



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT of SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm
(Closed for lunch from 12pm to 1pm and closed all statutory holidays)

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on December 20, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers located in the MD Office in Spirit River. Council meetings are open to the public. We welcome you to attend.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

Some of the following motions were made at our Special Meeting on Dec. 11, 2023:

Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that Council direct administration to send a letter to Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) with regard to Mandatory code of conduct and Governance training for members at large and FCSS Staff, and further that Ms Christine Potrebenko be removed as a member at large representative for the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 from the Family and Community Support Services Board, effective immediately.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Legislative Policy LEG 23 Board and Member Code of Ethics & Guiding Principles, be approved with the following corrections: the word ethics be replaced with the word conduct.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that Bylaw 04-AM-2023 to amend Council Procedures Bylaw 05-2021, to include Section 5.E Meeting through Electronic Communications, be read a third time and be passed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Anyone wishing to review more of our Council Meeting minutes can visit the MD of Spirit River #133 website.

PUBLIC WORKS

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

LANDFILL CARD UPDATE

Attention MD Residents

Landfill cards that have been issued with an expiration date do not need to be renewed unless you are renting your land. If you own your property and your Landfill Card has an expiration date on it, please disregard this expiration date. Your Landfill card will remain active until you have either reached your load limit, you have sold your land, or if you have lost your Landfill privileges. If you are renting in the MD of Spirit River and your Landfill Card has expired, please stop by the office for renewal. Thank you!

SECURE ENERGY LANDFILL OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY

MD residents will be asked to show their Landfill Usage Card upon entering the landfill site. Regular landfill take-in days: *Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – 9am-5pm. Saturday – 10am-4pm. Closed: Monday, Tuesday & Sunday.* **SECURE ENERGY LANDFILL will no longer be accepting any chemical jugs or containers.** If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at 780-765-3745 or the MD of Spirit River office at 780-864-3500.

SEEKING A MEMBER AT LARGE FOR THE FCSS BOARD

The Municipal District of Spirit River #133 is seeking a Member at Large representative to be appointed to the Central Peace FCSS Board to represent the MD of Spirit River #133.

Qualifications are a clean criminal record check and an interest in supporting community programs.

Expectations include:

- Minimum 2 hours a month for monthly Board meeting
- Helping to make decisions on direction of program and funding expenses
- Volunteering with FCSS programs and projects when available
- Adhering to Board policies and expectations in a spirit of harmony and cooperation

CONTROLLED BURNS NOTIFICATIONS

Please notify us before you burn. Those who do not advise of controlled burns are subject to a \$500 fine. These rules apply year-round. When calling for a burn notification, please contact the MD Office at (780) 864-3500 Monday through Friday before 4:15pm.

PRIVATE LANE SNOWPLOWING POLICY

The Municipal District of Spirit River's Private Lane Snowplowing Policy PWS.03 offers snowplowing services to seniors and handicapped persons. The snowplowing services are available at the following rates for each snow removal:

- i) Seniors – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.
- ii) Handicapped Persons – 125.00 plus G.S.T.
- iii) Spouses of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.
- iv) Dependants of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00 plus G.S.T.

For seniors looking for financial assistance to help cover the cost of snow removal, Alberta Seniors Benefit information can be found online by using this link: <https://www.alberta.ca/seniors-special-needs-assistance.aspx>

The Municipal District of Spirit River recognizes that there are private industry contractors local to the area that offer snowplowing 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.

Local businesses that provide SNOW REMOVAL services are listed below:

- Magpie Trucking – Dwayne: 780-864-0872
- 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 or whtrok@gmail.com
- Triple Y Trucking Ltd – Brent Yanishewski: 780-814-4486
- Burnt River Services Ltd – 780-330-9900
- Ryson Ventures Ltd – Gary Fox: 780-864-5436
- Scott's Excavating Ltd – Darryl: 780-864-5957 or Myrne 780-864-0071
- Bee Kay Welding – Bill: 780-814-4022
- NaR Environmental Ltd – 780-864-7897 or nar.enviro@outlook.com

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