# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS HIGHLIGHTS

## AUGUST 16, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING

**BYLAW & POLICY:** 

**Bylaw No. 4-2023 Public Hearing:** Council resolved to schedule a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 4-2023 regarding the closure of Road Plan 7174AG, which received first reading at the May 2023 Regular Council Meeting, for 11:00 a.m. on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the County of Two Hills Office.

#### **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:**

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

**Beauvallon & Hairy Hill Post Offices:** Council resolved, under the authority of Section 347(b) of the *Municipal Government Act*, to cancel a portion of municipal tax up to the amount of \$200.00 for both Beauvallon & Hairy Hill Post Offices.

**Two Hills & District Agricultural Society:** Council resolved **to** provide a Platinum Level donation to the Two Hills & District Agricultural Society, sponsoring the 2023 Two Hills Country Fair on August 19, 2023.

#### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council Meeting is tentatively scheduled for September  $20^{th}$ , 2023 at 10:00 AM.

#### For further information contact:

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

#### SALE OF LISTED COUNTY LOTS

Council resolved to list for sale certain properties owned by the County of Two Hills at the August 16, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Each lot has a reserved price and are sold in a 'where is, as is condition', on a 'First Come First Served' basis, starting 9:00 AM, Monday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The list of the lots available for purchase can be found on the County of Two Hills website <u>County of Two Hills -</u> <u>Home (thcounty.ab.ca)</u> along with the set reserved price.

#### CONTACT US:

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

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

## 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 **Tuesday**, **August 29**, **2023**. 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, 2023.** No penalty if paid on or before this date. Penalties may be reviewed on the back of the issued notice.

# NATURAL GAS UTILITY

#### **DEADLINE FOR INFILLS**

The deadline for Natural Gas Infills, including grain dryers, is September 15, 2023. Any gas infill applications after September 15, 2023 will be on a first come, first serve basis and will be installed weather permitting.

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, 2023. To review award criteria and application visit: www.fedgas.com/award



## PARKS

#### **CAMPGROUND SEASONAL CLOSURE**

Please be advised that municipally operated campgrounds shall close for the 2023 season, effective **September 4, 2023**.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

For upcoming community events, please submit information to Jake Battenfelder, Assistant CAO at 780-657-3358 or by email: jbattenfelder@thcounty.ab.ca

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

#### **GRAVEL SALES**

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2023 gravel sales, available April 1, 2023 until **September 29, 2023**. 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.

#### SNOW REMOVAL

Please be advised, following fees will be charged for snow removal.

#### **SENIORS:**

\$100 per year

#### **FULL-TIME RESIDENTS:**

\$200 per annum prior to October 31(being 2023-2024 Winter); or, \$250 per annum on November 1, onward.

#### **CUSTOM SNOW PLOWING:**

Flat fee of \$200, additional hours as per Fees Schedule.

Fees do not change if there is abundant snow or no snow. Further, snow flags will no longer be required.

Please contact the County Office for further information at 780-657-3358.

## **FIRE RESTRICTIONS & PERMITS**

For fire ban and restriction updates, please visit: www.albertafirebans.ca or 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.



**CLOSED** 

\_\_\_\_\_for\_\_\_\_ LABOR DAY Please be advised that all County of Two Hills Offices will be closed **Monday September 4**, 2023 for Labour 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.

#### **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.

#### **ROADSIDE MOWING PROGRAM**



The County of Two Hills Roadside Mowing Program along municipal roads began August 14, 2023 in Division 4. All standing grass will be cut with no exceptions, swaths will be respected. Should you desire to cut hay on road allowances not adjacent to your property, please be courteous and contact the landowner to verify if they desire to cut the same for themselves. Questions or concerns may be directed to the ASB Department at 780-657-3358.

## **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, 2023, 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: <u>www.thcounty.ab.ca</u>

#### 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, 2023. This schedule will be in effect until April 2024.