisted dying.

Formally titled the Safeguards for Last Resort Termination of Life Act, Bill 18 represents one of the

most significant provincial challenges to Canada's MAID framework since the practice was legalized in 2016.

At its core, the legislation would restrict MAID eligibility in Alberta to those whose natural death has been determined to be "reasonably foreseeable", defined explicitly as likely to occur within 12 months.

The bill goes further. In a rural media roundtable meeting on March 24, Minister Mickey Amery explained that it would ban MAID for anyone whose sole underlying condition is a mental illness, prohibit

advance requests for MAID, and bar doctors and nurse practitioners from referring patients out-of-province for MAID assessments. Health professionals who violate the provincial rules could face mandatory sanctions, including the potential loss of their licence to practice. The legislation would prevent medical professionals from raising MAID as an option unless a patient brings it up first, and would prohibit health facilities, including hospitals, clinics, and continuing care homes, from publicly displaying any information about MAID. The Smith

government's rationale is rooted in both alarm over rising MAID numbers and a desire to get ahead of anticipated federal expansions to the program.

Premier Smith has argued that MAID should not become a default response to crisis or despair or to conditions that can improve with proper care and time.

Alberta's bill arrives against a backdrop of rapidly rising MAID deaths across Canada. According to Health Canada's Sixth Annual Report on MAID, a total of 16,499 people died through the program in 2024 which is a 6.9 per cent increase

from the 15,427 deaths recorded in 2023. Since MAID was legalized in 2016, more than 76,000 Canadians have died through the program. MAID now accounts for 5.1 per cent of all deaths in Canada (roughly one in every 20) placing Canada second only to the Netherlands in MAID deaths as a percentage of overall deaths. Almost half of all MAID recipients in 2024 reported feeling like a burden on family, friends, or caregivers which is a concerning figure that advocacy groups say should give legislators serious pause.

The legislation drew

immediate support from disability rights organizations, who argue that Canada's expanded MAID eligibility has put vulnerable people at risk. However, not everyone views the legislation as a lifeline. Opponents argue that Bill 18 represents a profound assault on patient autonomy, privacy, and constitutional rights.

However, Minister Mickey Amery spoke of addressing obvious gaps in the system, explaining that the option of finality should be a last resort and that "there is no going back when mistakes are made" in the case of MAID.

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## Smoky Lake RCMP – Serious Collision on Highway 28

On March 20, 2026, at approximately 10:45 p.m., Smoky Lake RCMP, along with the County of Smoky Lake Fire Department, responded to a serious multi-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 28 and Range Road 190. Initial findings indicate that a westbound Dodge Ram crossed the centre line and collided with an oncoming SUV. Following the initial impact, a semi-truck subsequently struck the unoccupied Dodge Ram, which had come to rest on the roadway. All individuals involved in the collision were transported to hospitals in Edmonton for medical assessment and treatment. The extent of injuries is not being released at this time. Highway 28 was temporarily closed to traffic while an RCMP Traffic Analyst conducted a detailed examination of the scene. Smoky Lake RCMP is working in collaboration with the Criminal Collision Investigation Team (CCIT). The investigation remains ongoing and alcohol is believed to be a factor. Further updates will be provided as information becomes available.



# Heartfelt Thank You

From all of us at the Redwater Fellowship of Churches Food Bank, we would like to thank all those private citizens, corporate organizations, and businesses for their time, groceries, home grown produce, and monetary donations provided to the Food Bank in 2025, including those that donated food or money at various functions and community bins. Our raffle was a success due to the support of all who purchased tickets. We were able to provide assistance to over 2800 people within our communities throughout the year. We are grateful for your continued support and for always remembering us.

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### April Meetings and Important Dates

Meeting schedule is subject to change. Members of the public are welcome to observe or listen in. For teleconference details and links to the livestream, click on the meetings notice in the following locations:

- Council Meetings:** [SturgeonCounty.ca/CouncilMeetings](http://SturgeonCounty.ca/CouncilMeetings)
- Board and Committee Meetings:** [SturgeonCounty.ca/Boards](http://SturgeonCounty.ca/Boards)
- Public Hearings:** [SturgeonCounty.ca/Notices](http://SturgeonCounty.ca/Notices)

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	April 2	2:00 PM
<i>Holiday Closure - Good Friday</i>	<i>April 3</i>	<i>Closed</i>
<i>Holiday Closure - Easter Monday</i>	<i>April 6</i>	<i>Closed</i>
Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	April 7	2:00 PM
Regular Council/Committee of the Whole	April 14	9:00 AM
Agricultural Service Board	April 15	9:00 AM
Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	April 21	2:00 PM
Regular Council/Committee of the Whole	April 28	9:00 AM

## PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw 1700/25 Resource Extraction Regulation Amendments

### Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1700/25.

An extraction operator wants to amend the setback regulations that were implemented in 2023. While the standard setbacks for resource extraction to surrounding dwellings would remain, there would be no defined setback for a dwelling:

1. located on the parcel being extracted
2. on lands owned by the operator
3. with written landowner consent for a reduced setback
4. constructed after the land was redistricted for resource extraction

Proposed change #3 would re-introduce private operator and landowner agreements that were used before 2023.

A bylaw is needed to amend the Land Use Bylaw, and a public hearing must be held.

**View the proposed Bylaw at [sturgeoncounty.ca/public-hearing-bylaw-1700-25](http://sturgeoncounty.ca/public-hearing-bylaw-1700-25)**

### Public Hearing details

The Public Hearing will be held in person and via videoconference on: **Tuesday, April 14, 2026 @ 1 p.m.** (or as soon as practical thereafter) at Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St., Morinville)

### Questions? Contact us!

**Jonathan Heemsker**  
Planning and Development  
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[jheemsker@sturgeoncounty.ca](mailto:jheemsker@sturgeoncounty.ca)

### Important information about Public Hearings

#### Requirements for speakers

All speakers have five minutes to speak and are encouraged to provide a written copy of their submission before the Public Hearing.

#### Speaking in person

To speak at the Public Hearing in person, contact Legislative Services at 780-939-8029 to pre-register.

#### Speak via videoconference

To speak at the Public Hearing via videoconference, you must register by **April 13, 2026 at 1 p.m.** by contacting Legislative Services at 780-939-8029. This ensures you receive instructions to access the videoconference.

#### Written submissions

Email your written submission to Legislative Services at [legislativeservices@sturgeoncounty.ca](mailto:legislativeservices@sturgeoncounty.ca). Written submissions are accepted up to the close of the Public Hearing.

If making a written submission, you must include your name, state your interest in the matter, and indicate if you are in favour of or opposed to the proposed bylaw.

#### Watching the Public Hearing

You can view the Public Hearing in person or online at [sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings](http://sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings). To view the livestream, click on the meeting date on the calendar, then click on the video link.

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 under section 4(c) of the Protection of Privacy Act (PPA). If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of your personal information, please contact the Sturgeon County Access and Privacy Advisor at 780-939-1306 or [accessandprivacy@sturgeoncounty.ca](mailto:accessandprivacy@sturgeoncounty.ca).



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**April 1, 2025. 7:00 pm**  
**At Thorhild Hall**  
**New members needed!**

The TCA organizes the Thorhild Stampede and maintains the Thorhild Community Hall

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 was also a reminder that another season had come to a close. Coaches and organizers beamed with pride as skater after skater took to the ice, delivering performances that reflected months of hard work, dedication, and growth.

Throughout the competitive season, the Thorhild figure skaters distinguished themselves at every turn. Skaters of all ages and skill levels

rose to the occasion, earning praise not only for their technical progress but for the heart and effort they brought to every performance. The youngest skaters, many still mastering their footing on the ice, drew sincere cheers and applause from the audience as they showcased their blossoming talent and undeniable enthusiasm.

The club's older and more experienced skaters set a powerful example

for those coming up and graceful routines we saw, the transformation has been incredible. We are beyond proud of their achievements. Congratulations to our skaters on a spectacular finish!"

As the season draws to a close, the Thorhild Skating Club looks back with pride on what was an outstanding year, and forward with excitement to what next season will bring. Registration for the fall program will open in August.

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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**ELECTIONS TO BE HELD FOR 3 POSITIONS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

Nominations for directors will now open.  
 Deadline Date **April 7, 2026**

**MEETING TO BE HELD AT CORONADO UNITED CHURCH**  
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To register, please contact our office by April 20, 2026, at 780 942 2786.  
**ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!**

## Smoky Lake RCMP Report

By **Haylee winger**



The Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment responded to a wide range of calls for service during the week of March 16, including traffic incidents, public safety concerns, and property-related investigations across the region.

Police dealt with several motor vehicle occurrences, including a single-vehicle collision on Highway 28 in which alcohol was a factor. Provincial sanctions were issued and the vehicle was seized. Members also attended a single-vehicle rollover at the intersection of Highway 857 and Township Road 482, where no

injuries were reported.

RCMP are currently investigating a serious head-on collision on Highway 28, where alcohol is believed to be a possible contributing factor.

Traffic-related complaints included reports of numerous dogs on Highway 652 and an injured dog seen walking along the highway near Spedden. Officers also responded to a report of a large pothole or sinkhole in the west-bound lane of Highway 28 near Range Road 161; Alberta Transportation officials were notified.

In Waskatenau, members addressed an abandoned vehicle that had been parked on a street

since the fall of 2005. The vehicle was confirmed not stolen and arrangements were made to have it towed. Police are also investigating a break-in at a local church.

Other calls included a suspicious vehicle on Range Road 155, which was determined to involve a driver who had received incorrect GPS coordinates for a job site, and a report of a suspicious person in Vilna.

RCMP responded to several general assistance calls, including a mental health-related incident, a 911 hang-up, and a request for a wellbeing check. A complaint of a possible breach of a court order was investigated and found to be unfounded.

Members also assisted the St. Paul RCMP Detachment in recovering a burned vehicle near Goodfish Lake First Nation.

Additional files included a false alarm at the Vilna Fire Hall, a report of suspected impaired driving where the vehicle was located parked but no driver could be identified, a theft of copper wire from a pipeline site along Victoria Trail, and a civil matter involving the sale of puppies.

The Smoky Lake RCMP encourage anyone with information about criminal activity to contact the detachment at 780-656-3550 or submit tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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# Sturgeon County's March 10 Council Meeting

**Press Release**

**Proclamations**

Council proclaimed March 21, 2026, as International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination in Sturgeon County.

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Alberta Municipal Affairs – Town of Gibbons Viability Review Presentation**

Council accepted the Alberta Municipal Affairs Town of Gibbons Viability Review presentation as information. Sturgeon County is an active partner in the province's expedited viability review of the Town of Gibbons.

**Public Hearing – Bylaw 1698/25 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Redistricting a Portion of NW, SW, NE & SE 30-56-26-4 from AG – Agriculture District to DC25 – Direct Control District 25**

Council held a public hearing to receive submissions regarding Bylaw 1698/25, a

proposed land redistricting from Agriculture District (AG) to a Direct Control District 25 (DC25) to provide a range of residential, agricultural, institutional and other uses associated with a communal farming colony.

Based on new information presented at the meeting, Council recessed the public hearing and will continue to receive submissions from the public regarding this application.

**Bylaw 1701/25 – Century Hills Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Redistricting a Portion of NE-13-54-25-W4M from AG to R7, C3, PU, and POS Districts**

Council received the amended Century Hills Outline Plan as information.

Council defeated Bylaw 1701/25, which would have permitted the redistricting a portion of NE-13-54-25-W4M from an Agriculture District (AG) to Transitional

Valley Residential (R7), Neighbourhood Commercial (C3), Public Utility (PU) and Public/Private Open Space (POS) Districts, allowing the development of a multi-lot development within Century Hills.

**Bylaw 1700/25 – Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 – Resource Extraction Regulations – First Reading**

Council gave first reading of Bylaw 1700/25; this proposal would make an amendment to the Resource Extraction Regulations in the Land Use Bylaw, focusing specifically on setback requirements, landowner agreements, and what triggers the need for future operations to redistrict land to the Resource Extraction Direct Control (RE-DC) District.

**Public Sponsorship Policy**

Council approved the Public Sponsorship

Policy as presented. This Policy establishes the framework by which Sturgeon County both provides and receives sponsorship, ensuring sponsorships are managed consistently, transparently, and align with County values.

**Sturgeon County's Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Community Policing Priorities for 2026**

Council approved the proposal that Sturgeon County's RCMP community policing priorities for 2026 include reducing property crime, increasing policing visibility, and reducing persons crimes per the What We Heard report.

**Bylaw 1708/26 – Repeal of Bylaw 1259/11 – Sierra Ridge and Riverside Springs Development Area Off-Site Levy Bylaw – First Reading**

Council gave first reading of Bylaw 1708/26; this proposal would repeal the Sierra Ridge and Riverside

Springs Development Area Off-Site Levy (Bylaw 1259/11). This bylaw was passed in 2011, which potentially provides an inaccurate picture of the cost of development in the area and creating financial risk for the county. The bylaw will be advertised and affected stakeholders engaged before Council considers further readings of the bylaw.

**Committee Of The Whole**

**CanWest Solar Development Corporation Presentation**

The Committee received the CanWest Solar Development Corporation presentation as information. Concerns about solar farm development and the potential loss of agricultural land were expressed to the project proponents. It is important to note that solar farms are regulated by the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), and its regulatory

authority takes precedence over County permitting.

**Morinville RCMP Detachment Priorities and Quarterly Update**

The Committee received the Morinville RCMP Detachment March 10, 2026 Quarterly Update presentation as information.

**Redwater RCMP Detachment Priorities and Quarterly Update**

The Committee received Redwater RCMP Detachment March 10, 2026 Quarterly Update presentation as information.

**Fort Saskatchewan RCMP Detachment Priorities and Quarterly Update**

The Committee received the Fort Saskatchewan RCMP Detachment March 10, 2026 Quarterly Update presentation as information.

**Lacombe Research and Development Centre Support Request Letter**

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Thorhild County has approved the 2026 dust control program for residents residing adjacent to a gravel County Road. Residents may apply to have a minimum of 100 meters of:

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**Deadline May 1st, 2026**

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**How does radon get into your home?** Radon gas is produced from uranium decaying underground. The air pressure inside your home is usually lower than the surrounding soil, which draws air and other gases, including radon, up and into the home. All homes in Canada have radon, but levels vary from one house to another—the only way to know your home's level is to test.

**Why is radon gas dangerous?** The danger comes when it's allowed to build up high levels indoors. Exposure to high levels of radon increases the risk of lung

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- Put the device on the lowest lived-in level of the home, such as a finished basement, family room or playroom.
- Use a flat surface, or hang it on the wall or from the ceiling,




keeping it between half a metre and two metres off the floor.


- Avoid installing it near windows, vents, doors and exterior walls. Don't put the device in kitchens, laundry rooms, closets or unfinished basements.
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74 ACRES OF LAND

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**Contact Bill: 780-235-4024.**

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The Committee received a letter from Lacombe County requesting a letter of support from Sturgeon County Council urging the federal government to reverse the closure of the Lacombe Research and Development Centre (LRDC).

### Fast facts about land use bylaw amendments and public hearings

View our webpage about land use planning and community engagement.

View our interactive regulations map.

At Sturgeon County, before Council gets public feedback on a proposed land use bylaw amendment, it gives the proposed bylaw first reading. This does not mean Council supports the bylaw; this allows the proposed bylaw to go to the next stage of the bylaw process, which is gathering public input.

Public hearings, along with other public notices, are promoted on the public notices page on the Sturgeon County website as well as in local newspapers, on

social media, and on road signs in accordance with the new Sturgeon County Public Notification Bylaw.

Public hearings are open to any members of the public to view or provide input.

Viewing the public hearing: You can view the hearing in-person or via livestream at [sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings](http://sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings)

Making a written submission: you can provide a written submission by email up to the close of the public hearing.

Speaking at the public hearing: you

can provide a statement at the public hearing in person or via videoconference. You are encouraged to pre-register to speak in-person at the public hearing. If you wish to speak via videoconference, you must register at least 24 hours prior to the opening of the public hearing. Register by contacting Legislative Services at 780-939-8029.

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