

Grapevine Communication

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COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

December 4, 2014

Decision Items

1. Council adopted changes to Land Use Bylaw 1274-14.
2. Council gave second and third reading to Land Use Bylaw 1274-14.
3. Council awarded two of the three Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services contracts.
4. Council requested a new RFP for Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services at Mons Lake and Kaduk Lake
5. Council gave first reading to Bylaw 1269-14 -- Cancellation of Undeveloped Government Road Allowance -- Long Island Lake. Public hearing scheduled for January.

Transportation and Utilities

1. Council approve the purchase of a replacement grader to avoid the 5% increase to take effect January 1, 2015

Funding Support -- 2014 FCSS

1. HAK Star Leader Program. -- \$3,639
2. Vilna Veselka Dancing Club -- \$1,500
3. Vilna School Parents' Advisory Council -- \$4,500
4. Smoky Lake Foundation -- \$4,000
5. Town of Smoky Lake FCSS (moms and Tots) -- \$800

Scheduled Meetings

Budget meeting: January 13, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m.

Council Meeting: January 29, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings: January 9, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Natural Gas and Environmental Operations
- Agricultural Service Board
- Fire Protective Services

Strategic Plan Meeting: January 13, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

Council meetings are held in the County Administration Building located at 4612 McDougall Drive in Smoky Lake. The meetings are open to the public.

MALANKA



Commemorates the feast day of Saint Melania the Younger. On this night in Ukraine, carolers traditionally went from house to house playing pranks or acting out a small play with a bachelor dressed in women's clothing leading the troop. Malanka

caps off the festivities of the Christmas and is often the last opportunity for partying before Lent which precedes Easter.

OFFICE CLOSURE

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Smoky Lake County Office and Public Works Office will be closed over the Christmas Season, starting from Christmas Day on Thursday, December 25, 2014 until Sunday, January 4, 2015.

The office will reopen on Monday, January 5

County Offices will be closed on Wednesday, January 7 for Ukrainian Christmas Day — Різдвом Христовим





SNOWPLOW REMINDER

County Public Works asks residents who plow the snow in their driveway entrances to have snow moved well into the right hand corner of the entrance ditch.

This improves the ability of our grader operators, who are plowing County roads, to minimize the amount of snow left behind at driveway entrances.



In addition, residents are asked to not leave ridges of snow on the County roads.

SNOW CLEARING OF PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS (County Policy No. 03-35)



Public Works Dept. would like to remind all residents who have purchased a flag that Snow will be cleared along the most direct route commonly used to access the residence, including the turn-around in the yard where it is safe to do so, conditional upon a minimum of 6 inches of snow.

More information may be found on the County's website www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/public_works.htm, or obtain a copy from the County Office or the Public Works Office.

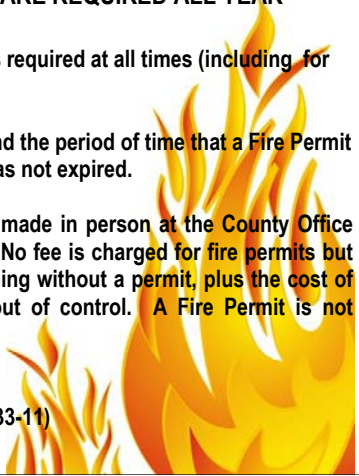
COUNTY FIRE PERMITS ARE REQUIRED ALL YEAR

Although it's winter, a fire permit is required at all times (including for the lighting of fireworks).

Appropriate county staff may extend the period of time that a Fire Permit is valid, provided the Fire Permit has not expired.

Request for Fire Permits must be made in person at the County Office with the appropriate county staff. No fee is charged for fire permits but there is a \$300 fine if there is burning without a permit, plus the cost of any fire fighting if a fire burns out of control. A Fire Permit is not transferable.

(Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1233-11)



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

PROJECT: County Lakes: Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services

2015 - 2019

Smoky Lake County is currently accepting proposals from persons interested in managing the County Lake Recreational Areas for the following sites:

Site 1: Mons Lake and Kaduk Lake.

- Request For Proposal Forms: Available at the County Office. Or online at www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca
- All proposals are to be received no later than: **2:00:00 P.M., Monday, January 19, 2015**

Cory Ollikka
Chief Administrative Officer

Beaver Tail Bounty

Smoky Lake County will pay \$ 15.00 per tail for Beavers removed from problem areas within Smoky Lake County.

You must have the legal land location of where the Beavers were removed.

Please Contact the Agricultural Service Department for more information on how to participate in this program (780) 656-3730



Smoky Lake County Community Events ...

If you have an event happening within the County of Smoky Lake and would like residents to know about it, please forward us the information a minimum of 30 days prior to the event.

Submissions may be dropped off between 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday to the County Office located at 4612 McDougall Drive in Smoky Lake, Alberta;

or mailed to: Box 310
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Attn: Communication Department

or faxed to the Communication Department at 780-656-3768

or email to: eci@smokylakecounty.ab.ca