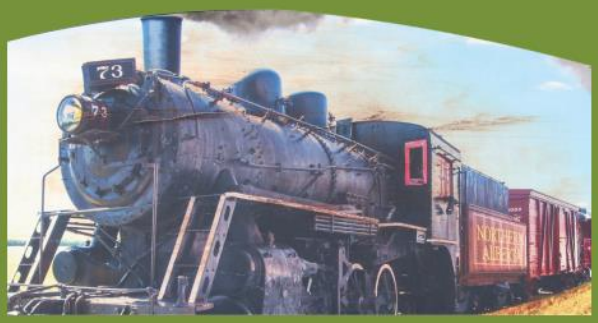

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
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August 22,2024 Newsletter

The next Council Meeting will be held on September 4,2024 at 9:00am in the Council Chambers located in the MD Office in Spirit River. Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome all to attend!

Some of the following motions were made at our Council Meeting on Aug.7,2024.

Expansion of MD Transit Bus services

000.00.00.24 Moved by **Reeve Van Rootselaar** that the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 expand the Transit Bus Program from three days per week to five days per week making the Transit Bus Driver position a Full- Time permanent position.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

000.00.00.24 Moved by **Councillor Stan Bzowy** that Council approve the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 Human Resources Policy - HR.11 - the Employee Conduct Policy Manual as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

000.00.00.24 Moved by **Councillor Nick van Rootselaar** that the Municipal District of Spirit River supports the submission of a 2024/25 Alberta Community Partnership grant application in support of the Regional Airport Master Plan project and is prepared to manage the grant project and related compliance requirements, with no matching contribution being required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

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

R360 ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS CANADA 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

R360 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.

Tax Notices 2024

Notice is hereby given that the assessment and tax notices for the 2024 taxation year have been mailed on May 30,2024 and will be payable on or before September 16th, 2024. 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 Monday August 7, 2024.

Central Peace Family & Community Support Services

serving the MD #133, Spirit River, Rycroft, and western Birch Hills County

Summer Camp. We had another great summer at Camp Wanago. Thank you to the three enthusiastic camp leaders for your dedication and care for our campers this summer, and to all the children and families who supported camp and enjoyed the opportunities of the program. This was a successful season.

Community Kitchen: There are soups and meals available to any seniors & individuals wanting support, contact our office. FCSS and South Peace Rural Community Learning are collaborating to bring more opportunities for volunteers to attend kitchen events and socialize and learn skills and cooking literacy.

Other available programs for residents include: Home Support (subsidized light housekeeping) and Meals on Wheels- looking for support to provide meals on Mondays. Please contact us for details.

FCSS Coordinator: there are changes happening in the FCSS office, as of the end of August. We thank everyone in advance for their patience while a new Coordinator is found and starts managing the FCSS program.

Get your 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 contact information: ***FCSS office: 780-864-3500 press 2,*** *or ext. 206,* ***or email us at fcss@mdspiritriver.ab.ca*** ***Visit our website*** *at: www.centralpeacefcss.ca*

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Employment Opportunity

Job Title: Transit Bus Driver
Department: Public Works Department
Reports To: Public Works Supervisor or Assistant Public Works Supervisor
Standard Hours: 40 hours

Reporting directly to the Public Works Supervisor or designate, the Transit Bus Driver works closely in conjunction with MD administration in coordinating bus trips.
The Bus Driver provides a service to people with and without medical mobility issues, is responsible for minor maintenance and consistently ensures passengers are safe and comfortable.
In addition to operating the transit bus, the driver will also be responsible for maintaining MD office walkways; removal of snow from ALL walkways at the Public Works Building and the Administration Buildings (including the Brownlee Building) in the winter months as well as keeping all three MD buildings clear of debris by sweeping the walkways in the summer months.
This position will require the employee to work one day per week (tentatively Monday's) to assist the Public Works department with additional works projects.

Taking applications until a suitable candidate is selected. Please submit your resume in person, mail or via e-mail in confidence to:

Dan Dibbelt, Chief Administrative Officer & Shirley Hayden, HR Coordinator
E-mail: ddibbelt@mdspiritriver.ab.ca & shayden@mdspiritriver.ab.ca
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Employment Opportunity

Central Peace Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
and the MD of Spirit River No.133 are currently hiring for:
FCSS COORDINATOR

The Central Peace Family Community Support Services is a three municipality inter-municipal program administered by the MD of Spirit River No.133 and including the Town of Spirit River and the Village of Rycroft. We have an exciting career opportunity for a well-organized, enthusiastic, creative, flexible and adaptable professional who will bring innovative and effective leadership to the position of Family and Community Support Services Coordinator.

The successful candidate will be charged with the responsibility of managing the FCSS program, working with the Board in the design, implementation, coordination, administration, and financial reporting, of preventative social service programs that conform to the intent and guidelines of the Provincial Government's FCSS program. A copy of the full job description is available upon request.

The Ideal Candidate will have the following Qualifications:

- Ability to manage multiple projects and tasks in an ever-changing, fast-paced environment
- Excellent organizational and communication skills, both verbal and written
- Experience or demonstrated ability to prepare budgets and manage projects within budget
- Experience and working knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Strong public relations skills including public speaking, media relations, and presentation skills
- Experience in a Leadership role, strong leadership skills, experience delegating duties, and supervising others
- Ability to work collaboratively with Board, staff, funders, stakeholders, and community members and organizations
- Passion for helping others and enhancing community connectivity, creative problem-solving ability, highly motivated, and ability to maintain a high level of understanding and awareness of local community needs
- Able to work flexible hours as required
- Commitment to represent the employer with integrity and professionalism
- Current First Aid with CPR is an asset
- Criminal Record Check will be required

Applications are open until a suitable candidate is hired. We thank all applicants in advance for their interest, only candidates to be interviewed will be contacted.

The MD of Spirit River No.133 offers a competitive salary and benefits package for this permanent position. If interested, submit your resume in confidence, including salary expectations and three references to the attention of:

Shirley Hayden
Human Resources Advisor, Municipal District of Spirit River No.133
P.O. Box 389 Spirit River AB T0H 3G0
Via email to: shayden@mdspiritriver.ab.ca
Or drop off at the MD of Spirit River office: 4202- 50 st Spirit River:
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch from noon to 1:00)

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Central Peace
Family and Community
Support Services

Employment Opportunity

Central Peace Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is currently hiring a PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Central Peace FCSS is looking for a creative and enthusiastic individual to fill the position of Program Assistant.

Reporting to the Program Coordinator, the successful candidate will carry out the following responsibilities:

- To assist the Program Coordinator with the planning, organizing, and evaluation of FCSS programs and services.
- To plan and organize programs that enhance the well-being of individuals, families, and communities.
- To assist with the planning and implementation of special events and celebrations.
- To serve as a community referral agent with the objective of connecting individuals with the appropriate resources.
- To collaborate with service agencies and businesses operating within the community to deliver social initiatives.
- To assist in the administrative functions of the FCSS department, including report writing, production of advertising and marketing materials, understanding and working with project budgets, and other duties as directed by the Program Coordinator. As well as acting in place of the Coordinator on occasion.

Qualifications for this position include:

- Strong skills in networking and advocating for programs to other professionals and volunteers in the community.
- The ability to relate effectively to people of diverse economic, social and ethnic backgrounds.
- Patience and flexibility in an ever changing environment.
- Good communication and organization skills.
- Professionalism is a must in attire and attitude.
- Respect and confidentiality is required in dealings with FCSS programs, clients and board members.
- Firm understanding of Social Media for the use of networking and advertising. i.e. Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- Proficiency in Excel, Microsoft Word, and Publisher is an asset.
- Data entry and website editing and design are valuable skills.
- Experience working in the human services field is an asset.

We thank all applicants in advance for their interest, however, only those applicants who will be interviewed will be contacted.

Please submit cover letter along with resume and references in a sealed envelope marked "Personal & Confidential" to the attention of: Shirley Hayden

Via mail to: Box 389, Spirit River AB T0H 3G0
Via email to: shayden@mdspiritriver.ab.ca

"Central Peace Health Complex Hospital Auxiliary is selling raffle tickets for their yearly fundraiser. All proceeds stay local and go towards much needed hospital equipment. $2.00/ticket. 1st Prize is a beautiful machine quilted quilt, valued at $1000 (Pictured). 2nd Prize is $400 in gift cards. 3rd Prize is $150 Cash. Please contact Marion Chugg (780-864-2705) or Dixie (780-500-9214) to purchase tickets. Draw date Dec.4,2024"

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NORTHERN LIGHTS FIBER

northernlightsfiber.ca

https://www.northernlightsfiber.ca

Attention! Municipal District of Spirit River #133 Residents!

If you are interested in getting Fiber Optics to your residence or business, please go online and submit a request.
3 simple steps to submit a request, go to:

1) Northernlightsfiber.ca
2) Project Aurora
3) At the top of the page- Click for form

Submit a NO Obligation Fiber Access Request (FAR) to ensure your home gets fiber optics lines built. Click Here.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM
Geared for Children 5-10 yrs old with parental supervision required. Each week will feature a new topic. Storytime, craft, and a snack will be included. Prizes for readers!
Dates & Times TBD
Please watch our Facebook page for updates
Rycroft Community Library
So Much More Than Just A Library