



## THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SPIRIT RIVER No.133

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133, in the Province of Alberta has given first reading to Bylaw 08-2024 , which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the dissolution of the ward electoral system and implement an at-large voting system in the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133. Further, it will increase councillor representation to five (5) councillors, elected at-large, representing the municipality as a whole.

The proposed Bylaw was given first reading at a Council Meeting held on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 that, unless a sufficient petition of the electors for a vote on Bylaw 08-2024 is demanded, as provided for by the terms of Part 7 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the said council may pass the said Bylaw.

All persons interested are hereby notified and they are required to govern themselves accordingly.

A copy of the proposed Bylaw is available for inspection at the Municipal District Administration Office, 4202 – 50 Street, Spirit River, Alberta during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excepting statutory holidays. A copy of the proposed Bylaw can be found on-line at [www.mdspiritriver.ab.ca](http://www.mdspiritriver.ab.ca).

Electors may submit a petition for a vote of the electors to determine whether the proposed Bylaw should be passed. Anyone wishing to file a petition regarding the proposed Bylaw must do so in compliance with the requirements contained in sections 222 – 226 and 231 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, which include (but are not limited to) the following:

- A petition must be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 within 60 days after October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, the last date on which the proposed Bylaw is to be advertised. Accordingly, this puts the deadline to file the petition at: December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.
- Only electors of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 are eligible to be petitioners;
- The petition must be signed by electors of the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 equal in number to at least 10% of the population;
- Each page of the petition must contain an identical statement of purpose of the petition. The petition must include, for each petitioner, the petitioner's printed surname, given name or initials and signature, the street address of the petitioner or the legal description of the land on which the petitioner lives, the petitioner's telephone number or email address, if any, and the date on which the petitioner signs the petition.
- An adult witness to the signature of each petitioner must sign opposite the petitioner's signature and swear an affidavit that the petitioner, to the best of the witness's knowledge, is entitled to sign the petition. The petition should also attach a signed statement of a person who states to be the representative of the petitioners and to whom the Municipal District of Spirit River No.133 may direct inquiries about the petition.

Any questions regarding this notice, or the proposed Bylaw, may be directed to Dan Dibbelt, Chief Administrative Officer at 780-864-3500 or [ddibbelt@mdspiritriver.ab.ca](mailto:ddibbelt@mdspiritriver.ab.ca).

DATED at the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133, in the Province of Alberta this 19<sup>th</sup>, day of September, 2024.

Per: Dan Dibbelt, Chief Administrative Officer