

Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

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THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be held on October 3, 2018 at 10:00 am at the MD Office in Spirit River.

PUBLIC WORKS

In the event of Emergency Call-out of Municipal Equipment, call in the following order:
■ David Johnson – (780) 864-9600 ■ Kelly Hudson – (780) 864-8059

TERVITA LANDFILL IS OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY

MD residents may be asked to verify their name and land locations upon entering the land fill site. **Regular Landfill Take in days: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9am-5pm. Saturday, 10am-4pm. Closed: Monday, Tuesday and Sunday.** If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at (780) 765-3745.



CONTROLLED BURN NOTIFICATIONS CENTRAL PEACE FIRE AND RESCUE

Did you know that those who do not advise us of controlled burns may be subject to a \$500 fine?

Before burning, within the MD of Spirit River, you must call the MD Office at (780) 864-3500 during regular office hours, to notify us of your intent to burn, this includes burning on weekends and holidays. Our office is open Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Closed on Statutory Holidays. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Brian Kroes
Manager/Fire Chief
CPFRC | www.cpfrc.ca

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Temporary Full-time – Labourer/Light Equipment Operator (2 positions)

Job Duties includes tasks that are manual in nature as well as the operation of equipment such as mowers, trimmers, farm tractors, packer, skid steer and other similar equipment required to maintain the roads and property in the MD of Spirit River.

Experience, Abilities and Skills:

- Experience in the safe operation of equipment
- Experience in grounds keeping
- Minimum of class 5 driver's license
- Standard First Aid training an asset
- Ability to understand and execute oral and written instructions

Temporary positions will end approximately October 31, 2018. Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted. These positions follow the CUPE 787-02 Collective Agreement. Applications and resumes can be emailed to mdsr133@mdspiritriv.ab.ca, mailed to Box 389 Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0 or dropped off at 4202 5 Street. Please quote Posting PW/ASB TMP 2018-02

TELUS FAILURE TO MAINTAIN LANDLINE OPERATIONS

The Municipal District of Spirit River provided the following Resolution which was supported by the Rural Municipalities of the North August 10, 2018 and is to be presented to the Rural Municipalities Association November 2018.

Telus Failure to Maintain Landline Operations

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the RMA request that Service Alberta insist that Telus maintain their complete landline network until such time that there are assurances that the wireless system is as secure, economical and stable as the previous landline system has been;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RMA forward a request to the Canadian Radio-Television Communications Branch (CRTC) to review the original agreement prior to them being privatized to see if they are meeting their responsibilities.

Telus has continued to communicate with the Municipal District to determine the extent of the problems with the landline system in our area. There was indication by the other rural municipalities that the problems are not limited to our area.

Prior to the November Conference the MD is requesting that if you are experiencing habitual land line outages and problems that you contact the office with a short email so that we can collect the data to support the resolution.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Council will be making appointments to the various Boards and Committees at the 2018 Organizational Meeting in October. A list of these Committees is available for review on our website. They include: Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, Heritage Resource Committee, Agricultural Service Board, Agricultural Appeal Committee, FCSS, Central Peace Health Council. Anyone interested in becoming a member at Large may phone the MD Office for more information.

ADDRESS CHANGES

ATTENTION: ALL RATEPAYERS: Please be advised all address changes on Tax notices must go through the Land Titles Office in Edmonton. Once you have contacted Land Titles, they will then notify our office of any changes. Land Titles can be reached at:

Phone: (780) 427-2742 | Fax: (780) 422-4290
John E. Brownlee Building, 10365-97 Street, Edmonton, AB T5J 3W7

Hours of Operations: 8:15am-4pm, Monday-Friday | E-mail: lto@gov.ab.ca

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

The Municipal District of Spirit River Recognizes September as Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month. September is Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month across Canada. The purpose of Awareness Month is to increase public knowledge of neuromuscular disorders and the impact on families living with these disorders and the communities in which they live, as well as to educate the public about Muscular Dystrophy Canada. Since 1954, Muscular Dystrophy Canada has been committed to improving the quality of life for Canadians with neuromuscular disorders. Their mission is to enhance the lives of those affected with neuromuscular disorders by continually working to provide ongoing support and resources while relentlessly searching for a cure through well-funded research.

FCSS NEWS



The Central Peace Ministerial is now operating a Virtual Food Bank. To access this convenient, confidential resource, please contact any pastor in the Church Directory of *The Central Peace Signal*.

Fall programming will be posted soon. Watch for details regarding community kitchen coming soon!

FCSS Regular office hours: 9:00am-3:00pm, Mondays-Thursdays.

Julie Temple, FCSS Coordinator
Central Peace Family and Community Support Services
Ph: 780-864-3500 ext.1 | fcss@mdspiritriv.ab.ca | www.centralpeacefcss.ca

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPROVAL

The following development permits have been approved by the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133. Anyone wishing to lodge an appeal against this development must do so in writing before 4:30 p.m. on appeal deadline. A non-refundable fee of \$100.00 must accompany the appeal.

Letters of appeal should be addressed to: Secretary, Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, Box 389, Spirit River, Alberta T0H 3G0.

Landowner: R & C Zesko

Permit: 11-DP-18

Location: NW and SW 29 78 4 W6

Development: Grain Bins and Grain Handling System

Appeal Deadline: September 25, 2018

Approval: This Permit approved September 11, 2018

TRANSPORTATION PILOT PROGRAM

The Municipal District was fortunate to receive a grant from the Government of Alberta Transportation Department to undertake a pilot project of providing three day a week transportation to Grande Prairie using a Paratransit bus that can accommodate up to 16 passengers and two wheel chairs or 12 passengers and four wheel chairs. We are well under way towards planning and policy development as the bus is to be delivered in November with hopes that the trips will begin in December.

The anticipated days are going to be Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week so that people can start booking their health and medical appointments accordingly. Access for these types of appointments has had the most amount of requests. We encourage people not to make any appointments before 10 am as collecting the riders and dropping them off can take some time. Also not to book in the late afternoon to be sure that you can make it to the connection for the return trip. It is anticipated that the bus will leave Spirit River around 8:30 am, stop in Rycroft, travel to Grande Prairie and return back to Spirit River by 5:30 pm. Access to Grande Prairie for other social and recreational activities that you cannot find in our community should be encouraged. Maybe a group of friends want to go in to watch a movie or go bowling; consider your options. There will be an option to stay in Grande Prairie and book a return trip home at a future date. Maybe this works the other way as well; possibly you have a friend in Grande Prairie that does not drive and they could book to come to your house on a Thursday, stay for the weekend and return on Tuesday or come Thursday and return Friday. Maybe you have friends in Lakeview Lodge you would like to visit for the day. We are just considering the youngest age that will be allowed to travel with permission but without supervision so any input on this or other suggestions are welcome.

We look forward to any suggestions before we complete our program development. Please give your comments to Kelly.