

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER

NO. 133



Celebrating 100 Years Aug 5-7, 2016

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Is scheduled for April 6, 2016 at 10:00 am at the MD office.
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 shall be held on the Second & fourth Wednesday of each month.

The next meeting will be held April 6 at 7:30 pm
For more details call Bill at 864-3057 or 864-0782

PUBLIC WORKS

In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment please call, In the following order:

Jess Gingell 780 864-9358,
Kelly Hudson 780 864-8059

REMINDER

When the travelling public sees smoke they phone: 911

PLEASE NOTIFY US BEFORE YOU BURN

THOSE WHO DO NOT ADVISE OF CONTROLLED BURNS ARE SUBJECT TO A \$500.00 FINE THESE RULES APPLY YEAR ROUND

Call Bill at (780) 864-3057 or (780) 864-0782 or MD Office at (780) 864-3500

The MD Welcomes a New Public Works Supervisor

Please allow me to introduce myself...My name is David Johnson and I am the newest team member recently employed by the Municipal District of Spirit River #133. I have been and still am a lifetime member of MD #133 (as many of you already know). I reside on a small acreage just a few miles south of Spirit River with my wife Brenda. We have one son and one daughter, both adults now with their own families, and of present we are blessed with 3 Grandchildren.

If you take a drive by our place, it is quite obvious what my hobbies and passions include-20 horses. I enjoy riding, especially trail riding in the mountains. I have built my own sheds, corrals and my most recent projects include building my own chuck wagon, hooking up my horses and designing a barn which is now near completion. I am still contemplating taking a stab at chuck wagon driving-It is in my blood-a family tradition passed on.

I started out in the work force in my late teens at Civic Tire for two years. Then I went on to pursue my class 1 licence-with oil patch booming. I proceeded to spend the next 15 years as a truck driver loading, hauling and operating oilfield equipment-working for Diamond J oilfield enterprises and Fitzpatrick Contracting. I then worked my way from trucking into foreman and supervision roles in road construction and maintenance with Bry-Don contracting and Cordy Construction. Most recently I was employed for the past 5 years at the Cold Lake air weapons base as a Supervisor with Cordy Construction. It will most certainly be a welcome change to be working close to home once again. I am looking forward to many years of service at my new position.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support. My goal is to dedicate and fulfill my services to our community.

Sincerely,
David Johnson

The MD of Spirit River # 133 requires from time to time the services of the following equipment:

- GRADER
- BACKHOE / TRACKHOE
- CAT/ SCRAPER
- GRAVEL TRUCK / WATER TRUCK

Please supply suggested rate sheets for the above equipment and or related equipment.

All sealed envelopes will be received until April 30, 2016

Proof of WCB and Liability Insurance will be required.

Any questions can be forwarded to Dave Johnson 780 864-9600



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agriculture.alberta.ca/fusarium

MEMBERS WANTED

The G5 Municipalities including Birch Hills County, Saddle Hills County, Municipal District of Spirit River, Town of Spirit River and Village of Rycroft are forming a Health Care Professional Attraction and Retention Committee. Committees of this nature have been developed in other communities made up of Council members, Doctors, Alberta Health Representatives, Business leaders and community members and have been very successful in attracting Doctors and Nurses to their community and retaining them through better understanding of the needs of these professionals. The G5 is in the infancy stages of establishing this committee and are looking for people from the communities that may be interested in participating.

We are asking that anyone who is interested in committing to this project for one to three years, is able to attend monthly meetings (at least at the beginning) and has a passion for this project that you submit a letter of intent to khudson@mdspiritriver.ab.ca or drop off or mail in to any of the municipal offices by March 30, 2016. The G5 hopes to configure this committee early in April. If you have any questions please contact any of your local Municipal Administrators through the contact information on this page.

TERVITA LANDFILL IS OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY AS OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

MD residents may be asked to verify their name and land locations upon entering the land fill site.

Landfill Take in days have recently changed to:

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday 10am-4pm

Closed: Sunday, Monday & Tuesday

If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at 780-765-3745.

As per policy CEM.04

The Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 will on an annual basis consider providing grants to organizations for the enhancement or upgrade of cemeteries located within the Municipal boundaries. These grants are to be conditional grants for the specified purposes stated within the application for a grant made by a cemetery organization.

The organization shall provide a full accounting for the grant funds advanced.

Ordinary costs for maintenance of cemeteries are not eligible for these grants

FCSS Welcomes new Coordinator

First of all I would like to thank Denise for all of her hard work as the FCSS Coordinator and I wish her a very happy retirement. My name is Kara Wendland and I will be taking over the duties of FCSS Coordinator. I am extremely excited to be a part of this organization and look forward to a future of working with everyone in the community! Below is a quick update on our programs and how you can be a part of the community:

FCSS is looking for volunteer drivers for Meals on Wheels for Mondays and Wednesdays. All that is required is a police check for vulnerable sector and this can be done in Spirit River RCMP detachment and a copy of your driver's license. This is a safety requirement for all of our clients. You would pick up the meals from Alexander's at 11:00am and distribute the meals to our clients. A list of the clients and addresses will be provided prior to picking up meals. Please consider helping out if you have a few moments on these days. If we can get 4 or more applications, our shift schedule would be once every two weeks.

We are in need of casual drivers for our vans. All you would require is class 4, a police check and a clean abstract. This is a contract position. The van goes to Grande Prairie the first Thursday of every month. We sometimes need a driver for medical appointments to Grande Prairie. Can you help?

Community Kitchen is an important event that fosters relationships with cooking skills and fun. We hope to see you at the next events:

Spirit River will have their Community Kitchen on April 22nd at 9:00 am at the Centennial Hall.

Rycroft will have their Community Kitchen on April 14th at 9:00 am at the Rycroft Community Hall.

Kara Wendland
FCSS Coordinator
780-864-3500 press 1
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2015 Financial Statements are available at the Administration office and may be viewed on our website.