

MAY 24, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING

BYLAW & POLICY:

Bylaw No. 05-2023: Council duly gave first, second and third reading to Bylaw No. 05-2023, being a Bylaw of the County of Two Hills No. 21 for the purposes of a Property Tax Bylaw, or Business Tax Rate Bylaw.

Municipal Census: The County of Two Hills will undertake the Municipal Census for the 2024 year.

Enforcement Officers: The Council moved that Elden Kozak, Agricultural Fieldman and Gary Buchanan, Development Officer, be appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officers for the County of Two Hills.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council Meeting shall be Tuesday June 20, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (Tentative, call of the Chair).

For further information contact:

Sally Dary, CAO, County of Two Hills at 780.657.3358.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

The County of Two Hills encourages developers, builders and contractors to apply for 2023 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

FIRE RESTRICTION & PERMITS

Please be advised that Fire Restrictions are in effect. No Fire Permits are currently being permitted. For fire ban and restriction updates, please call 780.657.3358 or visit:

www.albertafirebans.ca or www.thcounty.ab.ca



CONTACT US:

Box 490, 4818-50 Avenue, Two Hills, Alberta, T0B 4K0
www.thcounty.ab.ca

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
780-657-3358
Toll Free: 877-657-3359

PUBLIC WORKS
780-657-2499

NATURAL GAS UTILITY
780-657-2446

After Hours Emergencies Only: 780-657-2800

WILDFIRE SEASON: The possibility of an evacuation from your home increases. Be prepared with a home evacuation kit. This could easily be a suitcase or gym bag that contains:

- a couple changes of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, socks, shoes, rain gear), personal protective equipment (gloves, hat)
- copies of important documents (birth certificate, passport, drivers license, etc.),
- any required medications, eye glasses / contact lenses
- toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, personal cleaning products, toilet paper, etc.)
- First aid kit / flashlight
- 2 litres of water per person
- 3-day supply of non-perishable foods (power bars, protein bars, etc.)

Make an emergency kit for each member of your house hold. And an equivalent emergency kit for each pet that you will be taking with you. Keep the emergency kit(s) in a handy place so that you can get to it in moments. **Remember, it is not a case of if, it is a case of when.**

PREPARATION OF COMBINED ASSESSMENT/TAX NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the 2023 Combined Tax and Assessment Notices will be mailed as of June 22, 2023 to all property owners in the County of Two Hills No. 21. In accordance with Section 311(1) 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 Notice.

Accurate Assessment Group Ltd. 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 Administration Office at 780-657-3358. Accurate Assessment, on behalf of the County of Two Hills, will be holding an open house as follows:

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Please be advised that the final date of appeal is **Tuesday, August 29, 2023**. Procedure for Assessment Complaints is documented on the back of Property Assessment and Tax Notices.

Property Taxes are due on or before October 31, 2023. No penalty if paid on or before this date. Penalties may be reviewed on the back of the issued notice.

Please call the Administration Office at 780-657-3358 or visit www.thcounty.ab.ca for payment options.

COMMUNITY NOTICE:

“40 IS THE NEW 20” is the next Travelling Exhibition coming to **Alice Melnyk Library**. It will be on display May 24, to June 21, 2023 and can be viewed from 10-5 Monday – Wednesday & from 10-5:30 Thursday – Friday. Stop in and check it out! *For further information contact the Alice Melnyk Library at 780.657.3553.*



In honour of the past, present, and future contributions of our cherished seniors, the County of Two Hills Council is delighted to declare June 5 – 11, 2023, as Senior's Week in the County of Two Hills. We encourage residents to get out in the communities to take part and celebrate our Seniors!

THANK YOU ENBRIDGE

County of Two Hills is very honoured to be a recipient of the Enbridge Fueling Futures Program (Safe Community First Responder) Grant Program. Enbridge Fueling Futures supports local safety initiatives and organizations that help make communities safer places to live. Enbridge supports community based emergency services and organizations focus on safety planning and education. The application submitted was to purchase bunker gear for our volunteer firefighters. Thanks to Enbridge the County of Two Hills has been committed to receive \$20,000.00.

DID YOU KNOW.....

- The County of Two Hills including the Village of Myrnam and the Town of Two Hills has approximately 85 volunteer firefighters.
- That protective bunker gear (coat and pants) can range from \$2,000 per set and up to \$8,000 per set depending on the type of outer shell, inner liner and accessory options.
- That bunker gear does not last forever.
- That volunteer men and women have full time jobs and still respond to fire calls, motor vehicle accidents, medical assists 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
- That the volunteer firefighters maintain the fire halls and Equipment completely on their own time.
- Did you know that any fire response is billable and you may receive an invoice, fire response is NOT covered by property taxes.
- Fire Departments are always looking for additional volunteer firefighters, contact the County of Two Hills or your local fire department.

THANK YOU ENBRIDGE FOR MAKING OUR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS SAFER

MUNICIPAL PARKS & CAMPGROUNDS

CAMPGROUND RESERVATIONS

JACKFISH LAKE CAMPGROUND

<https://www.campreservations.ca/campground/jackfish-lake-1426>

SANDY LAKE CAMPGROUND

<https://www.campreservations.ca/campground/sandy-lake-campsite-2598>

PUBLIC WORKS – REQUESTS

The County of Two Hills encourages residents to contact the Public Works Office regarding:

ROAD ISSUES, GRADING, CULVERTS, ETC.

The County of Two Hills appreciates ongoing communication with residents, the Public Works Department looks forward to hearing from you.

Please call **780-657-2499** to initiate a Project Request for your concerns to be addressed.

ROAD BANS

Please be advised that Seasonal Road Bans are no longer in effect, having all gravel and oil surfaced roads within the County of Two Hills revert to a maximum axle weight of 100%, unless otherwise posted.

DUST CONTROL SALES

Please be advised that Dust Control sales have **CLOSED** for 2023.

GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents the commencement of 2023 gravel sales, **available April 3, until September 29, 2023**. 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.

The County of Two Hills Congratulates the Graduates of the Town of Two Hills and surrounding areas.

Today is your day, your mountain is waiting. So... get on your way! Dr. Seuss



FARMERS DAY

The County of Two Hills Agricultural Service Board, is recognizing the importance of Agriculture in our Community by hosting a free Farmer Appreciation Barbeque to be held on Farmer's Day June 9, 2023 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Jackfish Lake. We hope to see you there!



Please be advised that all County of Two Hills Offices will be closed Monday, July 3rd, 2023 for Canada Day.