

# Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

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## THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on July 8, 2020 at 10:00am in the Brownlee Building located behind the MD Office in Spirit River.

## PUBLIC WORKS

In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment, please call: David Johnson – (780) 864-9600.



## 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**

Central Peace Fire and Rescue Commission | www.cprf.ca

## FCSS NEWS



- **Transit to Grande Prairie** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 780-864-3500 to book your ride! \$25 return trip.
- **Volunteer Spotlight:** Looking for nominated individuals to recognize for their volunteer efforts!
- **Meals on Wheels** offers hot homemade meals, up to 3x a week, for \$12/meal. Meals provided by A&B EATS. Call to subscribe.

■ **UFIT HERE:** Is now ONLINE! Program for our community kids to chat and share weekly about activities, taking care of themselves, managing stress, and building connections with others. Also running day camp for the Beyond the Hurt program and Healthy Relationships program this summer. Contact Nysha at centralpeaceufit@gmail.com for info or to sign up.

■ **CAMP WANAGO: LOTS OF SPACES LEFT!** Weekly, from July 6-August 21. \$60/week 9am-3pm Monday-Friday. Available to local children of G5 region ages 5-11. **LOTS OF FUN FOR KIDS!** All guidelines and recommendations regarding COVID19 are followed.

For further details and inquiries, please contact Julie or Tynysa at the FCSS office: 780-864-3500 press 1, or email fcss@mdspiririver.ab.ca.

## SECURITY CAMERA REBATE

The Municipal District of Spirit River has extended the deadline for our Security Camera Rebate Program. All applications must be received by December 31, 2020. For more information and/or an application please contact the MD133 office at 780-864-3500.

## 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 & Friday – 9am-5pm. Saturday – 10am-4pm. Closed: Monday, Tuesday & Sunday.* If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at 780-765-3745.

## TAXATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the assessment and tax notices for the 2020 taxation year have been mailed on May 29th, 2020 and will be payable on or before September 15th, 2020. All assessments and tax notices are deemed to have been received seven (7) days after mailing within Alberta and fourteen (14) days outside of the province. Anyone wishing to object to the assessment value on any property in their name must, within 60 days of receiving this notice, lodge their complaint using only the prescribed "Assessment Review Board Complaint" form "#LGS1402 (2009/08)" to the Assessment Review Board Clerk care of Louise Gostick, Assistant Administrator of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133, Box 389, 4202 – 50th St. Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0 The complaint must be accompanied by a \$50.00 fee for Residential - 3 or fewer dwellings and Farmland; \$650 fee for Residential- 4 or more dwellings and Non-residential, which will be refunded to the complainant if the complaint is successful. A copy of "Filing a Property Assessment Complaint and Preparing for Your Hearing" booklet as well as a "Guide to Property Assessment and Taxation in Alberta" can be obtained at the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 office. Complaints must be submitted in writing on or before July 29th, 2020.

**2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE  
AT OUR OFFICE AND ONLINE.**

## MASKS FOR MD RESIDENTS

The Government of Alberta has set up the "Masks for Albertans" initiative which supplies masks to all participating municipalities to hand out to their residents.

- MD of Spirit River residents can phone ahead to the MD of Spirit River office at 780-864-3500 so that we may have your masks ready for pick up.
- Four masks per person
- If you do not reside in the MD of Spirit River, please contact your own municipality as each should have enough based on their population.

## BURSARIES AVAILABLE

The **Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River #133** has implemented **\$1,000.00** bursaries for students entering full time studies at a post secondary institution in Canada such as University or Community College and on-line programs. These bursaries apply to students and "continuing students" alike that are residents of the Municipal District of Spirit River #133. Applicants must demonstrate their past leadership qualities and/or commitments to their community in helping others. Applicants must also illustrate how their course of study will assist them in the future to exercise leadership and/or continue to demonstrate their commitment to their communities and to others in Northern Alberta. Applications are located on our website or can be picked up at the Municipal District of Spirit River #133 office at 4202-50th street, Spirit River, AB. **Applications must be received no later than July 31, 2020 at the M.D. #133 office.**

## ATTENTION

Spring and summer have finally arrived, and the Agriculture Services Department has kicked off our summer work. Please be advised that we will have crews out in the Municipality mowing ditches, maintaining green areas such as our parks and cemeteries, and applying herbicide. In addition to these activities our weed and pest inspectors will be out and about inspecting and taking samples.

Agriculture is vital to our region and our municipality. The M.D. of Spirit River is committed to ensuring our producers can maintain their competitive edge in today's volatile market and harvest the best crops possible.

For the purpose of carrying out their duty, Weed Inspectors may enter land or inspect land or personal property at a reasonable time to inspect, take samples, and perform tests under Part 2 Section 12 of the Weed Control Act. Under the Agricultural Pests Act Section 17, Pest Inspectors may for the purpose of carrying out their duties:

- Enter at any reasonable hour onto any land to inspect the land or any buildings, property, or livestock on the land (Does not include dwellings)
- On giving reasonable notice, direct the owner or person in control of livestock for the purpose of an inspection, and
- Take specimens of a pest or nuisance and of any matter that contains or is suspected of containing a pest or nuisance.

If you see them out and about give them lots of room on the roads. They will be moving very slowly. Say "hi" to any inspectors that you find in your fields. They will be easy to spot wearing high visibility vests and ID badges. They will gladly chat with you to let you know what they are doing and what they have found. If they need to enter your yard sites and barn yards, they will do their best to notify you 24h in advance.

If you have any concerns or questions, please call our Agricultural Fieldman, Jenifer White, at 780-864-9358 or email her at jwhite@mdspiririver.ab.ca.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Municipal District of Spirit River #133 is now accepting applications for the following casual position.

### Full Time Heavy Equipment / Grader Operator Posting # (2020-HEO1) – 1 Position

Reporting to the Public Works Supervisor, the Heavy Equipment Operator will be required to operate various pieces of equipment for all seasonal road work such as grading/plowing, pulling shoulders brushing, dust control, installing culverts, etc. Duties will include; operating and maintaining heavy equipment such as graders, tractors, track hoe, packer, loader as well as truck and trailer; other duties as required may include those of Medium and Light Equipment Operator.

#### Qualifications:

- Valid Class 1 operators license
- Experience operating equipment for road maintenance

#### Assets:

- Standard First Aid training

#### Abilities:

- Able to physically perform the assigned duties under various weather conditions
- Ability to work in a safe manner following the OH&S Act and regulations
- Ability to understand and perform oral and written instructions

**This is a full time position.** Only those selected for interviews will be contacted and a driver's abstract will be requested. Please quote posting number when applying. These positions follow the CUPE Local 787-02 Collective Agreement.

**Applications will be accepted until the position has been filled.** Interested applicants may apply by submitting their resume to mdsr133@mdspiririver.ab.ca. Resumes can also be dropped off at the office at 4202 50 Street or mailed to the MD of Spirit River #133 Box 389 Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0.