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Handi-Bus negotiations continue

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Negotiations are moving forward between the Strathmore Handi-bus Association and the Town of Strathmore over a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) between the two organizations.

The Handi-bus Association brought forward an amended document to Town Council during the March 2 regular council meeting, which was then referred to administration.

The amended MOU brought forward by the Handi-bus Association had made changes to the agreement regarding the bus barn building and simplified the language used describing the agreement.

According to the Handi-bus delegation, the organization didn't think it was particularly relevant to the relationship between the Handi-bus and the Town.

"I'm assuming if the bus barn value is going to cost us money to move it, I'm assuming the cost will be borne by the Town, because I can't imagine that it's worth anything," said Councilor Denise Peterson.

"I just want to make sure that the Handi-bus isn't liable if it costs us money to get rid of it."

The Handi-bus delegation confirmed that during a prior discussion with council and administration, the Town's previous CAO indicated there was not a significant amount of value in the structure in question.

The revisions also more explicitly delineate the understanding and responsibilities of the Handi-bus to the Town of Strathmore in paragraph "D" where expectations of the Town are outlined.

Those expectations of the Town being to help cover the association's operating losses up to \$175,000 annually. If the Handi-bus does not use all the funding received from the Town, any leftover capital would then be returned.

"We're hoping to foster more goodwill between the Handi-bus and the Town of Strathmore. I think we can see from events around the world what happens when there is insufficient amount of goodwill in play," said Brian Grier, chair of the Handi-bus Association finance committee.

Grier added regarding the potential of a rebate to the Town, the idea being that should the MOU pass, to review the Association's audited financial statements with the Town and agree on a number.

The Handi-bus delegation did specify that they would not be able to reliably continue operations without being backed by the Town, though does not expect to require municipal resources to cover the costs of any additional busses.

Administration was directed to return to Town Council on March 16 to further discuss the MOU.



Buttons on birthday!

Lido Kondo turned 94 on March 5, though his birthday was celebrated a day early at the Strathmore Curling Club surrounded by friends and family. Kondo first started curling in 1952 and has had a love of the sport ever since. See Page 4 for more coverage.

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Siksika Nation encouraging First Nations peoples to share stories of racism in Alberta health care

JOHN WATSON
 Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Siksika Nation Chief and Council are taking actions to address systemic racism against First Nations peoples in Alberta healthcare facilities.

Chief Ouray Crowfoot said during a press conference on March 4 that Chief and Council had unanimously passed a motion to authorize the JFK Law Corporation to conduct information-gathering interviews with Siksika Nation members.

"A steady flow of complaints has been made to Chief and Council in this area and leadership is working with a team of lawyers on this matter," said Crowfoot. "For too long we have been subjected to racism (and) discriminatory behavior while receiving health care. For too long we have been insulted when we were at our most vulnerable by people seeking to take advantage of us."

According to a press release, the interviews may be used to assist in potential litigation for the protection of Siksika Nation members and their families while receiving healthcare.

A notice distributed to Siksika Nation members was

written to inform them of the information-gathering sessions and that anyone who has been discriminated against, or has been treated negatively based on race, ethnicity, or status as a Siksika Nation member, or has witnessed a racist or discriminatory incident at an Alberta healthcare facility, is invited to come forward.

Any indigenous people who wish to reach out to Siksika Chief and Council regarding their stories of discrimination within the healthcare system, will be treated with absolute confidentiality for the respect and safety of the individual who decides to share.

"There are there's a lot of great work that's going on in the Alberta healthcare system. We're not here to attack the Alberta healthcare system but we're here to make sure our people are treated equitably in the healthcare system," said Crowfoot. "We can no longer be the ostrich and put our head in the sand and hope when we get it back up, everything's going to be good. If you want to make tough change, real change, you have to have the real data."

During the press conference, Councillor Samuel Crowfoot said it is impor-



Siksika Chief and Council and Siksika Health Services announced on March 4 their plan to help Nation members come forward and talk about racism and discrimination they experienced while under the care of the Alberta healthcare system.

John Watson Photo

tant that people's stories are heard, are listened to and believed.

"Racism isn't new. It's only now that it is with the prevalence of cell phones and digital cameras (that it is) finally being recorded," said Crowfoot. "The complaint process in general Alberta, for any type of medical issue, or any type of racist or derogatory event, is extremely hard to follow and is governed not in the most efficient way. Thereby, I think it reduces the amount of complaints that come in because of the process."

Siksika Health Services CEO Tyler White added he is disappointed these types of measures are necessary in order to get the attention of the provincial and federal governments.

"I'm reflecting with sadness. I'm also reflecting with hope that today, as I said, is a day of action to be able to address those long-standing issues of racism and discrimination," said White. "I'm also reflecting on the experiences of our people. And these aren't just stories, these are real experiences that our people have experienced in the hospitals in the emergency departments."

According to White, on the same day the service was available for Nation members to come forward with stories, people began to make use of the service.

Information will be available through the Siksika Chief and Council website about how to reach out and for Nation members to share their experiences.

Upcoming Meetings

Council and committee meetings will now be open to the public and via teleconference. For public hearings it is strongly encouraged that you attend in person.

March 22: Council Meeting

April 5: Council Meeting

April 6: Agricultural Service Board

To join the call, dial 403-917-1764 and enter the PIN 47001 when prompted. Agenda packages can be found on our website.



Public Hearings

Wheatland County Council Chambers March 22nd, 2022 at 9 a.m.

Wheatland County will consider the following applications for Public Hearing at the regular Council meeting on Tuesday, March 22nd, 2022. The following public hearings begin at 9 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:

Bylaw #: 2021-34

Legal Description: County-wide

Proposal: To amend the Land Use Bylaw to update Definitions, Application for Development and Subdivision Regulations, General Regulations, Specific Use Regulations, and Land Use Districts. Areas under consideration include Wineries and Alcohol Production, Parks & Playgrounds, Backyard Hens and Backyard Coops, Backyard Beekeeping Hives and Supers, Manufactured Dwellings, Landscaping, Fencing, and Screening, and Rear Yard setbacks for Accessory Buildings/Structures (The Lakes of Muirfield). Specific details of the proposed amendments can be found on the Wheatland County website. <https://wheatlandcounty.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Bylaw-2021-34-Proposed-Amendments-to-Land-Use-Bylaw-No-2016-01.pdf>

Comments may be forwarded in writing to Wheatland County or in person at the above meeting. The application files may be reviewed in the County Office during regular office hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Any comments provided will become part of the public record in accordance with Section 40 (1) of the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection Privacy Act. Any personal information on submissions made regarding applications is collected under the authority of the FOIP Act Section 33 (c) and subsequent versions of the Act.

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New Blood live show returning to Rosebud Theatre

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Rosebud Theatre and School of the Arts will once again be hosting New Blood, a story told through dance, choreographed by Strathmore High School's Deanne Bertsch.

"New Blood is a show that is about Chief Vincent Yellow Old Woman, he is a former chief of Siksika Nation. It's his story of growing up in (a) residential school and then struggling with addiction, and then healing and becoming chief of his people," said Bertsch.

She explained the inspiration for the show came in 2014 following a trip to Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park, where Bertsch spent time viewing native pictographs and listening to stories from her tour guide.

Being somebody who works with many Siksika students at Strathmore High School, Bertsch said she was "saddened and horrified" to learn that the stories behind many of the pictographs had been lost, greatly due to the impacts of residential schools.

From that experience, Bertsch was compelled to create a show with her dance class which told a history of the Blackfoot people.

"We interviewed a Blackfoot teacher at our school named Eulalia Running Rabbit and she just talked about the moments in history that changed the way of the Blackfoot people," said Bertsch. "We started creating the show and it was a little about the fur trade and a little about residential school and reservations ... but because it was a dance class, we told it all through movement."

Lacking direction for her story, one of Bertsch's students at the time suggested she call his grandfather, who after sharing his personal story, shared a poem with Bertsch called The Indian and the Child, which came to be the story the



Deanne Bertsch's New Blood is returning to Rosebud Theatre this month to continue telling the story inspired by the poem, The Indian and the Child. Photo Courtesy of Kelsey Krogman

show is based upon.

This is the second time Rosebud Theatre will showcase New Blood, the first time being in 2016. Bertsch said this year's cast is the "12th or 13th" who have participated in retelling the story.

"Rosebud (School of the Arts) has asked me to do it with their students, so they are learning the part of the spirit dancers. The spirit dancers are animal spirits that are sort of the protectors of the Blackfoot children who are in residential school," added Bertsch.

"The students who are playing the residential school children, all of them have parents or grandparents who went to residential school, so they are actually playing their parents or their grandparents in the show."

The soundtrack for the show is taken from Peter Gabriel's album of the same name, New Blood, which was originally produced in the 1980s.

New Blood will be performed at Rosebud Theatre from March 18 to 20.

U14 AA Ringette takes silver at provincial championship

GLEICHEN RCMP
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Strathmore's U14 AA Ringette team has claimed silver at their provincial championships, earning them a spot at the Western Canadian Championships later this month.

Jody Nouwen, coach for the U14 AA team, said it was close to what one might call a "Cinderella story", as the team went into provincials standing fifth place in the league.

"We went into the round robin and played four games and we were undefeated. Some would say we were kind of the underdogs going in, who peaked at the right time," said Nouwen describing her girls as the underdogs of the tournament.

"We ended up in a fairly tough pool, playing the top place team and then ... the third-place team ... there were some teams we've had close matches with before but never (quite) pulled the win out."

In the gold medal game, Strathmore's representing team lost to another team who they had previously defeated in the proceeding round robin.

Nouwen said the tournament was a very close set, with any of the top six teams having the potential to win it all.

"With the play in provincials, it could be anybody's game. The teams are really close. Any one of us could have been seeded one-through-

six quite easily," said Nouwen. "On the Sunday, it wasn't our day, but we definitely have another crack at them, likely at the Western Canadian Championships down in Regina (Sask.) at the end of March."

Nouwen praised her team for their hard work over the course of the season and ensuring that their goal of, at a minimum, standing on the podium of every tournament, didn't go unmet.

In the tournaments prior to provincials, the team managed to take home one bronze, two silver and one gold medal.

For some of the girls, she added, it was their first time taking to the ice on a provincial stage.

"For them to go there and do as well as they did ... it really helped them believe in the process and believe in the spirit of the game and believe in themselves as a team," said Nouwen. "We don't have as many kids trying out for our AA program. So, when you're able to pull those athletes out and then be able to compete against some of the teams that have way more kids in their community trying out, that just goes to show the quality of program that we have."

Nouwen firmly believes her defence-oriented team has a good shot to bring home the gold from the Western Canadian Championships in Regina Sask. set to take place from March 31 to April 3.

Leela Aheer, MLA

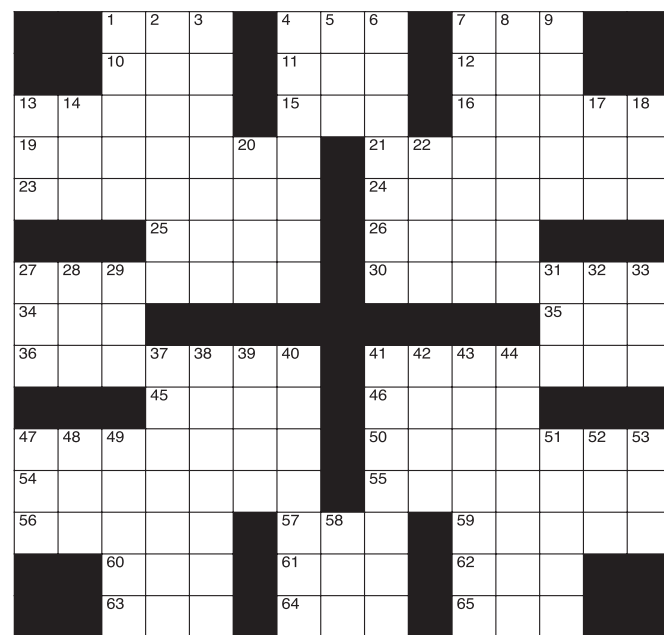
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- 4. Member of the family
- 7. Partner to flow
- 10. __ Angeles
- 11. Military mailbox
- 12. Patriotic women
- 13. Shallow lake
- 15. Tear apart
- 16. Middle Easterner
- 19. Eat to excess
- 21. Stained
- 23. Certain peoples of equatorial Africa
- 24. 1st day of month
- 25. Skin disease
- 26. Skating figure
- 27. Annelids
- 30. Gracefully slender
- 34. Kids need it
- 35. Swiss river
- 36. Indents
- 41. A sheer fabric of silk or nylon
- 45. Belgian River
- 46. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
- 47. Originate from
- 50. Rugged mountain ranges
- 54. Made less clean
- 55. Professions
- 56. 3s
- 57. Scarf
- 59. Yellow light
- 60. Bird noise
- 61. Opposite of start
- 62. Bar bill
- 63. Northeastern Mass. cape
- 64. American rocker Snider
- 65. Midway between northeast and east

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Scandinavian drink
- 2. Washington river
- 3. Fast-running flightless bird
- 4. Nerve conditions
- 5. Indicates near
- 6. Immediate relevance
- 7. Things you can eat
- 8. Receptacles
- 9. Retired Brewers great
- 13. Month
- 14. Happy New Year!
- 17. Exclamation to convey truth
- 18. Passports and licenses are two
- 20. Ebert's partner Siskel
- 22. Long skirt
- 27. Part of company name
- 28. Drugmaker __ Lilly
- 29. Electronic countermeasures
- 31. Klutz
- 32. Chinese statesman
- 33. Stir with emotion
- 37. Flat-bottomed boat
- 38. Go-between
- 39. This (Spanish)
- 40. A plot of ground where seedlings are grown before transplanting
- 41. Small waterfall
- 42. Modern tech necessity (abbr.)
- 43. Utter repeatedly
- 44. One of the bravest
- 47. Sun up in New York
- 48. Space station
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- 51. Hasidic spiritual leader
- 52. They __
- 53. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 58. Single unit

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Local curler turns 94, hopes to get several more years on the ice

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Celebrating his 94th birthday, Lido Kondo is still enjoying the sport of curling, 70 years after first taking to the ice.

"I think I started way back in 1952. Some of my friends got me (into it) way back then. I really liked it, so I stuck with it," said Kondo who added that he was never one to be competitive with his curling, save for the odd bonspiel and seniors' league at the curling club.

"I like the friendship. We just curl for the exercise and just to be with our group, with other curlers and having a good time," said Kondo. "I'm pretty lucky that way. I really like the game and I hope I can go for a few more years yet, I don't know. I'm kind of lucky that way that I can still do it."

Kondo's daughter, Colleen, said although her dad never lost the love for curling, it was far from the only sport that has kept him active over the last 70 years.

"He square danced quite a bit from 1975 to about 2010 and after that, he was always golfing. When he quit golfing because of his shoulder, he ended up jogging in the mornings instead," said Colleen. "He was in the opening ceremonies ... in the 1988 Winter Olympics square dancing group. They formed the prairie rose, the group of them."

Colleen added Kondo had also spent time taking up cross country skiing among his other sports of choice. She suspects that her dad has been able to continue being involved in sports simply because he doesn't stop moving.

She also described Kondo as a lifetime community member who was often volunteering where he was able.

Back when Kondo first started curling, athletes made use of natural ice rather than the artificial arenas that are used today. Colleen joked that when chinooks rolled through town, her dad and his fellows would have to wait for the ice to re-freeze before they would be able to finish games.

After concluding their activities on the ice for Lido's birth-



Lido Kondo (middle) celebrated his 94 birthday on the ice at the Strathmore Curling Club.

John Watson Photo

day, the friends and family who had gathered to celebrate, retreated to hear speeches about Lido and to further celebrate the occasion.

Supporting Ukraine

LEELA SHARON AHEER
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Hello Chestermere – Strathmore. As I write this article, Ukraine sends their women and children to other countries to protect them from attacks on their sovereign nation. The displacement of these peaceful people will most definitely see Canada and Alberta stepping up to support Ukrainians as they seek safety and perhaps permanency. It will be imperative to see us mount larger-scale responses to this displacement and be ready to quickly help and support those impacted – the way Albertans always do with our hearts, minds, time and dollars. We will need to support and leverage our civil society to be ready to find homes for those looking for a home, provide speed in integration into society, love and support. This is the spirit of our province. This will be instrumental in welcoming and accommodating those who have experienced trauma, loss and tremendous upheaval. We need to look at all our tools and we need to have a plan that can be instituted quickly and efficiently, as the information changes by the second. We need to make sure that supports are there for our Ukrainian families, whether they are only here until the conflict ends or they choose to make Alberta their home. As of today, there are more

than 1.5 million Ukrainians fleeing their sovereign nation. The Globe and Mail reported that "as people in Odessa bagged sand, opera singers sang the anthem, Ukraine is not dead, nor its glory and freedom."

We know that we will be seeing many Ukrainians' coming to Alberta; the numbers will be larger than anything we have ever seen. We have seen Canada and Alberta welcome refugee families, now we need to learn from our past mistakes and move quickly to get these families to safety.

The non-profits (NFP) and non-government organizations (NGO) catch everything public policy measures don't cover, such as settlement and long-term health care. Organizations like the Red Cross are getting constant updates and this is the expert intel we will need as Alberta opens her arms wide to all those who need her.

This journey to Canada has seen NGOs and NFP step up and fulfill those needs along the way.

We need to bring subject matter expertise to the table in Alberta, alongside of and led-by settlement agencies and community partners, such as the non-profit organization Council of Alberta and the settlement agencies both federal and regionally.

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- Ukrainian pride is exemplary. For those fleeing from war in hopes of returning to their home when it is safe, we welcome you here. We can be your safe haven.

For those fleeing from war in hopes of making Canada their permanent home, we welcome you here. We would be all the richer for having you share our home with us.

Once again, Alberta will show the world what the power of

kindness and generosity can accomplish.

Finally, the Alberta-based digital portal volunteerconnector.org and national organizations like the Ukrainian Canadian Congress and Red Cross are creating centralized sources of information for ways people can volunteer their services and ways organizations can recruit volunteers. We must have immediate funding available to NFPs and NGOs affected by the increased services needed. Not just the obvious ones, such as food and shelter. We need to be ready to help mental health agencies that support Ukrainian clients dealing with the trauma of their losses.

We need to be ready to offer grants and aid to local community centres, churches and temples in a timely manner. They serve as the safety nets refugees depend on when they get here.

Our province strongly welcomes Ukrainians to call this their new home away from home.

Finally, thank you to everyone who came out to our town halls. I am so grateful that you took the time out of your busy schedules to chat with me and share your wisdom and expertise. We are strong and resilient people and as always, I am honoured to represent you.

Have a wonderful day!

As always, we love to hear from you.

(Leela Sharon Abeer is the MLA Elect for Chestermere-Strathmore)

Slocan Ramblers to make debut performance in Strathmore

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Scheduled to pay Strathmore a visit for the first time, the Slocan Ramblers are scheduled to play at Arts on 817 concert series later this month.

Darryl Paulson, guitar player and singer for the Slocan Ramblers, said he is excited to be resuming their tour to promote their new album, as it was interrupted two years ago by the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"In 2020, we had started a month-long west coast tour and we got about two shows in and basically everything shut down," said Paulson. "We started reading online that they were capping audience sizes and gatherings below 30 people and all of our shows, they just had to start cancelling."

With roughly a month left of shows to play, he said the bluegrass group has a little over 20 shows to play before the end of March. Audiences, he adds, seem just as excited to see them take to the stage again.

"It just feels like a little bit of normalcy even though we all

know there's still a lot left with the pandemic, but it's nice to get back playing for live audiences again."

Paulson said although the band did several performances in the United States, where the use of masks was not mandated, it feels unusual to be performing in Canada and experiencing a sense of pre-pandemic normalcy.

The resumed tour is in support for their album, Up the Hill and Through the Fog, which was recorded in January of 2021, which features all original tracks, save for one Tom Petty cover.

"That was the first chunk of time we could get into the studio and we probably recorded over two weeks and then went in for an extra (couple) days to add a few extra things," said Paulson "It's pretty eclectic in a sense. There's some straight up bluegrass stuff, there's some more boogie woogie feel, we all really liked how the Tom Petty cover turned out, we experimented with some stuff."

For those in the back who may not have heard of the Slocan Ramblers, they are a Toronto-based band which formed in 2009. Their first album was released in 2012 and their first major tour took place in 2013.

Paulson said the group originally formed very innocently from a handful of guys who just wanted to get together and play some bluegrass music.

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Thought for the Week
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Anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows, but only empties today of its strength.
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Art show at library

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

A new artist is now showcasing her work at the Strathmore Municipal Library, which will be hung and for sale throughout the month of March.

Sibil Simmons is still relatively new to her medium, but now that she has found joy in painting, it's something she has no intention of stopping anytime soon.

"A year ago, I picked up a paintbrush and it's a story of me getting back on my feet," said Simmons.

"I like to paint anything and everything. If there's something I want to paint, I'll teach myself. I'll just paint and paint, I'll use one canvas over and over until I get it right ... I paint because it helps me heal."

Simmons said she has always had a love for art but has only been seriously painting for about a year.

She described her paintings as telling stories of her experiences, particularly within the last two years, following a serious injury, being laid off from stable employment and being homeless living out of her vehicle.

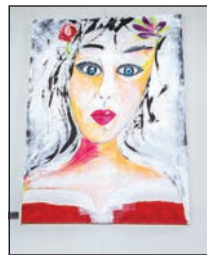
"I lost my livelihood, I lost my home, I lost everything. I ended up in a truck with my dog and myself. (I went) from making \$4,000 to \$5,000 every two weeks, to nothing," said Simmons.

"My painting is the sorrow, the tears of joy ... that's painting when I got out of the truck, that's painting throughout my journey and all my pictures have a story to tell and they're getting better."

Carment Erison, assistant director of library services for the Strathmore Library, is always excited for more people to be displaying their works within the library's galleries, at no charge to the artist.

"It's really a great, eclectic collection of paintings ... it's really quite stunning. She doesn't use a paintbrush, it's all done with her hands and with a knife and just her imagination really comes out on the canvas," said Erison.

The roughly 25 featured pieces on



Throughout the month of March, the Strathmore Municipal Library will be displaying works by Sibil Simmons. She will also be participating in a Meet the Artist at the library on March 12.

John Watson Photos

display at the library are for sale, ranging from \$75 to \$1,000 depending on the piece.

For Sibil, she is also the first artist that the library will be hosting a Meet the Artist Day with on Mar. 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"It's something that we always wanted to do. It's something that we've been talking about with our artists for quite some time. COVID-19 made it very difficult for gatherings and now that restrictions have lifted, it's opening up those opportunities for us to be able to have these types of events again," said Erison. "This is something that's really been on the books for quite some time and I'm so happy that we're going to be able to do it. We're hoping to be able to do this on a monthly basis with all of our artists if they're interested."

Simmons added now that she has begun to paint, she aims to one day teach painting and host classes for other budding artists.

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Vancouver based comic making debut appearance in Strathmore

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Making his debut performance in Strathmore, Ed Hill is set to perform at Mike's Bar and Grill with a follow-up to his previous comedy special, Candy and Smiley.

Hill is currently touring across North America to explore new material for an upcoming special, which has yet to begin filming.

"I like to run it in as many places as possible, since different places may have different interpretations and reactions to it and I want to make sure that it remains consistent," said Hill. "I really don't have an agenda when I go to places, I just look at where I haven't been and trying to go there. Strathmore is one of those places I've never been, so I said, hey, let's do it."

Hill said the material he is exploring to talk about in his next special focuses on his relationships with female figures in his life, including his wife, mother and grandmother.

"It's introspective. I'm not a political comic, I'm not an observational comic, I'm not a shock comic, it's all really from within. I dig into the internal experience and try to relay that to everybody else," he said. "I'm not going to sugar coat it, it's very difficult to look within at your insecurities, your fears, your triumphs, your struggles and trying to make those things funny. There's a lot of pain, but there's also a lot of joy."

Hill added that response to his new material has thus far been similar to the talking points themselves - "an emotional rollercoaster." He said throughout the new show he wishes for the



Ed Hill is visiting Strathmore for the first time to perform content from an upcoming comedy special.

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audience to laugh and be entertained, but also experience times of tragedy and levity.

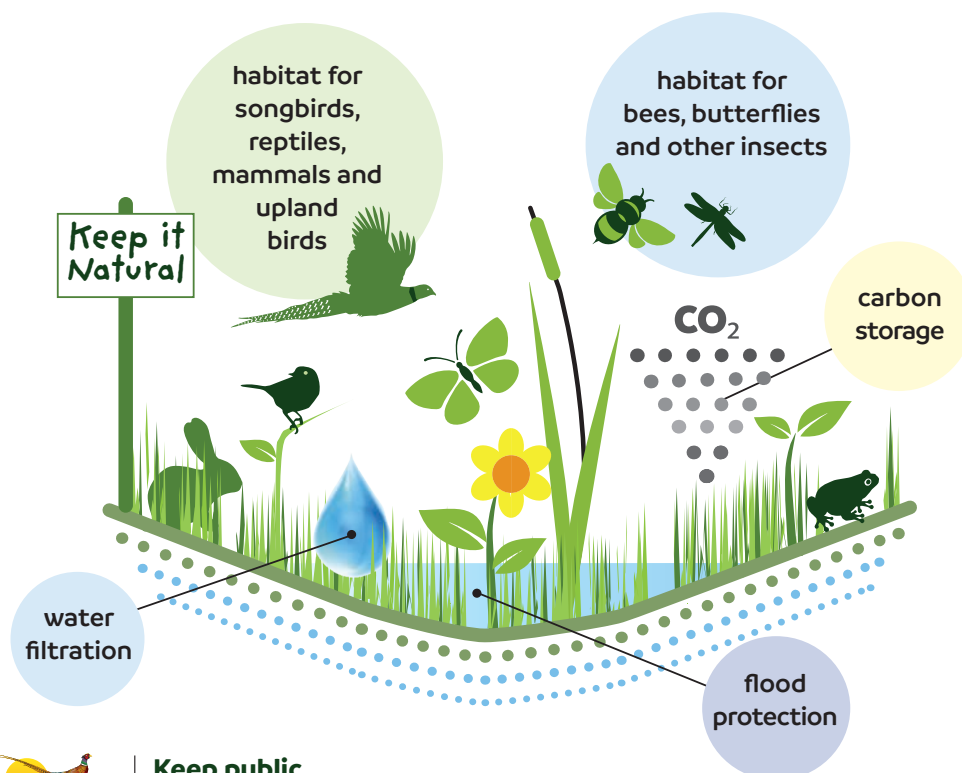
Alongside speaking about the women close to him, Hill said he also talks about the effect his cultural and national heritage has had for him.

"The first special was really an exploration of me as a synthesis of my parents and the realization that, for my whole life, I've been trying not to be them and then just to realize I've become who they are, just as one," he said. "Taiwan is my father and Canada is my mother and most of the values I learned was actually here in this country. That's also another thing I talk about because people look at me and they say I look Taiwanese, but my values are all Canadian."

Hill is scheduled to perform at Mike's Bar and Grill on March 11 from 8 to 10 p.m.

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Strathmore's U16 AA Ringette team have earned their place at the national tournament hosted in Calgary next month after winning the provincial champions. **Photo Courtesy of Wes Clark**

Strathmore U16 AA Ringette going to nationals

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Strathmore's U16 AA Ringette team will be representing Team Alberta at the national tournament set to be hosted in Calgary next month.

The team's head coach, Wesley Clark, said although he is not surprised with the outcome of the team moving onto the national tournament level, he is excited for his team's success and the opportunity to compete at such a high level.

"We were ranked the No. 1 team in the province virtually all year and we've had a lot of success throughout the season," said Clark. "We won gold in St. Albert in October (2021), we won gold in Regina in November (2021). Unfortunately, we had a few tournaments cancelled."

Clark added his team went into the provincial tournament two years ago in similar standing and was unfortunately defeated in the crossover game following their round-robin.

This time around, Strathmore outscored the Calgary representative team in the gold medal game 11-4.

The team maintains a strong defense and penalty kill, something that Clark said enables them to create many more opportunities to score for themselves.

He said, however, that it is important that his team not think themselves invincible.

"We played four games and unfortunately in our fourth game we lost ... but that was a good thing because it always settles the nerves," explained Clark about their provincial games.

"If you can get a loss out of the way in a game that's not as important, then you can build off of that."

Though it has been a very positive season for Strathmore's U16 AA team, Clark explained it was not without its fair share of challenges.

These included disruptions caused by COVID-19 concerns both to the well-being of the team, as well as scheduled games.

Despite this, Clark added he is proud of his team and the leadership qualities they have displayed over the season.

"As a coach, I've been blessed with a team that works hard, they're dedicated and I know that they're one of the best teams that any coach could ask for," he said. "I don't like to single out any one or two players because we do play so well as a team. We have some girls who really step up in big games, but we're more of a team and it's not just about one or two players."

The The Canadian Ringette Championships (Nationals) will run from April 3 to 9 in Calgary. The team will spend the next few weeks in preparation, conditioning themselves to be able to potentially play more games in a shorter span of time than they are normally accustomed to.



The need for blood plasma donations continues to rise. Much of the plasma Canadians need comes from the U.S. Many people give blood on a regular basis but it's a good idea to consider a plasma donation. There are 35 plasma donation centres in Canada. If one is near you, consider making a donation. It takes a bit more time but the need is great.

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Slocan Ramblers

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Obituary



BLAKNEY, Thomas Patrick

With deep sadness, the family of Tom Blakney announce his sudden passing on March 5, 2022. Tom was a generous Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Brother and overall good man.

Mourning his passing are his wife of 59 years, Shirley, his Son's Todd (Audra), Tommy, and Tyrone. The Grandchildren, Teneal, Logan, Ryley, Emmett, and Fergal, Great Granddaughter, Chloe. Brothers, Russ, Richard, and Danny. Sister Nancy. In addition to many inlaws from the McDonald, Blakney, and Zaba families.

Tom was predeceased by his parents Joseph and Nellie, his brothers, Sam, and Guy, his son, Tim, his grandson, Joel, along with other inlaws from the McDonald, Blakney, and Zaba families.

Please join with the family, in a celebration of life, for Tom Blakney, to be held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch no. 10 in Strathmore on Saturday March 12th, at 1:00 pm until 4:30 pm. Food will be provided. All who have known Tom and want to participate are welcome.

To read the longer version of Tom's obituary and to send condolences to the family, please visit Tom's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca

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Obituary



COUSINS, Kenneth (Kenny) Alan

November 20, 1960 – March 3, 2022

It is with great sadness we express that Kenny has lost his long, hard battle to cancer.

Kenny is survived by his loving wife Karla Cousins, daughters Kimberley Payne & Brandi Joyal, son Casey Cousins, grandson Danny Payne, sisters Diana Garred, Linda Freeman (Wally) & Kathy Lowe (Don), 5 nieces, 5 nephews, 4 great nieces and 2 great nephews.

Kenny is predeceased by his Dad Alan Cousins, Mom Fan Cousins, and daughter Britni Joyal.

Kenny has always worked in the field of oil and gas and considered Atco to be his second family. Kenny's contribution to the Village of Carbon has not gone unnoticed, from curling club, volunteer firefighting and coaching soccer, to helping someone with their furnace.

Kenny had integrity, loyalty, and a kindness to help anyone in need. His support and help were offered at the drop of a hat. Kenny was well loved by anyone who had the honour and privilege of knowing him. The people who have been touched by Kenny will miss him dearly.

We have encountered so many wonderful people during this journey over the past 18 months.

Special thanks and love to Dr. Pabani (And Lexi for your support and answering my countless calls) at the Tom Baker Centre (and all the amazing staff). To Wendy and Dr. Brock Randolph at the Drumheller Cancer Centre and to the amazing staff at the Acute Care Department at the Drumheller Hospital. We would not have been able to travel this 18-month journey without all your love and support.

In Kenny's honor, memorial donations may be made to Strathmore Lions Club or Tom Baker Health Centre: Oncology Unit.

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JONES, Alice Grovely

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear Mother, Grandmother, and Great-Grandmother, Alice.

Alice passed away on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, after a lengthy struggle with Alzheimer's disease. Alice endured this disease with strength and determination, still enjoying her meal times, recreation activities, and music time with the residents at Wentworth Manor.

Alice spent a happy childhood growing up in Strathmore before meeting her one time love Herb. They were happily married for 56 years, enjoying their family and friendships they made.

Alice enjoyed her life as a wife and homemaker. She was an amazing cook and baker, but also enjoyed her gardening and knitting. We all remember Alice for her great hospitality, the door always open for visits. She always put out a spread for the many family and friends who loved to spend time with her.

Alice was predeceased by her parents Walter and Nellie, husband Herb as well as his parents Hop and Elsie, siblings Walter (Ruth), Mary (Gene), Charley (Kae), Florence (Ross). Sister-in-laws, Millie (Elmer), Freda (Roe), Thora (Jack), Olive (Hugh), Vi (Wally).

Alice is lovingly remembered by her son Wayne (Cindy), daughter Donna (Craig). Grandchildren, Christopher, Kimberly, Alayna (Brendan), Lyndon (Mallory), Great grandchildren Ella and Aurora, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, March 18th, 2022 at 2:00pm at Eden Brook Funeral Home & Cemetery, Rev. Carmen Maier officiating.

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Obituary



SPROULE, Caroline Coy (Carrie)

August 4, 1942

– March 2, 2022

It is with great sadness for ourselves but relief for her release from sickness and pain that we said goodbye to our beautiful loving Mom on March 2, 2022. She is in heaven dancing and rejoicing with Jesus whom she has loved so much since she was a little girl while laughing with and hugging her loved ones that have been waiting for her arrival.

Caroline Sproule, known to all as Carrie, was a kind, generous, loving woman who became a mom, grand mom, and dear friend to all she crossed paths with. Her love has been felt throughout the 18 countries she traveled to during her life.

Carrie was predeceased by her parents Arve and Emma, brother Rod, brother-in-law Lloyd, and niece Debbie. She is survived by husband Winston, daughters Melody and Michelle and their families, her sons by marriage Wes, Royal, and Garfield and their families, sisters Jerry, Verna, and Sandra, brothers Dave and Doug, sister-in-law Joan and their families.

She will be missed greatly by her large extended family of children, in-laws, grandchildren and great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, cousins, and ones who have come to love her dearly and call her Mom, Grandma, GG, and friend.

We have chosen to have a Zoom memorial celebration of life for Mom so that as many people as possible from all the places she has travelled will be able to attend. The memorial celebration will be held Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 2:00pm. The memorial service will be facilitated through St. George's Anglican Church. There will not be a physical gathering place for the memorial service.

The Service link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8449799964?pwd=SnZUSHoyWWZkUkt1QmRSckZwMFl1dz09>

You may be asked for the meeting ID: 844 9799 9964 You may need to enter the passcode: 803335

We would like to welcome you using your name, not by what device you are using when accessing the service.

The family has requested that remembrances be made in the form of contributions to: Hopethiopia/Rwanda <https://www.hopethiopia-rwanda.com> or your favorite charity.

To send condolences, please visit Carrie's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca.

Wheatland Funeral Home
Strathmore, AB 403-934-4404

Obituary



WATHEN, Leonard Eric (Rick)

Rick Wathen, of Strathmore, Alberta, passed away on March 4, 2022 at the age of 72.

Rick was born June 10, 1949 to parents Len and Florence Wathen. He is survived by his daughter, Shawna Wegener (Ken), and his son Trevor Wathen (Jan); his four grandchildren, Tatum Wathen, Daylen Wathen, Taylor Wegener, and Bailee Wathen; his sister Ferne Schaufert. Rick was predeceased by his mother and father, Len and Florence Wathen and his sister Arlene Brandt.

His passion for ranching was a life-long commitment that he was fortunate enough to be able to share with his father, his son and his grandchildren. Rick was known for his keen-eye to pick out the best horses and cattle, and you can find him at the Strathmore Auction Mart every Thursday. He had a love for the great outdoors, and he spent many hours spotting antelope, tracking deer, and sitting in a goose blind. Rick was also a long-time member of the Strathmore Elks #491, as well as the Strathmore Curling Club. In 1990, Rick took his love for curling to Jonquière, Quebec where he and his team, representing the Elks, won the national championship, the Corby Cup. Rick's love of sports continued in his later years as his granddaughters #1 fan. No matter what sport they were playing, or where it was, Grandpa was always there.

A come and go Celebration of Life will be held at Hope Community Covenant Church Hall, Strathmore (please enter through the north door) on Thursday, March 10, 2022 from 2 to 4 p.m.

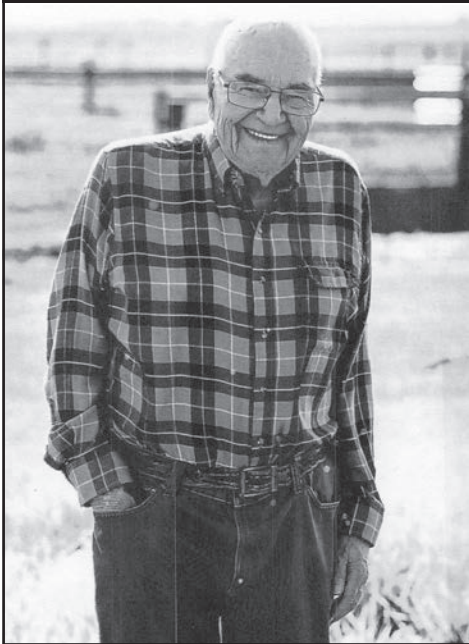
In lieu of flowers donations may be made directly to Alberta Cancer Foundation, Tom Baker Cancer Centre www.albertacancer.ca

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BIRTHDAY

To the Love of My Life
Happy 90th Birthday Old Guy!



LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Estate of EDWARD HERMAN YSINGA
who died on December 26, 2020.

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by April 30, 2022

with CROSSFIELD LAW
Attention: Mark F. Crossfield
at #413, 1333 8th Street S.W.
Calgary, Alberta T2R 1M6

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Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Estate of BEVERLEY ANNE BROWN
who died on December 30, 2021.

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by April 18, 2022

with Lynn Woods Law Office
at Box 2335
#101 318 3rd Avenue
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If you do not file by the date above, the estate property can lawfully be distributed without regard to any claim you may have.

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Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Estate of MARIA HENRIETTA
CECILIA GERRITSEN
who died on January 23, 2022.

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NEW ARRIVAL



We're very excited to announce the arrival of **Eleanor Ann Champigny-Pirie**, born on January 7, 2022. Proud parents Adam & Syd, proud grandparents are Rob & June Pirie, Sheila Raine, John & Gina Champigny. 'Over the moon' aunts are Sara and Tenell, uncles Jackson & Julian and cousins Ben, Em and Liv.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Estate of DOROTHY ANN SCHEER
who died on February 3, 2022

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Wheatland County
WATER ACT**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is given that **Wheatland County** has filed an application under the provisions of the Water Act for permanent disturbance of portions of twenty two (22) wetlands for construction of a municipal road upgrade project on the section of Range Road 205 between Township Road 250 and Highway 564. Wetland replacement compensation will be made in accordance with the Alberta Wetland Policy

Any person who is directly affected by this application may submit a Statement of Concern within **seven (7)** days of the date of this notice within the Digital Regulatory Assurance System (DRAS) using a MyAlberta Digital ID (MADI) or MyAlberta Digital ID for Business (MADI-B) account to access <https://www.alberta.ca/digital-regulatory-assurance-system.aspx>

Alternatively, you may submit a written Statement of Concern to Environment and Parks, Approvals Unit, 5th Floor, South Petroleum Plaza, 9915 108 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2G8 or by email to: aep.waapplications@gov.ab.ca

The written statement of concern should include the following:

- Quote the Case number: **DAPP0002232**
- Describe concerns that are relevant to matters regulated by the Water Act
- Explain how the filer of the concern will be directly affected by the activity proposed in the application
- Provide the legal land location of the land owned or used by the filer where the concerns described are believed to be applicable
- State the distance between the land owned or used by the filer and the site in the application
- Contact information including the full name and mailing address of the filer. Please provide the telephone number and email address for ease of contact.

Environment and Parks will review each written Statement of Concern, seek more information if needed, and notify each filer by letter of the decision to accept or reject their written submission as a valid Statement of Concern.

Statements of Concern submitted regarding this application are public records, which are accessible by the public and the applicant. Failure to file a Statement of Concern may affect the right to file a Notice of Appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board.

Copies of the application and additional information may be obtained from:

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NOTICES

DONALD BRUCE ELLIS, 1947 - 2022, Whitehorse, Yukon, passed away February 20, 2022, leaving his "True Love, Carol", Whitehorse, with friends, relatives across Canada.

NOTICES

Western District Historical Society ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Thursday, March 24, 2022
The Vault • 7:00pm

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Irrigation Districts Act (Sections 54, 58, 59)
Local Authorities Election Act (Section 26)

Western Irrigation District in the Province of Alberta

Notice is hereby given that nominations are open from the date of this publication until 4:00 pm on Wednesday, March 16th, 2022 for the election of candidates for the following offices and will be received at the location of the office of the Western Irrigation District set out below:

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Division Number
Director	1	1
Director	1	4

Electoral Division 3, which comprises Townships 21, Electoral Division 1 comprises Townships 22, 23 and 24 in Ranges 20, 21, 22.

Electoral Division 4 comprises Townships 24, 25, 26 and 27 in Ranges 26, 27 and 28.

Nominations must be in the form prescribed by the Irrigation Districts Act and can be obtained from Western Irrigation District; location being 1000A Pine Street, Strathmore.

DATED at the Town of Strathmore in the Province of Alberta, this 8th day of February 2022.

Donna Mitchel, Acting General Manager
Returning Officer

A PERMANENT FULL-TIME INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES ADVISOR

The Golden Hills School Division invites applications for a permanent full-time International Student Services Advisor in Strathmore, AB.

For a full position description, please visit the Careers - Non-Teaching section of our website, www.ghsd75.ca

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email humanresources@ghsd75.ca

SUMMER STUDENT- MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT - STRATHMORE AND SURROUNDING AREA

The Golden Hills School Division invites applications for the following position: Summer Student- Maintenance Department- Strathmore and surrounding area to work in our Facilities/Maintenance Department. This position will commence approximately May 16th, 2022 or when a suitable candidate is found and end around August 26, 2022. Term of employment can be negotiated. Please refer to our website www.ghsd75.ca under Employment -Non-Teaching Opportunities for further information.

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For more information on both positions visit our website at www.growingfamiliesociety.ca



Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Strathmore Youth Justice Committee (SYJC) is looking for new Committee Members.

WHAT WE DO

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EXPECTATIONS OF VOLUNTEERS

Must be at least 18 years of age. SYJC meets on Wednesday evenings starting at 7:00 p.m. when we have a case(s) to facilitate and usually runs 1.5-2 hours. Knowledge of the Justice System is an asset but not a requirement. A Vulnerable Sector Check, a Child Intervention Check and an Oath of Confidentiality are mandatory.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer member of SYJC, please email strathmoreyouthjustice@outlook.com and you will be forwarded an application to complete and return via email to this email address.

Bassano Playgroup Society
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 - Previous experience would be an asset.
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Please submit a resume with 2-3 references by April 15, 2022 to bassanoplaygroup@gmail.com or for more information please call Stephanie at 1-403-703-5951 or Carla at 1-403-376-5742

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- Must be able to work independently and as a member of a team
- Strong work ethic, ability to handle pressure situations, and above all, integrity and character are required
- Other duties as assigned

Deadline to apply is **March 25, 2022**. Please submit resume & cover letter via email: info@strathmorestampede.com or at the office in a sealed envelope: 122 Brent Blvd, Strathmore, AB
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- Set up and tear down for events
- Work well independently and with others
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- Other duties as assigned
- Wage dependent on experience

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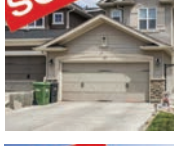
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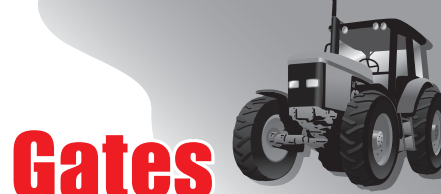
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PUBLIC NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

SECTION 251 - MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta, has given first reading to borrowing **By-law No. 22-07** which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the proper officers of the said Town to borrow monies from a Canadian Chartered Bank or the Government of Alberta on the general credit and security of the municipality, to pay for the purpose of, road and sidewalk improvements, Brent Blvd surface drainage improvements, utility main replacements and upsizing, Fourth Street storm sewer upgrades, wastewater system and equipment replacements and upgrades at the wastewater treatment plant, central irrigation system upgrades for Town parks, creation of bocce courts, and various equipment including roll off bins, washer, and surveying equipment.

The total cost of the aforesaid projects amounts to \$3,237,000.00. The borrowing is to be repayable in semi-annual or annual installments of principal with interest payable monthly or semiannual, at an interest rate as fixed from time to time by the Canadian Chartered Bank or other financial institution. The annual rate of interest not to exceed five per centum (5%).

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of the Town of Strathmore that, unless a petition of the electors for a vote on **By-law No. 22-07** is demanded, as provided for by the terms of Section 231 of the **Municipal Government Act**, the said Council may pass the said borrowing by-law.

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

DATED at the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta this 2nd day of March 2022.

Per: Lisa Gregory
Director of Corporate Services

INFORMATION FOR ELECTORS

Pursuant to Section 1(i) of the **Municipal Government Act** an "elector" means:

A person who is eligible to vote in the election for a Councillor under the **Local Authorities Election Act**.

Pursuant to section 47(1) of the **Local Authorities Election Act** a person is eligible to vote in an election if he:

- is at least 18 years old;
- is a Canadian citizen and;
- has resided in Alberta for the 6 consecutive months immediately preceding election day and is resident in the area on election day.

A poll may be demanded in the Town of Strathmore by electors equal in number to at least:

- in the case of a municipality other than a summer village, by electors of the municipality equal in number to at least 10% of the population and
- in the case of a summer village, by 10% of the electors of the summer village

In accordance with the provisions of section 223 of the **Municipal Government Act** and in accordance with the provisions of section 251 of the **Municipal Government Act**.

The petition for a vote must be received by the Chief Administrative Officer within 15 days of the last publication of this notice and shall contain on each page "an accurate and identical statement of the purpose of the petition".

(Further requirements of the petition are provided in section 224 of the **Municipal Government Act**.)

DATE of the last publication of this notice is the 18th, day of March 2022.

Upcoming Council Meetings

March 09, 2022 6 p.m.	Committee of the Whole
March 16, 2022 6 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting
April 06, 2022 6 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting

In-person attendance isn't available at this time. All meetings are streamed live at Strathmore.ca/YouTube

Want to speak at a Council Meeting?

Public are welcome to speak at Council or Committee of the Whole Meetings during the Public Comments or Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Learn how at Strathmore.ca/YouTube

Garbage cart ID numbers

Did you know that on the side of each garbage cart is a unique identification number that the Town uses to track and identify where a cart belongs?

That's where you come in! We're looking for your help in updating our data to ensure the accuracy of these ID numbers. Keeping an accurate log of garbage carts will also help everyone locate carts when they are lost or stolen, or blown away by the wind.

Please submit your address and cart ID number through one of the following options;

1. Filling out the form at Strathmore.ca/WasteID
2. Calling 403-361-2108
3. Welcome desk at the Strathmore Municipal Building
4. Email the below to infrastructure@strathmore.ca

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 Green Cart ID: 118-000 ____