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Province dumping hazardous waste disposal costs onto municipalities

"This is just another example of back door downloading of costs to municipal taxpayers." Mayor Zahara

by Adrienne Tait

On April 16 the Town of Edson was made aware, by the Alberta Recycling Management Authority, of

coming changes to the Provincial Household Hazardous Waste Program.

As of the end of May the provincial government will no longer be subsidizing the cost

of material disposal at the Swan Hills Treatment Centre. That funding was provided through Alberta Infrastructure. Bruce Thompson, Environmental and Fleet

Services Manager, told Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting, "The change that they are looking to make, apparently, disposal

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Jeff Battigelli, with the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, was out with students from Edmonton testing river water at Willmore Park on April 26. Jeff said, "We are going to be doing some water assessments, looking at stream flow, looking at some aquatic vertebrates, and looking at water quality over a few hours. We have two instructors, one technician, and 21 students, and our bus driver here today. After today we will be zooming down to Robb and doing testing out there." photo Deanna Mitchener

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Province plans to dump hazardous waste disposal costs onto municipalities

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could be impacted in 2021 by not allowing us access - not allowing municipal household hazardous waste - to enter Swan Hills after the month of May.”

Currently municipal household hazardous waste materials for Edson and Yellowhead County transfer stations are collected through the Edson and District Recycling Society. The materials affected by the household hazardous waste program include items such as paint, oil filters, used oil, cleaning products, fertilizer etcetera. Household hazardous waste materials are collected and organized by EDRS (step 1). They are then picked up by BDS Environmental and hauled to a sorting centre where they are sorted, combined with waste from other municipalities, and lab packed before being taken to the Swan Hills treatment centre (step 2). The third and final step in the process is the disposal and destruction of the materials at the Swan Hills Treatment Centre.

Thompson told council that he has spoken with several other agencies including the Alberta Recycling Management Authority and they are exploring other options for disposal, “The magnitude of this change is not known right now because we don't know what the options for disposal will be or what those rates will be.”

Additionally, municipalities have been advised that there may be funding changes to the first two steps in the process- the material collection and sorting, lab packing and delivery to the disposal centre -in 2022. This portion of the household hazardous waste management program has been funded through Alberta

Environment and Parks.

While it is believed there will continue to be some subsidy it is unknown how much funding will be available.

Councillor Krystal Baier said, “With Alberta Infrastructure taking these funds away are their intentions that the municipalities just pick that up? Or do they prefer that these hazardous wastes just go into the landfill?”

Mayor Zahara said, “This is just another example of back door downloading of costs to municipal taxpayers.”

Mayor Zahara said that the buy in from the community with regards to recycling their residential hazardous material and use of the program is quite significant so the cost could be quite high.

Further meetings are scheduled for the coming week between Alberta Cares and Alberta Infrastructure and Thompson hopes to have answers to at least some of the questions in the coming weeks. In a follow up interview Thompson said right now municipalities are in a “stand by” position knowing they will have to calculate new costs and a new system but without enough information to make any projections.

Yellowhead County, like the Town of Edson, said they do not have enough information at this time to know for sure what impact the changes will have on collection and disposal of this type of waste for residents.

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Town considers projects to reduce GHG emissions and lower operating costs

by Adrienne Tait

Town of Edson's Municipal Energy Coordinator Brendan Riome presented Town Council with a report outlining the progress that has been made to reach the Greenhouse Gas emission reduction targets as well as identified four proposed projects to further that goal.

The Municipal Energy Coordinator program is facilitated by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre. Three goals have been identified for the program in Edson including one to reduce GHG emissions by 5% in each year of the program.

Riome told Council that as of March of 2021 the target was revised to a 3.6% (79 Tonne) reduction in GHGs for 2021 based on the removal of Repsol Place from the scope due to the limited life of the facility.

In 2019 the Town of Edson facilities including Repsol Place, Public Works, the Civic Centre, Edson fire hall, Galloway Museum, Library, and Griffiths Park Centre emitted 2,179 tonnes of GHGs.

The measured greenhouse gases include carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide.

To date the program has initiated 14 no-cost reduction measures across all buildings which achieved a 22-metric tonne reduction in GHG emissions.

Energy audits and thermal scans of the buildings have been completed. Council was advised additional changes will need to be implemented in order to reach their target. The audits and scans identified areas of concerns within the buildings themselves as well as concerns for increased utility costs and carbon tax costs.

Four low cost and/or capital projects were brought forth for consideration to

be implemented over the next two years, if approved.

The first proposed project is to retrofit municipal buildings with LED lighting. Currently the lighting within the buildings is either fluorescent or high-pressure sodium fixtures. Riome told Council that standardizing the lighting would result in an estimated 64 Tonnes of annual GHG emissions reduction, increase patron comfort, reduce maintenance costs, and lower the Town's utility bill by approximately \$25,000/year. The cost to retrofit the lighting is estimated at \$150,000.

Councillor Wilkinson said she particularly liked the lighting retrofit program, "In 6.5 years we the profit will have paid for the expense and we are saving 64 tonnes in emissions. To me, it's a win-win."

The second proposed project is weatherproofing and building envelop upgrades. Riome said the thermographic scans, "Highlighted numerous areas of air and moisture ingress, significant thermal bridging, and gaps in building envelopes." The Edson and District Public Library was shown as an example of a building with both air and moisture intrusion. While the cost to is to be determined, Riome said the Town would save \$4,900 per year and an estimated reduction of 43 Tonnes of GHG emissions annually from just re-weather stripping the doors.

Councillor Baier said with regards to the weatherproofing and building envelop upgrades, "I think any building that we are currently using and intend on using for the next 10 years - we need to be doing that."

The third proposal is to upgrade the boiler system and controls at the Civic Centre. The current system is approximately 60 years old and in

addition to inefficient energy consumption it has become increasingly challenging to maintain and expensive to operate. Riome proposed retrofitting the existing system with a new, high efficiency boiler and replacing the pneumatic controls with programmable digital ones. Riome anticipates doing so would save the Town approximately \$3,000/year in heating costs and 26 Tonnes per year in emissions.

The fourth proposed project is "small scale building automation" for all municipal buildings. This would include projects such as programmable thermostats, timers, occupancy sensors for lights etcetera. The estimated cost is \$15,000 but has the potential to save 7-15% in heating and cooling costs and 15-25% in lighting and ventilation costs.

Councillor Sorensen spoke in support of the projects especially with increased

maintenance costs, higher carbon tax, and because the grants to make these changes are available now, "We have money set aside in the energy reserve for this purpose.... I don't necessarily agree, in principle, with reducing your targets when you just find it difficult to meet them. I recommend setting strong targets and trying as hard as we can. If we don't meet them, we don't meet them." Councillor Sorensen encouraged Riome to come back with more concrete cost and savings numbers or at minimum more clear estimates.

Mayor Zahara said, "I think we should tackle this as quickly as we can within the budgetary constraints that we have because we are going to save on the operational side. The energy reserve is a reserve it's not something that is going to impact our budgets but savings will certainly help our operational budgets will in turn will help our tax payers."

Happy 68th Anniversary

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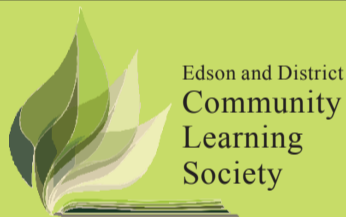


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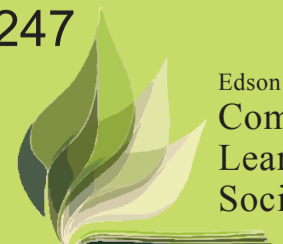
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County passes campground bylaw limiting cannabis use

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the April 13 Yellowhead County Council Meeting, Council gave first and second readings to updated Bylaw 08.21. The main updates involved conduct in County-operated campgrounds relating to cannabis use.

As the third reading of a bylaw must be unanimous if it is to be passed in the same meeting it is presented, the third reading stalled when Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky voted against.

Cherniawsky had shared her concerns over the addition of Section 4.3 (e) which states, "When cannabis is legally consumed in a designated park, it must not be consumed in a manner that emits an odour." She pointed out that odours are subjective and also raised the question of how this section of the bylaw could be enforced.

The third reading was then brought back to the April 27 regular Council meeting, where a unanimous vote would no longer be required.

Cherniawsky stated that she was "still not in support" of the bylaw due to Section 4.3 (e). "I have thought about this for the last two weeks and have still come to the same conclusion," said Cherniawsky. "The Federal government has said that it's okay to do this, it's been legalized, you can consume cannabis in any way, shape, or form in your own residence. By definition, in this bylaw, your campsite is your temporary residence. Therefore, you are allowed to consume cannabis in this way."

"If we as municipal Council are going to sit here and start restricting and adding more restrictions to an already frustrated and restricted public, I think we are wrong," Cherniawsky continued. "That being said, we

won't even get into enforcement. Because by the time someone notices an odour, and by the time a Bylaw Officer can pull himself away from more important things, that cannabis is out or in the fire."

Cherniawsky also encouraged members of Council to set aside their own feelings regarding the use of cannabis. "It doesn't matter how you feel about cannabis. This is regarding adding more restrictions on an already restricted public, and I, for one, will not support this bylaw," she said, before asking for a recorded vote on the matter.

Councillor David Russell agreed. "I supported the first two motions of this bylaw and in the ensuing couple of weeks I did receive phone calls from County residents," he said. "Oddly enough, all of the phone calls I received were against this bylaw for the very reasons that Councillor Cherniawsky is talking about."

Russell noted that all of the people who phoned specified that they were non-users of cannabis but still were not in support of section 4.3 (e) of the bylaw. Russell also decided to consult with two police officers on the matter. "They both felt it was probably unenforceable and would lose in court, was their opinion. Now that's just the opinion of an officer," he said, "But I have received zero feedback from residents supporting it, so at this point in time I have to change my support on this. I will not be supporting the bylaw."

Councillor Shawn Berry reiterated the issues with enforcement and suggested possibly removing that section from the bylaw so that the rest could be passed. Council considered a motion to postpone the discussion to the following week so that more Councillors could

look into it and talk with their residents, however that motion failed so the option to give third reading to the bylaw as it was written remained.

Councillor Dawn Mitchell spoke on the feedback she had received from her residents. "I heard from ones who said they agree with the odour issue. They don't want to go to parks and they don't want to go camping and have this smell become something that is familiar, and okay, and acceptable, and have their children smelling it." Mitchell noted that the topic was a polarizing one, but that her support would be behind the bylaw including section 4.3 (e).

Councillor Lavone Olson agreed, saying, "I was fine with this bylaw the way it was written. I have heard from none of my residents. That means they're happy. I don't think we need to change anything that's written down here."

Councillor Anthony Giezen said he had heard from residents and had an equal split of those in favor and against. "I would support this bylaw the way it was written... however, I think we have to realize the enforcement issue."

"When I discussed that with my residents, I said of course it would be generated on a complaint basis, so we might not get the enforcement as soon as they may like," said Giezen. "However, I do think that everybody goes out camping for their own experience and what I'm hearing from residents in support of this bylaw is they don't want to be intruded on by those odours. I'm okay with going with the original bylaw."

In the end, Bylaw 08.21 passed, including the section against odours, with a 5-4 vote. Those against were Councillors Cherniawsky, Russell, Lowe, and Berry.



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Edson Public Transportation Survey

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For more information please call 780-723-8616



NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

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038-2021	5750 2 Ave/Plan 052 6226; Block 199; Lot 12A	Repaving Project	Permitted	April 21, 2021	C-1
039-2021	6134 11 Ave/Plan 022 5388; Block 2; Lot 25	Deck extension and shed Variance	Permitted	April 22, 2021	R-1B
040-2021	6822 5A Ave/Plan 782 3551; Block 10; Lot 17	Accessory Building - Gazebo	Permitted	April 23, 2021	R-1B

Any person who deems to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by **4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website (www.edson.ca/development)**. On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2070. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. **Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.**

The Weekly ANCHOR

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Share those selfies!

What has been great news recently for many of the Generation-X crowd, is that the AstraZeneca vaccine eligibility was dropped to age 40.



From the Publisher's Desk
Dana McArthur
Member Canadian Association of Journalists

the fact that there are still many people in high risk groups who may be feeling left out.

A picture is worth a thousand words though, and personal testimonies along with selfies can help many people who may be struggling with finding trustworthy information or who may have trouble trusting institutions.

Dr. Deena Hinshaw, chief medical officer of health, stated, "I know some Albertans have concerns about recent cases of blood clots. This is understandable, and it is also important to remember that these cases are extremely rare. This vaccine helps prevent the much higher risks that come from Covid-19 infection, helping to protect both you and those around you."

With that, Gen-Xers, as self-proclaimed 'pop-tart breakfast survivors', have been turning out in droves for the vaccine. With Blockbuster ID cards in hand, Gen-X's message has consistently been, 'step aside reluctant baby boomers, and we'll show you how it's done'.

As a result, post-injection selfies have been on the rise. Smiling faces beneath masks with sleeves roll up are increasingly popping up on social media as the country's immunization programs expand.

These joyful photos can be a powerful tools to help combat the massive amount of online misinformation that is spreading undo fear about the Covid-19 vaccines. However, care must be taken that post-injection selfies are respectful of

If one person gets the vaccine, and several other people see that, it can cause a ripple effect that gets us a few steps closer to herd immunity for everyone.

There are still many people suffering and will continue to suffer from Covid-19. And like smallpox, polio or the litany of other banes to humanity, herd immunity through vaccines is our only way out of it.

So with all this in mind, let's see those rolled up sleeves and smiling faces! And take heart that everyone who wants a vaccine, will have one available very soon. Starting April 30, Phase 2C and 2D vaccine rollout began with more than 650,000 Albertans eligible to book a vaccine.

(Remember to speak with one or more trusted health care professionals before making a vaccination decision for yourself or your loved ones.)

**See page 12 for more selfies*



My wife and I were very thankful to have received our first Covid-19 vaccinations recently. This backyard photo was taken by our son when we returned from our appointment. No, we did not develop sudden cravings for sesos tacos, nor did we acquire an urge to say, "Hail, Hydra". We didn't even set off our vet's chip scanner the next day!

Edson RCMP Occurrences for the week of April 19-April 25, 2021

Between April 19-25, 2021, traffic complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 18 occurrences. Other investigations included: Alarms/False Alarms 5; Assault 5; Assistance Calls 9; False/ Abandoned 911 call 2; Fraud 1; Harassment/Criminal Harassment 1; Lost/Found Property 1; Mischief or Damage 7; Suspicious Persons or Vehicles 8; Traffic Collisions 5; Trespassing 5; Uttering Threats Against Person 2; and Wellbeing Checks 5.

MP Soroka questions the government on the arrival of more vaccines

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, asked the following question ON April 26, during Question Period.

He asked:

"Madam Speaker, as other countries are coming out of this pandemic, small communities in my riding, such as Breton, are just beginning to receive their first doses because of the Liberals' failure on procurement. Many of these communities have expressed concerns with delay and uncertainty of the timeline getting their first and second doses. In March, witnesses at the health committee confirmed the off-label interval was a decision exclusively based on procurement schedules.

Gerald Soroka MP Yellowhead



When will we get enough vaccines so we can stop rationing and use the manufacturers' recommended interval?"

Reply:

Mr. Steven MacKinnon (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Services and Procurement, Lib.):

"Madam Speaker, I know that the member will join me in hoping that the citizens of his riding in Yellowhead and, indeed, all Canadians have

access very soon to the dose and the evidence is their first dose will be coming very quickly. The 50 million vaccine doses that we are expecting by the end of June are, of course, more than enough to cover the first dose and, indeed, will make a significant dent in the second dose for all Canadians. We know that Canada is third in the G20 in getting that first dose to its citizens.

We all look forward to the end of this pandemic and I know the hon. member joins me in encouraging his citizens to get vaccinated when it is their turn."

The video of the exchange can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/1709115205842639/videos/247866467124656>

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'Tis the (allergy) season

Shawna Whipple, Shoppers Drug Mart pharmacist/owner

April means spring is finally here, and while most of us welcome the warm weather and are happy to get back outside, it also means allergy season is back in full force.

COVID-19 has changed many aspects of our lives, including allergy season. Allergies are challenging at the best of times, but symptoms of seasonal allergies may be easily confused with COVID-19 symptoms. To add to this confusion, allergy sufferers are also worried about judgement from sneezing and sniffles in public. If you are typically sneezing or coughing your way through spring, summer and fall months, you may now be extra conscious of managing your allergy symptoms in public.

As a pharmacist, I've seen how frustrating and stressful allergy season can be for sufferers, particularly right now –but it doesn't have to be that way. There are many ways to manage symptoms to give allergy sufferers peace of mind – so they don't have to wonder if a runny nose or tickly throat is an allergy symptom or a sign of something else. See my top tips to help take control of your seasonal allergies.

- Find the right products for your symptoms: Seasonal allergies and symptom severity can vary from person-to-person. Your local pharmacist can assess your symptoms and recommend the most appropriate solutions for you, like over-the-counter medications and products.

- Protect your home from pollen: During allergy season, make sure to wash your bedding more frequently, and if you can, keep windows closed to prevent pollen from making its way inside. Don't forget that your pets can also track pollen into the house too!

- Check the pollen forecast: The pollen forecast can help you plan your schedule around your allergies. Allergy sufferers are advised to choose outdoor activities on days when the pollen count is lower and to try to stay indoors on warm, windy days.

- When you are outside, protect yourself: If you are doing something active outside, consider wearing large sunglasses, a hat and using a mask to cover your nose and mouth.

Following these simple tips are an excellent way to keep your allergy symptoms under wraps. Call or visit your local pharmacist and ask us how you can better manage your allergies this season.

Shawna Whipple is a pharmacist and owner of your local Shoppers Drug Mart in Edson. Visit ShoppersDrugMart.ca to find a store near you.

~ Obituary ~

Henry Rush Dixon

(Henry) Rush Dixon passed away on April 27, 2021 due to heart failure at the age of 91 years. He is survived by wife, Eva, and 2 sons Ivan and Owen (Charline), 5 grandchildren, and 4 great grand-daughters.

Please note there will be no funeral

RCMP cautions public in light of recent scams and distraction thefts

(RCMP) Since January, Alberta RCMP have received multiple reports of victims being approached by individuals in a series of transaction scams and distraction thefts. Police believe this criminal activity to be linked to a travelling organized crime group.

Typically, suspects approach individuals requesting money for gasoline or food in exchange for jewellery and other goods. Suspects often take advantage of victims' goodwill, claiming they require cash in order to return home or feed their families. Goods sold to victims are later discovered to be lower quality than initially disclosed or are fake.

Victims have also reported cases of distraction theft; such instances may involve the suspect making physical contact with the victim through a handshake or a hug while removing valuables from the individual without their knowing.

The criminal activity conducted by this specific group is known to police, however suspects are difficult to identify due to their transient lifestyle and often fraudulent identification.

The Alberta RCMP warns the public to be cautious of this type of suspicious activity. If you are a victim of such a scam or theft, please contact your local law enforcement.

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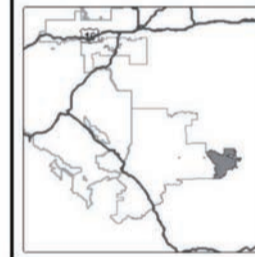
Edson Forest Products is commencing timber harvest planning activities in the Sundance 12 compartment of our Forest Management Area.

The Sundance 12 compartment is located south of the Elk River and bordered to the east by the Brazeau River and Brazeau Reservoir. Access to the compartment is via the Wolf Lake road, Elk River road, and various resource roads to approximately 90 kilometers south of Edson. A team of natural resource management professionals are currently gathering information on the timber, ecological and fish and wildlife resources for the area.

As part of HWP's Public Involvement Process, members of the public with resource value concerns or knowledge of this area are invited to offer comments during the initial planning phase.

You can make comments or inquire about our planning process by calling 1-780-865-8974 or by writing to the following address:

Aaron Jones, Management Forester
 Hinton Wood Products
 A division of West Fraser Mills Ltd.
 99 West River Road
 Hinton, Alberta, T7V 1Y7
 Email: aaron.jones@westfraser.com



VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSES



This spring, forest companies ANC Timber (Alberta Newsprint Company), Millar Western Forest Products Ltd., West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. (Blue Ridge Lumber and Alberta Plywood), and Weyerhaeuser Company - Pembina will be holding virtual "joint open houses", to share forestry operating plans for the year ahead. These events provide the general public and stakeholders with the opportunity to review each company's planned activities in road development, harvesting, hauling, reforestation and herbicide treatment for the current forestry year. This year, for the 2021-22 forestry year, the process is taking place virtually and online, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Public stakeholder input is gathered and utilized to influence operations where site specific concerns are identified such as trails, camping areas, recreation areas etc.

We would like to invite you to visit the websites below to view each companies upcoming forest activities. We will have a variety of plans available for review including: Annual Operating Plans for 2021-2022 season; Company Reforestation Plans; and Herbicide Treatment Plans.

Alberta Newsprint Company (ANC)

<http://www.albertanewsprint.com/woodlands/>

Millar Western Forest Products Ltd

<https://millarwestern.com/company/latest-projects/open-house>

West Fraser Timber Ltd

<https://www.westfraser.com/responsibility/forest-management/forest-management-planning>

Weyerhaeuser Pembina

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For more information, contact:

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 ANC Timber Ltd
 780-778-7037

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 ext. 2190

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Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-051	Plan 1324632, Blk 2, Lot 4 NE 15-56-15-W5 Shining Bank Area	Accessory Building (Detached Carport) & Accessory Building (Covered Deck)	Apr 14/21
D21-052	Plan 1022047, Blk 6, Lot 1 SW 15-53-27-W5 Brule	Accessory Building (Garage) – Variance for Height	Apr 14/21
D21-053	Plan 1723445, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 15-53-15-W5 Pinedale Area	Manufactured Home	Apr 15/21
D21-055	Plan 9522187, Blk 1, Lot 1 NE 28-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Existing Addition to Accessory Building (Lean To on Garage)	Apr 15/21
D21-056	Plan 9223829, Blk 1, Lot 5 SW 36-50-26-W5 Aspen Heights	Two Accessory Buildings (Pole Sheds)	Apr 15/21
D21-057	Plan 0721014, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 34-52-21-W5 Medicine Lodge Area	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling (Garage)	Apr 20/21
D21-058	Plan 8821844, Lot 20 NW 20-49-26-W5 Folding Mountain	Accessory Building (Garage)	Apr 21/21
D21-059	NE 13-53-18-W5 Rodeo Road	Manufactured Home – Additional (Discretionary) - One Year Term	Apr 23/21
D21-060	Plan 9620365, Lot 1 SW 14-53-16-W5 Edson of Edson	Two Recreational Cabins	Apr 23/21
D21-061	Plan 1620018, Blk 2, Lot 2 NW 29-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Home Business (Minor), Logging Truck Business (Discretionary Use)	Apr 23/21
D21-062	Plan 1025266, Blk 1, Lot 1 NE 10-56-15-W5 Shining Bank Area	Addition to Manufactured Home – Covered Deck	Apr 23/21
D21-063	Plan 8120712, Blk 1, Lot 13 SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg	Accessory Building (Garage)	Apr 23/21
D21-064	Plan 0621029, Blk 2, Lot 1 NE 13-54-17-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Deck	Apr 23/21
D21-065	SW 17-53-16-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage & Existing Accessory Building (Shop)	Apr 26/21

Per the Public Notification Bylaw, the public is considered notified once approved development permits are posted online.

Any person claiming to be affected by an approved development permit may appeal the development by filing a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. The written notice must be filed within Twenty One (21) days after notice of the approval is given, and must be accompanied with a payment of \$300.00.

Roadside Vegetation Management Program

Spraying May to September

Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department will be spraying county roadsides from May to mid/late September. Spraying of roadsides is done to control the spread of prohibited noxious and noxious weeds and re-growth of small brush.

Herbicides to be used this upcoming season include:

- Lontrel 360 - PCP #23545
- Escort - PCP #23005
- ClearView - PCP #29752
- VP480 - PCP #28840
- Arsenal - PCP #23713
- Arsenal Powerline - PCP #30203
- Garlon RTU - PCP #29334
- Garlon XRT - PCP #28945
- 2,4-D Amine - PCP #14726
- Milestone - PCP #28517
- Navius Flex - PCP #30922
- Esplanade - PCP #31333
- Roundup Weathermax - PCP #27487
- Roundup WeatherPRO - PCP #33653
- Killex - PCP #27801
- Hasten - PCP #28277

Some of these herbicides have residual characteristics so ratepayers should not be using roadside soil in their gardens.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Agricultural Services Department at 1-800-814-3935 or (780) 325-3782.



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Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services is selling Beetle Block Verbenone, which gives residents an option to combat Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB). Beetle Block Verbenone is a synthetically produced anti-aggregating pheromone that works by repelling newly arriving beetles. For a Verbenone FAQ, please visit:

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May 2 – 8, 2021

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Planning is key.



First responders and emergency crews need residents to be prepared for any type of emergency.

Wildfire, storm, and flood season is now underway. Are you prepared to meet the challenges?

Do you have a plan to evacuate and can you take care of yourself for 72-hours if disaster strikes?

BE READY FOR ANYTHING.

Are you prepared for a disaster?

Go to YHCounty.ca/EvacPrep for tips and checklists.



Heavy feelings lighten when you put them into words!

Mental Health Week • May 3 - 9, 2021

When we voice our emotions, the pain gives way. So, let's understand and name how we feel. Angry? Glad? Frustrated? Sad? **It's all good.**

and dealing with our emotions—the ones we like and the ones we don't—is important for our mental health.

This CMHA Mental Health Week, we focus on how naming, expressing,

This Mental Health Week, don't be uncomfortably numb. **#GetReal** about how you feel. And name it, don't numb it.

Visit mentalhealthweek.ca for info and tools!

emotional safe spot.

let's talk.

Yellowhead County FCSS staff are trained to speak with people struggling with mental health. The Emotional Safe Spot program provides a place for people to share the mental health struggles they might be facing, in a confidential and safe space.

If you feel the need to speak with someone other than a friend or family member, contact our staff at 780-325-3782 and ask to speak with someone about the Emotional Safe Spot Program. We're here to help in your journey to better mental health.



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New Principal announced for Parkland Composite High School

(GYPSD) Grande Yellowhead Public School Division is pleased to announce that Mr. Vince Dikaitis has accepted the principalship at Parkland Composite High School beginning the 2021/2022 school year.

Mr. Dikaitis is currently with Coast Mountains Board of Education School District #82, serving as interim Principal at Cassie Hill Elementary, with his permanent assignment as Principal of Hazelton Secondary School in Terrace, British Columbia, since August of 2018. He has worked at all levels of education in rural, remote, urban and Indigenous school setting within Alberta, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, and understands the diverse cultural backgrounds and unique educational needs of both urban and rural learners.

His academic background includes a Master of Education in school administration from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, and a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan, Aurora College, Fort Smith. Mr.

Dukaitis is starting a Doctorate of Philosophy with focus on reforming educational programming in rural and First Nations communities.

Over the past 20 years, he has served the needs of many adolescents and adults as a counselor, family facilitator, wilderness counselor, teacher at the junior and senior high levels, university instructor, Principal and Director of Education; all ensuring a holistic and culturally sensitive, student-centred approach throughout his career. Mr. Dikaitis is looking forward to his new position with GYPSD. "It is with excitement and anticipation that I look forward to taking this opportunity to be part of the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division and Principal of Parkland Composite High School."

Parkland Composite High School is located in Edson and has a current enrolment of 455 students. The school provides a diverse range of programs for students in Grades 9-12 and offers both English and French Immersion programming.



Mr. Vince Dikaitis is the new Principal at PCHS.

Draft k-6 curriculum announcement

(GYPSD) April 23, 2021 - In a recent letter to the editor of the Edmonton Journal, Minister LaGrange communicated that she is seeking Albertans' input on the draft curriculum. She further identified that "School Divisions have flexible options for how they provide feedback." At the April 21, 2021, Public Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved a motion giving the central office curriculum-working group, comprising teachers and central staff, permission to share feedback regarding their review of the draft curriculum with the Minister of Education. The Board felt they could still provide Alberta Education with

meaningful and constructive feedback through the curriculum-working group rather than through schools.

At the Public Board Meeting, the Superintendent and Trustees applauded GYPSD staff for their flexibility, resiliency, and incredible professionalism, managing shifts between online and in-person teaching in response to the pandemic. They also shared the feedback received from parents, teachers, and community members who have deep concerns about the draft. However, the Trustees voiced their belief that providing feedback was too important of an opportunity to miss, given the many years the province has been without an

updated curriculum: thus, the decision to task the Division's curriculum-working group to provide feedback to Alberta Education. This approach aligns with how many school jurisdictions in the province are also providing input.

The development and approval of the provincial curriculum are under the authority of the Alberta government. Members of the public are encouraged to review the draft K to 6 curricula and provide feedback to the Ministry of Education until Spring 2022 via the Alberta Education website: <https://www.alberta.ca/curriculum-have-your-say.aspx>.

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For more information on Summer School:
Mark Maris, Principal markmari@gypsd.ca

Summer School 2021

Summer School is now accepting registrations for students in Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12. All courses are online and run daily in July from 8:30-2:30 pm. Visit gypsd.ca/summer-school-2021 to learn more and register today!

- **Career and Life Management (CALM)** July 5 to 14, 2021
- **Biology 20** July 5 to 22, 2021
- **Social Studies 30-2** July 5 to 22, 2021



County pens letter to Minister of Environment and Parks regarding OHV concerns

by Shaylyn Thornton

On April 20, Yellowhead County Council heard concerns from Councillor Lavone Olson regarding irresponsible OHV usage in her area, including the areas of Brule Community Pasture and Brule Sand Dunes.

Olson detailed a number of issues including damage to trails and the environment, garbage being left behind, an increase of human waste found in the area, and an increase in accidents. These accidents not only cause damage and injuries, but also result in many County taxpayer dollars being spent.

Much of these issues have come from users ignoring signage and the lack of enforcement has resulted in some people feeling they can do as they please.

Council collectively agreed that something needed to be done, but with much of the area being crown land, their ability to act is limited. It was decided that a letter outlining their many concerns should be sent to Minister of Environment and Parks Jason Nixon, as well as to MLAs Martin Long and Shane Getson. The letter was presented during the April 27 meeting for approval.

The letter begins by expressing "concern with respect to the lack of regulation and enforcement of Off Highway Vehicles (OHVs) and Random Camping within Yellowhead County but more precisely the Eastern slopes of Yellowhead County."

The letter notes that, due to COVID-19, the County is seeing an even larger influx of visitors than normal and specifically states, "Most of the people that random camp or use OHV's in

Yellowhead County are very responsible. The issue arises with the people that are not."

Specific incidents are detailed in the letter, such as the improper burning by random campers that almost caused the loss of the hamlet of Marlboro, as well as the recent OHV accident that "saw a side-by-side drive off of a cliff in an area that it was not supposed to be in, injuring the occupants." Several calls for Recreational Vehicle fires in isolated areas have also occurred and are "challenging to deal with."

"Yellowhead County Fire Services must respond to these calls as Forestry does not have a mandate or the equipment to deal with structure or vehicle fires," says the letter.

The letter talks about the beautiful area of the Brule Sand Dunes that is attracting visitors "from all over North America who bring OHVs to run the dunes."

"There is a concerning environmental impact to this alone, but the OHV operators crash on a regular

basis and require first responders and even STARS to respond. This area can see a weekend population balloon well above 1000 people in the warmer spring, summer and fall months. Garbage, burnt cars, and OHVs litter this once pristine area."

Issues of OHV operators travelling across private and/or County property without any regard for residents and owners are also listed. "Trails that were once pristine are now damaged because of the abuse. Random campers park wherever they feel they can set up and enjoy the area," reads the letter.

Garbage left behind has also "increased beyond an alarming level," and the County notes that "because it is on Crown land the question of who is responsible to collect it arises." The County has attempted to address the issue with their Sasquatch program and added signage, but the garbage continues to pile up.

The letter also notes that County Peace Officers alongside the RCMP, Fish and Wildlife, and

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HRH STAFF GET THE JAB!



The staff at Holy Redeemer has been busy getting their COVID-19 vaccinations. Each vaccine brings us one step closer to ending this pandemic by creating herd immunity. Thus far, all eligible staff have chosen to have their vaccine including Principal Betty Churchill, teachers Sandy Fedorak, Pat Fogarty, Andrea Hallett, Peter Taylor, Billie Jo Tobin and Paul Tobin, and Administrative Assistant Roxie Bretzer. The staff and students at HRH know that this school year has been a long year, but with the vaccinations happening there is a light at the end of the tunnel. SUBMITTED HRH

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KID'S CORNER

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Current events: Feral Cat Online 50/50 Fundraiser. As a rural rescue, we have an immediate need for a year-round multi-cat enclosure that will support our barn buddy program. The 50/50 guaranteed prize is \$400 with a jackpot of \$1000. Visit www2.rafflebox.ca/raffle/ears to purchase your tickets.

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County pens letter to Minister of Environment and Parks regarding OHV concerns

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Conservation Officers do try to patrol the area, but the “shear size” of Yellowhead County makes this difficult. “It currently does not appear that there are enough Provincial Officers working in these areas to properly patrol and provide enforcement during peak times,” the

letter reads.

The letter also makes mention of Bill 64, the Public Lands Amendment Act that will introduce fees for recreation on public (Crown) lands. The Province published a stakeholder list of over 30 groups yet failed to include Yellowhead County or other

municipalities on the list.

The County asks, “How will this bill address the concerns brought forward in this letter?”

The County notes that spring has come early in Yellowhead County, and random camping and OHV usage are already increasing rapidly. The County is clear that they

do not want to discourage random camping or OHV usage, but rather want to encourage and educate on responsible use so that everyone can continue to “enjoy the beauty of Yellowhead County.”

Council discussed the letter, stating their support for its contents but also explicitly stating that they do not want their residents to think they are discouraging random camping or OHV use as a whole, as most users are responsible and respectful.

“We have beautiful areas in the County that people want to get out and explore, and I don’t think any one of us Councillors have a problem with that,” said Councillor Anthony Giezen. “I think the problem arises when people are destroying sensitive areas and going where they shouldn’t, that type of thing.”

“95% of people are doing it positively,” agreed Councillor Shawn Berry. “It’s the 5% of people causing 100% of the problem.”

Other Councillors spoke of the importance of educating users,

encouraging common sense, and the hope that this letter will get the attention of the Province and that steps will be taken to find a solution.

Council voted unanimously to send the letter to the Minister. County CAO Luc

Mercier also noted that the County would be reaching out to CN, using their “internal contacts,” to share with them the concerns of “ATVs and quads crossing the tracks in areas where they shouldn’t.”

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Full-Time Apprentice Millwright or Heavy Duty Mechanic

Responsibilities and Duties are to include working with a Journeyman mechanic on the day to day Maintenance and overhauls of medium to large stationary natural gas equipment in the Edson area.

Applicant should be highly motivated and well organized with strong interpersonal and communication skills. A clean driver's abstract must be provided at time of hire.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Operations Analyst – Edson (contract)



Position Overview
Repsol Oil & Gas Canada Inc. has an exciting opportunity for an Operations Analyst (6 month contract) to support the Edson Asset Control team. Reporting to the Manager, Edson Asset Control, the primary duties will focus on accurate and timely management reporting which will provide critical data and information for the efficient operation of the Edson Asset. This is a full-time contract position located in Repsol's Edson, Alberta office (Currently able to work remotely due to Covid).

Responsibilities

- Creation of Service Entry Sheets (SES) into SAP, based off Vendor work tickets
- Engagement with Contract Holders / Requestors / Budget Owners
- Validation and review of entries, priority and target setting
- Material Goods Receipts as required
- Collection of daily field production data
- Weekly consolidation and analysis of asset production
- Plant allocations and CSO field data collection
- Management of down time
- Monthly OPEX management and forecasting
- Quarterly volume and OPEX reforecasting
- Support with budget generation and presentation, collaborating across functions to consolidate data
- Coordinates monthly business reviews with Asset Teams
- Performs netback analysis
- Adhoc data analysis, as required

Key Skills and Knowledge

- SAP Experience
- Working Accounting knowledge specifically related to invoice review and accounts payables
- Analytical background with experience in the oil and gas industry
- Knowledgeable and experienced with annual budget processes
- Advanced Excel skills and proficiency in the entire Microsoft Office Suite of applications
- A master with reporting, possessing excellent communication skills and able to tailor the message to the target audience
- Experience with Energy Components and/or Power BI is considered an asset

Candidate Profile

- Ability to work alone with minimal supervision, achieving work load efficiency.
- Adaptable to changing priorities and able to work in a rapidly evolving, dynamic team environment
- Flexible and willing to take on new tasks and responsibilities
- Keen attention to detail with a passion for data integrity

Additional Information

- This is a temporary, contract position based in Repsol's Edson, Alberta field office
- Only applicants who are legally entitled to work in Canada will be considered
- Please apply online at <https://www.repsol.ca/en/careers/index.cshtml>

By applying for this position, you consent to the collection, use and necessary disclosure of the personal information provided during the application and selection process.

Greetings from the EDSON SENIOR'S TRANSPORTATION SOCIETY!

We will be announcing a date for an **AGM** as soon as we can figure out a way to do so.

We are looking for community minded volunteers to sit on our board of directors. The present board does not wish to hold seats.

Many thanks to the existing board for their years of dedicated service. Also, a thank you to previous board members and drivers and to the wonderful Edson citizens that have supported us and made Trivia Night a success throughout the years.

Last but definitely not least, kind regards to the Town of Edson for their partnership with ESTS. Together we have kept this essential service in operation.

If you are interested in becoming part of the organization or just have questions, please get in touch with Don Moorehead at 780-723-0469.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



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POSITION: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, FIELD EDSON, ALBERTA (NCA)

REPORTING TO: Production Superintendent
APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 7, 2021

We are currently recruiting for a full time Administrative Assistant position for our field office located 30 km east of Edson, Alberta (NCA).

Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

- General office duties
- Production data entry
- Accounts payable, coding and approval of invoices, cost tracking, and handling accounts payable inquiries
- Payroll data entry and tracking of work schedules in Dayforce
- Safety and Compliance support – safety training scheduling, monthly meeting minutes
- Fleet vehicle tracking

Qualifications:

- Valid Class 5 driver's license and a willingness to travel to the field office located at 15111 TWP RD 542, 30 km east of Edson
- Some oil field and office administrative experience required
- Strong working knowledge of computers including Microsoft Office 2016
- Computer and cell phone trouble shooting abilities
- The ability to work independently as well as a team player
- Strong organizational and scheduling skills
- References required

If you are interested in applying for this position, please complete the application process and prescreening questions on our website at www.bonavistaenergy.com/careers
If you have any questions regarding the application process please contact Mary McCartney at Mary.McCartney@bonavistaenergy.com

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Faith

It's the Relationship that Heals



Pastor Bryan Walter

I'm a big advocate of doing life together with other people; whether it's the family you're born into, or the one that you choose to build around yourself. Authentic community is the way we were designed to function best.

They say that "it takes a village to raise a child". But I really believe that it takes a village for all sorts of healthy personal growth throughout our lives as we support and encourage and mentor one another through the various hills and valleys that will come our way.

Being a part of a "village" however, is one of those situations where, although it means you'll have a shoulder to lean on when things get hard, the bigger your village the more often someone else is going to need to lean on you as well.

Love always comes with an inherent vulnerability and risk, and the more people we love, the more likely we'll see someone we care about experience a personal challenge or tragedy. In those moments, it can be hard to know what to say or do.

Let me offer some easy advice from someone far more qualified than myself, Irvin Yalom, a famous contemporary psychiatrist and professor who has dedicated his life to the study of psychotherapy and counselling. The advice is this: "It's the relationship that heals." When

someone you love is struggling, don't worry so much about what to say, just be there. Reach out. Show up. Listen, and agree that it's awful. Listen at least twice as much as you speak, and be okay with sitting in silence (James 1:19).

No matter what you've been through, you can't actually know how they really feel anyway. So just be present when they feel alone, constant when they feel unanchored, and listen when they feel unheard.

CHURCH DIRECTORY for Edson & Area

EDSON

BETHEL PENTECOSTAL FAMILY WORSHIP CENTRE
6350 - 13th Ave., Edson. Phone 723-3007
Pastors John & Roberta Greiner
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting;

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4719 - 9th Ave., Ph: 723-3982 Pastor Mesh Hit
Sunday Services: 10:45 a.m.

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EDSON SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
1133-55 St. Edson - Ph: 723-5490.
Saturday Morning Service at 11:00 a.m. Sabbath School at 10:00 a.m.

EDSON UNITED CHURCH
Sunday Worship & Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Rev. Kimberly Roy
1214 Edson Drive, Edson, AB Phone: 723-3418

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463 72 St., Edson (formerly Glenwood Hall), Telephone: 780-517-7558
Sunday: 10:00 am - Coffee and Donuts; 10:30 am - Morning Service
Pastors: Pastors John and Ingrid Huizing vfm@shaw.ca

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What's happening, when and where in the community - for monthly meetings see our classified page

COMMUNITY EVENTS

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March 22- May 17: Better Balance Active Living Class for Older Adults Via Zoom registration now open online at EDSON.CA (program registration activenet) or in person at Repsol Place by appointment 780-723-7665

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May 11-12: Technology, Media & Children Register by May 7 at EDSON.CA/FCSS

June 19: Eddie's Big Run. Location Repsol Place More details coming this month.

First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 2 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge. See the Senior's Day Facebook Event for more details.

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HALLS

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Legion is a non-profit organization. Call the office at 780-723-3455 to book events.

Park Court Hall call or text Karyn at 780-712-3918.

Wildwood Community Hall To book please contact: Marjorie Russell at 780-325-2180 or Mary Anderson at 780-514-6105.

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Register for Open Farm Days

Be a host farm or ranch for the ninth annual event, August 14 and 15, 2021, across Alberta

Registration is now open for farms and ranches to be part of the next edition of Open

Farm Days.

The weekend showcases Alberta's agriculture industry and growing the agri-tourism sector. Host farms open their gates to share their agricultural experiences with their urban neighbours and to help them understand where their food comes from.

In 2020, more than 77 host farms were part of Open Farm Days, and 24 culinary events helped connect urban and rural Albertans. Host farms have included traditional farms, livestock (bison, cattle, alpaca, sheep, llama, goat, poultry) farms and ranches, organic operations, corn mazes, wineries, meaderies, craft breweries, stables, petting zoos, along with honey, fruit, vegetable, grain and u-pick farms.

Since 2013, Open Farm Days has seen nearly 134,000 person visits, injecting close to one million dollars into the rural economy through on-farm sales. Since its launch, 711 Alberta farms have been enjoyed by the public.

Host farms can participate either day or both days, and educational materials about hosting are available.

Material is available for farms interested in participating, including:

- COVID-19 restrictions
- Marketing suggestions
- Culinary/Food events
- Artisan Markets

For 2021, farms that want to showcase craft beverages from local brewers and distillers at an artisan market or with their event can explore new permits or licence options with AGLC.



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