COUNTY OF TWO HILLS HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 2022

JANUARY 19, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

BYLAW & POLICY:

Bylaw No. 02-2022: Council duly enacted Bylaw No. 02-2022 Schedule of Fees – Schedule 'A' to increase Overnight Camping Fees – Service Daily Rate to \$35.00 per night at Sandy Lake and Jackfish Lake; and, to remove the Schedule of Fees from Bylaw No. 05-2020 Water and Bylaw No. 11-2020 Waste Water to add Water, Sewer, Garbage and Bulk Water Rates to Schedule 'A' (rates increasing by 5%, effective January 2022).

2022 Strategic Plan: Council approved the County's 2022 Strategic Plan.

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES:

Appointment of Auditors: Council, to meet legislative requirements, appointed Synergy Chartered Accountants to audit the County's 2022 fiscal year.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

LICA: Council received delegation from Lakeland Industry and Community Association (LICA) – Environmental Stewards regarding their organizational overview and program highlights. To learn more, please visit: <u>https://lica.ca/</u>

Town of Two Hills: Council received correspondence from the Town of Two Hills to discuss regionalized governance.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

The County of Two Hills next Regular Council Meeting shall be Wednesday February 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

For further information contact:

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



SENIOR HOUSING VACANCY

NORTHERN LIGHTS MANOR – DERWENT

Unit available February 1, 2021. One bedroom unit, approximately 600 square feet. Includes fridge/stove, washer/dryer as well as furnace and hot water tank; heat and water/sewer are included in rent. Parking and car plug-in is also included. Rent is 30% of income to a maximum of \$570/month. Damage deposit is equal to first month's rent. Must be over 55 years of age to qualify.

Applications are available at Eagle Hill Foundation Office, located at 5007 – 50 St, Two Hills, Alberta; and, must be submitted by January 29, 2022.

Phone 780-657-2061 Fax 780-657-2081

PROPERTY TAX

OUTSTANDING TAXES



The County of Two Hills recognizes that 2021 was filled with exceptional hardship and that County residents were not excluded from these difficulties. Please be advised, if your residence is in tax arrears that there are various payment options available.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payments may be made:

At the County Office by cash, cheque, debit or credit card.

On the County Website: Property Tax may be paid by credit card, processed online the County's website at <u>www.thcounty.ab.ca</u> through OptionPay. 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.

With your Bank: If you pay your taxes by bank teller or internet banking please choose <u>COUNTY OF TWO HILLS</u> as the Payee. Please DO NOT PAY your County of Two Hills property taxes to the Town of Two Hills.

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.

Monthly Pre-Authorized Payment Plan:

The County of Two Hills has monthly pre-authorized debit for Property Taxes. Please be advised that to be eligible for the monthly pre-authorized payment plan, property taxes must be in good standing, having no taxes owed.

If you would like clarification or any additional information, please contact the County of Two Hills Tax Clerk at 780-657-3358.

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

JACKFISH LAKE



County of Two Hills Agricultural Service Board encourages fishing at Jackfish Lake, having the lake stocked in 2021 with rainbow and tiger trout. Jackfish Lake is listed under the Parkland-Prairie Zone. Provincial regulations for Put and Take Stock Lakes are: OPEN all year, Bait is allowed, 5-trout of any size, 3-Northern Pike of any size, 15-yellow perch of any size and for other species, see Maximum Possession limits. For full fishing regulations please visit: https://mywildalberta.ca/fishing/regulations/default.as px

Further, please be advised that the lake has aerators in operation to increase oxygen levels for stocked fish vitality. For safety precautions, please avoid orange fenced sections.



IMPORTANT NOTICE DANGEROUS ICE CONDITIONS

JACKFISH LAKE NW 20-53-9 W4

Lake aerators create hazardous thin ice and open water. For your safety, observe these posted warnings at all times:

Lake Aeration in Progress Danger – Thin Ice and Open Water

Take these extra measures while on an aerated lake:

Use at your own risk Don't go beyond danger signs or approach open water.

For inquiries or to report a problem, please call: 780-657-3358



PUBLIC WORKS

SNOW PLOWING

With the onset of winter, the Public Works Department would like to remind residents that the snow plowing of driveways will be available to full-time residents that qualify.

Please ensure that you are on the approved snow plow list and that you have a proper County of Two Hills Snow Plow Flag out to have your driveway cleared.

As part of the snow clearing policy: **BUS ROUTES WILL BE GIVEN FIRST PRIORITY FOLLOWED BY COUNTY ROADS** before driveways are cleared, so please be patient as the Snow Clearing Crew will do their best to reach qualifying residents in a timely manner. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Public Works Office at 780-657-2499.

Lastly, due to safety concerns, the County of Two Hills asks residents to fully clear County roads of residual snow when clearing driveways and piling into ditches. Leaving the two ridges is a driving hazard and if an accident occurs the landowner is liable.

MUNICIPAL PARKS & CAMPGROUNDS



Please be advised that all County parks and campground reservation systems will be open for intake February 1, 2022. The County has implemented a new online camping reservation system, having both reservations and cancellations made by visiting Camp Reservations Canada:

JACKFISH LAKE CAMPGROUND

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

SANDY LAKE CAMPGROUND

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

NATURAL GAS UTILITY

NATURAL GAS UTILITY OPERATOR / GASFITTER



Please be advised that the Natural Gas Utility is seeking a Natural Gas Utility Service Person/Gasfitter. This position will be responsible for maintaining and operating the Natural Gas System. Interested applicants are invited to submit their detailed resume by February 4, 2022 or until a successful candidate is found to:

SELECTION COMMITTEE

County of Two Hills No. 21 Box 490, Two Hills, AB, T0B 4K0 Phone: 780-657-2446 Fax: 780-657-3504 Email: pgordeyko@thcounty.ab.ca

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