



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER

NO. 133

Regular Council Meetings will be held February 16, 2012 at 10:00 am at the MD office

Regular Council meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month
Reminder: Contact the MD office three days prior to meeting to be added to the agenda.

MD #133 Fire Department: (Fire Chief – Bill Mortland)

Winter meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.
The next scheduled practice/meeting is on January 25, 2012 at 7:30 pm.
For more details call Bill at 864-3057 or 864-0782.

Public Works (Jess Gingell – Public Works Supervisor)
In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment please call, in the following order: Jess at (780) 864-9358 or Kelly at (780) 864-8059.

REMINDER

PLEASE NOTIFY US BEFORE YOU BURN. Call Bill at (780) 864-3057 or (780) 864-0782 or MD Office at (780) 864-3500

Thank you! from FCSS

Many thanks to Super A Foods, IGA and New Horizon Co-op for ordering the fresh produce for our hampers.

The next transportation van trip to Grande Prairie is February 9th, 2012
Effective February 1, 2012 New Van Charges will be as follows:
Seniors \$10.00;
Non-seniors \$15.00
Saddle Hills or Birch Hills County residents-\$20.00.
These fees will help pay for maintenance and operating expenses.

2012 Peace Agronomy Update

Date: Thursday January 19, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Location: Dunvegan Motor Inn, Fairview, AB
Cost: \$25.00 includes lunch
For more Information please call Nora with NPARA (780-836-3354)

Information Sessions on CHANGES TO THE BARLEY AND WHEAT MARKETING SYSTEM

TOPICS COVERED:

Barley and Wheat Markets -Canada's position in world markets
Pricing in the New System – Market signals Delivery and Grading
Transportation and Logistics Research and Development
What Does it All Mean to Me?

· An on-farm perspective

All meetings are from 9 a.m.—3:40 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Please pre-register at least three days prior to your event by calling the Ag-Info Center at 1-800-387-6030

CITY: Grande Prairie
LOCATION: Quality Inn
DATE: January 31

CITY: Peace River
LOCATION: Sawridge Inn
DATE: February 1

Gravel Tender

The Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 is accepting Proposals for the supply of a minimum of 20 000 t of 4:25 crushed gravel and 5000 t of 4:40 crushed gravel required for the 2012 Season.

These proposals can include supply of gravel only or also consider supply and haul or supply and stockpile.

Details can be obtained from the Municipal District of Spirit River Office in person or by contacting Kelly Hudson, CAO at khudson@mdspiritriver.ab.ca or 780 864 3500
All proposals are to be received by February 3, 2011 at 4:30 pm local time.



So You're Thinking About Starting a Business?

Exploring Your Inner Entrepreneur

Join us for this 1.6 hour workshop that gives you the opportunity to clarify your business idea, explore the difference between being an entrepreneur or a manager, and do serious thinking about customers, costs, product and niche, and 'pitch.'

This workshop is NOT about writing a business plan (although it will provide the necessary background for that plan) — it's about your thinking and group discussion around the following questions:

- 1. What's an entrepreneur? Do I have what it takes to be an entrepreneur?
- 2. What's my business idea? What makes it unique? And how is it an answer to customers' pain—what problem does it solve for customers? Is there enough 'pain' to merit a business?
- 3. What concrete information do I have about costs, unit prices, price points and margins? Where do I get that information? How much money do I need for start-up?
- 4. What makes a good business? What are the foundations for business success? How can I get my business/idea investment ready? Who's on my team?
- 5. Who are my customers? What business model works best for them?

When: Saturdays February 4, 11 & 25, March 10, 2012 10:00 AM till 11:00 PM

Where: Grande Prairie Regional College

Cost: \$395

To Register: Call GPRC Continuing Education (780) 539-2975

About the Course Leader: The senior consultant at Blue Collar Consulting, Janet Plante provides general business coaching and productivity tools training. She is an experienced entrepreneur with 15 business sales under her belt. She has a passion for innovation, productivity, entrepreneurship and keeping up on current business and global trends.

Inventors Wanted:

If You're Ready to Take Your Invention to the Next Level, We Can Help.

Do you have a unique invention? Have you found a genius solution to an everyday problem? If so, inventions guru Doug Hall wants to help.

One of the world's leading inventors and founder of the innovation incubator Eureka! Ranch, Doug has developed 18 products found in the average North American home. Now he's hitting the road on a new TV series, searching for inventions that are diamonds in the rough. His aim? To transform each one into the next amazing household product. To learn more about Doug Hall and Eureka! Ranch, visit www.doughall.com and www.eureka!ranch.com.

Doug Hall is looking for Canadian candidates with inventions that meet the following criteria:

- 1) Your invention has a WORKING PROTOTYPE.
- 2) It is unique, visually interesting, and can be tested by Doug.
- 3) It does not have a history of significant sales.

Taping of this series begins in late January, 2012. The sooner you submit your idea, the better your chances are of appearing on the show.

To find out more or to apply for the show, please download an application here: www.gorillamediainc.com/inventors_apply_here.pdf

Email it along with a digital image of your invention, your workspace, and yourself to casting@gorillamediainc.com

If you're an inventor ready to bring your invention out of the backyard and into the world, this is the opportunity of a lifetime. Don't miss it!