

**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)

February 1, 2024 Newsletter

The next Council Meeting will be held on February 7, 2024 at 9:00am 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 Council Meeting on Jan. 17th 2024.

008.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Nick vanRootselaar that a letter be sent to the doctors of the Central Peace Medical Clinic inviting them to the Peace Health Advisory Council meeting being held January 30th, 2024 via Zoom.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

013.01.17.24 Moved by Reeve Tony Van Rootselaar that authorization be give to send two members of Council and members of administration to the Registered Drainage Systems meeting hosted by Birch Hills County on January 31st, 2024, at the Birch Hills Senior Centre in Wanham.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Growing the North Conference

015.01.17.24 Moved by Councillor Stan Bzowy that Council authorize CAO Dan Dibbelt and Councillor Nick vanRootselaar to attend the Growing the North Conference being held held February 20th - 22nd, 2024, at the TARA centre, Evergreen Park, County of Grande Prairie No.1.

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.



REMINDER , PLEASE NOTIFY US BEFORE YOU BURN. THOSE WHO DO NOT ADVISE OF CONTROLLED BURNS ARE SUBJECT TO A \$ 500.00 FINE. THESE RULES APPLY YEAR ROUND!
When calling for a burn notification please call the office Monday through Friday before 4:15pm. MD Office at (780) 864-3500

SECURE ENERGY LANDFILL IS OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY

MD residents will be asked to show their Landfill Usage Card upon entering the land fill 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

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!



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

NaR Environmental Ltd.
780-864-7897
Nar.enviro@outlook.com

Wild Horizon Ventures Ltd.
Keegan: 780-831-8136

RCZ Ventures
Rick: 780-864-7888

Burnt River Services Ltd.
780-330-9900

Scotts Excavating Ltd.
Darri 780-864-5957
Myrne 780-864-0071

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

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

Triple Y Trucking
Brent: 780-814-4486

Bee Kay Welding
Bill 780-814-4022

Ryson Ventures Ltd.
Gary Fox 780-864-5436

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.

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

Central Peace FCSS News February 1, 2024 for all municipalities

Community Kitchen: There are soups and meals! available to any seniors & individuals wanting support, at the FCSS office in Spirit River, the Birch Hills Seniors Centre in Wanham, the Food Bank and the Library, in Rycroft. Contact us for more information. For the next event in Wanham, call Betty for details 780-694-2139.

Next Community Kitchen for Rycroft/Spirit River will be later in February.

GLOW WALK is Feb. 7th 6:30-8:00pm: Come to Spirit River main street and kin park for activities, hot dogs, hot chocolate, scavenger hunt, etc. Registration at the Town Office for entry into prize draws. Also enter contest for most unique lit-up costume! Wear all your glow in the dark, neon colours, and lighted wear. Prizes for adults and children.

Volunteer Appreciation is coming up in April. We are coordinating the nomination program again. Please nominate all your community volunteers to receive a gift package recognizing them for their continued efforts and contributions. Give the FCSS office their name, what/where they volunteer, and how to get their package to them. Small notes of appreciation will also be passed on anonymously.

Get you community event in the monthly Community Connect: just email

cphawc2.connect@outlook.com by the 20th of the month before publication. You can also join the email list to receive the Community Connect by emailing cphawc1@outlook.com

For further details and inquiries, please contact Julie & Petrina at the FCSS office: 780-864-3500 press 2, or email fess@mdspiritriver.ab.ca

Added Reminder for Rycroft:

Meals on Wheels: we offer a fresh meal delivery service with a great deal on price for seniors and individuals wanting support at home. \$12/meal, 3 courses, big entrées, offered up to 3 times a week (M/W/F). Available to residents of Rycroft, Spirit River, and the MD of Spirit River.

Added Reminder for Rycroft and Birch Hills:

Home Support: we offer friendly, safe, responsible housekeeping on a cost-sharing basis. Eligible individuals are either over 65, have a disability, or for short term help have a new baby, are recovering from surgery, or grieving the loss of an immediate family member. Offered to residents of every municipality.

