

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

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COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

August 20, 2015

Decision Items

1. Policy Statement No. 14B-10-02: Insurance Bond and Crime Renewal Application. -- **Amended**
2. Policy Statement No. 01-38-02: Smoky Lake County Strategic Plan. -- **Amended**
3. Policy Statement No. 14B-03-07: Insurance Liability Renewal Application. -- **Amended**
4. 2015 Tax Sale, scheduled for October 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., be cancelled -- as there are no properties for the tax sale. -- **Approved**
5. Proceed with a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Electricity Purchasing programs.
6. Contribution Agreement with Western Economic Diversification Canada for the Bellis Lake Campground. -- **Approved**
7. Policy Statement No. 61-15-01: Designation of Municipal Historic Resources -- **Adopted**
8. 2015 Three Year Road Plan -- Maintenance/Upgrade Project on TWP 584 – HWY 855 – RR 173 of 1.1 mile -- **Amended**

Funding Support

1. Algonquin Shooting Sports Association -- 72 tonnes of gravel
2. Kinette Club of Smoky Lake -- \$500 for movie night
3. Smoky Lake Foundation --manpower and equipment to assist in the Parking Lot Project.
4. Alberta Development Officer's Association -- \$500 for Bronze Sponsorship
5. Waskatenau Motors -- 87 tonnes of gravel, manpower and equipment
6. Mons Lake Association --\$500 -- towards the Canada Day Fireworks

Delegation(s)

1. Alberta Municipal Services Corporation -- to discuss the (AMSC) Energy Program which addressed Electricity, Natural Gas, and Green Energy

For complete minute details, please visit:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/council_meetings.html

Scheduled Meetings

Budget Meeting: September 28, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m.

Council Meeting: September 24, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

October 29, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

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

County Organizational Meeting: October 29, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings: September 4, 2015 @ 9:30 a.m.

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

County Strategic Plan Meeting: October 21, 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.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY WELCOMES

Jordan Ruegg

Planning & Development Manager



OFFICE CLOSURE

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE AND PUBLIC WORKS

Office will be closed on
Monday, September 7, 2015
for Labour Day.



Call for Nominations

2015
STARS OF ALBERTA
VOLUNTEER

Awards

The *Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards* honour extraordinary Albertans whose volunteer achievements have contributed to the well-being of their community and fellow community members. Six awards, two in each category of youth, adult and senior are presented annually on or around International Volunteer Day, December 5. (deadline for self-application is September 15, 2015)



REMINDER:

Fireworks Require a Permit

If you are planning on discharging fireworks within Smoky Lake County you will require a permit.

Apply for a Permit in person at the County Office.

4612 - McDougall Drive
Smoky Lake, AB
T0A 3C0

For more information, visit:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/ems_f.html

SNOW SEASON IS ON ITS WAY...

Remember ... the County provides snow clearing services to Smoky Lake County residents for their residential driveways under the following terms and conditions:

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.

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.

2015 Camping Season

With the **September** long weekend approaching, our County has many lakes and recreation sites to enjoy -- but please be water and camp fire safe. See the County's website for Reservation information and what's offered at each site. There is a \$20.00 per night per unit fee if you are camping overnight.



www.smokylakeregion.ca/camping.html



IMPORTANT NOTICE UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Planned Road Projects in the County for the month of September

Rehabilitation / Base Stabilization Projects:

- 1) MG 1564: Twp 595A; between RR 170 to 171
- 2) R 2724: Twp 602; between RR 153 to 154

For complete details, visit:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/public_works.html

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry Farmers' Advocate Office:

Surface Rights Pricing Transparency Mapping Project

The Farmers' Advocate Office (FAO) is currently collecting surface lease, transmission line, seismic, and pipeline right-of-way agreements to create a resource for landowners who are negotiating with energy companies.

Launched in June 2015, the Pricing Transparency Maps will provide landowners with a range of values for each of the heads of compensation based on the type of agreement.

The farmers advocate is only accepting seismic and pipeline right-of-way agreements no older than 2011, and surface lease and transmission agreements no older than 2010. Any agreements containing a privacy clause cannot be submitted. Names and contact information will not be released. Note that the maps will depict the legal land description to the nearest section.

Submit to the Farmers Advocate Office at:

- Farmers' Advocate Office
Attn: Jena Les
J.G. O'Donoghue Building
305, 7000-113 Street
Edmonton, AB T6H 5T6
- Email: jena.les@gov.ab.ca
- Phone: 310.farm (3276)
- Fax: 780-427-3913
- www.farmersadvocate.gov.ab.ca

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