



July 15, 2020 Council Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

BYLAWS AND POLICY:

Bylaw No. 05-2020: Council duly enacted a modernized Water Bylaw, outlining water service provision, fees, charges, offences and penalties.

Bylaw No. 06-2020: As per legislative requirements, Council held a statutory Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 06-2020 to amend Bylaw No. 3-2018 being the Municipal Development Plan to adopt policy in governing the location of education facilities. Receiving no public objections, Council duly enacted the bylaw.

Bylaw No. 07-2020: As per legislative requirements, Council held a statutory Public Hearing regarding Bylaw No. 07-2020 to amend Bylaw No. 2-2016 Crissel Estates Area Structure Plan to amend the Land Use Concept and Vision thereby allowing for "large buildings for the indoor storage of vehicles, equipment, tools, and building materials." Receiving no public objections, Council duly enacted the bylaw.

Bylaw No. 08-2020: As per legislative requirements, Council held a statutory hearing regarding Bylaw No. 08-2020 to amend Bylaw No. 3-2018 Land Use to govern the location of education facilities, amend the portion therein relating to Crissel Estates Area Structure Plan and clerical throughout. Receiving no public objections, Council duly enacted the bylaw.

Bylaw No. 09-2020: Council duly enacted Bylaw No. 09-2020, amending Bylaw No. 2-99 Airport Facility by removing the restriction on Power Parachutes, Ultra Lights and Micro Light Aircrafts. The amendment is in light of the Airport Commission receiving Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program granting from the Province of Alberta for airport lighting upgrades.

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES:

Order in Council, May 1, 2020 SOR/2020-096: Council has sent correspondence to the Ministry of Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness regarding Order in Council PC#: 2020-0298 being regulations amending the *Regulations Prescribing Certain Fire Arms and Other Weapons, Components and Parts of Weapons, Accessories, Cartridge Magazines, Ammunition and Projectiles as Prohibited, Restricted or Non-Restricted*. Council is lobbying the Government of Canada to revoke the amendment and is requesting for rural public consultation. Further, Council is lobbying for hunting guns to remain status quo under the previous regulations.



The Two Hills 21 Emergency Management Agency (TH21EM) is comprised of three municipalities; County of Two Hills No. 21, the Town of Two Hills and the Village of Myrnam.

The TH21EM Agency has developed a regional plan to address a variety of emergencies based on the Incident Command System (ICS).

The TH21EM Agency is essential in supporting the regional community during emergencies or pandemic events to ensure the safety and welfare of residents.

At this time, the TH21EM Agency is addressing the provincial COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic. The TH21EM Agency Emergency Management Plan has been activated to support Alberta Health Services and will remain in effect until over by provincial order. For further information, please check out the TH21EM Agency website at www.th21ema.com or on Facebook as @TH21EM.



Next Council Meeting:
Wednesday, August 19, 2020 in Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

If you have community events, please submit information to Kaitlyn Kenney at 780-657-3358.

Left: A scenic view in Division 1; captured by G. Buchanan.

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AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

ROADSIDE MOWING PROGRAM



Please be advised for persons wishing to cut hay on the road allowance that agricultural ditch cutting must be completed **prior to August 1 of each calendar year**. The County of Two Hills Roadside Mowing Program along municipal roads will begin Monday **August 3, 2020 in Division 1**. All standing grass will be cut with no exceptions, swaths will be respected. Questions or concerns may be directed to the ASB Department at 780-657-3358.

CALENDAR CONTEST

The Agricultural Service Board will be holding a photo contest for the County's 2021 calendar in October, 2020. All photos must be of the County and be agriculturally related (for ex. livestock, landscape, harvest, etc.). Get your summer photo featured! Contest details will be outlined in the next Highlights.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

The County of Two Hills encourages developers, builders and contractors to apply now for your 2020 development permits. Development permits allow construction to start anytime within 12 months of the permit issue date. For further information on obtaining your development permit please contact: Gary Buchanan, Director of Planning & Development by phone at 780-657-3358 or by email: gbuchanan@thcounty.ab.ca.

PUBLIC WORKS

ROAD REPAIR

Please be advised that the Public Works Department is diligently working on County roads and soft spots. Please report any road issues to the Public Works Shop at 780-657-2499.

PRIVATE GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying County residents 2020 gravel sales, available until September 30, 2020. Please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

WASTE

TRANSFER SITES

Please be advised that County waste bins at Transfer Sites are for household garbage only. Larger items may be processed at the Two Hills Regional Landfill, located in NE-5-55-11 W4.

Hours of Operation:

May 1 – August 31:	Monday to Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed all statutory holidays
September 1 to April 30:	Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed all statutory holidays

TAXATION & ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT SERVICES

Accurate Assessment provides assessment services to the County of Two Hills. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the assessment of your property, please contact Sean Cosens, Farmland and Assessment Standards Manager at 1-780-464-4655 ext. 2229 or contact the County Office at 780-657-3358.

FINAL DATE OF APPEAL: Monday, August 31, 2020.

Procedure for Assessment Complaints is documented on the back of Property Assessment and Tax Notices.

PROPERTY TAXES DUE: OCTOBER 31, 2020.

No penalty if paid on or before October 31, 2020.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

If you pay your taxes by bank teller or internet banking please choose **COUNTY OF TWO HILLS** as the Payee. Please **DO NOT PAY** your County of Two Hills property taxes to the Town of Two Hills, this will result in penalties.

Internet banking can be used if you bank with any of the following institutions: TD, ATB, BMO, any Credit Union, CIBC and Scotia Bank. Please use your **Roll Number** as your Account Number.

Property Tax may be paid by credit card, through Option Pay. Credit card payments may be processed online on the County website www.thcounty.ab.ca or in-person. If you choose to make a payment with a credit card please be aware there is a 3% service fee that will be processed on the credit card at the time of transaction.

MONTHLY PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT PLAN

The County of Two Hills has monthly pre-authorized debit for Property Taxes. If you would like additional information please contact the County of Two Hills Administration Office at 780-657-3358.

COVID-19

As confirmed COVID-19 Coronavirus cases arise in the County, please do your part to prevent the spread.

Prevention starts with awareness. Be informed on how you can protect yourself and others from COVID-19:

- Isolate if you're feeling sick
- When out, maintain physical distancing of 2 metres
- Wash your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with warm water and soap
- Cover coughs and sneezes and stay home if you are sick
- Avoid touching your face
- Wear a mask in public places where keeping a distance of 2 metres is difficult