

# Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

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## THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on August 19, 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.cpfr.ca](http://www.cpfr.ca)

## FCSS NEWS



- **Transit to Grande Prairie** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 780-864-3500 to book your ride! \$25 return trip.
- **Annual Volunteer Appreciation Pancake Supper:** September 27, Rycroft Memorial Hall 5-7pm. Free supper, open to all Central Peace volunteers!
- **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. Looking for more volunteers to drive and deliver.

■ **FREE SUMMER DAY PROGRAM IN RYCROFT: August 17-21! In Spirit River August 24-26.** An anti-bullying and social skills program for kids ages 8-14. Contact Nysha at [centralpeaceufit@gmail.com](mailto:centralpeaceufit@gmail.com) for more info or to sign up.

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](mailto: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.

## ATTENTION PRIVATE CONTRACTORS!

The Agriculture Service Department is developing a data base of local contractors. We are looking for services such as: mowing, spraying, seeding and custom baling, custom combining, etc. Basically any agricultural services may be added to our list of contacts. This list will be available to the public upon request. If you are interested in promoting your business and would like to have your name added to our data base, then please submit your service and contact info. To: Jenifer White Ag fieldman at [jwhite@mdspiririver.ab.ca](mailto:jwhite@mdspiririver.ab.ca).

## ATTENTION RATEPAYERS

A number of ratepayers have been coming in the office applying for the security camera rebate. Many of these ratepayers have been approached by Fluent who has been selling their security packages and providing ratepayers the MD Security Camera rebate program and advising ratepayers that they are eligible for the \$250 rebate. The rebate provided by the MD only covers the cost of a security camera, it does not cover monitoring fees, or any other services offered. Additionally the rebate is only for MD ratepayers, for properties located within the MD and with eligible receipts. If you are approached by a security company and have questions regarding the rebate program. Please contact our office. A number of ratepayers have been denied the rebate as the application was for something other than a security camera.

## BURSARIES DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED!

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 Aug.21,2020 at the M.D. #133 office.**

## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133 PHOTO CONTEST



Showcase your photography skills and our beautiful scenery here in the Peace Country! You are invited to participate in our Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 PHOTO CONTEST! **FIRST PRIZE – \$200.00. Runner up – \$100.00. Feel free to enter as many times as you like!**

To be eligible for the contest, all photos submitted must be taken within the boundaries of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133. Please give a description of where the photo was taken and when. By entering and participating in the contest, you consent to the use of your photographs by the MD of Spirit River, during or after the contest closing date, without compensation. Photos may be submitted in either color or black and white. Each photo should be at least a 5 x 7 or larger. Hard copies can be mailed to the MD of Spirit River No.133 Box 389 Spirit River, AB. T0H 3G0. Digital copies may be emailed to: [mdsr133@mdspiririver.ab.ca](mailto:mdsr133@mdspiririver.ab.ca).

Waiver forms/model releases and/or copyright laws are the responsibilities of the entrants. The winners will be selected by October 15, 2020.

The pictures and WINNERS will be posted on our Website as well as Facebook and all WINNERS will be notified by phone or email.

**Thank you for your entries and GOOD LUCK!**

## LARGE ANIMAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN SURVEY

The Central Peace Regional Emergency Management is working on a large animal emergency response plan. We are looking for your help and input! If you are a livestock owner in the MD of Spirit River, Saddle Hills County or Birch Hills County, please use the link [www.surveymonkey.com/r/animalERP](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/animalERP) to fill out the survey. Thank you for your input!