

## AUGUST 16, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

### BYLAW & POLICY:

**Bylaw No. 12-2022:** Council held a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 12-2022, being a bylaw for the purpose of closing to public travel and creating titles to and disposing portions of a highway in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, having the same forward to Alberta Transportation for approval.

**Private Gravel Sales Policy PUB-GRV-3:** Council amended Private Gravel Sales Policy PUB-GRV-3 to provide all County ratepayers with the opportunity to purchase crushed gravel (gravel deliveries must be within the County boundaries to qualify).

**Jackfish Lake Municipal Park and Campground:** Commencing in 2023, group bookings for the entire campground at Jackfish Lake or Sandy Lake may be booked through the County Office, having the same open for intake 2-weeks prior to on-line reservations from March 1 – March 13, 2022. To book the same, all fees must be paid upon booking, having no cancellations once booked for the entire campground.

### COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

**County of Paintearth:** Council provided the County of Paintearth support in their request to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development regarding their Request for Broadband Funding Envelope.

**Two Hills R.C.M.P.:** Council received delegation from Sgt. R. Daisley to discuss Policing Priorities.

### NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council Meeting may be held Wednesday September 21, 2022 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

### For further information contact:

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

## 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](mailto:kkenney@thcounty.ab.ca)

### CONTACT US:

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#### ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

780-657-3358  
Toll Free: 877-657-3359

#### PUBLIC WORKS

780-657-2499

#### NATURAL GAS UTILITY

780-657-2446

After Hours Emergencies Only: 780-657-2800



Did you know that September 1 has been declared as Alberta day? Alberta became a province on September 1, 1905. The province of Alberta recognizes this anniversary and declared the same in celebration with our provinces' unique spirit, culture and heritage. For more information, visit <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-day.aspx>



## PREPARATION OF COMBINED ASSESSMENT/TAX NOTICES



Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. provides assessment services to the County of Two Hills. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the assessment of your property, please contact Sean Cosens, Farmland and Assessment Standards Manager at 1-780-464-4655 ext. 2229 or contact the Administration Office at 780-657-3358.

Please be advised that the final date of appeal is **Monday, August 29, 2022**. The procedure for Assessment Complaints is documented on the back of Property Assessment and Tax Notices.

**Property Taxes are due on or before October 31, 2022.** No penalty if paid on or before this date. Penalties may be reviewed on the back of the issued notice.

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS & PERMITS

**Please be advised that the County of Two Hills has issued a FULL FIRE BAN, in effect August 24, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., until further notice. All current fire/burn permits are cancelled.**

For fire ban and restriction updates, please visit:

[www.albertafirebans.ca](http://www.albertafirebans.ca) or [www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca)

Please be advised that fire response (E.g., fire trucks and rescue units) from your local fire service is a **billable** service. Please check with your insurance company if fire response charges are included and what limits your policy contains therein. **Do not assume** you have fire response coverage in your policy.

Insurance Premiums for Farm Fire Department Charges are worth the investment. For example, premiums covering up to \$100,000.00 in billable fire charges may be purchased for approximately \$150.00. Further, another \$50.00 – \$100.00 investment may cover up to \$50,000.00 - \$100,000.00 in covering fires that leave your property.



## PUBLIC WORKS

### GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2022 gravel sales, available April 1, 2022 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.

## NATURAL GAS UTILITY

### DEADLINE FOR INFILLS

The deadline for Natural Gas Infills, including grain dryers, is September 15, 2022. Any gas infill applications after September 15, 2022 will be on a first come, first serve basis and will be installed weather permitting.

Rates for the 2022 construction season are as follows:

- 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.

For more information or to schedule an infill, please contact the Natural Gas Utility Office at 780-657-2446.

### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Attention all graduating students and parents:** The Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd. annually provides up to four \$1000.00 awards to students entering post-secondary education. Application for the Federation Achievement Award is open until October 1, 2022. Preference will be given to fields of study related to natural gas or rural communities. To review award criteria and application visit: [www.fedgas.com/award](http://www.fedgas.com/award)

### HAMLET OF DERWENT RESIDENTS

Please be advised, that in preparation for the regional water line, alterations are required at the Water Treatment Plant and extensive flushing will be necessary. Over the coming weeks, residents may experience some water discoloration and some variation in taste and smell until the well water is totally displaced by the regional water. Residents may also experience intermittent water outages during flushing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pat Gordeyko, Director of Utilities by calling either the Natural Gas Utility Office at 780-657-2446 or 780-632-1560.

Please be advised that all County of Two Hills Offices will be closed Monday September 5, 2022 for Labour Day.



**CLOSED**  
— for —  
**LABOR DAY**

## AG. SERVICE BOARD

### CLUBROOT FIELD INSPECTIONS

Please be advised that Pest Inspectors will be scouting for clubroot disease and infection in canola fields until freeze-up, accessing fields via approaches.

Designated as a pest under the *Agricultural Pests Act*, Clubroot is a soil-borne disease which reduces yields of canola and other cruciferous crops. Clubroot is spread primarily through movement of soil and infected plant materials. Producers are encouraged to clean debris and disinfect equipment prior to moving to new fields to reduce the spread of clubroot to new areas.

Inspectors will follow sanitation protocols to prevent the spread of clubroot. Landowners of fields that test positive for clubroot will be notified in writing. Questions or concerns may be directed to the ASB Department at 780-657-3358.

### BIRD SCARE CANNONS

With migratory birds returning south, Council kindly reminds residents that Bird Scare Cannons need only to be in operation from 1-hour prior to sunrise to 1-hour post sun-set, as advised by Alberta Environment. Also, in consideration of nearby residences, please be courteous in the frequency of shots while in operation.

### ROAD SAFETY

As harvest nears, the County of Two Hills reminds residents of increased agricultural machinery and heavy-haul traffic on County roads. Also, as September welcomes students back to school, buses will be back in route. Please remain vigilant while utilizing County roads in order to keep our community safe.

### 2023 ASB CALENDER

The Agricultural Service Board 2023 Calendar contest is open for photo submissions, closing **October 14, 2022**. All photos must be within the County and agriculturally related (ie. livestock, landscape, harvest, etc.). Please be advised that preference will be given to landscape submissions and photos without people. To submit photos please visit <https://m.shortstack.page/tTD7zB>

## TWO HILLS REGIONAL WASTE

### REGIONAL LANDFILL WINTER HOURS

Please be advised that the Two Hills Regional Landfill is transitioning to Winter hours effective September 1, 2022, being:

- OPEN:** Tuesday – Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**CLOSED:** Sunday, Monday and Holiday Weekends

### TRANSFER SITE HOURS

Please be advised that the Derwent, Hairy Hill, Myrnam, Two Hills and Willingdon Transfer Sites Hours of Operation are Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., having the same closed for all statutory holidays. For location details visit: [www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca)

### WILLINGDON WINTER GARBAGE SCHEDULE

Please be advised that the Hamlet of Willingdon garbage schedule is transitioning to Winter hours, having Thursday routine pick-up every two weeks starting on November 3, 2022. This schedule will be in effect until April 2023.