

MARCH 30, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

BYLAW & POLICY:

Bylaw No. 03-2022: Council duly enacted Bylaw No. 03-2022 Council Code of Conduct to modernize procedural portions of the bylaw, therein rescinding Bylaw No. 4-2018.

Bylaw No. 04-2022: Council duly enacted Bylaw No. 04-2022 Regional Emergency Management Agency to modernize the Agency's composition.

Bylaw No. 05-2022: Council duly enacted Bylaw No. 05-2022 Unightly Premises to modernize unightly premises, therein rescinding Bylaw No. 14-95. Further, be advised that the County will be enforcing the same, commencing April 2022. Please visit www.thcounty.ab.ca to review the modernized Unightly Premise bylaw to ensure compliance.

Dust Control Policy PUB-DUS-1: Council amended Dust Control Policy to provide dust control to certain named locations, also having payment of the same be 55% (by the resident).

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

Peoples' Museum Society of/de St. Paul & District: Council provided a \$1,000.00 donation to the Peoples' Museum Society of/de St. Paul & District for their recent acquisition of the Shandro Historical Village and Pioneer Museum's vintage CPR Train Station, having the same be restored.

Town of Two Hills: The Reeve, on behalf of Council as a whole, accepted invitation to attend a Northeastern Alberta Mayors, Reeves and Indigenous Leaders caucus in mid-April to discuss concerns regarding healthcare, broadband, provincial grants, etc.

Two Hills & Area FCSS: Council provided a Letter of Support to Two Hills & Area FCSS in their application to the Rural Transit Fund grant program.

Ukraine Humanitarian Aid: Council received several requests to provide Ukraine humanitarian aid; at this time, the same is being reviewed for consideration.

Smoky Lake County: Council received a delegation from Smoky Lake County regarding an update on the North Saskatchewan River – Canadian Heritage Rivers System Initiative; Council also provided a Letter of Support to the Village of Vilna, as the managing partner of an Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) grant to complete a Management Plan for the same with Smoky Lake County.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council Meeting shall be Wednesday April 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

For further information contact:

Sally Dary, CAO, County of Two Hills at 780-657-3358.

Please be advised that all County of Two Hills Offices shall be closed:

Friday April 15, 2022 & Monday April 18, 2022.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 24 – 30, 2022

The County wishes to extend a gracious thank you to all local volunteers. Please know how truly appreciated your time and efforts are in the continuous support you give your great community.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

The County of Two Hills encourages developers, builders and contractors to apply now for your 2022 development permits. For further information on obtaining development permits please contact: Gary Buchanan, Director of Planning & Development by phone at 780-657-3358 or by email: gbuchanan@thcounty.ab.ca



SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD

Each municipality has a Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) that hears appeals from municipal subdivision and development authorities. SDAB decisions shape the community and affect the lives of developers, neighbours, citizens and businesses. It is important that the public have confidence in the quality of these decisions and the decision-making process.

At this time, the County's SDAB has one vacancy. The position requires provincial training to meet all SDAB requirements. Training to be provided. Should you be interested in becoming an SDAB member, please contact Sally Dary, CAO at 780-657-3358.

CONTACT US:

Box 490, 4818-50 Avenue, Two Hills, Alberta, T0B 4K0
www.thcounty.ab.ca

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
780-657-3358

PUBLIC WORKS
780-657-2499

NATURAL GAS UTILITY
780-657-2446

After Hours Emergencies Only: 780-657-2800



NATURAL GAS UTILITY

CARBON LEVY INCREASE

Please be advised that as of April 1, 2022, the Carbon Levy imposed by the Government of Canada will increase by approximately \$0.53/GJ to \$2.628909/GJ. This increase will be applied to natural gas consumption starting April 1, 2022 and will be included on the May bill. The County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility is responsible for reporting, collecting, and remitting these amounts to the federal Government on a monthly basis.

CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG

With the onset of construction season, **PLEASE CALL/CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG** by phoning 1-800-242-3447 or by visiting www.clickbeforeyoudig.com Click-before-you-dig is FREE and SAVES LIVES; PLEASE DON'T take a chance without it. Further, be advised that **NO** locates will be done until your project is registered with Click Before You Dig.

NATURAL GAS INFILLS

The County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility reminds residents to book new service infills early, as infills are scheduled on a first-come first-serve basis. Rates for the 2022 construction season are:

- Rural: \$ 8,000.00
- Urban: \$ 4,000.00
- Grain Dryers and Commercial: Actual Cost
- Infill contracts must be signed and paid in full prior to construction.

NOTE: Due to the high demand for 2" poly pipe, grain dryer infills and commercial infills must be booked at least 90-days in advance. To book your infill or for further info please call 780-657-2446.



ROADSIDE SAFETY REMINDER: Being Spring, there will be an increase of farm equipment and machinery on local roads. Please obey all traffic regulations and be courteous of all persons travelling.



WILLINGDON GARBAGE SCHEDULE: Thursday, April 7, 2022 will be the first scheduled date for Summer Garbage Pick-up Program. Residents can expect pickup every Thursday until late October.

CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST: The Agricultural Service Board will be holding a photo contest for the County's 2023 calendar. All photos of the County must be submitted in landscape orientation and be agriculturally related (for ex. livestock, landscape, harvest, etc.). Get your spring photo featured!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS: For upcoming community events, please submit information to Kaitlyn Kenney, Executive Assistant at 780-657-3358 or by email: kkenney@thcounty.ab.ca



PUBLIC WORKS

ROAD BANS / CLOSURES

Please be advised that Seasonal Road Bans are in effect, having all gravel and oil surfaced roads within the County of Two Hills revert to a maximum axle weight of 75% unless otherwise posted.

Should any road closures arise, the same will be posted on the County's website at www.thcounty.ab.ca

DUST CONTROL

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2022 Dust Control Applications, available April 1, 2022 to May 13, 2022. Please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2022 gravel sales, available April 1, 2021 until September 30, 2022. Effective 2021, all private gravel sale deliveries will be the responsibility of the purchaser. The gravel pick up date must be booked through the Public Works Office. For inquiries, please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

CANADIAN AGRICULTURAL PARTNERSHIP

Please be advised of the new Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP) funding available, being:

FARM TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

<https://cap.alberta.ca/CAP/download/AGUCMINT-8333506>

EFFICIENT GRAIN HANDLING PROGRAM

<https://cap.alberta.ca/CAP/download/AGUCMINT-8352479>

WATER PROGRAM

<https://cap.alberta.ca/CAP/program/WATER>

Further details, including application forms and eligibility criteria, may be found by visiting: <https://cap.alberta.ca/CAP/Programs>

FIRE SAFETY

FIRE PERMITS

Fire Permits are REQUIRED on a YEAR-ROUND BASIS for all types of Open Burning; and, are issued for 10-days at a time. Fire Permits can be obtained from the County Administration Office or electronically. Electronic Fire Permit applications are available at www.thcounty.ab.ca and may be emailed to fire@thcounty.ab.ca

PREVIOUS BURN LOCATIONS

Please closely inspect any previous burn sites lit within the last 6-months as piles may still burn under snow. Each Spring, Fire Services attend reignited brush piles from the Winter season.

SMOKE DETECTORS

Just a friendly reminder to test your smoke detectors and to change any required batteries in alarms. Fire prevention and planning saves lives.