

Clear Hills County Council and Staff extend warm wishes to all our residents and neighbors as we bid farewell to the year gone by and eagerly anticipate the opportunities and adventures that 2024 holds. May the coming year bring you joy, good health, and prosperity in abundance. As we embark on this new chapter together, may it be filled with success, growth, and meaningful connections. Thank you for your continued support, and here's to a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year for everyone in Clear Hills County!

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 Tuesday of most months.

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

	MINUTES OF CLEAR REGULAR COUN CLEAR HILLS COUNTY O TUESDAY, NOVE	CIL MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS	
PRESENT	Amber Bean Abe Giesbrecht Danae Walmsley David Janzen Jason Ruecker Susan Hansen Nathan Stevenson	Reeve Councillor Councillor Deputy Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor	
ATTENDING	Allan Rowe Lori Jobson Terry Shewchuk Bonnie Morgan	Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Corporate Services Manager (CSM) Public Works Manager (PWM) Executive Assistant (EA)	
ABSENT			
CALL TO ORDER	Reeve Bean called the m	neeting to order at 9:32 a.m.	
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA C638-23(11-18-23) TENDER OPENING	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to adopt the agenda governing the November 28, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.		
APPROVAL OF MINUTES Previous Council Meeting Minutes C639-23(11-28-23)	RESOLUTION by Coun	e meeting for the public hearing at 9:59 a.m. cillor Giesbrecht to adopt the minutes of Regular Council Meeting, as presented.	
C640-23(11-28-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to adopt the minutes of the November 16, 2023, Policy & Priority Meeting, as Presented. CARRIED		
NEW BUSINESS: COUNCIL Management Team Activity Report	Management activity repo	ort was reviewed.	
C641-23(11-28-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Stevenson that the management activity reports for November 28, 2023, be accepted, as presented. CARRIED.		

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Councillor Reports

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

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting for the public hearing at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

Bylaw 287-23 - Land Use – 10:00 a.m. Bylaw 281-23- Advertising - 10:05 a.m.

Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

C642-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to amend the Land Use bylaw to include discretionary approvals within a quarter section including subdivisions, to notify all the adjacent landowners sharing the quarter section borders.

CARRIED.

C643-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to approve the allocation of \$5,000.00 from the Rate Stabilization, for the reclamation of ground fires persisting on private land as a direct outcome of the 2023 Wildfire. The full amount to be billed back to the Department of Emergency Services.

CARRIED.

C644-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Council verbal and written reports for information, as presented.

CARRIED.

C645-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to draft a letter for the Peace Libraries within Clear Hills County requisition boundaries, regarding legislative requirements and funding opportunities.

CARRIED.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 11:16 a.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

Municipal Affairs-Municipal Government Act – 5:1 Ratio

Council is presented with a proposed 10-year plan for Clear Hills County to come into compliance with Municipal Governments mandated 5:1 ratio for property tax rates.

C646-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve the 10-year plan for Clear Hills County to come into compliance with Municipal Governments mandated 5:1 ratio for property tax rates.

CARRIED.

Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (MMSA)

Council is presented with information regarding the Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (MMSA) agreement that is up for renewal December 31, 2024.

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C647-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to notify Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency (MMSA) in writing that Clear Hills County will be ending its contracted services with them as of December 31, 2024.

CARRIED.

Member Balder Ruecker – (ASB) Agricultural Service Board

Council is presented with correspondence from Member Ruecker (Clear Hills County Agricultural Service Board) representative.

Councillor Ruecker declared pecuniary interest and left the room at 11: 32 a.m.

C648-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Stevenson to receive the correspondence from Member Ruecker (Clear Hills County Agricultural Service Board) representative for information, as presented.

CARRIED.

Councillor Ruecker entered the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Peace River School Division Board Joint Meeting

Council is presented with an invitation to attend the annual meeting with the PRSD (Peace River School Division) Board of Trustees on February 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. location to be determined.

C649-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to approve the attendance of all Council to attend the annual meeting with the Peace River School Division Board of Trustees on February 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. location to be determined. CARRIED.

Policy 6317- Biggest Vegetable Contest

C650-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to adopt Policy 6317-Biggest Vegetable Contest, as presented. CARRIED.

CORPORATE SERVICES Accounts Payable November 15, 2023, to November 28, 2023

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of November 15, 2023 to November 28, 2023 is provided for Council's review.

C651-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of November 15, 2023 to November 28, 2023 for a total of \$600,844.11.

Draft 2024 Interim

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Operation Budget

Council is provided with the draft 2024 Interim Operating Budget for consideration.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 11:54 a.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 12:39 p.m.

C652-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to adopt the 2024 Interim Operating Budget effective January 1, 2024, as presented.

CARRIED.

Multi Year Capital Plan

Council is being provided with a copy of the Multi Year Capital Plan.

C653-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that Council approves the Multi Year Capital Plan, as presented. CARRIED.

2024 Funding Request – Fairview & Area Seniors Check in line.

The Fairview & Area Senior Check-In Line Society is requesting a general grant of \$7,000.00 to assist with their 2024 operating expenses that do not qualify for Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) funding.

C654-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve a general grant of \$7,000.00 to the Fairview & Area Senior Check-In Line Society and include the funds in the 2024 Operating Budget. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY
Policy 6804 –
Appreciation Banquet

Council is presented with the draft Clear Hills County Appreciation Banquet - Policy 6804 for review.

C655-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to Adopt Policy 6804 Clear Hills County Appreciation Banquet, as presented. CARRIED.

Policy 6805 Parades

Council is presented with draft policy 6205- Clear Hills County Parades, outlining Councils participation in local parades in the County.

C656-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to Adopt Policy 6202 Clear Hills County Parades, as presented. CARRIED.

Clear Creek Fire Committee Recommendations

Council is presented with recommendations from the Clear Creek Committee (CCFC) meeting November 21, 2023, for Consideration.

C657-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to include \$3,000.00 to the Clear Creek Fire Committee operating budget for emergency type promotional items and accept the November 21, 2023, meeting minutes for information.

CARRIED.

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Mutual Aid Agreements

Council is presented with the Clear Hills County Mutual Aid and Northwest Alberta Emergency Response Agreements with the Town of Manning for review and discussion.

C658-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to invite The Town of Manning Mayor McLeod, Deputy Mayor Schamehorn and CAO to a joint meeting with Clear Hills County to discuss the current Mutual Aid agreement.

CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS Log Haul Route Request – Mercer

Council is presented with the Clear Hills County Mutual Aid and Northwest Alberta Emergency Response Agreements with the Town of Manning for review and discussion.

C659-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to approve the request from Mercer Peace River Pulp (MPR) to use local roads as log haul routes within Clear Hills County for the 2023/2024 haul season following all related aspects of the Clear Hills County Road Use agreement policy. 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.

Proceed to Tender-One New Pickup Truck

Council is presented with information regarding proceeding to tender for the purchase of one new pickup truck.

C660-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to proceed to tender for the purchase of one new pickup truck. CARRIED.

WRITTEN REPORTS Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Chief Administrative Officer's report.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 1:59 p.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

C661-23(11-28-23)

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

CARRIED.

Corporate Services Manager's Report

Corporate Services Report. No report.

Public Works Manager's Report

Public Works Manager's Report

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C662-23(11-28-23)

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

COUNCIL INFORMATION

Council is presented with correspondence, for information. Nothing to report.

C663-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to receive the correspondence, for information. CARRIED.

CALENDARS

Council and administration shall review the upcoming months' calendars for Councillor Committee meetings to attend or that were attended, to assist Administration with record keeping and Council with reminders of upcoming meetings.

C664-23(11-28-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to accept for information the November, December 2023 and January 2024 calendar updates of Councillor Committee meetings and important dates, for information, as presented.

Date	Meeting	Attendee			
Dec 5	BR-Rec	Walmsley			
Dec 13	HPEC/Med	Hansen			
Jan 12	NTAB	Bean			
Jan 22	MPTA Board	Bean			
Jan 27	PLS Exec	Bean			
Jan 22-24	ASB Conference	Janzen, Ruecker			
		CARRIED.			

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Reeve	Bean	adjourned	the,	November	28,	2023	Regular	Counci
Meeting	a 2:31	p.m.						

DATE	REEVE
DATE	CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

REMINDER!



Please remember when sending E-Transfers to the County that you must include an account number or description of where the funds are to be put towards! Failure to do so may result in delay in processing and finance charges.

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PRESENT Abe Giesbrecht Councillor Councillor Danae Walmslev David Janzen Deputy Reeve Jason Ruecker Councillor **ATTENDING** Allan Rowe Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Terry Shewchuk Public Works Manager (PWM) Natasha Gillett Community Services Clerk (CSC) **ABSENT** Amber Bean Reeve Susan Hansen Councillor Nathan Stevenson Councillor CALL TO ORDER Deputy Reeve Janzen called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA P665-23(12-05-23) RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to adopt the agenda governing the December 5, 2023 Policy & Priority Meeting, as presented. CARRIED. **NEW BUSINESS:** COUNCIL Policy 1221 Tendering & Purchasing Council reviewed Policy 1221 Tendering & Purchasing. P666-23(12-05-23) **RESOLUTION** by Councillor Ruecker to recommend Council change the contracted grader life cycle to 12 years and adopt a clause in the grader contracts that offers an up to 3 year life cycle extension to be granted by Council motion when in a consecutive term. CARRIED. Deputy Reeve Janzen recessed the meeting at 10:50 a.m. Deputy Reeve Janzen reconvened the meeting at 10:57 a.m. P667-23(12-05-23) RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to recommend Council change the tender package evaluation criteria to make the evaluation weight of location of contractor in proximity to work area 40 points, total contracted price 20 points, experience 20 points, and equipment 20 points. CARRIED. Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program Council reviewed the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program. P668-23(12-05-23) RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to bring a draft Policy regarding a new grant for supporting community programs to the December 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED.

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P669-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to recommend Council authorize the use of Clear Hills County Annual Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) funding to support the Sr. Snowplowing Program.

CARRIED.

Deputy Reeve Janzen recessed the meeting at 12:01 p.m. Deputy Reeve Janzen reconvened the meeting at 12:24 p.m.

Dust Control

Council reviewed the dust control policy.

P670-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to recommend Council adopt Policy 3221 Dust Control, as presented. CARRIED.

Transfer Station Review

Council reviewed the Transfer Station information.

P671-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to bring back more information regarding the Clear Hills County Transfer Stations operating costs to a future meeting.

CARRIED.

Cleardale Fire Hall

Council discussed the Cleardale Fire Hall

P672-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to accept for information the discussion regarding the planning, development, and location of the Cleardale Fire Hall, as presented. CARRIED.

Re-Branding

Council discussed the Re-branding proposal.

P673-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to table the discussion regarding the Re-branding proposal. CARRIED.

Nurse Practitioner

Council reviewed the media release regarding the Nurse Practitioner incentives.

P674-23(12-05-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to bring back the discussion regarding the nurse practitioner incentives to the December 12, 2023, Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Deputy Reeve Janzen adjourned the December 5, 2023 Regular Council Meeting 1:43 p.m.

DATE	REEVE	
DATE	CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	

MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CLEAR HILLS COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023

	TUESDAY, DECEM	IBER 12, 2023
PRESENT	Amber Bean David Janzen Abe Giesbrecht Danae Walmsley Jason Ruecker Susan Hansen	Reeve Deputy Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor
ATTENDING	Allan Rowe Lori Jobson Terry Shewchuk Bonnie Morgan	Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Corporate Services Manager (CSM) Public Works Manager (PWM) Executive Assistant (EA)
ABSENT	Nathan Stevenson	Councillor
CALL TO ORDER ACCEPTANCE OF	Reeve Bean called the me	eeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
AGENDA C675-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Cou governing the Decemb removing b.3 Reserves,	ncillor Ruecker to adopt the agenda per 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, as presented. CARRIED.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES Previous Council Meeting Minutes		
C676-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to adopt the minutes the November 28, 2023, Regular Council Meeting, as presented CARRII	
C677-23(12-12-23)		cillor Giesbrecht to adopt the minutes of colicy & Priority Meeting, as amended. CARRIED.
NEW BUSINESS: COUNCIL Management Team		
Activity Report	Management activity repo	
C678-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker that the managemen activity reports for December 12, 2023, be accepted, a presented.	
Councillor Reports	Council submits the mee report, if applicable.	tings attended in the previous month and a
C679-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to table the Coverbal and written reports until later in the meeting. CARF	

DELECATIONS	Page 2 of 6 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023
DELEGATIONS TELUS	Council met with TELUS virtually to discuss connectivity issues in the County.
C680-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean that Council close the meeting to the public as per Section 27, of FOIP at 10:20 a.m. CARRIED.
C681-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean that Council reconvenes the meeting to the public as per Section 27, of FOIP at 10:48 a.m. CARRIED.
	Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 10:48 a.m. Reeve Bean Reconvened the meeting at 10:52 a.m.
Carter Camp Recreation Society	Carter Camp Recreation Society was in attendance to request funding for playground equipment at Carters Camp recreation area.
C682-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to receive the delegation from TELUS for information, following up with them in the new year on the connectivity issues discussed. CARRIED.
C683-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to receive the delegation from Carter Camp Recreation Society for information, as presented.
C684-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to raise the Council verbal and written reports off the table. CARRIED.
C685-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to receive the Council verbal and written reports for information. CARRIED.
Land Use Bylaw 287-23	Council is presented with the Land Use Bylaw 287-23.
	Ruecker 11:31
C686-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to give second reading to Land Use Bylaw 287-23 being a Bylaw of Clear Hills County in the Province of Alberta to Replace the Clear Hills County Land Use Bylaw 189-16.
	Ruecker 11:32
C687-23(12-12-23)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley to give third and final reading to Land Use Bylaw 287-23 being a Bylaw of Clear Hills County in the Province of Alberta to Replace the Clear Hills County Land Use Bylaw 189-16. CARRIED.
Bylaw 281-23 Advertising Statutory And Non-Statutory	

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Notices

Council is presented with Bylaw 281-23 being a Bylaw of Clear Hills County, in the province of Alberta, to establish methods for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices within clear hills county.

C688-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to give second reading to Bylaw 281-23 being a Bylaw of Clear Hills County, in the province of Alberta, to establish methods for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices within Clear Hills County.

CARRIED.

C689-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to give third and final reading to Bylaw 281-23 being a Bylaw of Clear Hills County, in the province of Alberta, to establish methods for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices within Clear Hills County.

CARRIED.

Nurse Practitioners

Council is presented information for further discussion regarding nurse practitioners.

C690-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to receive the discussion regarding nurse practitioners for information as presented.

CARRIED.

CORPORATE
SERVICES
Accounts Payable
November 29, 2023,
to December 12, 2023

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of November 29, 2023 to December 12, 2023 is provided for Council's review.

C691-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of November 29, 2023, to December 12, 2023 for a total of \$550,003.97.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 11:47 a.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

October Financial Report

Council is presented with the Operating and Capital Budget Performance Reports for Clear Hills County for the period ending October 31, 2023.

C692-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Walmsley that Council accepts the financial report for the period ending October 31, 2023.CARRIED.

Draft Policy 7011 Community Support Services Grant

Council is provided with a copy of draft Policy 7011 Community Support Services Grant.

Councillor Hansen left the meeting at 12:33 p.m.

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C693-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to approve Policy 7011 Community Support Services Grant, as presented. CARRIED.

Councillor Hansen entered the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

C694-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to apply the funds received for the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) to the Clear Hills County Driveway snow plowing program policy.

CARRIED.

Proposal Award 2023-P14 Munti-Function Devices

Council is presented with a recommendation for awarding Proposal 2023-P14 Multi-Function Devices.

C695-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to award Proposal 2023-P14 Multi-Function Devices to Hi-Tech Business Systems for the purchase of a Conon imageRUNNER Advance DX C5870i and a Canon image RUNNER Advance DX C3926i at a cost of \$21,953.25 plus GST. CARRIED.

Funding Request-Village of Hines Creek

The Village of Hines Creek has sent a letter requesting additional funding for a tax incentive for its ratepayers for the 2024 taxation year.

C696-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Ruecker to approve a 25% tax rebate incentive applicable to the Commercial Assessment Code (CN) for the Municipal portion of Clear Hills County and The Village of Hines Creek's property taxes in 2024.

CARRIED.

COMMUNITY
Sprinkler Protection
Unit (SPU)

Council requested further information regarding a Sprinkler Protection Unit (SPU) costs, storage, grants, and funding.

C997-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen to bring back additional information regarding the Sprinkler Protection Unit (SPU) to a future Meeting. CARRIED.

Draft Policy 2305 Clear Creek Fire Committee Promotional Items

Council is presented with the draft Policy 2305 Clear Creek Fire Committee Promotional for review.

C698-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen adopt Policy 2305 Clear Creek Fire Committee Promotional removing the amount in the annual budget, as amended.

CARRIED.

Reeve Bean recessed the meeting at 1:43 p.m. Reeve Bean reconvened the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

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PUBLIC WORKS Policy 3221 Dust Control

Council is presented with Policy 3221 Dust Control draft for review.

C699-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht to adopt Policy 3221 Dust Control, as presented. CARRIED.

Councillor Ruecker left the meeting at 1:51 p.m.

Transfer Station Operating Cost Review

Council requested further information regarding the operating cost of the Clear Hills County Transfer Stations.

C700-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to table the discussion regarding the operating cost of the Clear Hills County Transfer Stations to a future meeting.

CARRIED.

C701-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to schedule a Policy & Priority meeting for January 8, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. CARRIED.

Tendering Evaluation Criteria

Council is presented with the tendering evaluation criteria for discussion.

C702-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to table the tendering evaluation criteria until the January 8, 2024, Policy & Priority meeting.

CARRIED.

WRITTEN REPORTS
Chief Administrative
Officer's Report

Chief Administrative Officer's report.

C703-23(12-12-23)

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

Corporate Services Manager's Report

Corporate Services Report.

C704-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Janzen to receive the Corporate Services Manger's report for information, as presented.

CARRIED.

Public Works Manager's Report

Public Works Manager's Report

C705-23(12-12-23)

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

COUNCIL INFORMATION

Council is presented with correspondence, for information. Nothing to report.

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CALENDARS

Council and administration shall review the upcoming months' calendars for Councillor Committee meetings to attend or that were attended, to assist Administration with record keeping and Council with reminders of upcoming meetings.

C706-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean to accept for information the December 2023, January and February 2024 calendar updates of Councillor Committee meetings and important dates, for information, as presented.

Date	Meeting	Attendee		
January 8	Policy & Priority	ALL		
Feb 9	Zone 4	All		
Feb 7	PRSD Joint Mtg	All		
Feb 28	Joint meeting MD Fairview & MD of Peace	All		
Feb 24	PLS Board	Bean		
		CARRIED.		

Deputy Reeve left the meeting 2:38 p.m.

C707-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Hansen that Council close the meeting to the public as per Section 27, of FOIP at 2:41 p.m. CARRIED.

C708-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Giesbrecht that Council reconvenes the meeting to the public as per Section 27, of FOIP at 3:45 p.m.

CARRIED

C709-23(12-12-23)

RESOLUTION by Reeve Bean approve the CAO annual evaluation review for information, as presented. CARRIED.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Reeve Bean adjourned the, December 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting 3:47 p.m.

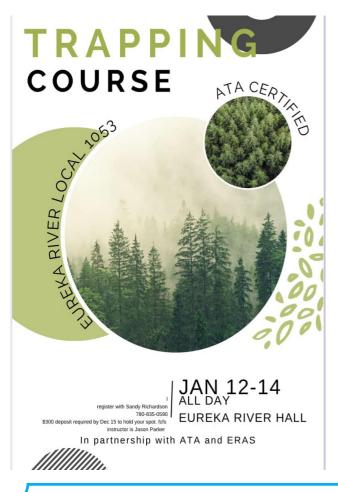
DATE REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



DATE

There are 587 species of wildlife, many of which are endangered or protected, that migrate through or make their home in the province. Alberta also has its "Big 7", which includes elk, moose, bighorn sheep, grizzly bear, bison, cougar and wolf.





Hines Creek Community Kitchen

Seniors are welcome to have coffee & Visit before lunch. Every third Monday of the month at the drop-in centre in Hines Creek.

January 15th, 2024 Doors Open at 9:30 a.m.

TENDER 2023-15 2024 ANNUAL EQUIPMENT REGISTRY

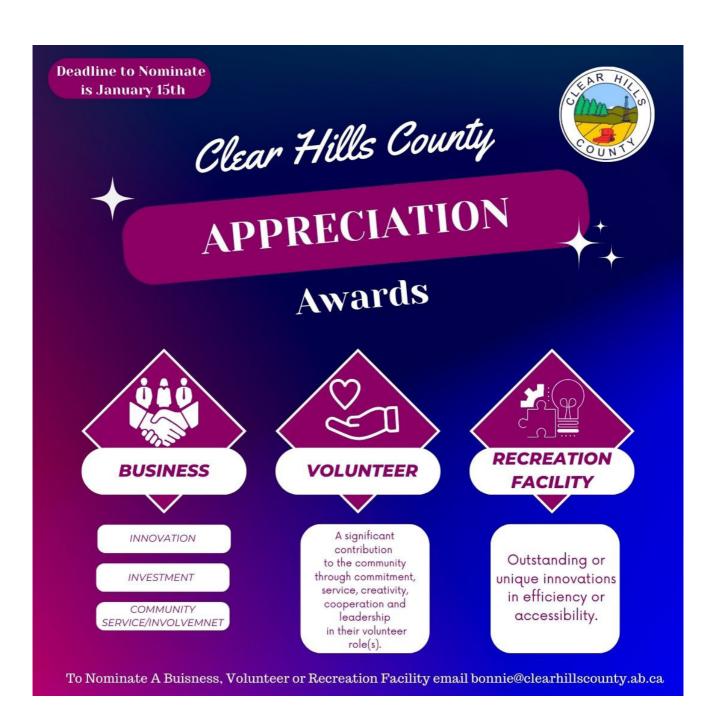
Tender packages will be available for pick up during regular business hours, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Clear Hills County Office, 313 Alberta Avenue, Worsley, Alberta.

Tender 2023-15 Closes: Friday, January 5, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m. MST Tender 2023-15 Opening: Monday, January 8, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. MST

For more information contact: Terry Shewchuk, Public Works Manager 780-685-3925 ext. 119.

Or

email community@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



Volunteer Spotlight

Honouring the volunteers that make our community stronger





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

SW 11-85-10-W6M

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:

Clear Hills County
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
 - \Box 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.

Public Works Programs & Services

Driveway Snow Removal

- □ **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.





Agricultural Service Board Members

Baldur Ruecker – 780-835-7785	Jason Ruecker-780-835-0398
Garry Candy—780-834-6407	Julie Watchorn—780-835-0550
Ron Jensen—780-835-0020	David Janzen-780-834-0197
Julie Lemoine—780-835-9257	

A Year in Review: Reflecting on 2023 and Welcoming a Bright 2024

As we bid farewell to 2023, the Clear Hills County Council extends warm wishes to you and your loved ones for a Happy New Year! It has been a year filled with unique challenges, triumphs, and the resilience of our remarkable community.

The year kicked off with a chilly start and minimal snowfall, setting the stage for a drier-than-normal spring. In April, our annual Agricultural Tradeshow returned, bringing together both familiar and new faces, fostering connections and celebrating our vibrant agricultural community.

However, late April marked the onset of wildfires, presenting us with unexpected challenges. Despite the difficulties faced, our communities came together, demonstrating incredible strength and unity. The pride we share in overcoming these challenges leaves an everlasting impression, showcasing the remarkable spirit of Clear Hills County.

Throughout the summer, though moisture was scarce, warm weather provided the perfect backdrop to enjoy the breathtaking beauty of our great outdoors. Local campgrounds and recreational areas experienced a surge in activity, becoming vibrant hubs for community engagement.

The annual County BBQ, held at Many Islands served as a beautiful tribute to our volunteer firefighters and the entire community. Showcasing our amazing Volunteers, small businesses and recreation areas within Clear Hills County! The event was a testament to the solidarity that defines us, recognizing the dedication of those who protect and serve.

Highway 64 recieved its much needed repave along with other smaller updates throughout our County. As harvest came and went, we observed the unusual absence of snow in many places, underscoring the unique weather patterns of the year.

As we step into 2024, we wish you and your loved ones a healthy and prosperous year ahead.

Thank you for being an integral part of our community. Here's to a new year filled with hope, growth, and shared moments that continue to shape our County.

Clear Hills County Council

2024 Clear Hills County Tree Seedling Order Form

Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	

ORDER DEADLINE: JANUARY 5, 2024

Some species may have limited quantities due to problems with seedling uptake. When the quantities are sold these seedlings will no longer be available.

We reserve the right to substitute species (ie. Lilac may be either Common Lilac or Vilosa Lilac) due to potential availability issues.

Species	Seedlings Per	Cost per	# of Bundles
	Bundle	Bundle	
White Spruce	15	\$4.50	
Lodgepole Pine	15	\$4.50	
Hybrid Spruce	15	\$4.50	
Siberian Larch	10	\$3.00	
Lilac	10	\$3.00	
Manitoba Maple	10	\$3.00	
Hybrid Poplar	10	\$7.50	
Golden Willow	10	\$7.50	
Plastic Mulch Roll		\$197.50	
(1500'x4')			
*Transportation Cost	·	\$10.00	·

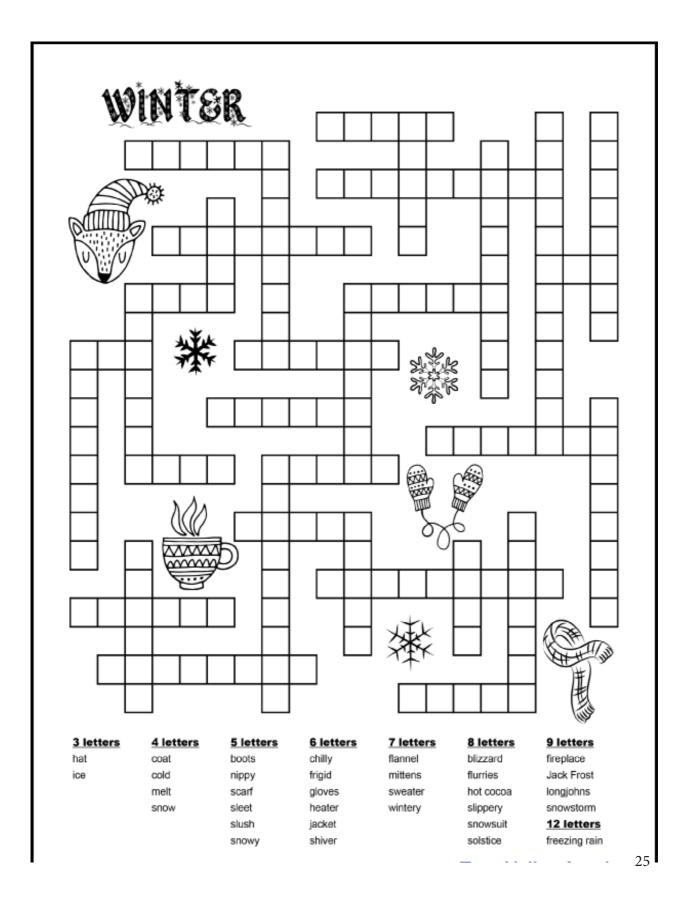
Terms and Conditions:

If the tree seedling order is not picked up within three (3) days of notification, an invoice for the total order amount will be sent to the undersigned and the tree seedlings will be disbursed of in any matter the County sees fit.

Date:		
Print Name:	Signature:	

Completed forms can be:

- Mailed to Clear Hills County, Box 240 Worsley AB, T0H 3W0
- Dropped off at the County office
- Emailed to Community@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



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.

community@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 2022/2023 incentive is \$125/animal.

RINSE

CHEMICAL AND OIL JUGS



RETURN



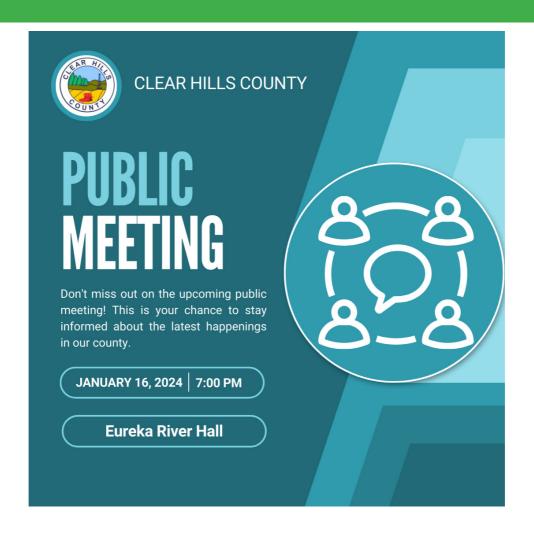
IMPORTANT NOTICE: Clear Hills County Transfer Stations will NO longer be accepting Chemical or Oil Jugs.

Follow these 3Rs to ensure that your containers are accepted and can be recycled:

Rinse – Triple or pressure rinse to ensure no product is wasted. Review our container rinsing procedures for details*.

Remove – Remove caps and booklets (place in garbage); leave the glued-on label. Remove metal handle from fertilizer pails.

Return to your local collection site – For more information visit Cleanfarms.ca



AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WORSLEY, AB
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023

PRESENT

David Janzen
Julie Watchorn
Baldur Ruecker
Ron Jensen
Julie Lemoine

Chairman
Deputy Chair
Member
Member
Member

Jason Ruecker Council Representative

Garry Candy Member

ABSENT

ATTENDING

Greg Coon Agricultural Fieldman

Natasha Gillett Community Services Clerk

Allan Rowe Chief Administrative Officer

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Janzen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

<u>AGENDA</u>

AG109-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the December 19, 2023, Agricultural Service Board meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

MINUTES Previous Meeti

Previous Meeting Minutes

Agricultural Service Board is presented with previous meeting minutes.

AG110-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the November 21, 2023, Agricultural Service Board Organizational Meeting. CARRIED.

AG111-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the November 21, 2023, Agricultural Service Board Meeting. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS Activity Report

The Board is presented with the Agricultural Service Board Activity Report.

AG112-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the December 19, 2023, Agricultural Service Board Activity Report, as presented.

CARRIED.

Board Reports

At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to present their reports on meetings attended and other agricultural related topics.

Member Ruecker entered the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

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AG113-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board request further information regarding drone spraying and the regulations in place.

CARRIED.

AG114-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members' written and verbal reports of December 19, 2023, for information. CARRIED.

Chairman Janzen recessed the meeting at 10:47 a.m. Chairman Janzen reconvened the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

DELEGATION PCBFA

The Board is presented with a delegation from Peace County Beef and Forage Association (PCBFA) on the 2023 program.

Chairman Janzen recessed the meeting at 11:58 a.m. Chairman Janzen reconvened the meeting at 12:28 p.m.

AG115-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board request further information regarding the resource stream funding given to Peace County Beef and Forage (PCBFA).

CARRIED.

AG116-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Chair Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accept the delegation from Peace County Beef and Forage (PCBFA) on the 2023 program, for information.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS
Policy 6311 Veter

Policy 6311 Veterinary Services Incorporated (1980) Ltd. Program (VSI)

The Board is requested to discuss a question posed by an individual regarding whether a participant may possess a VSI membership with multiple municipalities.

AG117-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board recommend Council adopt the proposed changes to Policy 6311 Veterinary Service Incorporated (1980) Ltd. Program (VSI), as presented.

CARRIED.

AG118-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board request further information on the operation of the Veterinary Service Incorporated (1980) Ltd program. CARRIED.

Honorarium & Travel Subsistence Budget Review

The Board has requested to review the honorarium and travel/subsistence budget.

AG119-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Candy that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the honorarium & travel/subsistence budget review for information, as presented. CARRIED.

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Provincial ASB Conference Resolutions

The Board is provided with the resolutions for review that will be coming to the floor at the 2024 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference that is being held January 22-24, 2024 in Lethbridge, AB.

AG120-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts for information the 2024 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference resolutions, as presented. CARRIED.

Workshop with Mark Heckbert & Louise Liebenberg

The Board has requested a discussion regarding a date, time, and place to hold a workshop with Mark Heckbert, Provincial Wildlife Conflict Specialist. As well as the topics of discussion to be held at the workshop.

AG121-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Lemoine that this Agricultural Service Board hold a workshop with Mark Heckbert and Louise Liebenberg on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Eureka River Hall.

Date, Time, and Place of Board Meetings

The Agricultural Service Board currently meets every third Tuesday except May when the meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of the month and there are no meetings held in April or August. The Board will now select the day of the month and the commencement time for the monthly meetings.

AG122-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board set the board meetings for the third Tuesday of each month except May when the meeting will be held the first Tuesday, and no meetings will be held in April and August.

CARRIED.

Events

The Board is presented with a list of upcoming agricultural related events for their information.

AG123-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Lemoine that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all Board members to the Alberta Beef Producers 2024 Producer Meeting on January 16, 2024 at the Hampton Inn in Grande Prairie, AB. CARRIED.

AG124-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all Board members to the PCBFA Peace Beef Cattle Day on February 9, 2024 at the Grimshaw Legion in Grimshaw, AB. CARRIED.

AG125-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board authorize the attendance of all Board members to the Below Ground Soil Health Seminar on February 22, 2024 at the Pomeroy Hotel in Fort St John, BC. CARRIED.

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<u>REPORTS</u> Agricultural Fieldman Report

At this time the Agricultural Fieldman will have an opportunity to present his report.

AG126-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the December 19, 2023, Agricultural Fieldman's Report for information, as presented. CARRIED.

INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

AG127-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the December 19, 2023, information and correspondence for information, as presented. CARRIED.

AG128-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board move the February Board meeting from February 20, 2024 to February 6, 2024. CARRIED.

AG129-23(12/19/23)

RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board request administration gather further information on a local business tour and authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Board Members, date to be determined at a future time.

CARRIED.

ROUND TABLE:

Members had a chance to have a round table discussion regarding topics of interest.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Janzen adjourned the meeting at 1:47 p.m.





Clear Hills County has a large variety of Rental Equipment.

Rental Equipment					
EQUIPMENT	DEPOSIT	AG RATE	COMMERCIAL RATE	COMMUNITY RATE	
BBQ Trailer	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$100.00	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	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	No Charge 2 days	
Corral Panels	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	No Charge 2 days	
Eco Bran Applicator	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
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Extra Hose	\$50.00 (if rented by itself)	\$1.00	\$5.00	\$1.00	
Grain Bag Extractor	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	No Charge 2 days	
Grain Bag Extractor Grain Bag Roller	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Grain Bagger	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	No Charge 2 days	
Grain Vac	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$400.00	No Charge 2 days	
Grills	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	No Charge 2 days	
Land Leveller	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	No Charge 2 days	
Loading Chute	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	No Charge 2 days	
Manure Spreader	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$400.00	No Charge 2 days	
Mulch Applicator	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	
Post Pounder	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	No Charge for 2 days	
Roller Mill	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	No Charge 2 days	
Scales				,	
Bale Spear	\$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 2 days	
Quad Pull Type	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
Skidmount	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge 2 days	
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)	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$300.00	No Charge 2 days	
Winter (OCT-MAR)	\$1,000.00	\$200.00	\$500.00	No Charge 2 days	
Wire Roller	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	No Charge 2 days	
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Round Plastic Tables: 12 Rectangle Plastic Tables: 22 Wooden Rectangular Tables: 31 Folding Chairs: 150

All equipment rentals must be arranged ahead of time by calling the Agricultural Fieldman at the County office 780-685-3925 Ext: 115.

Agricultural Service Boards Program

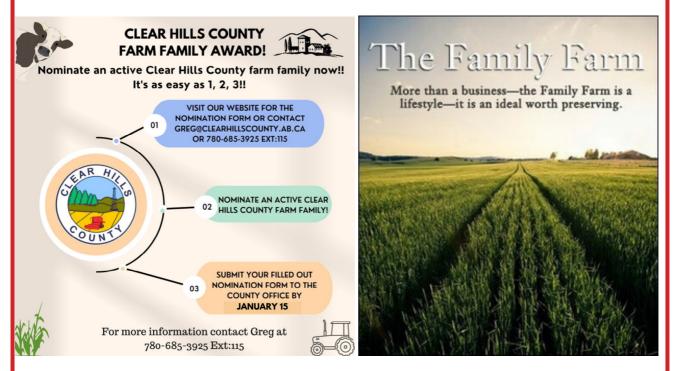
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Unique to North America, Alberta's Agricultural Service Boards (ASBs) have provided over 75 years of continuous service since 1945.

The 69 ASBs in Alberta help nearly 60,000 farms and ranches to protect the over 50 million acres they farm. Across the province, local ASBs work in their communities to help:

- · manage agricultural weeds and pests
- conserve soil and water
- enhance and protect viable and sustainable agricultural practices
- control of animal diseases
- develop municipal policies

ASBs are key to Alberta's robust pest surveillance network that helps Albertans maintain market access by mitigating the risk of agricultural pest threats. This in turn enables the industry to provide assurance to trading partners and continue to produce high value crops and livestock.



Nominate a Farm Family today! Contact Clear Hills County for more information!



Kindness has been shown to increase self-esteem, empathy and compassion, and improve mood.

50 random acts of kindness you can do today.

- 1. Call a friend that you haven't spoken to for a while.
- 2. Send a letter to a grandparent.
- 3. Send flowers to a friend.
- 4. Offer to pick up some groceries for your elderly neighbour.
- 5. Send someone a handwritten note.
- 6. Offer to babysit for a friend.
- 7. Walk your friend's dog.
- 8. Tell your family members how much you love and appreciate them.
- Help your parents with household chores.
- 10. Help a friend get active.
- 11. Make someone laugh.
- 12. Offer to cook for a friend or family member.
- 13. Make a cup of tea for a friend or family member.
- 14. Help with a household chore at home or for a friend.
- 15. Host an informal get together and invite your neighbours to get to know each other.
- 16. Tell someone you know that you are proud of them.
- 17. Tell someone you know why you are thankful for them.
- 18. Send a motivational text to a friend who is struggling.
- 19. Send someone you know a joke to cheer them up.
- 20. Send someone you know a picture of a cute animal.
- 21. Send an inspirational quote to a
- 22. Send an interesting article to a friend.
- 23. Put a surprise note or drawing on someone's desk.
- 24. Contact someone you haven't seen in a while and arrange to meet face to face.
- 25. Engage in conversation with a shop assistant when paying at the till.

- 26. Spend time playing with your pet.
- 27. Sign up to do voluntary work in your local community.
- 28. Reach out to spend time with a friend, family member or neighbour who is experiencing loneliness.
- 29. Have a clear out and take items to a charity shop.
- 30. Make and send a care package to someone who needs it.
- 31. Donate to a charity.
- 32. Offer to pick up a friend or family member from work.
- 33. Make a cup of tea for your colleagues.
- 34. Get to know the new staff member.
- 35. Lend your ear listen to your colleague who is having a bad day.
- 36. Say good morning.
- 37. Bake a cake for your colleagues.
- 38. Give praise to your colleague for something they've done well.
- 39. If it's raining lend someone your umbrella.
- 40. Take someone out for lunch instead of eating at your desk.
- 41. Give up your seat to elderly, disabled or pregnant person.
- 42. Let someone jump the queue at the supermarket.
- 43. Take a minute to help someone who is lost.
- 44. Have a conversation with someone who is experiencing homelessness.
- 45. Help a mother carrying her push chair down the stairs or hold the door for her.
- 46. Let a fellow driver merge into your
- 47. Pick up some rubbish lying around in the street.
- 48. Smile and say hello to people you may pass every day but have never spoken to before.
- 49. Return a lost item to its owner.
- 50. Pop into a coffee shop and ask to pay for a coffee for them to give to someone later that day for free. 34



★★★★ 4.94 from 2357 votes



This copycat Olive Garden Chicken Gnocchi Soup is every bit as creamy and delicious as the restaurant version, made in less than 30 minutes!

Prep Time:	Cook Time:	0 minutes	Total Time:
10 minutes	20 minutes		30 minutes

Servings:4 servings

Ingredients

- 3-4 boneless skinless chicken breasts, cooked and diced
- 1 stalk of celery, chopped
- ½ white onion, diced
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- ½ cup shredded carrots
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 4 cups low sodium chicken broth
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 teaspoon thyme
- 16 ounces potato gnocchi
- 2 cups half and half, see note
- 1 cup fresh spinach, roughly chopped

Instructions

- 1. Heat olive oil in a <u>large pot</u> over medium heat. Add celery, onions, garlic, and carrots and saute for 2-3 minutes until onions are translucent.
- 2. Add chicken, chicken broth, salt, pepper, and thyme, bring to a boil, then gently stir in gnocchi. Boil for 3-4 minutes longer before reducing heat to a simmer and cooking for 10 minutes.
- 3. Stir in half and half and spinach and cook another 1-2 minutes until spinach is tender. Taste, add salt and pepper if needed, and serve.

Just Some Soup Facts!!

- The earliest evidence of making soup was in 6000 BC...And guess what kind of soup it was? Hippopotamus!
- In the French Court of Louis XI, the ladies' meals were mostly soup. They were afraid that chewing would give them wrinkles.
- In Nebraska, it is illegal for bar owners to sell beer unless they are brewing a pot of soup.

JANUARY

make kindness the norm.

Tap into your creative side! Write, paint, sing, or dance.	Plan one big new adventure this year: go skydiving, swim with the dolphins, etc.	14 Kick off the new year with a fresh start by organizing and cleaning your home today.	Paint some rocks vibrant colors with positive/inspiring messages and place throughout your community.		SUNDAY
Host a pizza lunch party at work and invite all your coworkers.	Get Involved! Sign up to join a community- related cause.	Purchase groceries for the person in front of you on the express line.	Treat yourself to a bubble bath surrounded by candles and relaxing music.	Create a gratitude jar and fill it with things you are grateful for all month.	MONDAY
Do something that fills you with joy today.	Plan a brunch with all your best friends.	Spend time with your family or friends playing board games, sharing laughs, and creating memories.	9 Listen to a guided meditation.	Wake up early to appreciate the sunrise.	TUESDAY
31 Empty and read the gratitude jar you have created throughout the month.	Call a friend or relative and make them laugh out loud.	Self-reflect about how you can be a person of Integrity.	Replace your light bulbs with energy efficient ones and hand out a few for friends to use.	Start a healthy routine at work such as a daily walk. Invite your coworkers.	WEDNESDAY
	Go outside your comfort zone today.	18 Make an appointment for an annual checkup with your doctor and dentist.	Sell old items online (Ebay, for example) and donate the profits to a good cause.	Participate in a coat drive and put encouraging notes in the coat pockets.	THURSDAY
S M T W Th F S 26 27 28 29 30 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 18 19 20 21 22 23 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 30 1 2 2 3 3 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 30 1 1 2 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 1 2 3 4 5 6	Plan a spontaneous date with your partner doing things you both love.	Invite some close friends over for a popcorn and movie night.	12 Resolve to be less judgmental in your day-to-day life.	5 Offer free hot chocolate and/or hand warmers to those working in the cold.	FRIDAY
FEBRUARY S M T W Th F S 28 29 30 31 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 11 12 13 14 15 6 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Expand your mind. Sign up for a free class or workshop to learn something new.	Create a care bag for an unhoused person with some gloves, scarf, treats, hygiene products, and a gift card.	Make a list of goals to accomplish this new year that will help make your dreams come true.	Take a friend or family member on a spontaneous adventure.	SATURDAY







Peace Region
Family Resource Network

Alberta Provincial Family

Clear Hills County 27th Annual Agricultural Tradeshow

Get ready for a day of agricultural excellence at the Clear Hills County 27th Annual Agricultural Tradeshow! Join us on April 13, 2024, at the Dave Shaw Memorial Complex in Hines Creek.

Be a part of this vibrant event by showcasing your products and services. Exhibitor/sponsor packages will be available starting January.

Food Venders Wanted

Clear Hills County 27th Annual Agricultural Tradeshow

Clear Hills County would like to invite local and surrounding food trucks and vendors to attend the 27th Annual Trade Show on April 13, 2024.

For more information or to reserve a space, please contact Crystal at 780-685-3925 ext. 117 or email csc@clearhillscounty.ab.ca





Worsley & Hines Creek Volunteer Fire Departments want you!!

Getting involved with a volunteer fire department is an incredibly rewarding way to make a positive contribution to your community. Contact Clear Hills County for more info!

Clear Hills County Awards Nomination Deadline: January 15, 2024

Celebrating Business Award (Three Categories)

<u>Community Service / Involvement</u>: Contributed in a significant way financially or by means of volunteerism.

<u>Innovation</u>: New Business, Product, Service or Work System– Been in business forthree years or less OR to a business that has introduced a new product/service or has adopted a new work system.

<u>Investment</u>: Job Creation, Growth & Expansion - Demonstrated long-term success and growth of their company in addition to exceptional service to the community.

Volunteer of the Year Award

Recognizes and honours an outstanding individual who is volunteering their time and talent in the non-profit sector. The individual is making a significant contribution to the community through commitment, service, creativity, cooperation and leadership in their volunteer role(s).

Outstanding Recreation Facility Award

Recognizes a recreation facility that demonstrates outstanding or unique innovations in efficiency or accessibility.

Recognition of the above award winners will include:

- An award plaque or framed certificate
- Donation of \$1,000.00 to local non-profit organization of their choice that operates within Clear Hills County.

Farm Family Award

A farming family deserving of recognition for both agriculture and community involvement. Nomination Deadline: January 15, 2024

To inquire call Bonnie at 780-685-3925 ext. 120 or email **bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca**





December
Winner:
Matthow Wolf

Name:	
Parent's Name:	
Phone:	
Mailing Address:	
Category:PreschoolK-1st grade2nd-3rd grade4th-5th grade	6th

grade & over

Worsley Health Centre

January

2024

Sunday	Our hours of ope Monday	ration are 8:30 - Tuesday	- 4:00 C Wednesday	Closed from 12:0 Thursday	0-1:00 for lunch Friday	Saturday
	1 CLOSED Happy New Year!	2	3	4	5	6
7	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	9 Nurse Practitioner & Immunization clinic/ Tiny Teeth – By appointment	10	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	13
14	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	Nurse Practitioner & Immunization clinic – By appointment	17 Public Health Immunization Clinic – By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	20
21	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	23 Nurse Practitioner & Tinny Teeth clinic - By appointment	24 Public Health Immunization Clinic – By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	27
28	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	Nurse Practitioner Clinic - By appointment	31 Public Health Influenza Immunization Clinic – By appointment			>

Please call the Health Centre to book Immunization, Tiny Teeth and Nurse Practitioner appointments.

Always call the Health Centre before coming: schedule is subject to change

Worsley Health Centre 780-685-3752 Fairview Medical Clinic 780-835-4255 Fairview Public Health 780-835-4951 Fairview Hospital 780-835-6100





Several traditions, superstitions, myths, and old wives' tales say you shouldn't do any type of cleaning at all on January 1. One says that doing laundry on the first day of the year will 'wash away a loved one' – meaning that a friend or family member will pass away in the following 364 days.



"Hurry! Our New Year's resolutions start in ten minutes."

resolution be this: We will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity, in the finest sense of the word.

Let our New Year's

"Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one."

—Brad Paisley

Out with the old, in with the new. Here's to a new year, here's to you!

So I promised a list of
New Year's resolutions
Here's the first:
Stop procrastinating so much.
I'll post the rest tomorrow
or maybe the day after.



What do snowmen like to do on New Year's Eve?

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Chill out.

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January 2024 Workshops for Adults by ZOOM

Be Supported on your Journey to Better Health - Right from Home!

Managing Diabetes

A 3 session workshop for those newly diagnosed with diabetes or pre-diabetes, as well as a refresher for those continuing to manage their diabetes

Overviev

Jan 9 Tue Jan 11 Thurs 5:30pm to 8:00pm 9:30am to 12:00pm Jan 17 Wed 1:30pm to 4:00pm

Nutrition

Jan 16 Tue 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Jan 18 Thurs 9:30am to 11:00am

Jan 24 Wed 1:30pm to 3:00pm

Ongoing Care
Jan 23 Tue
Jan 25 Thurs
Jan 31 Wed 5:30pm to 8:00pm
9:30am to 12:00pm
1:30pm to 4:00pm

Heart & Stroke

Learn to manage your blood pressure and cholesterol as well as understand the risks for heart disease and stroke.

Overview & Prevention

Jan 10 Wed Jan 15 Mon Jan 18 Thurs 9:30am to 11:00am 5:30pm to 7:00pm 1:30pm to 3:00pm

Nutrition

Jan 17 Wed Jan 22 Mon Jan 25 Thurs 5:30pm to 7:00pm 1:30 to 3:00pm

Managing Stress

In this 2 part series you will learn techniques to reduce, prevent, and cope with stress. Jan 11 & 18 Thurs 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Weight Management

Learn effective weight management strategies and how to build healthier habit. Understand ways that thinking patterns, sleep, physical activity and nutrition impact your goals.

Series 1

Jan 16, 23, & 30 Tue 9:30am to 12:00pm Jan 17, 24, & 31 Wed 5:30pm to 8:00pm Jan 18, 25, & Feb 1 Thurs 1:30pm to 4:00pm

Moving Matters

Discuss methods of getting moving safely and learn how this can help you. Explore what gets in your way and make a plan to get started, stay motivated and have fun.

Jan 25 Thurs 9:30am to 12:00pm

Supervised Exercise Program -Virtual Classes-

This program meets 2 times per week, 1.5 hours/session for 6 weeks to exercise in a group setting with people with a variety of health conditions

Jan 8 to Feb 14 Mon/Wed 1:00pm to 2:30pm Jan 8 to Feb 14 Mon/Wed 6:00 to 7:30pm Jan 30 to Mar 7 Tue/Thurs 10:00am to 11:30am Jan 30 to Mar 7 Tue/Thurs 1:00pm to 2:30pm

Better Choices, Better Health

Build skills to help overcome the physical and emotional challenges and manage your health

Living with a Chronic Condition Jan 16 to Feb 20 Tue 1:30pr 1:30pm to 4:00pm

Living with Chronic Pain Feb 7 to Mar 13 Wed 6:00pm to 8:30pm



To register for a Zoom class call: 1-877-349-5711

Alberta Health Services

https://www.healthylivingprogram.ca

Alberta Healthy Living







Feace Region

Family Resource Network





Main Office Location:

Baytex Energy Centre (upstairs) 9810 73rd Ave. Peace River, Alberta Mailing Address:

Box 6600 Peace River, Alberta, T8S 1S4

Phone: 780-624-0770

Email: frn@peaceriver.ca

Feace Region

Family Resource Network

The best is yet to come. Happy 2024!

The FRN team is excited to start 2024 off with some new and exciting programs and changes.

NEW!!

The First Years Pop-Ups January 9 - Intro to Baby Signs January 30-February 27 - Learning to Live with Anxiety Series

Family Night Tobogganing - Friday January 26 5-7 pm

Parenting Classes starting up: **Teen Group Triple P (Online) - Begins** January 29

Triple P Fear-less - 3 day workshop -January 28, Feb 4 & 11 Circle of Security - Begins February 10

Journal Zone - Wednesdays 6-7 pm beginning January 24th

Give the FRN a call with any questions or to register 780-624-0770



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



Clear Hills County Calendars

To get your picture included in the 2025 calendar, enter the County photo contest by emailing your photos to bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

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 at Bonnie 780-685-3925 ext. 120 or

bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

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 T0H 3W0

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	Road Foreman– Mario Drouin	110
Community Services Coordinator— Crystal Dei	117	Road Foreman– Martin Schmidt	111
Corporate Services Clerk– Shelby Janzen	104	WTP Operator– Catherine Cox	107

January 2024

Sun	Mon I P&P Meeting	Tue 2 Council Meeting	3 10	Thu 4	5 12	13
14	15	16 ASB Public Meeting— Eureka Hall 7p.m.	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Council Meeting	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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: 780-494-3879

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

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

Transfer Site	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bear	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	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

Clear Hills County Office Hours

Monday-Friday
8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
&
1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Closed weekends &
Statutory holidays

We're on the web

www.clearhillscounty. ab.ca Like us on Facebook

TRANSFER STA	ATION LOCATIONS
Whitelaw- SW 12-84-02-W6M	Eureka River- SW 17-86-05-W6M
Cleardale- SE 13-85-10-W6M	Worsley- SE 25-87-08-W6M
Deerhill- SW 12-84-03-W6M	Bear Canyon-NW 15-84-12-W6M
Royce- SE 11-83-06-W6M	Clear Prairie- NE 24-87-10-W6M
Hines Creek- SE 12-84-5-W6M	