



GRAPEVINE

APRIL 2022



Scheduled Meetings

County meetings are open to the public.
To virtually attend, visit our website's
Calendar or Agenda & Minutes Page.

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/meetings

Natural Gas
Fire Protection Services
Environmental Operations
Agricultural Service Board
April 12, 2022 @ 9:00 AM

Regional Fire & Rescue Committee
April 19, 2022 @ 10:00 AM

County Budget Meeting
April 22, 2022 @ 9:00 AM

Council Departmental Meeting
April 26, 2022 @ 9:00 AM
May 24, 2022 @ 9:00 AM

Regular County Council Meeting
April 28, 2022 @ 9:00 AM
May 26, 2022 @ 9:00 AM
Public Q & A Period
11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Smoky Lake County
Main and Public Works
Offices will be

CLOSED

April 15, 2022
for Good Friday &
April 18, 2022
for Easter Monday

Box 310
4612 McDougall Drive
Smoky Lake, Alberta
T0A 3C0

Main Office

Phone: 780-656-3730
Fax: 780-656-3768
Toll Free: 888-656-3730

Natural Gas

Phone: 780-656-3037

Public Works

Phone: 780-656-3755
Fax: 780-656-3743

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COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- **Passed** Bylaw No.1407-22: Designate the Hamlin Road Ranch as a Municipal Historic Resource.
- **Passed** Bylaw No. 1412-22: Hamlet of Bellis Sewer System.
- **Adopted** the 2021 audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the Smoky Lake County Gas Utility Financial Statements.

Donations

- \$5,000 directly to the municipality of Kosiv, Ukraine for humanitarian aid and supplies needed.
- \$500 to Smoky Lake Minor Hockey to participate in the 2022 Provincials Hockey Playoff games in Sundre.
- \$1,000 FCSS Funds to Aspen View Public Schools Career Fair Day held at the Smoky Lake Complex.
- \$6,500 FCSS Funds to Smoky Lake Library Board for program funding.
- \$450 to the Vilna & District Municipal Library to cover the cost of 2022 membership fees.



NOTICE: ROAD BANS

Effective **MARCH 17, 2022 at 8:00 AM** the following road restrictions are in place:

Gravel Roads

Assigned Designated Routes according to Conditions;

Prior to any type of hauling, Public Works must be contacted as several gravel roads may be banned from any type of hauling.

**** Public Works may accommodate heavy hauling during early morning periods when the frost is still in the ground. ****

Posted Oil Based and Paved Roads

75 % Axle Weight

Any and all proposed hauling activity must be reported by contacting:

Bob Novosiwsky, Public Works Foreman 780-650-5100
Doug Ponich, Public Works Manager 780-650-5101

Smoky Lake County appreciates your help in keeping the roads in great shape over the spring thaw.

2022 ROAD DUST CONTROL/SUPPRESSION APPLICATIONS

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

Application forms are also available on our website as attached to Policy Statement No. 03-39-13: Dust Control

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/policies

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

Deadline to apply is May 2, 2022 @ 4:00 PM

Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who went above and beyond to help during the mass snowfall and high winds in early March. We appreciate your time and effort to help keep everyone safe.



Smoky Lake County Main and Public Works Offices will be

CLOSED

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022

for our Annual Safety Meeting.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full job details and how to apply can be found on our website:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/employment

ROADSIDE MOWER OPERATOR (SEASONAL)

Smoky Lake County is seeking **one** self-motivated individual for the seasonal position of Roadside Mower Operator for approximately **4 months**. The successful candidate must be willing to work flexible hours and preference will be given to individuals with prior experience in agriculture.

Deadline to apply: Noon on April 8, 2022

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN (FULL TIME - PERMANENT)

Smoky Lake County invites qualified candidates to apply for the position of Information Technology Technician (IT). Reporting to the Finance Manager, the IT Technician will manage and provide maintenance of hardware & software, training, consultation, and recommendations for continuous improvement to the County's Information Systems. This full-time, permanent position requires a competent, self-motivated individual who will provide network administration and systems management services, including individual support with computer hardware and software.

COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER (FULL TIME - PERMANENT)

Smoky Lake County is seeking a Community Peace Officer to provide professional leadership to build, maintain and sustain the County's Community Peace Officer and Bylaw enforcement programs. This full-time, permanent position will require the incumbent to occasionally work on weekends, statutory holidays, and evenings, particularly during the summer seasons and plays a vital role in our community with respect to enforcing Municipal Bylaws and Provincial Statutes.

Deadline to apply: 4:00 P.M. on April 14, 2022

ASSISTANT AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN (FULL TIME - TEMPORARY)

Smoky Lake County is seeking a self-motivated individual for the full time- temporary position of Assistant Agricultural Fieldman for approximately **12-18 months**. The successful candidate must be willing to work flexible hours and preference will be given to individuals with prior experience in agriculture. Working under the direction of the Agricultural Fieldman, the Assistant Agricultural Fieldman provides general field and administrative support to the Agricultural Fieldman in managing legislated agricultural acts, programs, services and other assigned duties required to operate the department.

Deadline to apply: Noon on April 15, 2022

Competitions may remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

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



April 28 commemorates the National Day of Mourning to remember workers who have been injured, killed or suffer illness as a result of occupational accidents and hazards.



Reeve, Council & Staff would like to extend a heart-

THANK YOU

to all the *Volunteers*

who donate their time and hearts to our communities.

National Volunteer Week April 24-30, 2022

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,

May 2, 2022 prior to 4:00 PM

WASTE TRANSFER STATION UPDATES

All waste transfer stations and landfill sites will resume regular operating hours
Effective April 1, 2022

Bellis Transfer Station	Wednesday & Saturday
Smoky Lake Landfill	Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
Spedden Landfill	Wednesday & Sunday
Vilna Transfer Station	Tuesday & Saturday
Waskatenau Transfer Station	Saturday

Hours of Operation: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Spring Clean Up Promotion
Coming Soon!

May 1 to May 31, 2022

Smoky Lake County is offering free disposal of appliances containing Freon at County Landfill sites for all residents of the Smoky Lake Region, during the month of May.

For more information call Dave Franchuk at 780-650-1800

Hay Permits must be submitted prior to **June 1st** by landowners that are planning to cut hay in County ditches adjacent to their land.

Contact Smoky Lake County
Agricultural Department
@ 780-656-3730 for more
information.



NO DUMPING IN ROAD RIGHT OF WAY

Smoky Lake County requests your cooperation in keeping our County Road Right-of-Way clear of garbage and debris.

Field rocks, tires, furniture, car parts, wire, etc., causes damage to equipment, productivity down-time, and costly repairs.

Disposing of any litter or debris in the road right-of-way (the ditch) is an offense subject to penalties of up to \$500.00 under *Bylaw 1241-12: Respecting Road Rights-of-Ways*.



Mower blade entangled with cable left in ditch.