



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER

NO. 133

The next regular council meeting will be held May 30, 2011
at 10:00 a.m. at the MD Office in Spirit River.

Regular Council meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month
Reminder: Contact the MD office three days prior to meeting
to be added to the agenda.

MD #133 Fire Department: (Fire Chief – Bill Mortland)

Summer meetings are scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of each month.

The next scheduled practice/meeting is on May 25, 2011 at 7:30 pm.
For more details call Bill at 864-3057 or 864-0782.

FIRE BAN IN EFFECT IMMEDIATELY !

There is currently a Province wide Fire Ban in effect which includes the
Municipal District of Spirit River effective Immediately! and the ban will be
in effect until further notice. This means that all outdoor fires presently
burning must be extinguished and lighting of outdoor fires is prohibited.

Public Works (Jess Gingell – Public Works Supervisor)

In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment please call, in
the following order: Jess at (780) 864-9358
or Mike M at (780) 864-9365 or Kelly at (780) 864-8059

2010 Financial Statements are now available and may be picked up at the
M.D. #133 Administration Offices in Spirit River.

The 2011 Landowner maps of the MD # 133 are now
available at the MD Office in Spirit River for \$20.00 plus GST.

DUST CONTROL 2011 PROGRAM

The MD of Spirit River will be applying Calcium Chloride as a dust suppressant.
Our dust control program cost sharing program will operate similar to previous
years.

Please notify The Public Works Supervisor Jess Gingell @ 780 864-9358
for dust control application/ concerns regarding dust control.

Notice of Mailing of Assessment & Tax Notices for the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

Notice is hereby given that the assessment and tax notices for the 2011 taxation
year will be mailed May 24th ,2011 and will be payable on or before September
15th, 2011. 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 Administra-
tor of the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133, Box 389, 4202 – 50th St. Spirit
River, AB.

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-res-
idential, which will be refunded to the complainant if the complaint is successful.
A copy of "Filing a Property Assessment Complaint and Preparing for Your Hear-
ing" 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 23, 2011.

Rural Addressing for Every Home in the MD Is Here

Thanks to a Municipal Sustainability Grant from Municipal Affairs the MD has
entered into an agreement with Wapiti Gravel Suppliers to provide and install all
of the Rural Addressing Signs. Each Resident will be getting a sign that indicates
where their driveway meets the Rural Road. These locations are based on GPS
and will be used for emergency response vehicles and even home deliveries by
couriers.

We were having concerns by residents that could not even get a phone or satel-
lite installed without a rural address. The MD has been working with Telus on
this project for two years establishing the GPS locations and updating the GIS
computer system to make this project work. Once the signs are all installed Telus
who operates the 911 system will switch over to the rural addressing method of
directing Police, Fire and Ambulance. It is anticipated that in the next few weeks
you will start to see the signs going up. The signs will be located on the prop-
erty line in clear view of the road, within 6.1meters (20 feet) of the entrance to the
property and no lower than 3.3 feet from the ground to the bottom of the sign. The
contractor will be making Alberta one calls to locate gas lines and communica-
tion cables so that none of these underground facilities are hit while driving the
posts one meter into the ground. These signs are preferred to be on the right side
of the driveway when entering but if they need to be relocated to the left that is
acceptable. If they need to be moved please contact the office before the locate is
completed as this will save time.

A Rural Address is not a mailing address and therefore; there will be no need to
change any of your personal information. The MD is looking at providing a mag-
netic patch for your refrigerator that you can write your legal location and rural
address on for reference.

Please watch for further articles on how the system works.



(Submitted by Jane Reif Program Coordinator FCSS)

This October we will be continuing our
Roots of Empathy Program. We are looking
For Moms who are expecting babies in July
or August. If you are interested in being one
of our Roots of Empathy families, please contact
Jane at 780-864-3500 for more information.

FCSS will be offering two Babysitting Courses.

June 18, 2011 at the AgPlex in Rycroft from
9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

June 25, 2011 at the Brownlee Building in Spirit River
From 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Registration is limited to 12 students per class so call
Early to reserve your spot.

Cost is \$20.00 per student, lunch and snacks will be provided.

Call Jane at 780-864-3500 to register.

Mark Your Berry Trees

The Municipal District will be commencing spraying operations along the
rights of way beginning June 1st for the control of noxious weeds and un-
wanted bush control. There will be no spraying 50 meters each side of farm
yards and dugouts without signed permission from the landowner. It is the
landowners responsibility to register where they would like the MD not to
spray by entering into a do not spray agreement. If you require "Do not spray
signs" they are available at the MD Office for \$5.00 and must be displayed
in a visible area. Agreements can be signed that will allow the MD to spray
unwanted weeds and brush that may be within 1.5 meters of the fence line
on the farm property. Efforts to not spray berry trees along right of ways will
be undertaken if the areas are registered and flagged.

Any questions can be addresses to Kelly Hudson, Agricultural Fieldman 780-
864-3500