

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

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November 2015



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COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

October 29, 2015

Decision Items

1. Bylaw No. 1287-15: authorize the Municipal Council of Smoky Lake County to provide operating expenditure borrowing and short-term capital property borrowing . -- **Adopted**
2. Execute the General Conveyance, Assignment and Assumption Agreement, and Promissory Note with Corridor Communications Incorporated for the purchase of the three County-owned internet towers . -- **Adopted**
3. Funds received from Corridor Communications Incorporated for the purchase and transfer of County-owned internet towers be put into an Internet Reserve to build smaller towers to address gaps in the current system. -- **Adopted**
4. Smoky Lake County close the County Office and County Shop Office from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2015 for staff training on Violent Threat Assessment Protocol, (VTAP) in-house -- **Adopted**
5. Discussion on the Roadway Preservation Strategy: TWP RD 604 – From East of RR 184 to TWP RD 181 and TWP RD 610 – From RR 181 to HWY 855 prepared by WSP Canada Inc. dated September 15, 2015, to the next County Council Budget Meeting. -- **Deferred**

Funding Support

1. Spray Park Committee – “Dinner and Casino” Night -- \$500



Bernadette & Hector Dalpe , Smoky Lake Region Branch #227 -- present a Certificate of Appreciation to County Council in recognition of past support.

For complete minute details, please visit:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/council_meetings.html

Scheduled Meetings

Budget Meeting: December 7, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.

Council Meeting: December 3, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

January 22, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

February 18, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

March 24, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

April 28, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

May 19, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

June 16, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings: TBA

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

County Policy Meeting: December 17, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

Regional Economic Development Committee Meeting:

December 1, 2015 @ 9:30 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.

OFFICE CLOSURE

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE AND PUBLIC WORKS

Office will be closed on
Wednesday, November 11, 2015
for Remembrance Day.

Office will be closed on
Monday, November 30, 2015
for VTAP training.



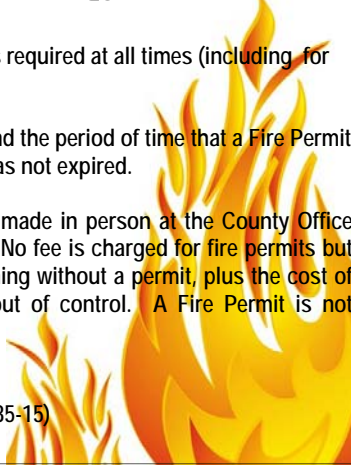
COUNTY FIRE PERMITS ARE REQUIRED ALL YEAR

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. 1285-15)



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.

Flags may be purchased at the County's Public Works Shop between 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Eligible general public individuals may buy a seasonal flag entitling the purchaser to snow clearing for the full winter season.

Prior to October 31, 2015 the cost is \$125.00
After October 31, 2015 the cost of a flag is \$175.00.

Eligible seniors and handicapped individuals may buy a seasonal flag entitling the purchaser to snow clearing for the full winter season.

Prior to October 31, 2015 the cost is \$60.00
After October 31, 2015 the cost of a flag is \$100.00.

County staff will fix the Flag to the residential signs

All flag purchasers must sign a "Hold Harmless Agreement". Each Agreement shall clearly indicate:

- The name of the purchaser(s);
- The title of the document proving age or handicap, when required;
- The legal description for the location where snowplowing is requested; and,
- The serial number(s) of the flag(s) sold.



IMPORTANT NOTICE UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Planned Road Projects in the County for the month of November

All Rehabilitation / Base Stabilization Projects are complete; crews will be busy doing:

- 1) Regular maintenance
- 2) Patching where required

For complete details, visit:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/public_works.html

CLUBROOT INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

5:30pm – 8:30pm

Ukrainian National Hall, Smoky Lake

(supper included)



Topics Covered:

- What is it? How does it spread?
- How to identify and scout your fields
- Best management practices
- Resistance; how effective is it?
- Update on new clubroot stains found

Featuring Presentations By:

Dan Orchard, *Agronomy Specialist*,
Canola Council of Canada
&

Doug Moisey, *Agronomist*,
DuPont Pioneer

Please Register by November 9th, 2015

To Register Contact the Smoky Lake County
Agricultural Department @ 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; Smoky Lake County; Smoky Lake, AB; T0A 3C0 Attn: Communication Department

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

or email to: eci@smokylakecounty.ab.ca