

JULY/AUGUST 2024

COUNTY CURRENTS



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Summer is officially here, although we are still waiting for the sunshine to catch up with the calendar! The July and August edition of County Currents includes tax information, summer events and more!

Thank You!

We want to express our sincere gratitude to all the residents and staff who joined us in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the County and 45 anniversary of the Natural Gas Utility. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with shared memories and delicious food! Your presence and participation truly made the event a memorable one. We look forward to what is to come in the next 60 years!



Events Calendar

**ALUS/ASB Summer
Tour**

JULY 17

Vermilion Fair

JULY 25-27

Office Closed

AUGUST 5

**Clandonald Country
Fair**

AUGUST 10

**Wetland Adventure
Days**

AUGUST 13 & 14

Open Farm Days

AUGUST 17 & 18

If you would like your community event highlighted in the newsletter, please email communications@county24.com

Council Corner

The rains have been welcomed by everyone, except maybe our grader operators as rain always brings the challenges of keeping up with road issues. It has been nice to watch our countryside turn green, however.

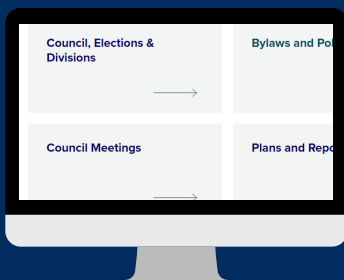
It has been a very busy spring for everyone and we are happy to have the dust suppression program and weed programs underway. Council has also been getting more information on other solutions to the Blackfoot wastewater issue. Council has met several times in the past few months to discuss this project with engineering. Also high on the priority list for Council has been the County of Vermilion River Land Use Bylaw. At our June 20, 2024 Policy and Priorities Committee meeting Council met with staff and Municipal Planning Services and will be scheduling an open house with the draft Land Use Bylaw for the public to take a look at in the fall of 2024. We hope that many of our residents will take the opportunity to attend.

At the May 14, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council ATCO EnPower presented information on the Kitscoty wind farm. A public information session/open house is being planned by ATCO for the fall of 2024. Personal consultations with landowners within 800 metres of the project footprint are planned to start in the summer of 2024.

By the end of summer staff will be moving out of the current Kitscoty Administration building to make way for office renovations. Details regarding the temporary office location will be provided in a press release very soon.

On behalf of the County of Vermilion River Council - Deputy Reeve Leslie Cusack, Councillor Dale Swyripa, Councillor Stacey Hryciuk, Councillor George Kuneff, Councillor Jason Stelmaschuk and Councillor Clinton Murray we hope you have a fantastic summer and we look forward to seeing you at our community engagement sessions this fall.

Reeve Marty Baker



Visit our website to view Council highlights and register for upcoming Council meetings

Regular Meeting of Council

JULY 16
AUGUST 20

2024 Combined Assessment Roll & Tax Notices

Notices were mailed on June 13, 2024. If you have not received your notice by mid July, please contact our office

Important Dates

August 20, 2024: Deadline to file an assessment complaint
October 1, 2024: Payment deadline to avoid late payment penalties

Payment Options

Online banking – Select Vermilion River Taxes as the Payee. Your tax roll number is the account number

- **Mail** - Box 69, Kitscoty AB, T0B 2P0. Make Cheque payable to County of Vermilion River. Please write your tax roll number on your cheque
- **In person** - 4912 50 Avenue, Kitscoty AB. Cheques are accepted 24/7 in the drop box at the County office. Please write your tax roll number on your cheque.
- **Online with your credit card** – Pay through Credit Card Payments – County of Vermilion River. For a fee, you can pay using MasterCard or Visa. **Allow up to 3 business days for processing.**
- **Tax Installment Payment Plan** – Pay your taxes in monthly installments.

Calendar Photo Contest “Animal Encounters”

Show us your best animal shots.

Your image could be chosen for the 2025 County Calendar.

Submit your image(s) to photocontest@county24.com

Deadline to submit pictures: August 23, 2024

Visit our website
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ALUS can turn problem saline patches, eroded soils, unproductive wet areas, and water runs into assets for your farm

- seed wet or salt tolerant perennials instead of crops
- plant trees and shrubs on field margins to slow the wind and hold the soil
- reduce inputs on marginal and unproductive land
- create habitat for pollinators, beneficial bugs, and wildlife
- get funding for new project establishment and receive annual land payments for management and maintenance



Contact Chris Elder
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WETLAND ADVENTURE DAYS



Save the Date

AUG 13, 2024
4PM to 7PM

HAZELDINE CAMPGROUND

AUG 14, 2024
4PM to 7PM

LINDSAY EVANS PARK

- *Bug dipping
- *Wetland Scavenger Hunt
- *Games and other activities
- *Free hot dogs

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ALUS/AGRICULTURE SERVICE BOARD SUMMER TOUR

Save The Date:

JULY 17, 2024
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
LOCATION: PARADISE VALLEY

FEATURING:
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
VISIT LOCAL ALUS PROJECTS AND VISIT WITH PRODUCERS
LEARN TO ID AND MANAGE INVASIVE WEEDS
LEARN MORE ABOUT AGRICULTURE IN THE COUNTY

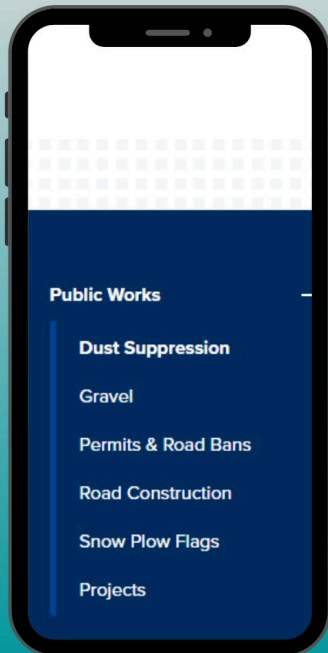


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Visit our Public Works webpage to view real time maps for:

- Dust Control Application
- Graveling
- Road Projects

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CURRENT LAND OPPORTUNITIES

The County of Vermilion River has a number of land listings for sale.

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