



## MARCH 14, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING UPDATES

### NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council meeting shall be Thursday April 18, 2024.

### NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Public Meeting regarding the Municipal Financial Statement for the year ending 2023, shall be Thursday April 18, 2024 (7:00 p.m.) at the County of Two Hills in the Committee Room. The Financial Statement will be available on the County of Two Hills website as of April 8, 2024.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sally Dary, CAO, County of Two Hills at 780-657-3358.

### COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

Two Hills FCSS is proud to announce the release of our community wide events calendar. Find out what is happening in your area, by just a click of a button. Post your community event online by visiting the site and clicking on submit event, or emailing the Two Hills FCSS office at [info@twohillscss.com](mailto:info@twohillscss.com) or by calling in at 780-657-3540.

The community calendar is sponsored by Two Hills FCSS, doing our part by keeping our community connected.



<https://www.twohillscss.com/calendar>

### DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

The County of Two Hills encourages developers, builders and contractors to apply now for your 2024 Development Permits. For further information on obtaining development permits please contact: Gary Buchanan, Director of Planning & Development by phone at 780-657-3358 or by email: [gbuchanan@thcounty.ab.ca](mailto:gbuchanan@thcounty.ab.ca). Mr. Buchanan is in the office Mondays and Thursdays. Please call for an appointment.

### CONTACT US:

Box 490, 4818-50 Avenue, Two Hills, Alberta, T0B 4K0  
[www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca)

**PUBLIC WORKS**  
780-657-2499

**ADMINISTRATION**  
780-657-3358

**NATURAL GAS UTILITY**  
780-657-2446

## PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

### ROAD BANS / CLOSURES

Please be advised that Seasonal Road Bans are in effect, having all gravel and oil surfaced roads within the County of Two Hills revert to a maximum axle weight of 75% unless otherwise posted.

Should any road closures arise, the same will be posted on the County's website at [www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca)

### DUST CONTROL

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2024 Dust Control Applications, available April 2, 2024 to May 13, 2024. Please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

### GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2024 gravel sales, available April 1, 2024 until September 30, 2024. All private gravel sale deliveries will be the responsibility of the purchaser. The gravel pick up date must be booked through the Public Works Office. For inquiries, please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS & PERMITS



**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DUE TO DRY CONDITIONS A FIRE RESTRICTION IS IN EFFECT. FOR FIRE BANS AND RESTRICTIONS, PLEASE VISIT:**

[www.albertafirebans.ca](http://www.albertafirebans.ca) or [www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca)

Fire Permits are NOT being issued and any current permits already issued by the County of Two Hills are RESCINDED until further notice. Burn barrels and Fire pits are allowed. Should you have any questions or concerns please visit [www.thcounty.ab.ca](http://www.thcounty.ab.ca).

### FIRE INSURANCE – ARE YOU COVERED?

We encourage you to contact your fire insurance provider and inquire about the firefighting provision of your policy. The County of Two Hills Fire Service Bylaw has a ceiling limit for firefighting charges of up to \$10,000.00, for the owner or occupant of land classified as residential or farmland. The ceiling limit encompasses the services provided by County of Two Hills Fire Departments. Unfortunately, in the event of a very large fire response, fire departments outside the County may be called to assist with fire suppression operations and these charges will be billed on a cost recovery basis. We encourage you to share this information with your insurance provider so that you have correct and proper coverage.

## NATURAL GAS UTILITY

### CARBON LEVY INCREASE

As of April 1, 2024, the Carbon Levy imposed by the Government of Canada will increase by approximately \$.76/GJ to \$4.10/GJ. The rates for 2024 through to 2030 can be found at [www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/excise-taxes-duties-levies/fuel-charge.html](http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/excise-taxes-duties-levies/fuel-charge.html). This increase will be applied to natural gas consumption starting April 1, 2024 and will be included on your May bill. The County of Two Hills Gas Utility is only responsible for reporting, collecting, and remitting these amounts to the Federal Government on a monthly basis.

### CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG

CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG is now **Utility Safety Partners** (formerly known as Alberta One-Call)

With construction season coming up **PLEASE** contact Utility Safe Partners @ 1-800-242-3447 or [utilitiesafety.ca](http://utilitiesafety.ca) (then click dial before you dig)

Utility Safety Partners/click before you dig is **FREE and SAVES LIVES; PLEASE DON'T** take a chance without it

**NO** locates will be done until your project is registered with Utility Safety partners Click Before You Dig.

### NATURAL GAS INFILLS

The County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility reminds residents to book new service infills early, as they are scheduled on a first-come first-serve basis. Rates for the 2024 construction season are as follows:

- Rural: \$ 8,250.00
- Urban: \$ 4,500.00
- Grain Dryers and Commercial: Actual Cost
- Infill contracts must be signed and paid in full prior to construction

To book your infill or for further info please call 780-657-2466.

**!!THANK YOU!!**

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

**April 14 – 20, 2024**

The County wishes to extend a gracious thank you to all local volunteers. Please know how truly appreciated your time and efforts are in the continuous support you give your great community.

## The County of Two Hills No. 21 is seeking applications for a Parts / Inventory Person

### Qualifications (To mention a few)

- Previous experience in parts / inventory.
- Ability to perform manual labor.
- Valid drivers license (Class 1 or 3 would be an asset).
- Forklift certified.
- Experience with Microsoft Office.
- Ability to operate equipment if necessary.

All interested individuals shall submit their written application (inclusive of current driver's abstract and two references) to the attention of: **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

County of Two Hills No. 21  
Box 490 Two Hills, AB T0B 4K0  
Fax: 780-657-3504  
Email: [talex@thcounty.ab.ca](mailto:talex@thcounty.ab.ca)

Applications will be accepted until **April 15, 2024**. All applicants are thanked for their interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All resumes and personal information provided therein, will be handled in accordance with the Province of Alberta Freedom of Information & Privacy Legislation.

## AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

**Thriving Through  
Extreme Weather  
Conditions**

April 17, 2024  
10am-3pm  
Two Hills Rec. Centre  
Upstairs Banquet Room  
5303-45 Ave  
Lunch Included

Drought proofing your farm water supply; Melissa Orr-Langner  
Cover Cropping; Grant Lastiwka  
Avoiding Cattle Health Disasters in a Drought; Dr. Gracyn Micklich  
Pasture Spraying; Megan Herauf, ENVU  
Funding Opportunities; Sara Miller  
ALUS; Roxy Zahara

COUNTY OF  
**TWO HILLS**  
Register by April 12 by 4:30pm  
Call Sara or Elden to register  
780-657-3358



### **WILLINGDON GARBAGE SCHEDULE:**

Starting April 4th will be the first scheduled date for Summer Garbage Pick-up Program. Residents can expect pickup every week (Thursdays) until late October.

#### **NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS**

Please ensure you are bagging your garbage prior to putting in bins.