

OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

CLEAR HILLS COUNTY

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CLEAR HILLS COUNTY MUNICIPAL ELECTION

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8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Dear Residents,

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Sudoku

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October 6, 2025 - The Hunter's Moon is a traditional name for the October full moon, named by various cultures.



ATTENTION

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Clear Hills County Newsletter Distribution Update

Clear Hills County is exploring alternate ways to distribute our monthly newsletter to improve overall efficiency and service to residents. In the past, a printed copy of the newsletter was mailed to every household. Going forward, we are asking residents to sign up if they wish to continue receiving the newsletter, either by Canada Post or by email. The newsletter will continue to be available online at www.clearhillscounty.ab.ca.

TO SIGN UP

to receive the newsletter, please contact:
Bonnie Morgan Phone: **780-685-3925 ext. 120 Email: bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca**

An online sign-up form is also available on our website see link below!

https://www.clearhillscounty.ab.ca/liveher e/newsletter



Clear Hills County Council

Clear Hills County Meetings

- Council meetings are held on the second and the forth Tuesday of each month at 9:30am at the Clear Hills County office.
- Policy and Priority Committee (Council as a whole) meetings are held as required.
- Municipal Planning Commission meeting's are scheduled in the second and forth Tuesday of each month, as required.
- Agriculture Service Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of most months

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Want to book a delegation with Council? Contact Bonnie at 780-685-3925 ext: 120 or email bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CLEAR HILLS COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025

PRESENT	Amber Bean
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Jason Ruecker Councillor Susan Hansen Councillor Abe Giesbrecht Councillor Danae Walmsley Councillor

ATTENDING Allan Rowe Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

Bonnie Morgan Executive Assistant (EA)

Lori Jobson Corporate Service's Manager (CSM)

Reeve

ABSENT David Janzen Deputy Reeve

CALL TO ORDER Reeve Bean called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF

C434-25(8-26-25)

AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to adopt the agenda governing the August 26, 2025 Regular Council Meeting with the deletion of 4.a. Delegation for Corney Giesbrecht, as amended. CARRIED.

Councillor Ruecker entered the meeting at 9:31a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Previous Council Meeting Minutes

C435-25(8-26-25) RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to adopt the minutes of the August 12, 2025, Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

Management Team Activity Report

Management activity report was reviewed.

C436-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that the management activity report for August 12, 2025, be accepted, as presented. CARRIED.

TENDER OPENING 2025-P17 RFP Audit Services

Council is presented with Proposals for RFP 2025-P17 Audit Services.

C437-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to open proposals at 9:35 a.m. RFP 2025-P17 Audit Services, administration will analyze the results and bring back a recommendation to a future Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED.

Company	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Fletcher	\$79,600	\$76,100	\$78,000	\$81,900	\$85,500
Mudryk	excludes	excludes 4.5%	excludes 4.5%	excludes 4.5%	excludes 4.5%
LLP.	4.5%	technology	technology	technology	technology
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NEW BUISNESS: COUNCIL

Councillor Reports

Council submits the meetings attended in the previous month and a report, if applicable.

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C438-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to draft a letter expressing Council's concerns and opposition to the proposed Alberta Annual Watercraft Pass as outlined in the recent survey.

CARRIED.

CARRIED.

C439-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen draft a letter to the Peace River School Division regarding installing "School bus stop ahead" signs in low visibility areas on designated school bus routes within Clear Hills County.

CARRIED.

C440-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Councillor Reports for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Member at Large Advertising

Council is prestented with information regarding the upcoming advertising for The Agricultural Service Board.

C441-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker that Council proceed with advertising for Member-at-Large positions on the following boards for the 2025–2029 term: Agricultural Service Board, Assessment Review Board, Development Appeal Board and Intermunicipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board.

CARRIED.

CORPORATE SERVICES Accounts Payable August 13, 2025, to August 26, 2025

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of August 13, 2025, to August 26, 2025, is provided for Council's review.

C442-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of August 13, 2025 to August 26, 2025 for a total of \$1,957,252.05.

Transfer if Investments

The County has two investment accounts. One is long-term account which consists of several GIC's and one high interest savings account. The other is our cash management account which we draw funds from throughout the year to replenish our regular bank account to finance the day-to-day operations of the County.

C443-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean that Council authorizes the deposit of \$5,000,000.00 from our cash management account into our long-term investment account.

CARRIED.

Funding Request Cleardale Ag Society

The Cleardale Agricultural Society is requesting capital grant funding in the amount of \$22,299.00.

C444-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve a capital grant to the Cleardale Agricultural Society in the amount of \$20,000.00 to assist with the purchase of two zero turn lawn mowers to mow the County green spaces including Cleardale Golf Course, with funds to be allocated from the Recreation Reserve.

CARRIED.

Funding Request Gage Holy Trinity

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Cemetery Society

The Gage Holy Trinity Cemetery Society (GHTCS) is requesting general grant funding in the amount of \$15,556.07.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 10:37 a.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

C445-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to approve a general grant to the Gage Holy Trinity Cemetery Society in the amount of \$5,000.00 to assist with bringing the existing cemetery into standard, with funds to be allocated from the Rate Stabilization Reserve.

CARRIED.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Clear Hills County Annual BBQ Analysis.

Council is presented with an analysis of the 20th Annual Community BBQ.

C446-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to accept the 20th Annual Community BBQ analysis for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ

Council is presented with Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ for review.

C447-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to approve draft Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ, as amended. CARRIED.

Policy 6204 Annual Appreciation Banquet

Council is presented with draft Policy 6804 Clear Hills County Appreciation Banquet for review. As well as a discussion regarding the upcoming 2026 Annual Appreciation Banquet that is scheduled to be held on February 7, 2026 at the Cherry Canyon Recreational Hall.

C448-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve draft Policy 6804 Clear Hills County Appreciation Banquet, as presented. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 285-24 Fire Ban

Council is presented with Bylaw No. 285-24 Fire Ban.

No action taken

PUBLIC WORKS
Hard Surface Snow
and Ice Removal

Council is presented with a proposal from LaPrairie Works for the 2025/2026 Hard Surface Snow and Ice Removal.

C449-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley approve LaPrairie Work's proposal for the 2025/2026 Hard Surface Snow and Ice Removal with the rates of: plow truck- \$251.00 per hour, sand- \$69.00 per tonne, salt-\$245.00 per tonne.

Log Haul Route Request – Zavisha Sawmills Ltd.

Council is presented with correspondence from Zavisha Sawmills Ltd. requesting approval to use local roads as log haul routes within Clear Hills County.

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C450-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to approve the request from Zavisha Sawmills Ltd. to use local roads (Silver Creek Road, Range Road 34, and Range Road 72) as log haul routes within Clear Hills County for the 2025/2026 haul season following all related aspects of the Clear Hills County Master Road Use Agreement and request Zavisha Sawmills Ltd. use their own roads whenever possible. Additional maintenance fees for using Clear Hills County local roads during the log haul season may occur for winter road maintenance (i.e., sand, salt & snow removal) based on the route and usage of the users. CARRIED.

Award RFP 2025-P16 2025 Bridge Inspections and Engineering of

Council is presented with the analysis for RFP 2025-P16 2025 Bridge Inspections and Engineering of Maintenance.

C451-25(8-26-25)

Maintenance.

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to award RFP 2025-P16 2025 Bridge Inspections and Engineering of Maintenance to WSP Canada Inc. for the amount of \$20,000.00, funds to be allocated from the 2025/2026 operating budget.

CARRIED.

WRITTEN REPORTS
Chief Administrative
Officer's Report

Chief Administrative Officers Report

C452-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Chief Administrative Officers report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Corporate Services Manager's Report

Corporate Services Manager's Report.

C453-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to receive the Corporate Services Manager's report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Public Works Manager's Report

Public Works Manager's Report

C454-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to receive the Public Works Manager's report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

COUNCIL INFORMATION

Information for Councils review.

C455-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Council information for information, as presented. CARRIED.

CALENDARS

Council is presented with a calendar of upcoming meetings. This will aid administration in maintaining records and serve as a reminder for upcoming meetings for both the Council and administration.

C456-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to cancel the September 2, 2025, Policy & Priority Meeting. CARRIED.

C457-25(8-26-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to accept for information August, September and October 2025 calendar updates of Councillor meetings for information, as presented.

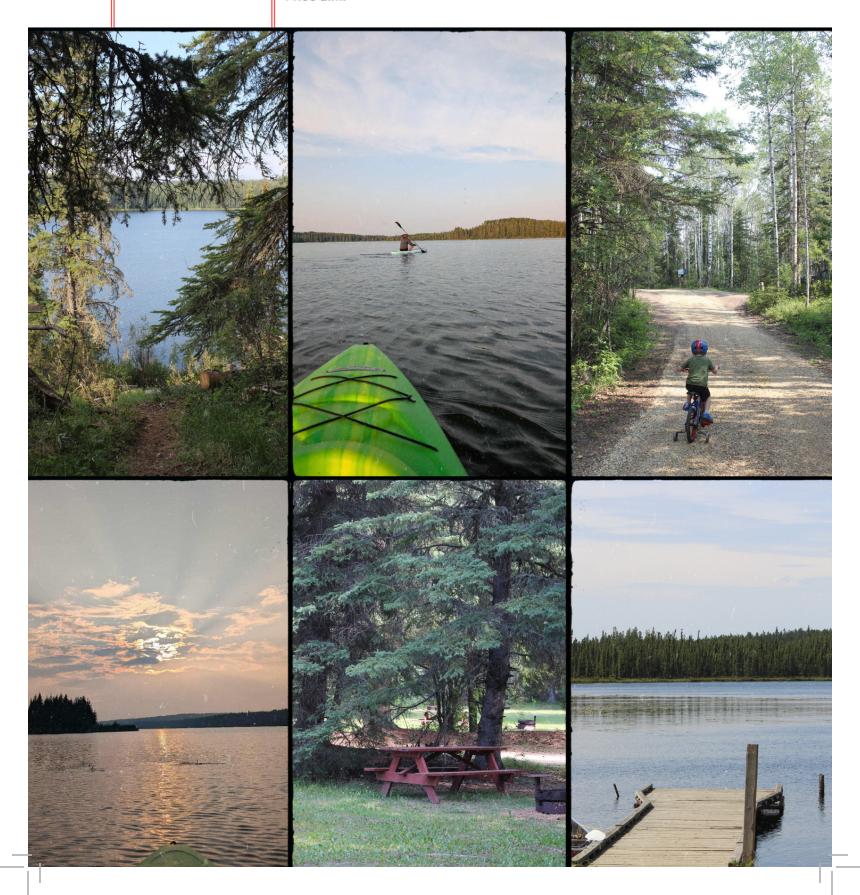
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	Date	Meeting	Attendee

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September 15	NPRL	Ruecker
September 3	NPHF	Walmsley
		CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Bean adjourned the August 26, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 11:38 a.m.



MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CLEAR HILLS COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

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PRESENT	Amber Bean David Janzen Jason Ruecker Susan Hansen Abe Giesbrecht Danae Walmsley	Reeve Deputy Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor		
ATTENDING	Allan Rowe Bonnie Morgan Lori Jobson	Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Executive Assistant (EA) Corporate Service's Manager (CSM)		
ABSENT				
CALL TO ORDER	Reeve Bean called the meeti	ng to order at 9:30 a.m.		
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA C458-25(09-09-25)	the September 9, 2025 Re	Reeve Janzen to adopt the agenda governing gular Council Meeting with the addition of 7. whole & Forced main repair, removal 7.b.4. ng Grant, as amended.		
APPROVAL OF MINUTES Previous Council Meeting Minutes				
C459-25(09-09-25)	RESOLUTION by Councillo 26, 2025, Regular Council I	or Hansen to adopt the minutes of the August Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.		
Management Team Activity Report	Management activity report v	vas reviewed.		
C460-25(09-09-25)		or Giesbrecht that the management activity be accepted, as presented. CARRIED.		
NEW BUISNESS: COUNCIL				
Councillor Reports	Council submits the meeting applicable.	s attended in the previous month and a report, if		
C461-25(09-09-25)	RESOLUTION by Councillo for information, as present	or Ruecker to receive the Councillor Reports ed. CARRIED.		
<u>DELEGATION:</u> Corny Giesbrecht	Corny Giesbrecht was in attendance to discuss with Council land access.			
		recessed the meeting at 10:22 a.m. reconvened the meeting at 10:24 a.m.		
C462-25(09-09-25)		or Giesbrecht to receive the delegation from g the construction of an access road to allow mation, as presented. CARRIED.		

Bylaw 301-25 LUB Amendment –

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Application to Rezone

Council is presented with Bylaw 301-25 for the purpose of amending the Land Use Bylaw and rezoning 23.49 acres (9.51 hectares) of SE-9-85-10-W6 from Agricultural District 1 (AG1) to Country Residential (CR) for a proposed subdivision.

C463-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to give first reading to Bylaw No. 301-25, a bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw 278-23, rezoning a 23.49-acre (9.51 hectare) portion of SE-9-85-10-W6 from Agricultural District 1 (AG1) to Country Residential (CR).

C464-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to approve a public hearing date of September 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. during the regular Council Meeting for proposed Bylaw 301-25.

CARRIED.

County Christmas Hours

Council is presented with the following request, that Council approves replacing a Christmas gift for staff with a more flexible and inclusive approach, approving the following paid days off for each staff member.

C465-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean that Council authorizes the following paid days off, December 29-31, 2025, and Friday, January 2, 2026, as a Christmas gift for each County employee. CARRIED.

C466-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that Council authorizes the Clear Hills County office be closed from Wednesday, December 24, 2025, through Friday, January 2, 2026, for Christmas holidays. CARRIED.

Secondary Highway 717

Council is presented with information from Derek Young, Regional Director, Alberta Transportation, Peace Region Transportation & Economic Corridors on Secondary 717.

C467-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that administration draft a reply to Derek Young, Regional Director, Alberta Transportation, regarding the condition of Secondary Highway 717, including photos of the culverts and copying the Minister of Transportation, to emphasize the urgent need for repairs due to safety and accessibility concerns, specifically at two locations: east of Range Road 124, which has required repair for over a decade, and at the intersection of Highway 717 and Range Road 132.

CARRIED.

Cleardale Sewer Manhole

Council is presented with a quote from Mainline Construction (2014) Ltd. for the repairs to the Hamlet of Cleardale sewer system. Repairs include: drilling approximately 125 meters of new forced main line, removal and replacement of the deteriorated manhole, and installation of a flush point on the existing forced main line.

C468-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen approve Mainline Construction (2014) Ltd. quote of \$196,928.28 for the repairs to the Hamlet of Cleardale sewer system. Repairs including drilling approximately 125 meters of new forced main line, removal and replacement of the deteriorated manhole, and installation of a flush point on the existing forced main line. Funds to be allocated from the Sewer Reserve.

CARRIED.

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CORPORATE
SERVICES
Accounts Payable
August 27, 2025, to
September 9, 2025

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of August 27, 2025 to September 9, 2025 is provided for Council's review.

C469-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of August 27, 2025, to September 9, 2025 for a total of \$425,989.23.

RFP 2025-P17 Audit Services Proposal

Administration has analyzed the Audit Services proposal that was received. The proposal was an estimate and came in approximately \$20,000.00 over budget.

C470-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to reject the proposal received for RFP 2025-P17 Audit Services due to budgetary constraints and direct Administration to negotiate a five-year engagement with Wilde and Company. If negotiations are unsuccessful, Administration is to publish another Request for Proposals for Audit Services.

CARRIED.

Finance Charge Write Off

Alberta Transportation has accrued finance charges for the period of November 2024 to September 2025 on invoices for firefighting services.

C471-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to direct Administration to write off penalties in the amount of \$646.02 from account 900180 and to make the account penalty exempt due to the account being held by a provincial government entity.

CARRIED.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) Local Authority Elected Officials Course

Council is presented with information regarding the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) Local Authority Elected Officials Course.

C472-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to schedule the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) Local Authority Elected Officials Course for December 8, 2025 and invite the Tri-Council to attend. CARRIED.

Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ

Council is presented with Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ for review.

C473-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to accept the discussion regarding Policy 6201 Annual Community BBQ as presented. CARRIED.

Bylaw No. 285-24 Fire Ban

Council is presented with Bylaw No. 285-24 Fire Ban.

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C474-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to issue a Clear Hills County Fire Ban for all areas in Clear Hills County effective at 12:01 a.m., on September 10, 2025, as per Bylaw No. 285-24, with the following conditions applied: Permit small, supervised Safe Wood campfires in designated camping grounds and designated day use area following Safe Wood Campfire parameters. Permit small, supervised Safe Wood campfires on privately owned land following Safe wood Campfire parameters.

CARRIED.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 11:49 a.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS

No items

WRITTEN REPORTS
Chief Administrative
Officer's Report

Chief Administrative Officers Report

C475-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to receive the Chief Administrative Officers report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Corporate Services Manager's Report

Corporate Services Manager's Report.

C476-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Corporate Services Manager's report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Public Works Manager's Report

Public Works Manager's Report

C477-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to receive the Public Works Manager's report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

COUNCIL INFORMATION

Information for Councils review.

C478-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to receive the Council information for information, as presented. CARRIED.

CALENDARS

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C479-25(09-09-25)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to accept for information September, October and November 2025 calendar updates of Councillor meetings for information, as presented.

needings for information, as presented.					
Date	Meeting	Attendee			
September 24	Clear Creek Fire Committee	Hansen/Ruecker			
November 17	EOEP Muni 101 Course	ALL COUNCIL			
September 15	HPEC- Planning	Hansen			
September 8	MPTA-	Bean			
September 25	HPEC	Hansen			
September 11	GGAMAC	Walmsley			
September 17	ASB	Janzen/Ruecker			
		CARRIED.			

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	TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025				
C480-25(09-09-25)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that Council closes the meeting to the public as per Section 197 of the MGA at 1:07p.m. CARRIED.				
C481-25(09-09-25)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht that Council opens the meeting to the public as per Section 197 of the MGA at 1:22 p.m.				
C482-25(09-09-25)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to amend the August 29, 2025, purchase agreement for the residential lot in Cleardale from Plan 0726595, Block 1, Lot 21 to Plan 0726595, Block 1, Lot 20 due to the location of the County walking path. CARRIED.				
	RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve attendance of all Council to attend one of the Peace River Nuclear Power Project - Community Engagement Sessions being offered. CARRIED.				
C483-25(09-09-25)	attend one of the Peace River Nuclear Power Project - Community				
C483-25(09-09-25) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>	attend one of the Peace River Nuclear Power Project - Community				
, ,	attend one of the Peace River Nuclear Power Project - Community Engagement Sessions being offered. CARRIED. Reeve Bean adjourned the September 9, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at				



Got a Big Idea for Clear Hills County?

Clear Hills County's new Event Grant Program is here to help bring creative, one-of-a-kind events to life! Not-for-profits can apply for up to \$5,000 to fund festivals, art exhibitions, or special events that think outside the box.

Who can apply?

Clear Hills County-based not-for-profits

Registered as a society for 1+ year under the Societies Act, Libraries Act, or Agricultural Societies Act

Key points:

One application per category per year Funds must be spent in the year they're awarded Collaborative projects submit just one application

Bring your ideas. Make it happen. Make it memorable.



Contact: Bonnie Morgan 780-685-3925 Ext:120 for more Information!







MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY OCTOBER 20TH, 2025

Your Vote Matters

For a complete list of voting station locations please contact Bonnie at 780-685-3925 or visit our website





"There's no such thing as a vote that doesn't matter.""

— Barack Obama



Driveway Snow Removal

Clear Hills County provides Driveway Snow Removal to:

- Senior Citizens: Must provide one item for proof of age, i.e., birth certificate, driver's license or other document which includes date of birth.
- Special Needs: must be in possession and provide proof of a current Provincial Handicap Sticker.
- Full Time Bus Drivers: Must provide proof of full-time employment, annually letter from employer.

Regional Water Line Tie-In

Clear Hills County has a Regional waterline that transfers water from the Hamlet of Worsley Water Treatment Plant to the Hamlet of Cleardale Water Distribution Facility. Clear Hills County is committed to allowing residents to connect to the Regional potable Water Line for potable residential water supply.

- Clear Hills County will install the Waterline tie-in and the curb stop valve to the edge of the County Right of Way or the entry point to private land.
- The County will contribute a maximum of \$2000.00 (two thousand dollars) towards the installation of each approved Regional waterline tie-in and curb stop valve installation.
- Water Rates and Meters prices are set out as in current Bylaw: Water Works
 Distribution and Waste Water Collection System bylaw

For more information on this contact 780-685-3925

Annual Equipment Registry

The intent of the equipment registry is to obtain an annual working list of available equipment and attachments to perform work on short-term projects.

Annually the County will advertise for contractors wishing to be included in the 'Annual Equipment Registry.' The packages are to be returned to the County office on the first Friday the office is open for business, after the New Year.

Any trucks wishing to be on the list for hauling gravel must submit their truck information with the 'Annual Equipment Registry' by the deadline.



Clear Hills County Calendars



To get your pictures included in the 2026 calendar by emailing your photos to bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Fire Permits

Fire permits are required for all burning activities, except campfire, in the Forest Protection Area of Alberta during wildfire season, from March 1 to October 31.

To get your FREE fire permit please call the Peace River Forest Area Office at 780-624-6190 or go to https://www.alberta.ca/get-a-fire-permit and request a permit.

To know which area you are planning to burn is, you can call the county office at 780-685-3925.

When burning in the Non-Permit area, please call the County office with the location, date, and contact information related to the burn so that a Burn Notice can be sent out informing correct people of the burn





NOTICE: Driveway Snow Removal

Clear Hills County offers driveway snow removal to Seniors, Special Needs & Full time School bus Drivers!

Please contact the County office to sign up for this program! 780-685-3925 Ext 108

NOTICE: Continuing Education Scholarship

Clear Hills County recognizes the value of continued education and trades training among its residents and offers the Continuing Education Scholarship.

Each approved scholarship is to assist with education fees, to a maximum of \$3,000.00.

Deadlines: February 1st and October 1st.

Contact Bonnie Morgan 780-685-3925 ext:120

REPORT A WILDFIRE

Calling 310-FIRE (3473) is quick and easy and is available toll free, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



THE ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN (EFP)

WHAT IS AN EFP? The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is a free, voluntary, whole farm, self-assessment tool that helps producers identify their environmental risks and develop plans to mitigate identified risks.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO COMPLETING AN EFP? Maintaining a healthy environment is essential to the success of Alberta's agricultural producers. The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) program helps you identify and address environmental risks* in your operation. It will also increase your understanding of legal requirements related to environmental issues. *The risks are environmental but many relate to personal health (e.g. wells).

WHEN/WHY AM I REQUIRED TO DO AN EFP? An EFP is a prerequisite for certain Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (SCAP) grants. It may also be a requirement if you wish to sell to some purchasers who have decided to use EFP as a sustainable sourcing tool.

If your EFP is more than 10 years old, it's time for an update! You can register online to start a new workbook or renew your existing plan.

Clear Hills County staff are Certified EFP Technicians and are here to help guide you through the process from start to finish.

Contact:

Craig Donnelly
Community & Agriculture Extension Services Clerk
780-685-3925 Ext. 116
extensionservices@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



Thanksgiving in the Peace Country THANKSGIVING

As Thanksgiving approaches, the Peace Country shines in its autumn beauty, fields of golden stubble, crisp mornings, and the warmth of family gatherings. It's a season to reflect on the blessings of rural life, where community ties remain strong and the land continues to provide.

For many, Thanksgiving means sitting down with loved ones around a table filled with homegrown food, garden vegetables, locally raised meat, and baked goods made from scratch. It's also a time to appreciate the simple joys unique to our area: long walks through colourful woodlands, harvesting the last of the season's bounty, or taking in a quiet evening under a northern sky.

Clear Hills County extends warm wishes for a safe and happy Thanksgiving to all residents. May this season bring you time to connect with family and friends, gratitude for the land we call home, and renewed appreciation for the Peace Country's beauty and resilience.



Eligible programs should aim to:

Build independence, resilience, and coping skills; raise awareness of community needs; strengthen connections; encourage responsibility; and provide resources for active participation.

Is your organization working to empower individuals and build a stronger community? Clear Hills County is now accepting applications for the 2025 Community Support Services Grant!

Complete the fillable application form on our website here:

2025 Community Support Services Grant Application https://www.clearhillscounty.ab.ca/.../download/files/253166

"Strong communities are built by individuals who care. act, and empower one another."



FireSmart on the Farm: Preparing for a Dry Fall

In the last five years, Alberta has averaged nearly 50 wildfires each year linked to farming, most of them preventable. A few simple steps can protect your farm, your family, and our community.

Farm Equipment

- Clean daily remove crop residue from engines, exhausts, belts, and chains.
- · Inspect for damage or leaks before starting work.
- Stay alert a single spark can ignite dry grass.
- · Keep a fire extinguisher and shovel nearby.

Maintenance

- Lubricate bearings and gears to prevent overheating.
- Replace worn belts and repair damaged exhaust systems.
- Install a spark arrester if possible.

Vehicle Safety

- Exhaust systems can reach 250°C hot enough to ignite grass.
- Low-clearance vehicles can spark fires in tall vegetation.

Burn Barrel Safety

- Use a metal screen (6 mm / 1/4 inch mesh).
- Clear a 3 m (10 ft) area around the barrel, down to mineral soil.
- Surround with gravel or sand, avoid windy or hot conditions, and never leave it unattended.

Permit Reminder: Burn barrels in the Forest Protection Area require a permit during wildfire season.

Quick Checklist

- □ Equipment cleaned and inspected
- □ Belts, exhaust, and wiring in good repair
- $\hfill \square$ Fire extinguisher and shovel on hand

One spark is all it takes — prevention starts with you.

Water Pump Rentals Available to Support Residents During Drought Conditions

Due to ongoing drought conditions, Clear Hills County and neighbouring municipalities are offering water pump rentals to assist farmers, commercial operations, and community groups with water shortages. These pump systems can help move water from alternate sources for use in agricultural and emergency needs.

Clear Hills County Water Pump Trailers

Clear Hills County has two trailer-mounted water pump units available for rent. Each unit includes:

4" PTO-powered pump

½ mile of 4" layflat hose (manual reel)

30 ft. of 6" suction hose

Maximum pumping range: ½ mile Rental Rates (April – September):

Deposit: \$100.00

Agricultural Use: \$75.00/day Commercial Use: \$300.00/day

Community Groups: Free for up to 2 days

To book: Call Clear Hills County at 780-685-3925



MD of Fairview Water Pump

The Municipal District of Fairview offers a 5.5 HP 3" trash pump with:

1500 ft. of 4" discharge hose

35 ft. of 3" suction hose

Pumps 266 gallons per minute

2" ball hitch required

Rental Rates: Deposit: \$200.00 Daily: \$100.00

Weekend Rate: \$150.00

To rent: Contact the MD of Fairview at 780-835-4903



Alberta Government Water Pumping Program

The Government of Alberta offers additional support through the Water Pumping Program, designed to help move large volumes of water in emergency or drought conditions. Equipment available includes high-capacity pumps and pipeline systems. This program is ideal for agricultural producers facing severe shortages.

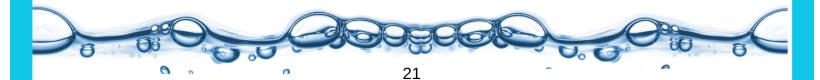
Applications are required and approval is based on availability and need.

Example Costs Using Alberta's Program:

To pump a distance of 1 mile: Approx. \$500.00 To pump a distance of 2 miles: Approx. \$750.00

Learn more and apply: www.alberta.ca/water-pumping-program

Contact: Alberta Ag Info Centre at 310-FARM (3276)



Water Pump Rentals Available to Support Residents During Drought Conditions - Continued

Rentco Equipment Ltd. - Peace River

Rentco offers a variety of gas-powered water pumps, suited to different needs. Hoses rented separately.

Type	Discharge	Flow Rate Rate	(Daily/Weekly/Monthly)
Honda WH15 High Pressure	1.5"	88 GPM	\$34 / \$110 / \$275
Honda WB20XT4C Transfer	2"	156 GPM	\$39 / \$110 / \$275
Honda WT30XK4C Trash	3"	266 GPM	\$77 / \$275 / \$649
Honda WT40XK3C Trash	4"	361 GPM	\$121 / \$429 / \$1210

Note: Hoses must be rented separately. Larger pump units also available upon request.

Contact: Rentco Equipment Ltd., Peace River

Email: ken@rentcoequipment.com

Phone: 780-624-4646

Plan Ahead and Conserve

These programs are designed to help mitigate the impacts of drought, but planning early and using water wisely remains essential. If you anticipate needing assistance, please don't delay in contacting the appropriate provider.

Need Help Pumping Water? You're Not Alone!

With drought conditions affecting many areas in Clear Hills County, we know that not everyone has the equipment, manpower, or ability to move water on their own. If you or someone you know needs help with pumping water, here are some practical ways to access support:

Reach Out to Friends, Family & Neighbours

Sometimes the best help is right next door. Don't hesitate to ask family members, neighbours, or friends to lend a hand with setting up equipment or hauling hose.

Hire a Summer Student

Clear Hills County supports the hiring of summer students through local programs. If you need reliable help with pumping water, consider hiring a local youth—many are eager to help and gain experience.

Support Local Youth & Community Groups

Consider contacting:

- 4-H Clubs
- School youth groups
- · Church or service clubs

They may be able to assist for a small fee or donation toward their group's fundraising goals.

Work Together

If you're renting a pump or equipment with neighbours, consider sharing the workload and splitting rental fees—teamwork can go a long way!

Let's continue to support one another and keep our community strong through this dry season.

Beef Cattle & Body Condition Scoring (BCS)

Fall is a key time of year to assess your cattle's body condition before winter. Body condition, or the amount of fat an animal is carrying, is an important management tool for predicting herd fertility and planning feeding programs.

What is Body Condition Scoring?

Body condition scoring (BCS) is a simple, hands-on method to measure fat cover. Unlike relying on weight or appearance, BCS gives a more accurate picture of an animal's energy reserves. The system uses a numerical scale from 1 (very thin) to 5 (grossly fat), assessed by feeling the loin area between the hip bone and last rib. In thinner cattle, the short ribs are easily felt, while cattle scoring above 3 have ribs hidden under a thicker fat cover.

The benefits of BCS are clear: it's quick, inexpensive, requires no special equipment, and provides a standard way to describe body condition without relying on vague terms like "thin" or "fat."

When to Condition Score

Cattle should be scored three times each production year:

- Fall pregnancy check/start of winter feeding program optimum score is 3.0.
- At calving optimum score is 2.5 for mature cows; 3.0 for first-calf heifers.
- Thirty days before breeding season optimum score is 2.5.

By using body condition scoring as part of your herd management, you can make informed feeding decisions, improve herd fertility, and ensure your cattle are better prepared for winter.



Condition Score - 2

Source: Alberta Agri-Facts - Body Condition: Implications for Managing Beef Cows



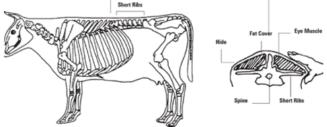












Clear Hills County has a variety of agricultural equipment and other items available for rent.

Advance booking is required.

Rental deposit is due at the time of pickup and must be paid before the item can be transported.

A return day and time **must** be arranged prior to the return rental items. Failure to do so may result in delay in drop off or may cause the renter to have to take the item back home.

Payment of the rental fee is due when item(s) are returned.

Rental Equipment					
EQUIPMENT	DEPOSIT	AG RATE	COMMERCIAL RATE	COMMUNITY RATE	
Extra Hose - ASBHS	\$50.00 (if by itself)	\$1.00	\$5.00	No Charge 2 Days	
Grain Bag Extractor - GBE	\$700.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	No Charge 2 days	
Grain Bag Roller - GBR	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Grain Bagger - GBTU	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$700.00	No Charge 2 days	
Grain Vac - GVAC	\$600.00	\$300.00	\$400.00	No Charge	
Grills - GRILL	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	No Charge 2 days	
Land Leveller - LEVEL	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	No Charge 2 days	
Loading Chute - CHUTE	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	No Charge 2 days	
Manure Spreader - ASBMS	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$400.00	No Charge 2 days	
Mulch Applicator - MULCH	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Post Pounder - POST	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	No Charge for 2 days	
Roller Mill - ROLL	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	No Charge 2 days	
BBQ Trailer - BBQ	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$150.00	No Charge 2 days	
Chem Wipe Applicators					
Quad Mount	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 Days	
Hand Held	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 Days	
Roller Applicator	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 Days	
Rotowiper	\$150.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
Community Centre - COMR	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	No Charge 2 days	
Corral Panels - ASBPC	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	No Charge 2 days	
Eco Bran Applicator	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
Scales					
Bale Spear - BALE	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$150.00	No Charge 2 days	
Scare Cannon	\$50.00	No Charge	\$50.00	No Charge	
Signs	\$60.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Sprayers					
Backpack	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Quad Mounted	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Quad Pull Type	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Skidmount	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Truck Mount	\$200.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
Steam Table	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	No Charge 2 days	
Tables & Chairs	\$50.00	\$1.00/table& \$.50/Chair	\$1.00/table& \$.50/Chair	No Charge 2 days	
Toilets	\$100.00	\$40.00	\$100.00	No Charge 2 days	
Wash Station	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	No Charge 2 days	
Water Pumps					
Summer(APR-SEPT) - ASBW1	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$300.00	No Charge 2 days	
Winter (OCT-MAR) - ASBW2	\$1,000.00	\$200.00	\$500.00	No Charge 2 days	
Wire Roller - WROLL	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	No Charge 2 days	

Round Plastic Tables: 12 Rectangle Plastic Tables: 22 Wooden Rectangular Tables: 31 Folding Chairs: 150



911 Fire, Ambulance & RCMP

Forest Fires Call 427-FIRE (3473)

FIRE TRAILER LOCATIONS

Line 1: AREA & PLACE

Line 2: LEGAL LOCATION & PHONE

Bear Canyon Bear Canyon Water Plant

NW 22-83-12-W6M

Cleardale Cleardale SW 11-85-10-W6M 7

Clear Prairie

SW 34-87-10-W6M

Deerhill NW 9-84-02-W6M

Eureka River NW-12-86-6 W6M

Royce

SE 16-83-06-W6M

Whitelaw SW 28-83-01-W6M

Montagneuse Valley SE 36-85-05-W6M

Cleardale Water Plant 780-685-3670

> Kade Helgesen 780-835-9569

Ken Knoepfli 780-596-2259

Eureka River Truck Fill 780-685-3925

> Melvin Worobetz 780-494-3420

> > Bill Wald 780-596-2121

Jim Stephenson 780-494-2458

Rural Fire Trailers

For More information contact:

Box 240

WORSLEY, Alberta

T0H 3W0

Phone: (780) 685-3925 Fax: (780) 685-3960

e-mail: info@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Each fire trailer contains:

- □ 9 x 100-foot lengths of hose
- □ 2 x 50-foot lengths of hose
 - □ 1 gated Y with seals
 - ☐ Honda 2" pump
- □ 2 x 10 ft lengths of hard suction hose
 - check valve
 - 2 hose wrenches
 - ☐ 1 tool bag
 - ☐ 1 fire axe
 - 1 fire shovel
 - □ 2-gallon fuel tank
 - canvas bucket
 - □ 2 1 ½ inch nozzles
 - 2 extra hose seals
 - □ 4-litre antifreeze
 - □ 2" x 3" camlock adaptor
 - □ 2 wajax Spray Bags
 - 1 pipe wrench
 - ☐ 1 crescent wrench

Requires 2 5/16 ball.



Clear Hills County Awards

Deadline: December 1st



Clear Hills County proudly hosts an Annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet on the first weekend in February to celebrate and recognize individuals, groups, and businesses making outstanding contributions in our community. Awards presented include Business Awards (Community Service/Involvement, Innovation, and Investment), Volunteer of the Year, Outstanding Youth, Outstanding Recreation Facility, and the Farm Family Award. Each award includes recognition at the banquet, a commemorative plaque, and additional benefits such as tickets and donations to local non-profits. The banquet location rotates between Wards each year—watch for this year's details! For more information, contact Bonnie Morgan at 780-685-3925 Ext. 120.

> For more information - Contact Bonnie Morgan 780-685-3925 Ext:120 or Visit our website!https://www.clearhillscounty.ab.ca/live-here/appreciation-awards



Member at Large Application

Clear Hills County Invites SUBMIT **Applications Agricultural Service Board** (2025-2029)

Clear Hills County is seeking five Members-at-Large to serve on the Agricultural Service Board (ASB) for a four-year term. The ASB advises Council, promotes sustainable agriculture, and helps administer key provincial acts. Applicants must be agricultural producers residing in Clear Hills County and meet eligibility requirements. Deadline to apply: October 24, 2025. Application can be found on our website in printable or online formats!



Agricultural Service Board (ASB)

The Agricultural Service Board (ASB) of Clear Hills County consists of four community members-attwo Councillors. Representing large and agricultural interests of the county, the ASB leverages years of sector experience to advise the Council on how best to serve our producers. Their services range from providing pesticide recommendations helping ranchers with to veterinary costs, all aimed at supporting and enhancing our agricultural community.

Meeting approximately ten times a year, ASB members also attend tours and educational conferences to stay updated on industry developments. Members serve four-year terms, and those interested in contributing to the Agricultural Service Board are encouraged to complete a Member-at-Large Application.

The ASB is tasked with implementing and enforcing legislative requirements under various acts, including the Agricultural Service Board Act, the Weed Control Act, the Agricultural Pests Act, the Soil Conservation Act, and the Animal Health Act. Their work involves managing weeds and pests, conserving soil and water, promoting sustainable agricultural practices, controlling animal diseases, and developing municipal policies to support these initiatives.





Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Members

Balder Ruecker

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DO YOU HAVE LIVESTOCK?





VSI Program



ARE YOU AWARE OF THE VSI (VETERINARIAN SERVICES INCORPORATED) PROGRAM?

- Aids in the development of livestock expansion with a long term goal of the producer and veterinarian services sustainability.
- The VSI program supplies a cost-share support to livestock producers, whereby Clear Hills County covers 50% of the cost eligible veterinary procedures.
- Membership is \$52.50 for a five year term.

DO YOU KNOW THE COUNTY HAS A BSE TESTING INCENTIVE PROGRAM?

The BSE testing program is to encourage producers to participate in BST Testing and assist in realizing the target of 30,000 beef cattle annually being tested to keep Canada's status as a controlled BSE risk country.

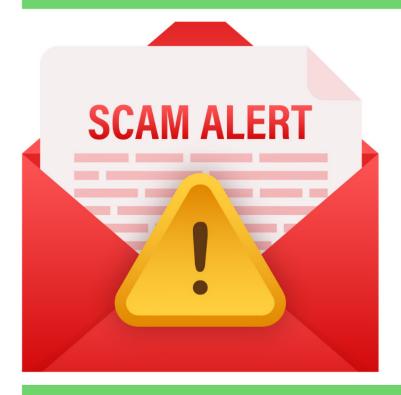
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 780-685-3925 EXT. 116

extensionservices@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Eligibility: must be a VSI member and resident/landowner in Clear Hills County with livestock. Restrictions: Only Veterinarian Clinics (and livestock owners) will have access to the BSE test results.

Process: VSI services provides the County with a list of members that had beef cattle tested in the quarterly report. The County then pays the member. The 2025/2026 incentive is \$125/animal.

Important Notice from Clear Hills County: Beware of Spam/Fraud Emails





We have recently seen an increase in spam and fraudulent emails being sent to residents and businesses. Please be aware that Clear Hills County does **NOT** charge fees for Development Permits.

If you receive any email asking for payment or personal information related to Development Permits, or any other County services, and you are unsure about its legitimacy, please contact Clear Hills County directly before responding.

To verify an authentic Clear Hills County email, check that the sender's address ends with: (name or department)@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

When in doubt, reach out to us directly by phone or through our official website.

Protect yourself from scams by staying vigilant!

Clear Hills County Administration







INFORMATIVE SESSION ON FIRESMART PROGRAM & AGKNOW



Join us for a session on FireSmart Alberta & protecting your farm against wildfires. Paired with AgKnow on farmer mental health.

Event Details:

Date: October 22, 2025 Time: 1:30pm - 4:30pm



Location: Cherry Canyon Recreational Centre

These Presentations Will Cover:

- Small steps you can take to make your farm and community more resilient to wildfires.
- "How Are You Really?" Unique stressors farmers face, and options for managing through them.

Guest Speakers:

Ryan Lawson - Wildfire Technologist Linda Hunt - AgKnow Program Director

Contact Info

Craig Donnelly (780) 685-3925 ext. 116 or Email: extensionservices@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Riparian Areas: Protecting the Land, Water, and Your Operation

Riparian areas—the vegetated zones along creeks, rivers, lakes, and wetlands—may look small, but they play a big role in healthy ecosystems and productive farms.

Why They Matter

Erosion control: Root mats stabilize streambanks far better than bare soil. Water quality: Vegetation filters nutrients, manure, and sediment. Flood protection: Logs and debris help recharge floodplains with water and nutrients.

Wildlife habitat: About 80% of Alberta's wildlife rely on riparian areas.

Steps for Landowners

- ✓ Manage grazing with fencing or rotations and provide off-site water sources.
- ✓ Maintain or replant native trees, shrubs, and grasses.
- ✓ Keep equipment and repeated traffic away from banks.
- ✓ Establish wide, vegetated buffer zones for stronger protection.

Healthy riparian areas protect soil, improve water quality, and support both livestock and wildlife—ensuring the land remains productive for years to come.

Did You Know?

Riparian Facts:

Vegetation traps up to 90% of sediments before they reach water.

A 5 cm root mat resists erosion 20,000× better than bare soil.

Cleaner water means healthier livestock.

Riparian areas boost pasture yields by 10–20%.

Over 80% of Alberta wildlife rely on riparian zones.

Preventing erosion saves thousands in soil and fence repairs.

Shade from trees keeps streams cool for fish.

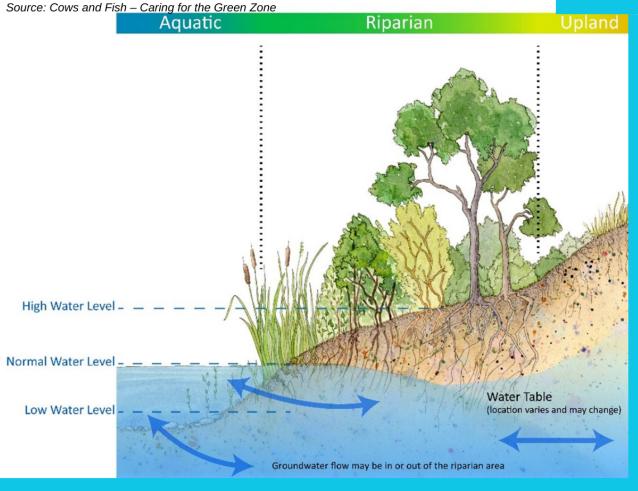
Riparian plants capture and store carbon.

Riparian Fun Facts

The word riparian comes from the Latin ripa, meaning "riverbank."

Healthy riparian areas act like sponges, soaking up excess water during floods and slowly releasing it in dry times.

Beavers are
"riparian
engineers" —
their dams
improve water
storage and
wildlife habitat.





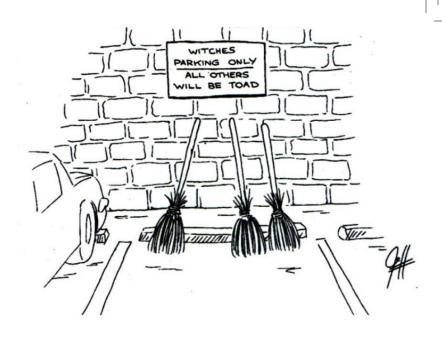
Peace Valley Snow Riders Annual General Meeting

Thursday October 23, 2025
Grimshaw Legion Hall
Happy hour and supper at 5:30 pm,
meeting at 7 pm
Supper is complimentary however it would
be appreciated if you would RSVP to
Wendell Whittleton at 780-618-6039 or
whittleton12@yahoo.com so we know how
many people to be prepared for.



"Enjoy the little things, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things."

– Robert Brault



"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."

– Benjamin Franklin

North Peace Regional Landfill

Battery & Device Drop-Off Locations

Do you have old batteries or small devices to dispose of?

You can drop them off at any of these convenient
locations:

NPRL Landfill Office
Fairview Provincial Building
MD of Fairview Office
Village of Hines Creek Office
Clear Hills County Office

Help keep hazardous materials out of our landfills and protect our environment!



Why did the scarecrow win an award?

Because he was outstanding in his field!

NWPCALC Learn computer basics Lancaster building, Fairview



You will learn:

- How computers
- *Different systems & common applications like
- e-mail, file management, troubleshooting
- techniques, online safety, MS WORD &

Alberta

EXCEL

6 Sessions on Mondays starting October 6th

7pm -9 pm

COST: \$40 for the course

* Free to low income individuals

CALL/TEXT to register

780.772.9477





October 22, 2025



Triangle Hall, High Prairie

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join us for an afternoon of expert speakers focusing on practical insights related to adaptive grazing, agroforestry, and holistic management. Hear the latest research, connect with fellow farmers and ranchers, and enjoy a hearty supper while sharing ideas for healthier rangelands. Supper provided.

Registration Required

2 780-834-7256

alaina@pcbfa.ca

www.peacecountrybeef.ca









Need To Pump Water This Fall? Book now and save!

With drought conditions this year many people will need to be pumping water. To ensure you get a chance to pump water, call us now to book a water pump so you don't miss out.

Reminder:

Rental rates go up on October 1st

Rates:

April 1 - September 30: \$150 Deposit, \$75 Per Day October 1 - March 31: \$1,000 Deposit, \$200 Per Day

Contact Info:

(780) 685-3925

ext. 116 (Craig Donnelly) or ext. 115 (Greg Coon) Email: extensionservices@clearhillscounty.ab.ca





IN CONJUNCTION WITH BIRCH HILLS COUNTY

Join us for a full day of information on soil regeneration, weeds and weed management from Dr. Kris Nichols all the way from Minnesota!

> LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED (REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR LUNCH)

Event Details:

Date: October 16, 2025 Time: 10:00am - 4:30pm

Location: Dave Shaw Memorial Complex Special Speaker: Dr. Kris Nichols, PhD





Want to advertise your Community Event? Email Bonnie at bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



Green Living in Clear Hills

Recycling bins and waste transfer sites are all part of the County's ongoing environmental initiatives. Residents are encouraged to make use of our free recycling stations located throughout the County. Together, small changes make a big impact!











"Clean communities start with conscious choices."



https://www.clearhillscounty.ab.ca/live-here/transfer-stations-recycling/transfer-station-hours

Classic Pumpkin Pie

Ingredients - Pie:

- 1 9-inch homemade or storebought deep-dish unbaked pie crust
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp ground cloves
- 2 large eggs
- 15 oz canned pumpkin or fresh pumpkin puree
- 12 oz evaporated milk



Ingredients – Caramel Pecan Topping (Optional):

1/2 cup packed light brown sugar

2 tbsp heavy whipping cream

1 tbsp light corn syrup

1 tbsp butter

1/2 cup chopped pecans

1/2 tsp vanilla extract



Instructions:

Step 1 - Preheat & Mix:

Preheat oven to 425°F (220°C).

Beat eggs and pumpkin together. In a separate bowl, combine sugar, cinnamon, salt, ginger, and cloves, then add to pumpkin mixture.

Gradually stir in evaporated milk. Pour carefully into unbaked pie shell.

Step 2 - Bake:

Bake at 425°F for 15 minutes.

Reduce temperature to 350°F (175°C) and bake 40–50 minutes more, until set. The center may jiggle slightly—it will firm up as it cools.

Step 3 – Cool & Serve:

Cool completely on a wire rack. Serve with whipped cream and caramel pecan topping if desired.

Caramel Pecan Topping:

In a small saucepan over medium-high heat, combine brown sugar, cream, corn syrup, and butter. Bring to a boil, then simmer 5 minutes, stirring frequently.

Remove from heat, stir in pecans and vanilla. Spoon over cooled pie slices.



Free Exercise Program

Alberta Healthy Living Program

Education that supports your health and your life

Upcoming Sessions:

Aug 18-Sept 29 Mon/Wed 6:00pm-7:30pm

Sept 9-Oct 21 Tue/Thurs 10:00am-11:30am

Sept 9-Oct 21 Tue/Thurs 1:00pm-2:30pm

- Tailored to your fitness level
- · Twice per week for 6 weeks
- · No equipment needed
- Learn to exercise safely
- Use Zoom in your own home

If you are an adult living with one or more chronic health conditions, join this FREE, safe, fun and interactive small-group setting.

Experience the Health Benefits

Free

Virtual Exercise Program

www.healthylivingprogram.ca





For more information: Call 1-877-349-5711





Why don't mummies take vacations?

Because they're afraid to unwind.

Why don't ghosts like rain?

Because it dampens their spirits!

What do you get when you drop a pumpkin? 36 Squash!





Sign up for Clear Hills County's FREE communication tool to stay informed about emergencies and upcoming events via text or automated voice recording to your landlines

Forms can be accessed on our website or by contacting Bonnie Morgan at the Clear Hills County office - bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca





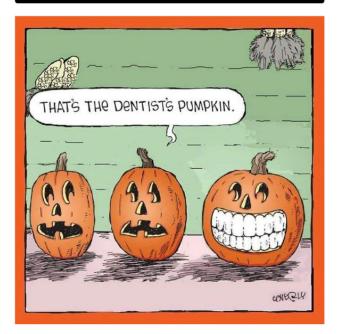
Clear Hills County offers E-Transfer for all your payment needs!

Please remember when using this method, make sure to include the following:

Account/Invoice number if applicable
Name of Account holder
Purpose of the payment

The email address to set up and send an E-transfer is

payments@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



Grain can be dangerous.

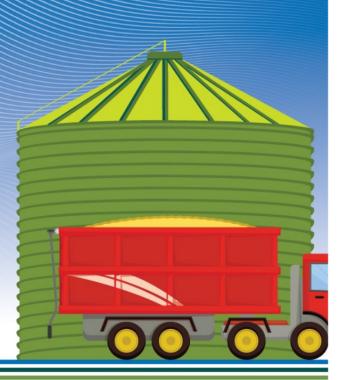
Most people who become engulfed in grain do not survive. Stay out and **BeGrainSafe**

For more information on BeGrainSafe, visit casa-acsa.ca/begrainsafe









3 Simple Ways to Strengthen Our Community This Fall

As the leaves change, it's a great time to focus on how we can support one another. Here are three small but meaningful ways to make a difference in Clear Hills County this season:

- 1. Check in on neighbors A quick visit, call, or offer of help can brighten someone's day and strengthen connections.
- 2. Volunteer locally Even an hour of your time at a community event or local group goes a long way.
- 3. Shop and support local Choosing local businesses helps keep our community strong and resilient.

Every action, big or small, adds up to a stronger, more connected community.



Discover Your Dream Lot in the Hamlets of Worsley and Cleardale!

Looking for the perfect piece of land to call your own?

Look no further! We have an incredible selection of lots available.

To inquire call Lori at 780-685-3925 ext. 105

Fall Dugout Treatment: Preparing for a Healthy Winter

As winter approaches, fall is the ideal time to prepare your dugout for the coming year. Fall treatments help reduce organic buildup, prevent poor water quality at spring thaw, and extend your dugout's lifespan.

Key Practices for Fall:

- **Vegetation Control:** Remove aquatic weeds and trim willows or volunteer saplings around the edges. This reduces nutrient buildup that fuels algae growth.
- **Sediment Management**: For significant sediment buildup, consider dredging or using a two-dugout system, where one dugout acts as a settling pond to keep the main dugout cleaner.
- Aeration: Continue aerating into fall and early winter to prevent stagnant water under ice and maintain better oxygen levels for spring.
- **Inspection:** Assess intake systems, fencing, and erosion control before freeze-up.

Treatment Options Available in Alberta:

- **Hydrated Lime Treatment:** Hydrated lime (calcium hydroxide) can be mixed into the dugout water to improve water quality. It acts as a coagulant, causing algae, suspended solids, and organic matter to clump together and settle out of the water, resulting in clearer water. This method is particularly effective for reducing algae blooms and improving water clarity.
- **Ultrasonic Algae Control:** Ultrasonic devices emit specific sound frequencies that interfere with the buoyancy and photosynthesis of algae, ultimately reducing their ability to thrive. This chemical-free method is safe for aquatic life and effective in controlling algae growth.
- **Ozone with Nanobubbles**: Ozone treatment, combined with nanobubble technology, rapidly breaks down organic matter, kills algae and bacteria, and improves water clarity and odor. This method also raises oxygen levels in the water, promoting a healthier aquatic environment.
- **Copper-Based Algae Control:** Copper-based products can be used to control cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) in dugouts. It's important to follow label instructions carefully to avoid over-dosing, which can lead to an increase in other types of algae growth.

By taking these steps in September and October, your dugouts will start the next season with cleaner, healthier water—supporting livestock, irrigation, and overall farm productivity.

Source: Alberta Agriculture and Forestry – Quality Farm Dugouts, Module 8: Dugout Management (Agdex 716-B01).



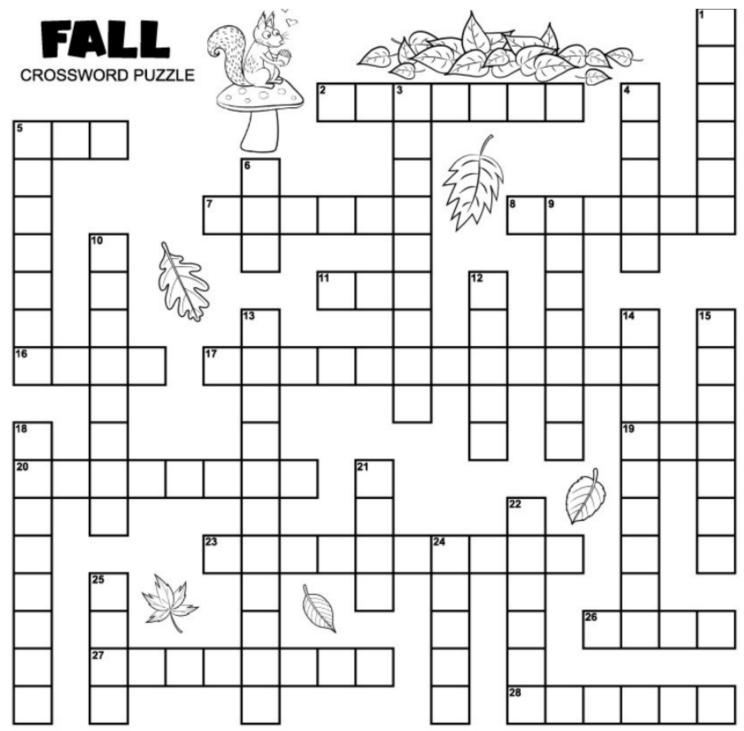




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Parent's N	ame:				
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Fall 3 Word Segreh

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AUTUMN	L	A	L	H	E	Н	G	W	A	C	0	V	R	P	L
LEAVES	J	N	N	I	0	R	Α	I	N	H	R	E	C	I	E
HARVEST	U	K	P	E	C	R	S	R	I	0	Ι	L	F	C	C
PUMPKIN	P	S	N	S	R	E	0	E	V	S	E	T	0	E	I
HALLOWEEN	R	G	R	0	N	C	Н	A	Т	E	S	A	0	Х	D
THANKSGIVING	0	I	C	I	A	S	0	R	S	0	S	Y	Т	Т	E
FOOTBALL	Т	V	R	U	L	R	0	A	Т	S	E	Т	В	Т	R
APPLE CIDER	R	I	Α	G	L	E	L	A	Т	E	G	N	A	R	0
SCHOOL	Α	N	Y	P	U	M	P	K	I	N	R	E	L	Y	Т
ACORN	W	G	0	N	E	R	0	D	Н	L	E	Н	L	В	F
ORANGE	0	Y	N	E	M	A	U	Т	U	M	N	D	R	A	A
YELLOW	L	Н	S	W	E	A	T	E	R	M	0	C	R	В	L
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ACROSS

- 2. a large, round, orange vegetable
- 5. known for its hooting calls
- 7. a popular fall spice
- 8. foliage shade
- 11. nocturnal flier
- 16. provides hydration to crops
- 17. a cocoa-based drink (2 words)
- 19. iced or hot; comes in a variety of flavors
- 20. meteorological term for heavy cloud cover
- 23. carrots and broccoli
- 26. maple or oak
- 27. keeps you from getting soaked
- 28. Butternut or Acorn

DOWN

- 1. it follows summer and precedes winter
- 3. geese often fly in V-shaped patterns during this event
- 4. leaves swirl and dance in the air when it's _
- 5. 10th month of the year
- 6. classic fall baked dessert
- 9. a place where apple trees are cultivated
- 10. small mammal known for storing food in trees
- 12. can damage plants as temperatures plummet
- 13. often seen on shirts during the colder months (2 words)
- 14. the month fall begins
- pullover or cardigan
- 18. the month Daylight Savings Time ends for many
- 22. they cover the ground in a blanket of red, orange, and yellow







24. pleasantly cool or cold;



Fire Prevention Week 2025: Lithium-Ion Battery Safety

Fire Prevention Week™ runs **October 5–11, 2025**, and this year the focus is on lithium-ion battery safety with the theme: "Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home."



LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES store a lot of energy in a small place. These batteries can overheat, start a fire, or explode if overcharged or damaged. By learning how to **BUY**, **CHARGE**, and **RECYCLE** these batteries safely, you can help prevent a fire in your home.



BUY only listed products. When buying a product that uses a lithium-ion battery look for a safety certification mark such as UL, ETL, or CSA. This means it meets important safety standards.



STOP using your device right away if the battery smells weird, gets too hot, makes popping noises, changes in shape or color. If it is safe, move the device away from anything that can catch fire. Call 9-1-1.



CHARGE devices safely. Always use the cables that came with the product to charge. Follow the instructions from the manufacturer. Buy new chargers from the manufacturer or one that the manufacturer has approved.



RECYCLE batteries responsibly. Don't throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or regular recycling bins because they could start a fire.



CHARGE your device on a hard surface. Don't overcharge your device. Unplug it or remove the battery when it's fully charged.



RECYCLE your device or battery at a safe battery recycling location. Visit call2recycle.org to find a recycling spot near you.



Free Exercise Program

Alberta Healthy Living Program

Education that supports your health and your life

Upcoming Sessions:

Aug 18-Sept 29 Mon/Wed 6:00pm-7:30pm

Sept 9-Oct 21 Tue/Thurs 10:00am-11:30am

Sept 9-Oct 21 Tue/Thurs 1:00pm-2:30pm

- Tailored to your fitness level
- Twice per week for 6 weeks
- No equipment needed
- · Learn to exercise safely
- Use Zoom in your own home

If you are an adult living with one or more chronic health conditions, join this FREE, safe, fun and interactive small-group setting.

Experience the Health Benefits

Free

Virtual Exercise Program

Register at:

www.healthylivingprogram.ca





For more information: Call 1-877-349-5711











Fairview RCMP Hours & Contact Information

The Fairview RCMP detachment is now open to the public between 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Formerly closed for lunch)

New administration hours are:

Monday thru Friday 8:00am to 4:00PM Closed on federal statutory holidays.

Phone numbers:

Administration: 780-835-4031

Complaints/Incidents: 780-835-2211

Did you know...

In Alberta, 310-RCMP (7267) a new, additional non-emergency number for reporting crimes and contacting the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)



Hunting Safety

Tell someone where you will be hunting.

Avoid outings alone. If you go alone, be careful and hunt in familiar areas.

Check the weather forecast before going into the woods.

Dress properly and be prepared for the worst possible conditions. Protect against hypothermia.

Identify your target before shooting.

Check hunting equipment before and after each outing, and maintain it properly. Familiarize yourself with its operation before using it in the field.

Always wear blaze orange to be highly visible to other hunters.

Free Leaves

YOU SHOULD BE ASKING YOURSELF, HOW CAN THIS NOT WORK? PEOPLE LOVE FREE STUFF

Clear Hills County Business Directory

There are numerous business gems hidden within the boarders of Clear Hills County. The County requests your assistance as business owners in aiding in the development of a business directory that will promote awareness of local businesses.

If you would like your business advertised in the Clear Hills County Business Directory please contact

Bonnie at 780-685-3925 ext. 120 or bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



The world's heaviest pumpkin weighed over 2,600 pounds. It was grown in Germany!

The largest turkey ever recorded was an 86-pound tom named

Local School Contact Numbers

Worsley Central School 780-685-3842

Hines Creek Composite 780-494-3510

Menno Simons Community School

780-685-2340

All have a full school program from kindergarten to grade 12. The schools are operated under the jurisdiction of the Peace River School Division. For more information contact 780-624-3601 or visit www.prsd.ab.ca

Clear Hills County
Box 240, Worsley, AB
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Email: info@clearhillscounty.ab.ca
Phone: 1-780-685-3925
Fax: 1-780-685-3960
Office Hours:
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM
Monday to Friday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION Emergency Contact Phone Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance- 911 Health link (non-emergency)- 811 Report-A- Poacher- 1-800-642-3800 Wildfire-310-FIRE (3473)

Clear Hills County Administration Extension Directory

Accounts Payable- Dawn Morgan	101	Corporate Services Manager– Lori Jobson	105
Agricultural Fieldman– Greg Coon	115	Executive Assistant– Bonnie Morgan	120
Chief Administrative Officer- Allan Rowe	121	Public Works Manager Terry Shewchuk	119
Community Services Clerk- Natasha Gillett	108	Utility Operator -Sandra Luka	111
Community & Agricultural Extension Services Clerk	116	Road Foreman- Martin Schmidt	110
Payroll Clerk, Development & Subdivisions, Taxation– Kelsey Lund	103	WTP Operator- Catherine Cox	107

Community Groups & Organizations, Facilities & Contacts

Menno Simons Community Library

Tuesday
8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Closed Monday & Friday
Contact the librarian at
780-685-2340 during Public
Hours for more information

Church Services Worsley Baptist Church

Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Sunday Services
11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service
7 p.m.

Cleardale Gospel Chapel

Sunday Service 11 a.m.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Catholic Church

Sunday Service 1 p.m.

All Saints Ukrainian

Catholic Church

Every second Sunday 2:00 p.m.

Lighthouse

Christian Fellowship

Sunday Service 11 a.m.

Hines Creek Municipal Library

Monday 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday
10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Thursday 1:00 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Located in the Village of
Hines Creek office building.
780-494-3879

Worsley Pioneer Club

New Members Welcome

Cards Wednesday
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.at the
Worsley Pioneer Club Hall
For rental information call:
Sandra Wasylciw:
780-834-7363
Come and enjoy an
afternoon of visiting.

Hines Creek Senior's Drop in Rental

For bookings call: 780-835-0729

Bear Point Community

Library

Monday-Friday 10:30 a.m. -2 p.m.

Worsley & District Library

www.worsleylibrary.ab.ca 780-685-3842 Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ WorsleyLibrary

Located in the Worsley
Central School, we offer
library services to the public
by appointment Monday to
Friday

1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

We offer free library
memberships that gives
access to books, movies,
audiobooks, and computers
in the library, plus access
to books and eBooks from
around the province through
www.tracpac.ab.ca as well
as eBooks, audiobooks,
movies, etc. from online
apps (Overdrive, Hoopla,
etc.)

Hines Creek Arts & Craft Meeting Room

To book the room call Olive Hrab 780-494-2255

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October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Office Closed Thanksgiving	14 Council Meeting	15 ASB Meeting	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Council Meeting	29	30	31	

CLEAR HILLS COUNTY CALENDARS

TO GET YOUR PICTURE INCLUDED IN
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BONNIE@CLEARHILLSCOUNTY.AB.CA



Whitelaw	SW 12-84-02-W6M	Royce	SE 11-83-06-W6M
Cleardale	SE 13-85-10-W6M	Eureka River	SW 17-86-05-W6M
David Thompson	SW 12-84-03-W6M	Worsley	SE 25-87-08-W6M

County Transfer Site Hours—October 1st—April 30 All Transfer Sites are closed on Sunday

Transfer Site	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bear Canyon	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
Clear Prairie	closed	closed	closed	1:00 pm 5:00 pm	closed	closed
Cleardale	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
David Thompson	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed
Eureka River	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed	closed
Hines Creek	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Royce	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed
Whitelaw	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Worsley	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed

County Office Information Office Hours

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

313 Alberta Ave Box 240 Worsley, Alberta T0H 3W0

> Phone: 780-685-3925 Fax: 780-685-3960

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