

# **GRAPEVINE** FEBRUARY 2023



#### **Scheduled Meetings**

Visit our **'Agendas & Minutes'** web page for more Council meeting info and the **'Meeting & Events'** web page for the <u>complete</u> list of other scheduled meeting dates and community events.

Policy Committee Meeting February 7, 2023 @ 9:00 AM

Council Departmental Meeting February 14, 2023 @ 9:00 AM

Regular County Council Meeting February 15, 2023 @ 9:00 AM March 16, 2023 @ 9:00 AM Public Q & A Period 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Agricultural Service Board Meeting February 21, 2023 @ 1:00 PM

Strategic Plan Open House February 27, 2023 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Smoky Lake County Main and Public Works Offices will be

CLOSED

Monday, February 20, 2023



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#### **Main Office**

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#### **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

- First Reading given to Bylaw No. 1429-23: Road Closure- Undeveloped Government Road Allowance; East Side of River Lot 10 (Victoria Settlement)
- Second Reading given to Bylaw No. 1430-23: Planning & Development Public Hearing Procedures
- Third & Final Reading given to Bylaw No. 1431-23: Planning & Development Fees
- Adopted Policy Statement No. 07-09-01: Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association (ABMA) Liaison Committee Terms of Reference
- Adopted Policy Statement No. 04-05-01: North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) Liaison Committee Terms of Reference
- Third & Final Reading given to Bylaw No. 1428-23: Solid Waste Regulations and Fines
- Amended Policy Statement No. 03-18-18: Five-Year Road Plan
- Approved \$2,000 towards Northeast Mayors Reeve & Indigenous Leader Caucus' advocacy and lobbying efforts
- Approved \$1,000 of FCSS funding to Royal Canadian Legion Branch 227
- Approved a \$1,230.50 membership to North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA)

#### **Donations:**

- Approved \$500 towards 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Randy Russ Memorial Barrel Race, scheduled for August 6-7, 2023, in Bellis
- Approved \$4,000 to the Smoky Lake Trail Twisters for winter grooming the Iron Horse Trail in 2022 & 2023

#### WEED INSPECTOR- FULL TIME - TEMPORARY

Smoky Lake County, Agricultural Services Department has an employment opportunity for the position of Weed Inspector which consists of temporary-full-time work for approximately four months, starting May 1, 2023. The successful candidate must be willing to work flexible hours and preference will be given to students or individuals with a pesticide applicator license or the ability to obtain one, prior experience in agriculture, pesticides, spray operations and weed and plant identification. Smoky Lake County will provide all applicable training.

#### DUTIES INCLUDE:

- Weed inspections on private land;
- Roadside and spot spraying of weeds;
- Working with producers to control noxious weeds;
- Insect and crop disease surveys;
- General maintenance and equipment upkeep.

#### PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE:

- Valid Alberta driver's license;
- Pesticide Applicators License or Authorized Assistant Applicator License;
- Weed species identification;
- Modern agricultural production practices; and
- Any applicable experience and training.

Interested candidates are invited to submit their resumes in strict confidence by  ${\bf noon}~{\bf March}~{\bf 24th},~{\bf 2023}$  to:

Amanda Kihn, Acting Agricultural Fieldman Box 310 Smoky Lake, Alberta, T0A 3C0 Fax: 780-656-3768 Email: amandak@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

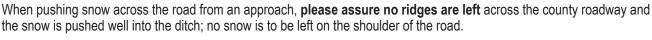
Wage will be based on qualifications and experience.

Smoky Lake County thanks all applicants in advance, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

## **SNOWPLOW REMINDERS**



County Public Works asks residents who plow the snow in their driveway entrances to have the snow moved well into the **RIGHT** hand corner of their 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. *Please make sure your address sign remains clearly visible from the road and not obstructed by* 



## -SAVE THE DATE-

## Draft Strategic Plan Review OPEN HOUSE

## **February 27, 2023**

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Via Zoom Platform: Meeting ID: 898 9569 7989 Passcode: 228160

Visit our website for all the details! www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca



A **15%** penalty will be <u>applied</u> to all taxes and penalties in arrears on

### Wednesday, March 1, 2023

For more information contact the County Office at 780-656-3730.

