



GRAPEVINE

MARCH 2020



Scheduled Meetings

All meetings are open to the public. If you would like to be a delegation at a meeting please contact the main office at least ten (10) working days prior to meeting date.

Departmental Operations
March 5, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

Joint County & Town Council
March 6, 2020 @ 2:30 PM

Regional Fire & Rescue Committee
March 11, 2020 @ 1:00 PM

Policy Committee Meeting
March 20, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

Northeast Alberta HUB- AGM
March 23, 2020 @ 10:00 AM
~ St. Paul

Joint Municipalities Meeting
March 30, 2020 @ 5:30 PM
~ Vilna

County Council Meeting
March 26, 2020 @ 9:00 AM
April 30, 2020 @ 9:00 AM
May 28, 2020 @ 9:00 AM
Public Q & A Period 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Regional Community Development Committee
April 6, 2020 @ 10:00 AM
Public Q & A Period 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Smoky Lake County
Main and Public Works
Offices will be

CLOSED

April 10, 2020
for Good Friday &
April 13, 2020
for Easter Monday



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COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- Bylaw No. 1366-20: Bylaw Enforcement Officer. - **Passed.**
- Policy Statement No. 08-07-05: Corporate Credit Card. - **Amended.**
- Bylaw No. 1367-20: Protocol for Regional Cooperation. - **Passed.**
- Policy Statement No. 03-35-11: Snow Clearing, cost increase. - **Amended.**
- Bylaw No 1365-20: Smoky Lake Regional Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF). - **Passed.**
- Policy Statement No. 04-09-01: Take it or Leave it Program. - **Adopted.**
- Recreational Area Facility Supervision and Cleaning Services contracts awarded. See website for contractors and details.

Donations

- \$1,000 to the Kalyna Country Performing Arts Association for the Kalyna Festival, March 7-8, 2020 at the Complex in Smoky Lake.
- \$500 to the Smoky Lake Holubka Dancers to aid in the purchase of Ukrainian Dance Costumes.

2020 Road Dust Control/Suppression Application

Smoky Lake County Public Works is accepting applications for blade mix oil or magnesium chloride dust control/suppression for rural roads within the County in front of residences. Fees are as follows:

Magnesium Chloride

- \$850 for two (2) applications
- The first application will take place in late spring. Upon inspection in September, a decision will be made on whether to proceed with the second application in the fall or wait until the following spring. Conditions of the treatment will determine the timing of the second application.

Blade Mix Oil

- \$3,000 for 2 ½ inch thickness
- Length for the dust control/ suppression will be 150 meters (500 feet). Any additional length of dust treatment will be at the full cost to the applicant.

Applications are available at Smoky Lake County Public Works Office between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday to Friday.

**** PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH APPLICATIONS****

Deadline to apply is Friday, May 1, 2020 @ 4:00 PM

Contract Trucks & Equipment: Notice to Register

To be eligible, contractors must complete and submit ANNUALLY a Registration Form listing each piece of equipment they wish to hire out. Forms are available at the Smoky Lake County Public Works Office or on the County website under 'Public Works'. All contractors shall comply with the terms of the County's agreement and provisions of the conditions as outlined within "Hiring of Contract Trucks and Equipment" (Policy No. 03-04).

Registration forms must be **delivered in person** to the Public Works Shop, 5004 - 50 St. Smoky Lake on or before,

Thursday, April 30, 2020 at 4:00 PM

Building This Spring?

Have you applied for a Development Permit Yet?

A Development Permit is required before building or developing your property. Certain types of buildings are exempt from Development Permits. For an application, please visit our website.

http://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p_and_d_dp.html



For more information, please contact
Jordan Ruegg at 780-656-3730
jruegg@smokylakecounty.ab.ca



Smoky Lake County Main &
Public Works Offices will be

CLOSED

Friday, April 24, 2020

for our Annual Safety Meeting



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

WEED INSPECTOR

Smoky Lake County is seeking 1 self-motivated individual for the seasonal position of **Weed Inspector** for approximately four months, starting May 4, 2020. The successful candidate must be willing to work flexible hours and preference will be given to 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 does provide all applicable training.

DUTIES INCLUDE:

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

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE:

- Valid Alberta driver's license;
- Pesticide Applicators License or
- Authorized Assistant Pesticide 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 **noon on March 13th, 2020** to:

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

We thank all applicants in advance, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Wage will be based on qualifications and experience.

SUMMER TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

Smoky Lake County is now accepting applications from individuals over 16 years of age with a valid operators license to fill either **four month** or **two month** positions.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020 AT 4:00 PM

Please submit applications to:

Ed English, Parks and Recreation Manager
Box 310, Smoky Lake, AB T0A 3C0
Phone: 780-656-3730 Fax (780) 656 3768
eenglish@smokylakecounty.ab.ca



FCC AGRISPIRIT FUND

Do you have a project that will enhance lives or contribute to sustainability in your rural community? The FCC AgriSpirit Fund may provide between \$5,000 to \$25,000 to projects that qualify.

Applications open March 1 – 31, 2020

For more information visit:

<https://www.fcc-fac.ca/en/community/giving-back/agrispirit-fund.html>



Smoky Lake National Hall

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

6:00 PM

~ Everyone Welcome ~

SPRING CLEANING?

Please remember to cover loads when hauling items to the County Waste Transfer Stations to prevent fly-aways. Securing a load is required by the Traffic Safety Act. 'Take-It or Leave It' sheds are located at the Smoky Lake and Waskatenau Transfer stations for items that can be re-purposed by someone new.

Secure Your Load For Safer Roads!



Smoky Lake County Waste Transfer Station Winter Hours

Effective January 3rd to March 31st, 2020

Smoky Lake Landfill	Tuesday & Saturday	10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Spedden Landfill	Wednesday & Sunday	10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Bellis Transfer Station	Wednesday & Saturday	10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Vilna Transfer Station	Tuesday & Saturday	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Waskatenau Transfer Station	Saturday	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Natural Gas Customer Reminder

Please keep your Natural Gas account information current and correct, including your updated phone numbers. This information is helpful so that we can contact you in the event of an emergency. Call (780) 656-3730 or email dmoric@smokylakecounty.ab.ca to provide us your information.



! ATTENTION FARMERS !

Smoky Lake County Council has **rescinded** their decision to not provide **Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)** funding in 2020. Therefore, Smoky Lake County **will continue to fund LARA** in the amount of \$55,000 for the Year-2020

Agricultural Extension Programming.

Please, take advantage of this valuable agricultural service!

www.laraonline.ca



SMOKY LAKE HOLUBKA DANCERS

OINKER BINGO

A HAM Bingo FUN-Raiser!

Saturday, April 4, 2020

Smoky Lake Agricultural Complex

DOORS OPEN **HAM BINGO**

6:00 PM **7:30 PM**

Raffles, Live Auction & More!

Fun for the Whole Family!

For more information

Angela: 780-650-2586

Evonne: 780-656-0690

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March 15-21, 2020
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