

GRAPEVINE

NOVEMBER 2019



Scheduled Meetings

County Council Budget Meeting November 6, 2019 @ 9:00 AM November 29, 2019 @ 9:00 AM

RCDC

November 19, 2019 @ 9:00 AM

Regional Fire & Rescue Committee

December 4, 2019 @ 1:00 PM

Regular County Council
December 12, 2019 @ 9:00 AM

Natural Gas
Fire Protection Services
Environmental Operations
Agricultural Service Board

December 16, 2019 @ 9:00 AM

Smoky Lake County Main and Public Works Offices will be

CLOSED

Monday, November 11, 2019

for Remembrance Day



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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

- Craig Lukinuk acclaimed at Reeve for 2019-2020
- Randy Orichowski acclaimed as Deputy Reeve for 2019-2020
- Bylaw No. 1357-19: Agricultural Service Board. Passed.
- Bylaw No. 1358-19: Agricultural Fieldman as a Designated Officer. Passed.
- Policy Statement No. 02-25-01: Citizens on Patrol (COP) Liaison Committee: Terms of Reference.
 Adopted.

Donations

- \$200.00; to each Royal Canadian Legion Halls: Smoky Lake Legion Branch No. 227 and Waskatenau Legion Branch No. 261
- \$750.00 of FCSS Funding to the Town of Smoky Lake FCSS for a community bus trip to Edmonton in December.
- \$1,250.00 of FCSS Funding to the Smoky Lake Agricultural Society for the Volunteer Appreciation and Encouraging Volunteers Family New Years Eve Event.

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Pre-authorized debits in the amount of the previous years taxes divided into 12 monthly installments, are withdrawn on the TWENTIETH day of each month beginning with <u>January 20</u>. Then in June, the Monthly payment amount will be recalculated to reflect the actual taxes owing for that year.

To qualify, Smoky Lake County must receive the Pre-Authorized Debit Form for Property Taxation Monthly Payment Plan no later than **NOVEMBER 15, 2019.**

For more information please contact: Carleigh McMullin, Accounting Clerk 780-656-3730 or cmcmullin@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

PUBLIC WORKS REMINDERS



- Residents that have purchased snow flags:
 Please assure that there is no debris or obstacles in the way that may effect snow removal.
- Please move electric fences back onto property lines to allow for proper and safe winging of snow.
- Remember when pushing snow across the road from an approach, assure no ridges are left across the county roadway and the snow is pushed well into the ditch; no snow is to be left on the shoulder of the road.
- Please contact the Public Works Office with any concerns with plugged culverts.



To those who have served, That your for your service, for your courage, for your sacrifice, for our freedom.

Lest We Forget

Honouring Métis Week *Flag Raising Ceremony*

Please join the Métis Nation of Alberta, Smoky Lake County and the Town of Smoky Lake for the Métis flag raising ceremony.

November 15, 2019 at 1:30 PM

Smoky Lake County Office 4612 McDougall Drive, Smoky Lake

Members of the community are welcome to attend. *Refreshments will be served following the flag raising.*







CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH



Environmental Design

Wonder how you could make your home or business less appealing to criminals?

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) works by eliminating criminal opportunities in and around your property.

CPTED does not have to be expensive or difficult. It simply involves taking full advantage of your property's natural surveillance, access control and territorial reinforcement potential.

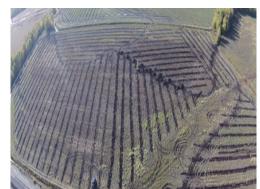
If you would like more information or would like a free site assessment done and tips on how to reduce the possibility of crime on your property please call

Trevor Tychkowsky, Safety Officer at 780-650-5111

Agricultural producers cannot <u>purposely or knowingly</u> move water from their own land into the County ditch or onto a neighbour's land.

All diversions of water are regulated under the *Water* Act of Alberta. Any type of water diversions or drainage can only occur if approval is obtained from Alberta Environment, and the necessary water license, is obtained under the Water Act.

Ditching or cultivating in the County road-rightof-ways (ditches) is illegal and violators can be fined under Smoky Lake County Bylaw 1186-09: Respecting Road Rights-of-Ways.



The deep grooves present a dangerous situation for someone accidentally leaving the main road surface, as well as, to road maintenance equipment.

Violators are subject to a \$500.00 fine per occurrence.

Seniors Advocate Alberta wants to hear from

The Government of Alberta's Seniors Advocate Office. which provides resolution support to senior Albertans and their families, wants to take note of what individuals have to say in order to improve senior services and programs.

To find out more about the Office of the Seniors Advocate Alberta or to provide feedback visit

www.seniorsadvocateab.ca



Thank you to all our Small Businesses

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

"FLUSHABLE" DOESN'T ALWAYS MEAN

Beware of "flushable" items. There are no regulations in Canada to prevent labeling products as "flushable". The items below are the leading cause of sewer pipe blockages:





Help us keep your drains and the environment clean

Agronomy Update 2020

January 7 & 8 Cambridge Red Deer Hotel & Conference Centre Red Deer, Alberta

https://eservices.alberta.ca/agronomy-upda or call 1-800-387-6030 If GST exempt, please call the Registration num

Albertan

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Holy Ascension Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Harvest Supper

Friday, Nov. 15th, 2019 **₹5:00 − 7:30 p.m.**

Adults \$20.00 Kids 7-14 \$10.00 6 and under Free

107 Willow Creek Street, Smoky Lake

SMOKY LAKE HOLUBKA DANCERS PRESENT Sign Paint Night

Friday, November 22, 2019 Smoky Lake Curling Rink

Doors Open at 6:30 PM

\$50.00 per adult (No minors)

Limited spots available

Cortnee 780-656-6090

Christmas Trees To Reserve Your Spot Call: Gerri-Lyn 780-719-2857