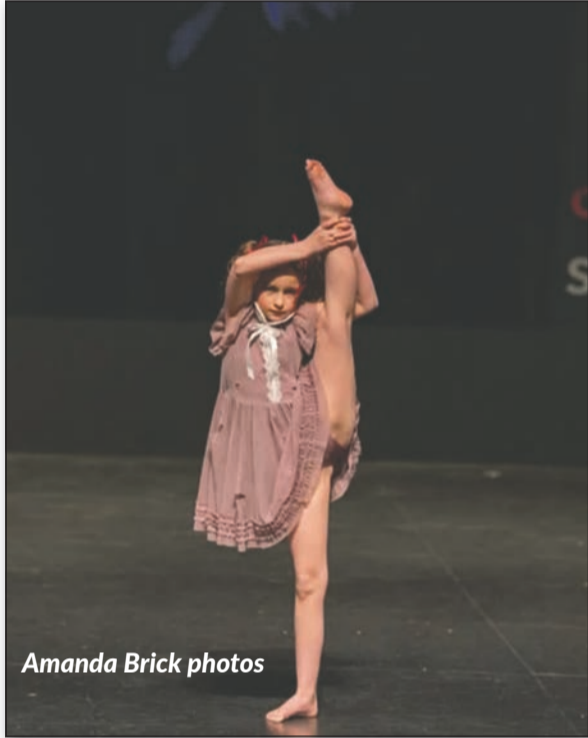




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Redwater dancer to represent Team Canada at World Championships in Ireland



Amanda Brick photos



Redwater dancer Emma Brick performs during competition. The 10-year-old recently earned the opportunity to represent Team Canada at the World Championships in Ireland this July.



Redwater dancer Emma Brick, 10, proudly holds her World Performers Canada invitation after earning the opportunity to represent Team Canada at the World Championships in Ireland this July.



By **Shelley Winger**

At just 10 years old, Redwater's Emma Brick is preparing for the opportunity of a lifetime after earning the chance to represent Team Canada at the

World Championships in Ireland this July.

Emma, who has been dancing since she was just two-and-a-half years old, trains at Maddy's Dance Company and competes in multiple dance genres including Acro, Contemporary, Lyrical, Jazz, Modern, Ballet

and Open.

Her mother, Amanda Brick, said Emma's love for dance and dedication to training have helped her reach an elite level of competition at a young age.

Over the past year, Emma has spent approximately 20 hours each week training in

the studio, while also continuing to practice and perfect her routines at home. "She works incredibly hard and truly loves what she does," Amanda said.

Emma was originally invited to compete at Worlds for Acro after receiving an invitation

directly on stage during a dance competition last spring.

"She was beyond excited and so honoured," Amanda explained. "She couldn't believe she was invited."

After earning her first invitation, Emma auditioned for additional categories and

successfully earned spots in Jazz and Contemporary as well. Ultimately, the family decided to add Contemporary alongside her Acro performances in Ireland.

For Emma, each dance style offers

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Thorhild museum receives generous donation



By **Brandie Majeau**

On May 12, 2026, the Thorhild District Historical Society and Museum welcomed a significant boost for its ongoing preservation projects. Larry Hrynchuk, a board member of the Kalyna Country Ecomuseum, presented a \$2,000 donation to Irene Rettman and Joanne Fedun, representatives of the Thorhild Museum, on behalf of the Kalyna Country Ecomuseum Trust Society. Fedun shared that her Uncle

Mike was among the founding members of Kalyna Country, making the occasion especially meaningful.

Hrynchuk is known for his dedication not only to the Thorhild District Historical Society and Museum but to several local museums, including Redwater. He regularly supports community fundraisers, such as the popular meals organized by the Thorhild District Historical Society and Museum. This donation arose from surplus funds within the Kalyna Country Ecomuseum Trust Society that had not yet



Irene Rettman and Joanne Fedun graciously accept a \$2000 donation from Kalyna Country, represented by Larry Hrynchuk, for the Thorhild Museum digitalization project.

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Grade 4 Thorhild Central students participated in a hands-on project making infused vinegar using orange peels and spruce tips. The activity helped students learn that plants have different structures and uses and can be applied for specific purposes. Students also discussed sustainable harvesting practices during the project. As part of the process, used jars were collected and reused instead of being thrown away. Earlier in the year, students learned what can and cannot be composted. While orange peels are not accepted in the school's composting system, students explored how they can still be repurposed in other ways.

Thorhild Central School photo



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been allocated. When the Society reached out to the Thorhild Museum to inquire about any major projects, they learned about an ambitious plan, digitizing the museum's extensive video collection.

The Thorhild Museum possesses over 240 videos that are historical interviews conducted by Ed Polansky at the turn of the millennium, capturing stories from area residents about immigration, both World Wars, and the region's development. Rettman stated bluntly, these tapes are "almost worthless" in their current

format, as the technology to play them is becoming obsolete. The museum's goal is to transfer these valuable recordings into digital copies, ensuring their preservation for future generations and making them accessible to visitors once again.

The estimated cost of this digitization project exceeds \$10,000. Thanks to the recent \$2,000 donation from Kalyna Country and a previous contribution

of \$3,500 from Waste Management, the Thorhild District Historical Society and Museum is energized to continue fundraising efforts. Board members and supporters hope that their commitment will inspire community involvement and additional contributions, so these irreplaceable local histories can be safeguarded and shared for years to come.



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NOTICE OF DECISION OF MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED – May 6, 2026

Take notice that the following permit(s) for a proposed development as described below have been approved in accordance with the Town of Redwater Land Use Bylaw PD-01-2023 as amended from time to time:

Permit Number: DPR2026-007
Legal Description: Lot 25, Block 24, Plan 7820086
Civic Address: 5155 49 St.
Land Use: Residential Low Density District (R-LD)
Discretionary Use: Home Based Business, Major

Additional Conditions:

1. The business may operate Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 pm.
2. No employees other than residents of the dwelling.
3. The applicant is responsible for obtaining any applicable building, electrical, plumbing and gas permits from Superior Safety Codes– Safety Codes Officers for the Town of Redwater, 1-866-999-4777.
4. The Applicant is responsible for obtaining any other required approvals and permits, federal, provincial or otherwise.

Permit Number: DPR2026-008
Legal Description: Lot 23, Block 5, Plan 7621363
Civic Address: 6012 53 Ave
Land Use: Residential Low Density District (R-LD)
Discretionary Use: Urban Hens

Additional Conditions:

1. Certification of completion of the Urban Hen 101 Workshop offered by Alberta Farm Animal Care (AFAC) Course, or similar to be provided by the applicant.
2. An approved Premises Identification (PID) under the Alberta Health Act. The applicant must comply with any other requirements as outlined in Land Use Bylaw PD-01-2023. Copy of PID to be provided by the applicant.
3. Any activity related to the upkeep or daily operations of the Urban Hen Development that may cause abnormal noise levels must be conducted in an enclosed space, and appropriate sound insulating measures must be employed.
4. The Applicant is required to ensure that any outdoor lighting does not trespass on to adjacent properties or the adjacent lane.
5. The selling of eggs is not permitted.
6. The Applicant is responsible for obtaining any other required approvals and permits, federal, provincial or otherwise.

Additional Information: For additional information regarding these permit(s), please contact the Development Officer at (780) 942-3519, devofficer@redwater.ca.

Appeal: The following information is provided as required by Section 685(1.1) of the Municipal Government Act. Any appeal of this decision shall be filed with the Clerk of the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (ISDAB), 4924 47th Street-Box 397, Redwater, Alberta T0A 2W0 (780-942-3519 ext. 250), within twenty-one (21) days after the date of notice.

Appeal Fee - \$ 300.00

Access to Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act

If you submit comments, either orally or in writing, the information you provide may be recorded, or otherwise made public, subject to the provisions of the Access to Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act.

A surprise collection hiding in plain sight



Two White Wolves' sits outside his home at Thorhild Lodge after he shared stories about his rock collection.



By **Brandie Majeau**

Two White Wolves has fully embraced his Native heritage, drawing strength and inspiration from his Cherokee, Apache, Lakota, and Spanish ancestry. Deeply connected to both his roots and the land, he has discovered a profound passion for amateur geology and paleontology. His fascination with the natural world began at the young age of eight, with his collecting journey starting in 1977. “Sparkly things just catch my eye,” he explained. Over the years, he has explored the riverbanks of the Red Deer River, the hills of Grand Cache, and the ditches of Drumheller in search of historical artifacts. Two White Wolves has also found success at abandoned ghost towns, where history lingers in the

soil. While some discoveries are kept as cherished pieces, others have been thoughtfully passed on to new owners.

Currently, he notes, his collection features a hammer stone, a killing stone, and a hair cutter rock, which he estimates date back to 4000 BC. The hammer stone was traditionally used for softening hides for clothing and teepees, while, as Two White Wolves’ notes with characteristic candor, the killing stone “is self-explanatory,” remarking on its ancient bloodstains. Among his collection are also trading stones, including a rare pink specimen. Indigenous trading stones (often prized for their rarity, material qualities, and cultural significance) were exchanged among Native peoples and during early encounters with Europeans. Two White Wolves considers his

pink trading stone exceptionally valuable and exceedingly rare.

As part of his collection, there are other trading rocks, a large conglomerate rock, and a large iron ore rock, which he is willing to sell to anyone who would like to purchase a little piece of history. He continues to expand on how he has found a little bit of everything, “but never found gold,” he said with a chuckle. As for now, his collecting days in the field are over due to chronic pain; however hope lingers on the horizon as he is due to get a customized wheelchair in June. Perhaps then, Two White Wolves can continue his journey and passion into searching the ground for the treasures that many people just step over. If anyone is interested in purchasing part of his collection, he can be contacted at the Thorhild Lodge.



Residents urged to compare energy rates before renewing

By **Valerie Winger**

Every year, thousands of local homeowners receive energy renewal notices in the mail and automatically sign them without shopping around. Many are unknowingly locking themselves into higher rates for years. But Alberta residents have more power than they realize. A free, easy-to-use online tool is helping homeowners in Alberta find significantly better

electricity and natural gas deals — often saving hundreds of dollars per year. One local resident recently received a 5-year renewal offer with electricity priced at 10.25 cents per kilowatt-hour. Using the free comparison tool, they discovered multiple better options, including 2-year plans with electricity rates around 7.47 ¢/kWh and competitive natural gas rates. **Free tool empowers**

residents The Utilities Consumer Advocate Cost Comparison Tool, available at ucahelps.alberta.ca/cost-comparison-tool, allows anyone to compare real-time offers from dozens of licensed energy retailers. Users simply enter their postal code, choose their usage level, and the tool instantly shows personalized estimated monthly bills, rates, and contract terms.

“Many people think the renewal offer from their current provider is their only or best option,” said a local energy advocate. “In reality, the competitive market often has much better rates available — especially when your contract is up for renewal and there are no cancellation fees.” **Simple Advice for Homeowners** • Always compare plans using the UCA tool before signing any renewal.

• Pay attention to the total estimated monthly bill, not just the advertised rate. • Consider shorter contract terms (1 or 2 years) for more flexibility. • Watch for admin fees and daily charges that can add up. • Take advantage of the standard 10-day cooling-off period after signing. Alberta’s energy market is designed to give consumers choice, yet many households

continue to overpay by simply accepting the first renewal letter they receive. With energy costs being a major monthly expense, taking just a few minutes to compare plans can lead to meaningful savings for families across Alberta. Bottom line: Don’t automatically renew. Check the Utilities Consumer Advocate’s free comparison tool first — it could save you hundreds of dollars this year.



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Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll for 2026

Notice is hereby given that the combined tax and assessment notices have been mailed on May 15, 2026 to all property owners in the Town of Smoky Lake. In accordance with Section 311 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 all persons are deemed to have received their combined tax and assessment notice as a result of this notice. Taxes are due on or before August 31, 2026.

The assessment roll is open for inspection at the Town Office; we are located at 56 Wheatland Ave and are open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. If you have a question regarding your combined assessment, please contact Tanmar Consulting at 780-417-5191. The assessment complaint form must be filled out and sent into the Town of Smoky Lake, plus a \$50.00 deposit fee is required. The final date of appeal is July 22, 2026.

If you did not receive your tax notice, please contact the Town Office at (780) 656-3674.

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Members of the Redwater Legion were recognized during the branch's AGM and Awards Night held May 9 in Redwater. Awards and honours were presented to several members in recognition of their service and dedication to the Legion and community. **Rob Olsen photo**

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57312 RR 222 STURGEON COUNTY



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Calling all equestrian enthusiasts! This exceptional 13.56-acre property offers endless possibilities. The large two-story home features 5 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, with a well-established yard site and two separate driveway approaches—one serving the residence and one dedicated to the farmyard. Equestrian facilities include a 70' x 110' indoor riding arena with three entrances, indoor stables, and a 70' x 90' sales ring, surrounding bleachers, and an auctioneer stand. The main building includes a public foyer, office space, concession stand, and a three-bedroom living apartment. The barn is equipped with a horse wash bay, grooming area, and tack room. Ideal for livestock operations or those requiring substantial indoor storage, this property offers incredible potential for the right buyer. With some TLC, it could truly shine.

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Rare opportunity in Redwater—properties like this don't come up often, so don't miss out! This attached bungalow offers convenient, low-maintenance living with no condo fees. Featuring 1 bedroom plus a den, the spacious primary bedroom includes a large walk-in closet and a private 4-piece ensuite, along with a 2-piece main bathroom for guests. Enjoy the added benefit of an attached single-car garage and the privacy of an end unit with only one neighboring property. The functional layout offers true single-level living, with the living room, kitchen, and laundry all on the main floor. Ideal for comfortable adult living. More pictures to follow.

20116 TWP RD 574A STURGEON COUNTY



\$799,900

One-of-a-kind 78-acre property offering approx. 50 acres of pasture, 2 dugouts, and a picture-perfect yard site. The custom-built 2-story home features a walkout basement and thoughtful design throughout. Enjoy 2 upper-level decks, including a private deck off the primary suite. The main floor includes laundry, a 2-pc bath, and a galley-style kitchen with high-end appliances, flowing into a spacious dining area, living room, and cozy sitting space. A stunning curved staircase leads to the upper level, where you'll find a bright family room with patio doors to the deck, along with the primary suite and a 4-pc main bathroom. The fully finished basement offers 2 additional bedrooms, a recreation room with a wood-burning stove, a 3-pc bathroom, and a cold room. Outside, the property is equally impressive with an 82' carport, a 16x21 workshop, a 12x14 bunkhouse, and a 25x40 vegetable garden. Beautifully landscaped with three rows of saskatoon bushes, along with mature trees, shrubs, and perennials.

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Abee Hall hosts puzzle challenge



Photos courtesy of Abee Community Hall



Health Link 811 expands access

PCA release

Albertans looking for non-urgent health advice or information now have more flexible ways to connect with a nurse through Primary Care Alberta's Health Link 811 service. Patients can now chat live online with a nurse, and those who prefer to speak with a nurse by phone can request a callback through primarycarealberta.ca.

These new options make accessing trusted health advice more accessible and convenient, especially for patients who prefer using technology or want to avoid waiting on the phone.

"People want reliable health advice in ways that fit their lives," says Kim Simmonds, CEO for Primary Care Alberta. "By offering online chats and callbacks, we're removing barriers and giving patients more control over how and when they connect in with us about their health concerns."

To get started, patients open the new Contact Health Link widget on the primarycarealberta.ca home screen. They then choose Health Information Chat or Nurse Callback.

- **Health Information Chat** - Connects patients in real time with a health information nurse Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. via computer, tablet or mobile device, where they can ask questions about immunizations, medications, symptoms, healthcare coverage and finding a family doctor.

On May 20, 2026, Health Information Chat will be extended to seven days a week and available from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

- **Nurse Callback** - Patients do not need to remain on hold and can continue their day while waiting for a registered nurse to call them back when it is their turn in the queue.

Health Information Chat and Nurse Callback are intended for non urgent or emergency patients. If a patient's concerns are urgent or emergent, they should call a different service (e.g., Poison Control Centre), visit an urgent care centre, call 911 or go to an emergency department.

Health Link 811 received more than one million calls in 2025. To start using the new Health Link 811 tools, visit primarycarealberta.ca

Primary Care Alberta is a made-in-Alberta solution to improve access to the primary care services Albertans rely on. By delivering coordinated services, Primary Care Alberta enables healthcare providers to do what they do best -- care for Albertans. We meet Albertans wherever they live, work, play and learn, promoting prevention, supporting lifelong health journeys, and serving as a vital entry point to a complex network of care. Together, we are creating a future where compassionate, timely and effective healthcare is available to every Albertan at every stage of life.



By Brandie Majeau

On Saturday May 9, the small, quiet community of Abee was brimming with life as it hosted its first-ever Abee Community Hall Puzzle Challenge, an event that brought together puzzle enthusiasts from all over. The Abee

Community Hall, usually quiet outside of local gatherings and celebrations, was transformed into a fast-paced flurry of activity as participants raced against the clock to complete the construction of 1000 piece puzzles.

The event attracted teams and individuals from several nearby communities, including Lac La

Biche, Devon, Smoky Lake, Gibbons, and Thorhild. Each team arrived eager to test their skills and earn bragging rights as the region's top puzzle put-er together. Organizers were thrilled to see such a great turnout for the first puzzle challenge and said "it was so fun!"

Teams faced off. The competition was fierce but friendly,

with plenty of laughter and camaraderie filling the hall as teams worked together to fit each piece together, each team with their own strategies and sharp eyes. Spectators and volunteers cheered on the contestants.

The volunteers of Abee Community Hall extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended and helped raise funds for the hall. Ten teams competed for top honours.

First place was claimed by Sharon Lewchuk, Lacey Lewchuk, and Trent Patterson, who completed their puzzle in an impressive 1 hour and 37 minutes. Janine Pequin, Melissa Schwab, Mandy Stanton, and Sarah Clairmont secured second place with a time of 1 hour and 45 minutes, while Sandra Sopotyk, Sophie Marquis, Cindy Barre, and Vicki Grey earned third place, finishing in 2 hours and 10 minutes.

Ultimately, it was teamwork and a keen eye for detail that propelled the winning team to victory, but every participant left with smiles and a well-deserved sense of accomplishment. The overwhelming success of this year's event has already inspired interest in making the Puzzle Challenge a recurring event.



A community comes together: Thank you

Submitted by: Denice Buryn, Warriors For Hope

On behalf of Warriors For Hope, I would like to extend my deepest and most heartfelt gratitude to the incredible sponsors, donors, and community members who made Break the Silence: A Night of Hope such a meaningful and successful event.

This event would not have been possible without the generosity and support of so many individuals and businesses who stepped forward—many of whom had never even heard of Warriors For Hope before, yet still chose to say yes to the cause.

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Thank you to the Radway Ag Society for keeping everyone fed

and running the bar, to The Whiskey Boyz for keeping us dancing late into the night, to Darlene from Boots on the Ground for sharing the impact of their work, and to Wayne McNary for bringing energy and excitement as our live auctioneer.

To everyone who purchased tickets and came out to support the event—and to those who couldn’t attend but still chose to donate your time or money—please know

that you are a part of this impact.

Together, as a community spanning three counties, we raised an incredible \$12,550 in support of mental health awareness and suicide prevention.

Congratulations to Toby Martens, winner of the Chicken Poop Bingo (after a generous and memorable moment from my husband who actually won with the first poop!), and to Daniel Osinchuk, our 50/50

winner, who graciously donated his winnings back to the fundraiser.

My heart is full of pride and gratitude for the way our community showed up—with love, connection, courage, authenticity, and generosity.

This event was more than a fundraiser.

It was a reminder of what is possible when people come together for something that truly matters.

From the bottom of my heart—thank you.



Emergency Health Services—Alberta transitions to ALTA Paramedic Health

Modernization of services strengthens and expands care provided by paramedics

Acute Care Alberta release

Emergency Health Services—Alberta (EHS—Alberta) is now ALTA Paramedic Health (APH), Alberta’s publicly funded provider of Emergency Health Services (EHS) across Alberta.

“The transformation of EHS—Alberta into ALTA Paramedic Health signals a renewed commitment to modernization, stronger accountability to Albertans, and delivering high-quality, timely emergency care.” says Matt Jones, Minister of Hospital and Surgical Health Services.

As ALTA Paramedic Health, the organization will continue to manage all aspects of Alberta’s EHS

sector, including air and ground ambulance services, interfacility patient transfers, and province-wide dispatch operations. This includes services previously delivered by EHS—Alberta and contracted and system partners across the province, while also expanding and evolving the type of care delivered such as using alternative transportation methods.

“This is our opportunity to not only continue to deliver reliable, high-quality emergency health services to Albertans where they are, but also to expand and enhance those services, bringing more care options to patients and matching the care delivered to what the patient actually needs,” says Les Fisher, Managing Director and Chief, ALTA Paramedic Health.

The transition to ALTA Paramedic

Health supports a broader modernization effort aimed at ensuring the right level of care is delivered at the right time and in the right setting. Key areas of focus include:

- Modernizing dispatch processes by adding Advanced Care Paramedic clinicians in dispatch to conduct clinical evaluations over the phone to improve responsiveness and system coordination
- Smarter resource utilization such as adding six new non-transport Health Evaluation and Linkage Paramedic Units (HELP-U), matching patient needs with the appropriate level of practitioner
- Piloting alternative transport and destination models, such as using taxis to take low acuity patients to appropriate care settings, freeing ambulances

for emergencies and improving patient pathways

These initiatives are designed to improve efficiency, enhance patient and provider safety, and ensure emergency health resources are deployed where they make the greatest difference for communities across Alberta.

Ambulance response and emergency services remain unchanged for the public during the transition. Modernization of services aims to improve and enhance how we respond to low acuity patients by adding more options for delivery of care.

A key focus of this transition is also workforce sustainability, including prioritizing the health, safety, and mental well-being of both staff and patients.

“Caring for Albertans starts with caring for the people who serve them,” said Anne

MacDonald, Chief, Operations, ALTA Paramedic Health. “Supporting practitioner wellness, professional development, and pride in public service are essential to delivering reliable, high-quality emergency care across the province and they are things that we, as ALTA Paramedic Health, will focus on.”

The ALTA Paramedic Health name and identity were developed through a structured process that included consultation with frontline staff, support teams, and leaders from across the province. Feedback gathered through virtual engagement and in-person focus groups helped shape and refine name options. The name and identity position the organization for the future, reflecting the evolution of a modern paramedic health service for all Albertans.

Through purposeful modernization, strong public service values, and shared accountability, ALTA Paramedic Health is strengthening Alberta’s emergency health sector and continuing its commitment to serve Albertans now and into the future.

ALTA Paramedic Health is the operating name of the Provincial Health Corporation that oversees and delivers timely, safe, and compassionate paramedic health services throughout the province. As Alberta’s publicly funded emergency and urgent care responder, ALTA Paramedic Health, along with its contracted partners, delivers air and ground ambulance services, interfacility transfers and dispatch operations, and focuses on system improvement, workforce sustainability and staff well-being.



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COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS May 12, 2026

Below is a brief summary of decisions made at the May 12, 2026, Regular Council meeting:

Unfinished Business - Funding Request for Denice Buryn (Warriors for Hope)
Council approved funding to Denice Buryn, on behalf of Warriors for Hope, for the fundraiser dance, in the amount of \$300, as per Policy 1405 Community Grants. Council also directed Administration to bring back Policy 1405 Community Grants to a future Council meeting for review.

New Business - Draft Bylaw 05-2026 the 2026 Mill Rates Bylaw
Council gave first reading to Draft Bylaw 05-2026 Mill Rates Bylaw.

Road Use Framework
Council directed Administration to proceed with the proposed revisions to the fee structure associated with road use agreements and permitting.

Road Use Agreement Policy 1216
Council accepted the report on Road Use Agreement Policy 1216 for information.

Delegation - Integrity Waste Solutions Inc.
Council accepted the presentation from Integrity Waste Solutions Inc. for information, and further directed Administration to bring back further information regarding the invoice pertaining to Integrity Waste Solutions Inc.

Amendments to Policy 608
Council approved amended Policy 608, Public Works and Agricultural Services Schedule of Fees with the removal of 1(m) i) Security.

Thorhild County Properties for Sale
Council directed Administration to hire a real estate agent to list the following properties as discussed, 5005-51 Avenue Newbrook, 4802-50 Street Radway, 4804-50 Street Radway, 4808-50 Street Radway, 5101-50 Avenue Radway, 810-2 Street Thorhild, 610-5 Avenue Thorhild, 614-5 Avenue Thorhild, 618-5 Avenue Thorhild, 622-5 Avenue Thorhild, 626-5 Avenue Thorhild, and 0725210;2;2 (NW 5-60-21-W4).

2026 Volunteer Appreciation Event
Council approved Wednesday, April 21, 2027, as the date for the 2027 Volunteer Appreciation Event, to be hosted in the hamlet of Newbrook, with all remaining event details to be brought during the 2027 Budget deliberations.

Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw
Council deferred the Responsible Dog Ownership Bylaw agenda item to the Regular Council Meeting on May 26, 2026.

Coffee with Council
Council scheduled a Coffee with Council on June 25, 2026, beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the hamlet of Radway.

Direct Control Development Permit Application - Waste Management
Council approved Direct Control Development Permit Application DP26-2741 with Conditions 1 through 13 as provided in attachment 5.4 for a Recycling Receiving Facility, as described in attachments 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3 in this recommendation.

Peaskie/South Tour
Council directed Administration to schedule the Peaskie/South Tour based on the optional dates of May 28, June 1 and June 8.

Correspondence for Action - Newbrook Recreational and Agricultural Society
Council moved to sponsor the Newbrook Recreational and Agricultural Society community fair, in the amount of \$500 as per Policy 1405 Community Grants.

Correspondence for Action - Town of Redwater
Council directed Administration to respond to the Town of Redwater to be removed from their parade email list.

FIRE ADVISORY REMINDER

A Fire Advisory came into effect on May 4, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. Any outstanding Fire Permits are cancelled and no new permits will be issued. For details on the Fire Advisory, please visit www.thorhildcounty.com (home page).

Thorhild County strongly advises all residents to exercise extreme caution when conducting any hot work (such as gas torch operations, grinding, cutting, etc.) or driving in grassy areas. Be alert to hot exhaust and maintain vehicles in a clean condition to prevent smoldering debris from causing fires. Ensure a suitable means of extinguishment (e.g., water, fire extinguisher, fire blanket) is readily accessible.



Thorhild County SENIOR'S Conference

Friday, June 5, 2026
Newbrook Silver Horizon Drop In
5029 - 50th Street, Newbrook

9:00 am to 3:30 pm - Presentations start at 9:30 am

- ▶ Presentation from Barbara Phillips on Enduring Powers of Attorneys and Personal Directives
- ▶ Learn a Line Dance with Kerri Wiegand
- ▶ Presentation from PFSL Investments – Budgeting on a Pension
- ▶ Green Thumb – Garden Activity

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Thorhild Swimming Pool

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These lessons will follow recommendations of the Life Saving Society, which guides our swim programs.

This new schedule also opens a few Friday morning spots for other programs, such as a morning water fitness class.

Thorhild County
Keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for the latest updates!

Bus EXCURSIONS

fcss Thorhild County Family and Community Support Services

JUNE 2
Shopping trip to Redwater ½ day
Pickup Thorhild Lodge 8:30 am | Radway Seniors Centre 9:00 am
Free transportation!

JUNE 3
Royal Alberta Museum
In honour of Seniors Week, the Royal Alberta Museum is offering free admission.
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Pickup Newbrook 8:30 am | Thorhild 9:00 am | Egremont 9:15 am – Leave around 3:30 pm.

JUNE 5
Seniors Conference - Newbrook Silver Horizon Drop In
9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Free transportation available from Radway or Thorhild. Registration required.

JUNE 16
Kingsway / Casino
Pick up at Newbrook Hall at 9:00 am. | Thorhild Lodge 9:30 am.

JUNE 26
Bountiful Farmer's Market (Edmonton)
Pick up at Newbrook Hall at 9:00 am | Thorhild Lodge 9:30 am | Egremont 9:45 am. Leave Edmonton at 3:30 pm.
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PUBLIC HEARING – BYLAW 1712/26 MORINVILLE COLONY REDISTRICTING APPLICATION

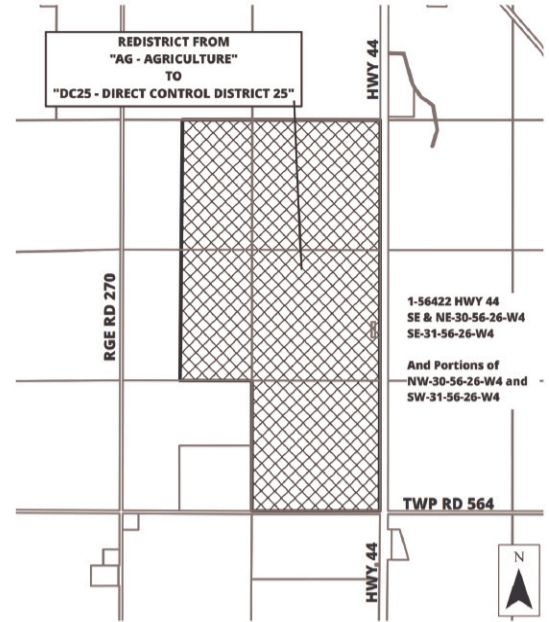
Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1712/26.

The applicant has requested that a section of land south of Alcomdale (at Highway 44 and Township Rd 564) be redistricted (rezoned) to bring the property into compliance with the County's Land Use Bylaw. The proposed bylaw would redistrict sections SE & SW 31-56-26-4, and NW, NE & SE 30-56-26-4:

- **Current land use district:** Agriculture (AG)
- **Proposed land use district:** DC25 – Direct Control District 25

A Direct Control (DC) District is a customized land-use designation within municipal zoning that allows for specific, site-unique rules. It offers detailed control over development where standard zones are inadequate. It is often used for unique sites or innovative projects needing precise regulation beyond typical zoning. **Learn more at sturgeoncounty.ca/public-hearing-bylaw-1712-26**

Please note that a Public Hearing for Bylaw 1698/25 - which also considered the redistricting of the Morinville Colony land - was held on March 10, 2026. Bylaw 1698/25 is no longer being considered by Council. Members of the public who wish to provide input to Council must make new submissions specifically related to Bylaw 1712/26.



Public Hearing details

The Public Hearing will be held in person and via videoconference on: **Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 1 p.m.** (or as soon as practical thereafter) at Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St., Morinville)

Questions? Contact us!

Rebecca Schapansky, RPP, MCIP
Planner, Current Planning
587-404-9866, rschapansky@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 register.

Speak via videoconference (phone or video call-in)

To speak at the Public Hearing via videoconference, you must register by **May 25, 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.

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 (such as a County resident directly impacted by the proposed bylaw), 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.

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 (POPA). 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.



Staff at Redwater Dental Clinic show their support for the Redwater Family Recreation Association's Smile Cookie campaign, which raised \$7,515 toward the community's planned all-wheel pump park project. The clinic encouraged residents to stop by for cookies and coffee during the fundraiser.

Redwater Dental Clinic photo



Students and teachers pose together during "Dress Like Your Favourite Teacher Day" at Redwater School. **Redwater School photos**



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Smoky Lake secures funding through Healthy Aging Alberta



By **Brandie Majeau**

The Town of Smoky Lake is pleased to announce the recent excitement surrounding community funding, as detailed in the following press release.

The Town of Smoky Lake has secured \$577,000 in funding through Healthy Aging Alberta, with support from the Government of Alberta, to strengthen community-based programs and services that support older adults.

The two-year funding will support three coordinated initiatives designed to help seniors remain independent, connected, and supported while continuing to live in their homes and community. Together, these initiatives will strengthen a coordinated network of supports that helps older adults navigate services, reduce social isolation, and access transportation and community programs.

The funded initiatives include Social Prescribing, Community Supports, and Assisted Transportation, which together address key barriers that older adults in rural communities often face, including service navigation, social isolation, and transportation.

“Town of Smoky Lake Council is very pleased to see this investment in our community,” said Marianne Procki-Zarusky, Mayor of Smoky Lake. “Supporting seniors to remain active, connected, and independent is an important priority for Smoky Lake, and this funding will help strengthen the programs and services that allow older adults to continue living and contributing in our community.”

Social Prescribing connects older adults experiencing isolation or barriers to services with community programs and supports through a dedicated Link Worker who helps individuals navigate services and access the resources they need. Community Supports strengthens local programs and volunteer

initiatives that keep seniors active and socially connected, while Assisted Transportation improves access to medical appointments, essential services, and community life.

“This funding allows us to strengthen and better coordinate the supports available to older adults in our community,” said Rachelle Amyotte, Director of Family and Community Support Services (FCSS). “By improving service navigation, strengthening community programs, and addressing transportation barriers, we are building a stronger system of supports that helps seniors remain independent, connected, and supported as they age. “Healthy Aging Alberta (HAA) is a ‘by community, for community’ initiative working to make Alberta one of the best places to grow older. Their work is led by the Community Leadership Council, powered by United Way Calgary and Area, and generously supported by the Government of Alberta and Waltons Trust. Healthy Aging Alberta connects, strengthens, and amplifies a network of community-based seniors serving (CBSS) organizations, groups, and community allies who are supporting older adults to age on their terms and in the communities they call home.

Program implementation is expected to begin in Spring 2026, with recruitment for program staff beginning in the coming months.

The Town of Smoky Lake looks forward to the positive impact these initiatives will have on local seniors and the broader community. By investing in programs that foster independence, connection, and access to essential services, Smoky Lake is demonstrating its commitment to supporting older adults now and into the future. With the implementation of these programs on the horizon, the Town is excited to continue building a vibrant and inclusive community where all residents can thrive.



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Smoky Lake RCMP Report



By **Haylee Winger**

The Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment responded to a wide range of calls and incidents during the week of May 4, including traffic complaints, disturbances, fires, and ongoing investigations throughout the region.

Emergency crews attended a traffic fire near Range Road 135. Police reported nothing suspicious in relation to the incident, and fire services responded to the scene.

RCMP also received a report from a school bus driver who stated that a truck failed to stop for the school bus during a student drop-off and proceeded through the stop sign.

A stolen vehicle originally taken from Edmonton was recovered near Range Road 180.

Members attended a mechanical shop fire caused by a wood stove. EMS and fire crews responded, and no injuries were reported.

Police investigated reports of a suspicious older-model black Ford pickup truck driving through alleys in Bellis without headlights. The vehicle was later seen entering a field. Patrols were conducted, but the vehicle was not located.

RCMP continued dealing with an ongoing neighbour dispute in the Village of Waskatenau.

Members also received a request from the Edmonton Police Service to serve traffic tickets and a Notice to Seek Greater Punishment to a resident in the Smoky Lake area.

Officers responded to a driving complaint involving a vehicle travelling erratically. The driver was located and provided a Mandatory Alcohol Screening demand, which resulted in a reading of

“0.” No further concerns were identified.

A report was received that Highway 855 north of Smoky Lake was flooding over the roadway. EMCON was notified.

Morinville RCMP requested assistance in locating and arresting an individual residing in the Smoky Lake area who was wanted on an outstanding warrant.

Police also received reports of a silver Ford pickup performing doughnuts on Highway 28.

During a proactive traffic stop, a driver was charged with operating a motor vehicle without insurance.

In the Town of Smoky Lake, officers responded to reports of an intoxicated male causing disturbances on the street and inside a local business. The individual was located, arrested, and charged with breaching a court order before being held for a Judicial Interim Hearing.

RCMP dealt with a civil dispute between two companies and also received reports of a black bear sighting in the Village of Vilna. Fish and Wildlife officials were notified.

Members attended the Esso parking lot after reports of a male causing a disturbance and yelling at pedestrians. The individual later left with a family member.

Two youths riding dirt bikes fled from a County Peace Officer. The youths were later identified, their parents were spoken to, and the riders lost their bike privileges.

Police investigated reports of threats between youths, which were determined to be unfounded.

Another disturbance call at the Smoky Lake Esso involved intoxicated females yelling. Police reported the situation was resolved, and the individuals left with a sober driver.

RCMP also investigated a

possible breach of release conditions but determined no breach had occurred.

Several residents reported feeling the ground shake violently on Saturday, May 9. Authorities later confirmed the event was an earthquake.

Following a BOLO issued by Redwater RCMP, officers conducted a traffic stop that resulted in a driver being found impaired by alcohol. An IRS WARN was issued, and the vehicle was towed.

Members also responded to a residential alarm, which was determined to be false.

While on patrol, an officer located a broken-down vehicle with a note on the windshield indicating a tow had already been arranged.

Police checked on reports of a suspicious person and vehicle parked along Highway 28. Officers determined the driver had a flat tire and confirmed the driver's insurance, registration, and licence were all valid.

Members responded to a domestic assault complaint during the week. A suspect was arrested and held for a Judicial Release Hearing.

In the Village of Waskatenau, RCMP received a complaint involving a repaired vehicle where the owner alleged the keys had not been returned.

Police also investigated reports of a suspicious vehicle parked near the old school in Bellis.

Anyone with information regarding crimes in the area is encouraged to contact the Smoky Lake RCMP at 780-656-3550 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



Jade Spa built on resilience, community and family



By Shelley Winger

What began as evening appointments from home while raising a daughter as a single mother has grown into a thriving business built on community support, personal connection and helping people feel confident in themselves.

Crystal Anthony, owner of Jade Spa & Medical Aesthetics in Redwater, said the business first started after she noticed there was a need for more esthetics and medical aesthetics services in the community after moving to town with her daughter.

“At the time, I was working full time, so I slowly began building my clientele from home in the evenings,” Anthony said. “I was raising my daughter as a single mom, balancing work and a busy life, but seeing clients never truly felt like work to me.”

Anthony said she quickly realized it was the relationships and conversations with clients that made the work meaningful.

“I loved the conversations, the relationships, and becoming part of the community,” she said.

Eventually, Anthony decided to leave her full-time job and pursue esthetics full time — a decision she admits felt overwhelming at times.

“There were

definitely moments where I questioned myself,” she said. “I remember days where I would sit there with only one eyebrow wax booked wondering if I had made the right decision leaving a secure full-time job.”

Jade Spa first operated out of a small rented space at Marino’s Plumbing in Redwater, an opportunity Anthony said she remains grateful for.

“Barbara and Marino gave me an opportunity when I was just starting out, and I will always appreciate that support,” she said.

As the business continued to grow, Jade Spa later relocated into a medical building operated by Dr. Vanderwal, where Anthony said additional support helped the business continue moving forward.

“Having people believe in me and support my vision along the way truly gave me the confidence to continue growing,” she said.

Today, Jade Spa operates out of its own commercial space in Redwater and has expanded into a collaborative environment offering a variety of esthetics, hair and wellness services.

One of the most meaningful parts of the business for Anthony has been working alongside her daughter, Jade, who now operates Hair by Jade within the business.

“Having her close, watching her build her independence, and mentoring her in an industry she truly enjoys has been such a blessing,” Anthony said.

Anthony said Jade Spa focuses not only on treatments and services, but also on creating a welcoming and comfortable environment for clients.

“We offer a wide variety of services including facials, laser hair removal, pedicures, hair services and medical aesthetics, but the experience is about so much more than the treatment itself,” she said. “It is about taking time for yourself, feeling listened to, and leaving feeling better than when you came in.”

Anthony believes many clients are looking for a calm and supportive environment where they can relax and take time for themselves amid increasingly busy lives.

“Life moves very

quickly now, and people are overwhelmed and exhausted,” she said. “Sometimes clients simply need a place where they feel cared for and comfortable enough to slow down for a little while.”

Anthony said the support she has received from the Redwater community

over the years has played a major role in the business’s growth and success.

“This community helped me grow from working evenings out of my home to owning my own commercial space, and I will never take that for granted,” she said.

Looking ahead, Anthony hopes to

continue growing Jade Spa while remaining focused on the values the business was built on.

“My hope is to continue growing Jade Spa while staying true to what it was built on — honesty, care, authenticity, community and helping people feel good about themselves,” she said.



Crystal Anthony photos

Crystal Anthony, owner of Jade Spa & Medical Aesthetics in Redwater, said community support and personal connection have played a major role in the business’s growth over the years.



Jade Spa & Medical Aesthetics has grown significantly since first operating out of a small rented space at Marino’s Plumbing in 2012 (left). Today, the business operates from its own commercial location in Redwater (right).



The team at Jade Spa & Medical Aesthetics in Redwater includes, from left, Sierra Lynn Henderson, Jade Norman, Crystal Anthony, Abigayle Letwin.

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something unique.

Acro remains her favourite because she enjoys “being flexible and doing tricks and flips,” while Contemporary allows her to express emotions through movement. She also enjoys the storytelling aspect of Lyrical, the high energy of Jazz, the emotional expression found in Modern dance, the grace and technique developed through Ballet, and the acting elements involved in Open performances.

Amanda said watching Emma achieve this milestone has been emotional and rewarding for the entire family.

“Emma’s invitation to dance at Worlds fills my

heart with so much pride,” she said. “I’ve watched her work tirelessly, push through challenges, and pour her heart into every step.”

“She is becoming such an amazing young girl, and seeing her achieve this is very special.”

The community will have an opportunity to support Emma’s journey during Redwater’s town-wide garage sale on May 23, where the family will be hosting a fundraiser featuring hot dogs, popcorn and lemonade from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 4628 49 Avenue in Redwater.

Funds raised will help cover travel and competition expenses for the trip to Ireland.

Amanda said the

encouragement Emma has already received from the community has meant a great deal to their family.

“It not only helps make Emma’s dream of competing at Worlds possible, but also shows her that her hard work and dedication are recognized and celebrated by the community,” she said.

“Your encouragement means the world to us and gives Emma extra motivation to shine.”



From start to finish, Alberta painter Robert Murray transformed a garage door near Redwater into a detailed mural, with homeowner Charlene Karpuk documenting the process along the way. Known for sharing his work on Facebook and completing projects across the province, Murray’s latest piece showcases his step-by-step approach and attention to detail. Karpuk said she is very happy with the finished result. **Charlene Karpuk photos**

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Newbrook 4-H Club update

My name is Alyssa Ollikka and I'm one of the club reporters for the Newbrook 4-H Club.

I'd like to share with you some of the exciting things our club has been doing lately.

In March we had a guest speaker named Jillian Carr from Steady Gait Financial come talk to us about finances. She talked about ways of making money, saving money, borrowing money, and spending money.

In April we held a Spring 4-H and community dance at Newbrook. The dance started off with some dances lessons. It was a great evening of good music, a lot of dancing, and taking fun pictures at the photo booth. Thank you to Mrs. Stevens for being our awesome DJ for the evening.

May has been off to a great start. We participate in the annual highway clean up. We had a long stretch along Hwy 63. It was interesting to hear some of the funny and not so funny things members found in the ditches.

The beef members held a mini showmanship and grooming clinic on May 3rd. That day members brought their beef animals to the arena in Waskatenau. They practiced walking and showing their animals for achievement day. We also had a heifer judging session. John Kozma then show all of us some tips and tricks on how to clip and groom a steer. To end the day off we divided up into teams and had a team grooming competition. That was a lot of fun!

Carcass members will be hauling in their Carcass projects on May 13 to Bon Accord to be judged.

Poultry Members have received their chicks and raising them well.

The Swine members are also working hard raising their pigs. They will have a workshop coming up towards the end of May.

Sewing Members have been working creatively and having fun making clothing items for themselves.

In Foods, each member has

been assigned a month, to come up with a full meal plan. They research all the ingredients and the price cost from the grocery store. They then lead the class and show them how to prepare the meal.

Horse members are meeting twice a month and have been practicing riding techniques and patterns in their level. They had a lady by the name of Angie come and do chiropractor work on the horses for anyone that was interested.

As the club year is coming down to the end. Members have been working hard in preparing and getting ready for their Achievement Days.

I'd like to invite you to come and check out any of our Achievement Days.

Livestock Achievement Day and sale is on June 5 at Victoria Trail Ag Arena in Waskatenau Horse Achievement Day is on June 13 at the Victoria Trail Ag Arena in Waskatenau Foods and Sewing Achievement Day will be on June 14 at the Newbrook Hall.



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those children are around. She used to love playing outdoors and being active in the neighbourhood, but now she often chooses to stay inside. As a parent, it is hard to see her confidence and comfort affected in this way. My goal in sharing this is not to create conflict, but to encourage awareness about how

children treat one another and the impact it can have. Even small actions or words can deeply affect a child's sense of belonging. We are hopeful that with time and understanding, the situation can improve so that all the children involved can feel safe, included, and respectful toward one another. — **A concerned parent**

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