



GRAPEVINE

OCTOBER 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

Natural Gas

Fire Protection Services

Environmental Operations

Agricultural Service Board

October 12, 2021 at 9:00 AM

RCDC Meeting

October 13, 2021 at 1:00 PM

Regular County Council Meeting

October 15, 2021 at 9:00 AM

Public Q & A Period 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Municipal Election

October 18, 2021 10:00 AM

County Council Organizational

Meeting

October 28, 2021 at 9:00 AM

County Budget Meeting

October 29, 2021 at 9:00 AM

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- **Adopted** Policy Statement No. 07-05-01: Smoky Lake Community Daycare Co-operative (Pumpkin Patch) -Terms of Reference.
- **Passed** Bylaw No. 1404-21: Ukrainian Twinning Committee- Terms of Reference.
- Awarded the Safety Codes Services Contract from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026 to the Inspections Group Inc.
- Passed Bylaw No. 1405-21- Bylaw Enforcement Officer.

Donations

- \$11,188.00 for operations from the Municipal Sustainability Operating Grant

MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2021

The Municipal Election will be held on
Monday, October 18, 2021

Councillor, Senate and Referendum ballot information,
voter information and voter identification requirements
can be found on our website

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/for-voters

Questions?

Michelle Wright, Returning Officer, 780-656-5398

BYLAW ENFORCEMENT & ANIMAL CONTROL CHANGES

Bylaw Enforcement

Tammy Goddu, Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Cell: 780-201-6777

Email: tgoddu@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

Animal Control

Trevor Cameron, Animal Control Technician

Cell: 780-656-6059

Smoky Lake County
Main and Public Works
Offices will be

CLOSED

Monday,
October 11, 2021
for Thanksgiving



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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TAXES DUE

Deadline to pay taxes without penalty is

October 31, 2021



***Please note: October 31, 2021 is a Sunday. The last day to make in-person payments is Friday, October 29, 2021.**

Payments can be made on October 31st by dropping a cheque in the mail box posted outside the County Main Office, paying by post dated cheque or on-line dated October 31st.

A 12% penalty will be added to all tax arrears on November 1, 2021

Any payments brought into the office on November 1 will be considered late and have penalties applied.

HELPFUL TIPS:

- Property taxes can be paid in person at the Smoky Lake County Main Office, by on-line banking or at your financial institution.
- If paying online, please use your Roll Number as listed on your tax notice as your account number.
- If paying in person, it is helpful to bring in ALL your tax notices. This ensures that no parcels get missed.
- All COVID protocols must be followed if paying in person including masking, physical distancing of 2 metres, and limiting the number of customers in the foyer at one time.

If you require further information, please call the County Office at 780-656-3730

TAX INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN

As per Bylaw No. 1128-05 all property tax payers of Smoky Lake County may apply to pay their property taxes under the "Tax Installment Payment Plan".

Pre-authorized debits in the amount of the previous years taxes divided into 12 monthly installments, are paid on the TWENTIETH day of each month beginning with January 20.

In June, the Monthly payment will be adjusted to reflect the actual taxes owing for that year.

Smoky Lake County must receive the Pre-Authorized Debit Form for Property Taxation Monthly Payment Plan no later than **NOVEMBER 15, 2021**.

For more information please contact: [Debbie Hackman](mailto:Debbie.Hackman@smokylakecounty.ab.ca), Accounting Clerk

780-656-3730 or dhackman@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

2021 TAX SALE

Government of the Province of Alberta
Public Sale of Land
(Municipal Government Act)
Smoky Lake County

Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Smoky Lake County will offer for sale, by public auction, in the County Administration Building, 4612 McDougall Drive, Smoky Lake, Alberta on Friday, November 12, 2021, at 10:00 A.M., the following lands:

Lot/Blk/Plan	Legal	Size	C of T #
1;1;1026561	SE 21-059-15-4	55.60	112019414
	SW 29-059-16-4	2.80	79N190
	NW 29-059-16-4	161.00	092362617001
2;1;1624316	SW 21-059-17-4	5.07	162354715
	SE 15-060-17-4	130.85	102135630
	S1/2 - SE 23-060-19-4	80.00	122107121
20;1;1039CL		50 lin ft	002357454
11;1;716CL	NW 10-059-18-4	580.63 m2	152354815
8 & 9; 2;716CL	NW 10-059-18-4	724.62 m2	062446028

The parcels will be offered for sale, subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing Certificate of Title.

These properties are being offered for sale on an "as is, where is" basis and Smoky Lake County makes no representation and gives no warranty whatsoever as to the adequacy of services, soil conditions, land use districting, building and development conditions, absence or presence of environment contamination, or the develop ability of the subject land for any intended use by the Purchaser.

No bids will be accepted where the bidder attempts to attach conditions precedent to the sale of any parcel. No terms or conditions of sale will be considered other than those specified by Smoky Lake County. No further information is available at the auction regarding the lands to be sold.

Terms: 10% Cash to be deposited at the Public Auction the balance and G.S.T. will be paid by cash or certified cheque by 2:00:00 P.M. November 15, 2021.

Dated at Smoky Lake, Alberta, August 26, 2021

Gene Sobolewski
Chief Administrative Officer

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES GRANTS



Smoky Lake County has funds available under the FCSS granting program. Eligible organizations will need to apply funds to projects that qualify under Policy 08-17-01 using a prescribed application form.

Final reports and surveys for each grant will need to be submitted.

To receive funding, programs must either develop awareness with regard to social needs; help individuals develop independence and strengthen coping skills; and, provide supports that help sustain people as active participants in the community.

For more information please contact:

Brenda Adamson, Finance Manager,
780-656-3730 or badamson@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

SNOW FLAGS

As per Policy 3-35: Snow Clearing, 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 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.
- Eligible general public individuals may buy a seasonal flag entitling the purchaser to snow clearing for the full winter season.
- County staff will attach the snow flag to the residential signs.
- All flag purchasers must sign a "Hold Harmless Agreement".
- After **December 15th no flags will be sold** for the current year.

Cost: **\$350.00** if purchased prior to **October 31**.
\$400.00 if purchased after October 31.

Eligible seniors and handicapped individuals may buy a seasonal flag for the cost of **\$125.00** if purchased prior to **October 31**. After October 31, the cost to purchase a flag is \$150.00.

More information on Policy 3-35: Snow Clearing, can be found on-line at:

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/p/policies



Smoky Lake County Waste Transfer Station

Winter Hours

Effective November 1st, 2021 to March 31st, 2022

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

KEEP YOUR ADDRESS SIGN VISIBLE



When precious minutes count, it's important that your sign is clearly visible for Emergency Services. Please ensure that your rural sign is not obstructed by grass, trees, debris, etc.

If you see a down or damaged road sign please report it to the Public Works Shop at 780-656-3577

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Small Businesses

Your vision, confidence and hard work help to make our communities a wonderful place to call home.

Celebrating Small Business Week October 17-23, 2021