

GRAPEVINE

JUNE 2021



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/meeting-minutes-agendas

Subdivision & Development Appeal

Board June 10, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Natural Gas

Fire Protection Services Environmental Operations Agricultural Service Board

June 15, 2021 @ 9:00 AM

County Departmental Meeting
June 22, 2021 @ 9:00 AM

County Council Meeting
June 24, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
August 26, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
Public Q & A Period 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Regional Fire & Rescue Committee
June 30, 2021 @ 1:00 PM

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- *Approved* to implement a Public Participation Plan for amendments to the Land Use Bylaw relating to: Hamlet Chickens, Dark Skies, and Temporary RVs at Lake-lots.
- *Adopted* Policy Statement: 01-53-01: Treaty 6 and Indigenous Acknowledgement.
- Amended Policy Statement No. 01-28-02: Council Request for Information.
- Amended Policy Statement No. 03-25-11: Sale of Gravel or Sand.
- Adopted Policy Statement No. 01-41-01: Asset Management.
- Deferred Road Construction Project No. C2113 on Twp Rd 592 between Rge Rd 172 & Rge Rd 171
- *Appointed* two Weed/Pest Inspectors for 2021.
- Received the 2021 Municipal Accountability Program (MAP) Report Review (& posted to our website).
- Declared May 16-22, 2021 as National Public Works Week.
- Agreed to support "Lemonade Day" on June 19, 2021

Public Works Maintenance & Project Schedule

- Road rehabilitation and MG30 applications:
 - Beginning June 1: RR 181; TWP 604 605
 - Beginning June 8: TWP 620; RR 135 141
 - Beginning June 14: RR 122; TWP 591 592
 - Beginning June 21: RR 124; TWP 601 603A
- Patching of oil base roads and dust controls.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO SLOW DOWN WHEN DRIVING THROUGH CONSTRUCTION AREAS

Smoky Lake County Main and Public Works Offices will be CLOSED THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2021 for Canada Day

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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Limitations on the Number of Recreational Vehicles on Property

Section 7.25: Land Use Bylaw 1272-14 of Smoky Lake County

As camping season is upon us, please be reminded that Smoky Lake County has a bylaw which limits the number of Recreational Vehicles (RV's) on your property.

Multi-Lot County Residential (R1), Residential (Cluster) Conservation (R2), Victoria Residential (R3), and Hamlet General (HG) Districts:

- A maximum of two (2) RV's are allowed on a parcel without a development permit year-round.
- Additional RV's are permitted although, only for a maximum of four (4) consecutive days.
- This section does not apply to the placement of recreational vehicles in the Agriculture District (AG), Victoria Agriculture District (A1), Highway Commercial District (C1), Victoria Commercial District (C2), Industrial District (M1), Rural Industrial District (M2), Institutional & Community District (P), Direct Control District (DC), and Direct Control Landfill District (DC1).



No recreational vehicle shall be permanently connected to any utility or municipal service, such as power, gas, water supply, or sanitary sewage disposal facilities unless the RV is located in an approved RV Park.

You may verify the zoning of your property by accessing the Public Web-map *http://munisightes.smokylakecounty.ab.ca*, select "Login as guest" to enter the Web-map Site and turn on the "Zoning" and "Zoning Label" Layers under the Planning & Development tab.

For more information contact; Jordan Ruegg, Planning & Development Manager or Ed English, Bylaw Enforcement Officer at the County Office at 780-656-3730

WEED INSPECTIONS ON PRIVATE LAND

Beginning **JUNE 1**st Smoky Lake County Agricultural Services will be conducting weed inspections of private land and commencing its spray program to control brush and noxious weeds in County right-of-ways.

Weed Inspectors will have a valid Weed Inspector ID and be in a marked Smoky Lake County vehicle. Weed inspectors will be looking for noxious and prohibited noxious weeds as regulated under the *Alberta Weed Control Act*.

For more information on prohibited noxious and noxious weed resources visit

www.abinvasives.ca

For more information or questions contact the Agricultural Fieldman at 780-650-5409



NOTICE OF **PREPARATION**

2021 ASSESSMENT AND TAX ROLL SMOKY LAKE COUNTY PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Notice is hereby given that the combined tax and assessment notices have been mailed as of May 31, 2021 to all property owners in Smoky Lake County. In accordance with Section 311 of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 R.S.A. 2000, all persons are deemed to have received their combined tax and assessment notices as a result of this

The assessment roll is open for inspection at the County Office, 4612 McDougall Drive. Smoky Lake, Alberta during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Please call the County Office at (780)656-3730 to arrange for an appointment to inspect the assessment roll. Any person who desires to object to the entry of their name or that of any other person upon the said roll or to the assessed value placed upon any property must by August 3, 2021, lodge their complaint(s) in writing to the Chief Administrative Officer of Smoky Lake County.

Please review your Assessment and Tax Notice. If you have any questions, please contact the County Office.

A 12% penalty will be applied to any current taxes owing after October 31, 2021. If you do not receive your tax notice or have any other questions, please contact the County Office at (780)656-3730.

DATED this 31st day of May, 2021.

Gene Sobolewski Chief Administrative Officer Smoky Lake County

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT OUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

Accurate Assessment Services will be available at the Smoky Lake County Office on June 8, 22 & 30th between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM by appointment only. If you would like to schedule an appointment please contact the County Office at 780-656-3730 or taxes@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

FIRE RATING: MODERAT Smoky Lake County has removed the existing Fire Restriction effective 2:00 P.M. May 28, 2021. New fire permits will be issued and subject to inspection.

Off-Highway Vehicles can start wildfires - check frequently to ensure hotspots are free of debris, and make sure mufflers and spark arrestors are working properly.

Never leave a campfire unattended. Soak it, stir it and soak it again until cool to the touch to ensure it is extinguished.

Visit our website for up to date information and restrictions in place. www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca

PRIMARY CARE NETWORK SERVICES

#151 White Earth Street, Smoky Lake AB, T0A 3C0 Tel: 780-645-1188

Lakeland PCN is dedicated to participating in community engagement events. Our healthcare team includes registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, registered dietitians, exercise specialists and social workers, can provide a variety of health care services such as:

- Kinesiologist
- Social Work Support

- Ankle Branchial Index •
- Registered Dietitian •
- Stress test

To access programs and services offered in our community:

Ask your doctor for a referral OR call Lakeland PCN at 780-645-1188

MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2021



Only FOUR months until Election 2021!

Reminders for potential candidates:

- All nomination papers must be signed by at least five (5) electors of the municipality prior to being accepted by the returning officer.
- Campaign Finance and Contribution Disclosure: Candidates must be nominated before incurring any campaign expenses or accepting contributions.

Nominations close on September 20, 2021

Visit our website for more information: www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/election-2021

Questions? Michelle Wright, Returning Officer Phone: 780-656-5398

FIREWORKS REQUIRE PERMITS

If you are planning on discharging fireworks within Smoky Lake County a Fireworks Permit Agreement is always required.

To obtain a free permit or for more information please call 780-656-3730 www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/policies.html

INSECT FORECAST MAPS



Bertha armyworm traps are being set up across the province to participate in the annual monitoring program by the Alberta Insect Pest Monitoring Network. Live trap counts of these and other insects can be found on the Alberta Insect Pest Monitoring Network website

www.alberta.ca/alberta-insect-pest-monitoring-network.aspx

Greg Flondra Memorial Scholarship

The family of Greg Flondra has started a scholarship in his memory to honour Greg's love for rural life and his value for further education.

The \$1,000 scholarship is intended for students enrolled an apprenticeship program in any trade area and have at least completed their second year of their program. Eligible candidates must have also graduated from high school in Smoky Lake County or the County of St. Paul.

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS JUNE 30, 2021

Applications forms can be downloaded from: www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/scholarships

For more information contact Mary Flondra at gregflondrascholarship@gmail.



To find out more and how to get involved visit:

lemonadeday.org/northernalberta

June 7 - 13, 2021 Seniors' Week



For ideas on how to recognize and celebrate seniors while keeping everyone safe, visit: www.alberta.ca/seniors-week.aspx

Share your stories using #abseniors



H.A.Kostash, Holy Family Catholic & Vilna Schools

We know this isn't how you pictured celebrating this huge milestone.

While the celebration may look different, the accomplishment is just as great.



