

YOUR COUNTY IN TOUCH

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Municipal Election 2021: What you need to know

Lac La Biche County residents head to the polls on Monday, October 18 to elect their County Council.

With election season just around the corner, here are some things you should know:

County Council consists of 9 members, including a mayor elected at large and 8 ward councillors who represent 7 wards. The hamlet of Lac La Biche is represented by 2 councillors.

The campaign period began January 1. The nomination period opened at the same time, and closes Monday, September 20 at noon. If you require a special ballot to vote in the election, applications for special ballots (mailin vote) open on August 1. Applications must be submitted in writing - check the County website for details on how to request a special ballot.

Voters will need to provide proof of their name and home address in order to vote. A full list of accepted identification is available on the County website - it's a long list, with many options for voters.

Advance voting will also be available, with dates and loctions announced closer to election day.

Want to run?

Anyone seeking to run for Mayor or Councillor in this year's election must have all nomination papers, the candidate acceptance form, candidate information form, and required number of signatures from eligible electors submitted by September 20 at noon. There is also a \$100 nomination deposit. The forms, as well as other helpful information, can be found on the County website.

MEMBERS WANTED: Lac La Biche County Seeks Members-at-Large for boards for the 2021 Fall Intake

Lac La Biche County is proud to be a diverse, healthy and safe community, and relies on the engagement of its community members. As such the County is undertaking a recruitment campaign to fill the following board vacancies:

Lac La Biche County Library Board - 2 positions

The Lac La Biche County Library Board is responsible for the management of two sites located at the Bold Center (the Stuart MacPherson Public Library) and at Ecole Plamondon (the Plamondon Municipal Library), plus pop-up locations. The Library Board services the entirety of Lac La Biche County, including the surrounding Indigenous communities, and provides leadership in delivering a variety of quality materials and services that is welcoming and respectful.

The Board meets up to 6 evenings a year at the Bold Center location for approximately 3 hours per meeting and is seeking two (2) Board Members for three (3) year terms commencing in November 2021.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) - Up to 6 positions

The Subdivision and Development Appeal Board is a quasi-judicial board that hears appeals on subdivision and development decisions made by the subdivision and development authority.

The Board meets as required and is seeking up to six (6) members-at-large for a term of three (3) years. Please note that the *Municipal Government Act* requires members to successfully complete a training program (training programs can range either a full day or up to three half days) in accordance with the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Regulation, and the term date will coincide with the successful completion of the SDAB certification training. Lac La Biche County will financially support training costs.

How to Apply:

Please visit the Work With Us: Committee Vacancies section located on the Lac La Biche County Website for additional information and a copy of the Committee Member Application Form to apply for any of the aforementioned vacancies.

Committee Member Application Forms are requested by Friday, August 27 at 4:30 p.m. and can be sent to legservices@laclabichecounty.com. Please note that the Lac La Biche County Library Board requests that a cover letter and resume accompany the Committee Member Application Form.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Danielle Patenaude at Danielle.Patenaude@laclabichecounty.com or 780-623-6773.



Constructing a Summer Structure: What to keep in mind when building your new deck, shed, gazebo, or pool



If you're hoping to add a new summer structure to your property, there are some things you need to know before you start building. Lac La Biche County's Land Use Bylaw regulates the use and placement of accessory buildings, decks, gazebos, and outdoor pools in the County.

Sheds, gazebos, and pergolas are considered accessory buildings, and must follow regulations under the Land Use Bylaw. They cannot be used as dwellings, be placed over an easement or right-of-way, or encroach within the front yard setback of the applicable zoning district. They must be at least 1 metre from the side and rear property lines, and at least 2 metres from the principal dwelling.

Development permits are not required for temporary fabric vehicle shelters, or accessory buildings less than 110 square feet and 8 feet (2.43 metres) high.

A covered deck is considered part of the principal building and needs to adhere to the setbacks and site coverage listed in the applicable zoning district.

For pools, both in and above ground, a development permit is not required. However, a building permit may be required. There are several regulations that do need to be followed, though.

Pools must be secured from entry from anyone other than the owners, their guests, or tenants. All pools need to be fenced - a wall of the principal structure may count as a portion of the fence.

The information provided here is not exhaustive, and anyone planning on building a summer structure should familiarize themselves with the appropriate sections of the Land Use Bylaw.

A copy of the Land Use Bylaw can be found on the Lac La Biche County Website under the "our services' tab and further "Planning Hierarchy & Planning documents, Land Use Bylaw," "Land Use Bylaw 17-004."

If you have any questions, please contact Lac La Biche County Planning and Development at 1-780-623-1747.

FEATURED FCSS PROGRAMS

Teen Skill Zone - Conflict Resolution and Communication Skills

Tuesday, August 17 1-4 pm

McArthur Place • FREE

email: christine.martin@laclabichecounty.com

Teen Social Club - Ages 13-17

Runs throughout August email <u>braeden.watson@laclabichecounty.com</u> or call/text (780) 520-7183.

Tween Scene - Ages 10-12

Every second Wednesday, July 14-August 25 5:00 - 6:30 pm Locations TBD email: cornelia.fechner@laclabichecounty.com

Super Kids - Ages 7-9

Every second Wednesday, July 7-August 18 5:00 - 6:30 pm Locations TBD email: cornelia.fechner@laclabichecounty.com

Young Family Connections Summer Programs

Art in the Park - Ages 0-6 Tuesdays or Wednesdays in August 10:30 am - 12:00 pm McArthur Park Gazebo

Art in the Park Plamondon - Ages 0-6

August 9 & 23 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Festival Centre Park

Daddy, Come Play with Me!

6:30-8:30 pm
Bowling Alley (Aug. 4) & Sir Winston Churchill
Park (Aug. 18)

Kelso's Choice - Meet Kelso the Frog! Ages 3-6

Every Thursday in August 1:00 - 2:30 pm McArthur Park Gazebo

For more programs, follow FCSS and FCSS Young Family Connections on Facebook!

TALK BOX TIP

When you play together and talk about what you are doing, you are helping your child learn new words and ideas

Talk Box

Children learn language every single day and in almost everything they do! They learn new words, new sentences, and how to play with language. Any activity that you and your child do together is a chance to learn!





August 4 - 6:00-7:30 pm

Healthy Waters Public Open House Owl River Rec. Centre

August 10 - 6:00-9:00 pm

Budget Open House Plamondon Festival Centre

August 12 - 6:00-9:00 pm

Budget Open House McArthur Place

August 20 - 22

PDCDS Humdinger Breakout Slo-Pitch

Plamondon Festival Centre Fields Call (780) 798-3478 to register

August 20 - 21

Hylo/Venice Harvest Days Hylo/Venice Agriplex

August 26 - 8:30 pm

Blockbuster Drive-in Movie SHREK Plamondon Festival Centre

August 30 - September 4

Community Appreciation Week Multiple locations

Check the Community **Events Calendar at** laclabichecounty.com for more local events.

Lac La Biche County and is available to every resident.

newsletter is available. All you need to do is call (780) 623-1747 or provide your e-mail address to intouch@

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