

Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

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THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on December 16, 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

FCSS NEWS



- **Transit to Grande Prairie** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 780-864-3500 to book your ride! \$25 return trip. Bus goes to Spirit River, Rycroft, Woking, Sexsmith, Clairmont, and Grande Prairie. Open to all public. Medical appointments are priority.
- **SNOW ANGELS: Volunteers needed.** Call FCSS to find out more about our volunteer snow removal program. If you are a senior or recovering from surgery and have no one to help you, please contact us to sign up for an Angel.

- **CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS:** Hampers will be ready for pickup on December 18 between 11am and 2 pm. If you need delivery, please call 780-864-5698.
- **CHRISTMAS MEALS:** If you know of any seniors or individuals dealing with health setbacks, or are home alone this Christmas and could use some support in eating healthy homemade meals over the holidays, please call FCSS to get them registered for a box of pre-made meals from our Community Kitchen to be delivered December 23. *Thank you to Community Foundation of Northwestern Alberta for funding Christmas Meals. #EC SFund.*
- **YOUR FOODBANKS:** For non-perishable items, please contact Shelley at 587-297-7680. For access to fresh foods, please contact your local minister or pastor, or call our office for a contact number. These foodbanks service the entire Central Peace.

For further details and inquiries, please contact Julie at the FCSS office: **Phone:** 780-864-3500 ext. 206, or **E-mail:** fcss@mdspiritriv.ab.ca

SNOW PLOWING SERVICES

Local businesses that provide SNOW REMOVAL services:

Magpie Trucking
Dwayne: 780-864-0872
Office: 780-864-3312

Lefley Honey Co. Ltd.
Jack: 780-831-0607
Kelly: 780-864-0281

Wild Horizon Ventures Ltd
Keegan: 780-831-8136

RCZ Ventures
Rick: 780-864-7888

Whiterok Ranch
Darcy: 780-500-8824
whtrok@gmail.com

Triple Y Trucking
Brent: 780-814-4486

Burnt River Services Ltd.
780-330-9900

Ryson Ventures Ltd
Gary: 780-864-5436

This is a list of private contractors. If you are a private contractor that would like to be added to this list, contact the MD office at mdsr133@mdspiritriv.ab.ca.

ATTENTION!

The MD of Spirit River #133 is currently undergoing construction work at our front entrance. Please drive around to the back of the building and use our back entrance until the construction is complete. If the door to the back entrance is locked, please honk or call 780-864-3500 for admission. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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@mdspiritriv.ab.ca.

REMINDER

Tax penalties of 2% were added on October 1st, and an additional 2% will be added on the following dates: October 15th, November 15th and December 15th for any amounts outstanding for this year and 10% will be added on January 1st which will also include any other amounts owing such as penalties on top of the outstanding 2020 taxes so **PLEASE make your payment to avoid these penalties.**

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, 2021. For more information and/or an application please contact the MD133 office – 780-864-3500.

PRIVATE LANE SNOWPLOWING POLICY PWS.03

On October 21, 2020, the Municipal District of Spirit River's Council passed a motion amending the Private Lane Snowplowing Policy PWS.03. Snowplowing services will no longer be available to non-seniors and non-handicapped persons. The snowplowing service will still be available to the following persons at the following rates for each snow removal:

- Seniors – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.
- Handicapped Persons – 125.00 plus G.S.T.
- Spouses of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.
- Dependants of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.

The Municipal District of Spirit River recognizes that there are private industry contractors local to the area that offer snowplowing services and do not wish to compete with these local services. The Municipality believes strongly in supporting local and hopes that residents hiring private contractor's will have their laneways plowed in a more timely manner than the Municipality could achieve as roads are the first priority.

For seniors looking for financial assistance to cover the cost of snow removal, the Alberta Seniors Benefit information sheet as well as the application form is attached. You can find more information online by using this link: <https://www.alberta.ca/seniors-special-needs-assistance.aspx>

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.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Central Peace Medical Clinic is seeking a building manager for its clinic located in Spirit River.

The building manager oversees the running and maintenance of the Spirit River Medical Clinic. This is a part time contract position. The successful applicant is expected to be available as needed to ensure the safe and seamless running of the clinic.

The successful applicant will be able to trouble shoot problems, have basic building maintenance skills, and will possess basic administration/computer skills. The job entails overseeing the day-to-day activities of the building, ranging from minor cleaning, minor repair of facilities, sidewalk snow clearing and managing secondary contracts such as snow clearing and housekeeping to ensure they deliver proper cleaning and upkeep services.

This is a contract position. Please forward your contract proposal to mdsr133@mdspiritriv.ab.ca. Deadline for submissions is December 30, 2020 or until a suitable candidate is found.

For a complete position description or more information, please contact Dan Dibbelt, CAO M.D. Spirit River at 780-864-3500.