

AUGUST 18, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

BYLAW & POLICY:

Private Work Policy PUB-PRI-1: Council amended Private Work Policy PUB-PRI-1 to include a definition of private work, private work being Snowplowing and Seasonal: Grading driveways only.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

NE 16-57-14 W4 Gravel Pit Reclamation: Council reviewed a Letter of Request from the Pit Owner of NE 16-57-14 W4 requesting \$6,500.00 compensation for rock-picking and 6-years of business tax to be refunded; it was resolved to compensate the Landowner \$2,500.00 for rock-picking and to refund the municipal portion of taxes for 2020 and 2021.

Beauvallon & Hairy Hill Post Offices: Council resolved, under the authority of Section 347(b) of the *Municipal Government Act*, to cancelled a portion of municipal tax up to the amount of \$200.00 for both Beauvallon & Hairy Hill Post Offices.

Lac Santé Recreation: Council received correspondence requesting that a municipal park for camping and swimming be developed at Lac Santé; Council tabled the request to the 2022 Strategic Plan and Budget discussion.

Land Lease Request: Council received correspondence requesting to lease NW & SW 20-54-8 W4 for the purpose of cattle grazing; it was resolved that the County enter into a land lease agreement with the Landowner of for NW 10-54-8 W4, having legal being engaged.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Wednesday September 22, 2021 in Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

For further information contact:

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

COMBINED ASSESSMENT / TAX NOTICES

Please be advised that the final date of assessment appeal is Tuesday, August 31, 2021. 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. Procedure for Assessment Complaints is documented on the back of Property Assessment and Tax Notices.

Property Taxes are due on or before **October 31, 2021**. No penalty if paid on or before this date. Penalties may be reviewed on the back of the issued tax notice.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Two Hills Community and Wellness Coalition is hosting *Harvesting Seeds of Hope* on Saturday **September 18, 2021** from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Geleta Park in Two Hills, admission is free. Events include a chili cook off (\$20.00 entry fee), street hockey, music, bean bags and more! Contact Two Hills FCSS for details and to register at 780-657-3540

2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION



NOMINATIONS:

Nominations for the 2021 Municipal Elections are now open. All nominations must be received at the County of Two Hills Administration Office on or before Nomination Day, **Monday September 20, 2021 by 12:00 p.m. (Noon)**.

NOMINATION HOURS:

The Returning Officer or designate will receive nominations of candidates for the local jurisdiction election during the regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday from January 4, 2021 to September 17, 2021 and till 12:00 p.m. September 20, 2021.

For more information, please visit www.thcounty.ab.ca or contact: Sally Dary, Returning Officer at 780-657-3358.

MUNIS 101:

The County of Two Hills will be hosting a Munis 101 for nomination candidates to overview the roles and responsibilities of Councillors on September 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. To R.S.V.P. please contact Kaitlyn Kenney, Executive Assistant by calling 780-657-3358 or by email: kkenney@thcounty.ab.ca

ADVANCED VOTE:

The County of Two Hills will be holding an **Advanced Vote on Thursday October 7, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the Municipal Office located at 4818 - 50 Avenue, Two Hills, Alberta.

VOTER IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Proof of identity and current residence is required to be able to vote in municipal elections. The most common form of accepted voting identification is photo identification issued by a Canadian government (federal, provincial, local or agency of government). For a full list of acceptable voting identifications please visit www.thcounty.ab.ca

ELECTION DAY:

The next general Municipal Election will be held in the County of Two Hills on **October 18, 2021**.

CONTACT US:

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

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
780-657-3358

PUBLIC WORKS
780-657-2499

NATURAL GAS UTILITY
780-657-2446

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

2022 ASB CALENDER

The Agricultural Service Board 2022 Calendar contest is open for photo submissions, closing **September 30, 2021**. All photos must be within the County and agriculturally related (ie. livestock, landscape, harvest, etc.). Please be advised that preference will be given to landscape submissions. To submit photos please visit <https://m.shortstack.page/wsCHNk>

ROADSIDE MOWING PROGRAM

Please be advised that the County of Two Hills Roadside Mowing Program along municipal roads began **August 2, 2021 in Division 5**. 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.

ROAD SAFETY

As harvest nears, the County of Two Hills reminds residents of increased agricultural machinery and heavy-haul traffic on County roads. Also, as September welcomes students back to school, buses will be back in route. Please remain vigilant while utilizing County roads in order to keep our community safe.

CLUBROOT FIELD INSPECTIONS

Pest Inspectors will be scouting for clubroot disease and infection in canola fields until freeze-up, accessing fields via approaches. Designated as a pest under the *Agricultural Pests Act*, Clubroot is a soil-borne disease which reduces yields of canola and other cruciferous crops. Clubroot is spread primarily through movement of soil and infected plant materials. Producers are encouraged to clean debris and disinfect equipment prior to moving to new fields to reduce the spread of clubroot to new areas. Inspectors will follow sanitation protocols to prevent the spread of clubroot. Landowners of fields that test positive for clubroot will be notified in writing. Questions or concerns may be directed to the ASB Department at 780-657-3358.

TWO HILLS TANK LOADER



Please be advised that the Two Hills Tank Loader is now operational.

PUBLIC WORKS

ROAD CONSTRUCTION & CLOSURES

Please be advised that: **TWP 550 between RR 120 & RR 121** will be **UNDER CONSTRUCTION** for approximately 2-weeks, weather permitting, having the same be closed to travel during business hours while prepping the road base and a full closure when oiling. Please visit www.thcounty.ab.ca for road closure updates.

GRAVEL SALES

The Public Works Department would like to advertise to qualifying residents 2021 gravel sales, available until **September 30, 2021**. Effective 2021, 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; a minimum of 24-hours' notice is required. For inquiries, please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS & PERMITS

Please be advised that a Fire Restriction remains in effect. Please refer to www.albertafirebans.ca or www.thcounty.ab.ca for current fire status levels and specific associated restrictions and permissions.

PARKS

CAMPGROUND SEASONAL CLOSURE

Please be advised that municipally operated campgrounds shall close for the 2021 season, effective **September 7, 2021**.

WASTE

REGIONAL LANDFILL WINTER HOURS

Please be advised that the Two Hills Regional Landfill is transitioning to Winter Hours of Operation, effective:

September 1 to April 30:

Tuesday to Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,
Closed Sunday, Monday and all statutory holidays.

Transfer stations remain open on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

NATURAL GAS UTILITY

DEADLINE FOR INFILLS

The deadline for natural gas infills, including grain dryers, is **September 15, 2021**. Any gas infill applications after September 15, 2021 will be on a first come, first serve basis and will be installed weather permitting. For information, please contact the Natural Gas Utility Office at 780-657-2446.

NATURAL GAS ODOURS

The County of Two Hills Natural Gas Utility is mandated to respond to **all** natural gas odour reports as a service to Natural Gas Utility customers. Any Natural gas odors should be reported **immediately** to the County Gas emergency number at 780-657-2800 to alleviate any potential emergency situations. Although it is the Natural Gas Utility's responsibility to respond to these odor requests, any repairs, after the meter, is the sole responsibility of the homeowner or resident to contact a certified gas fitter to carry out the repairs. Further, all furnaces and hot water tanks should be cleaned and inspected by a certified furnace technician.

CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG

All line locate projects must be registered with Alberta One Call prior to lines being located. Please contact **Click Before You Dig** at 1-800-242-3447 or www.albertaonecall.com to register.



Please be advised that all County of Two Hills Offices will be closed **Monday September 6, 2021** for Labour Day.