



Lending a Hand

Last month, Lac La Biche County Fire Rescue Services' Firefighters Mohamad Moghrabi, John Mondal, Leah Larocque, and Andrew Snook travelled to Kamloops and Cache Creek, BC to aid in the fight against the many wildfires in the province.

They brought a Special Services Vehicle and a Structural Protection Unit.

This is photo of the group just before their deployment.

Municipal Election 2021: Voters Also Have the Chance to Participate in Provincial Referendum and Senate Election

October 18 is municipal election day in Lac La Biche County, but voters will also have the opportunity to answer two referendum questions and vote in the Alberta Senate Election as well.

The first relates to section 32(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982, on equalization payments. The referendum asks if the section, which affirms the principle of making equalization payments, should be removed from the constitution.

The second asks if voters would like to adopt year-round Daylight Savings Time (summer hours), eliminating the need to change our clocks twice per year.

So, in addition to considering who they would like to vote for County Council, voters should also think about how they would answer these referendum questions.

Voters will also be able to cast a ballot in the Alberta Senate election on the same day. It is being held to select three Senate nominees according to the Alberta Senate Election Act, who may be summoned to the Senate of Canada, for the purpose of filling a vacancy or vacancies relating to Alberta.

All of this means there will be a total of five ballots: one for Mayor, one for Councillor, one for the Senate, and one for each referendum.

The municipal election, referendum, and provincial Senate votes take place on Monday, October 18.

For more information on the election, including municipal candidates and different ways to cast your ballot, visit www.llbcvotes.ca.

School Zone Speed Limits are Back: Reduce your Speed to Increase Safety

Lac La Biche County Peace Officers want to remind motorists that school is back in session and that means school zones are back in effect. Peace Officers will be partnering up with other enforcement agencies, RCMP, Alberta Health Services and Northern Lights Public Schools to conduct educational campaigns throughout the school year.

School zones are in effect between the hours of 8 - 9:30 am, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 3 - 4:30 pm every day schools are in session. Motorists are reminded to slow down to the posted speed limit of 30km/h.

World Health Organization statistics show that the survival rate for pedestrians who are struck by vehicles traveling at 40 km/h or faster is only 40%. Reducing your speed to 30 km/h greatly improves the survival rate, and also decreases your reaction time, reduces your stopping distance and increases your ability to anticipate a collision before it happens.

As students head back to class there will also be an increased volume of school buses traveling around our communities. When approaching a school bus with flashing amber lights, drivers must slow down and should be prepared to stop. When a school bus activates its



flashing red lights, all lanes of traffic must come to a stop. These lights allow for children to safely cross roadways. The fine for failing to stop for a school bus with flashing red lights is \$567 and 6 demerits.

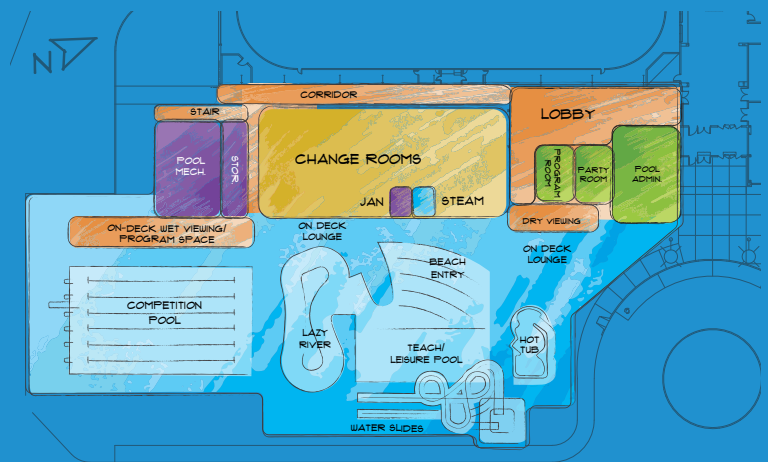
Slow down and be attentive around schools and buses to ensure everyone makes it to school safely.

The New Lac La Biche Aquatics Centre

Thank you to the residents of Lac La Biche County for providing input and ideas towards this exciting project. We have listened and the proposed Concept Plan reflects your input and ideas.

The Aquatics Centre will be built at the Bold Center and will become a community and social hub for Lac La Biche County that meets the leisure, health, and wellness needs of families, youth, adults, and seniors.

We look forward to continued community engagement as this project moves forward.



For more information about this project go to the Aquatics Centre Page at www.laclabichecounty.com. You can also connect with us at recreation@laclabichecounty.com.



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1 Contribute to Quality of Life

From fitness programs to leisure opportunities, the new Aquatics Centre will enhance the lifestyle of all members of the Lac La Biche County community by providing a safe, comfortable, and convenient place to meet, stay active, and engage with other community members.



2 Enhance Community Health & Wellness

The Aquatics Centre will provide you with easy access to aquatic recreation, leisure, and fitness that can have a notable impact on your overall health.



3 Strengthen Our Community

The Aquatics Centre as an amenity will attract new residents and visitors to the County, supporting our growth and sustainability as a community.

Subdivisions and Subdividing: What you Need to Know

Subdividing land can be a daunting process, but Lac La Biche County's Planning and Development department is here to help you see it through. Below is a primer on what the process entails, and what to expect while applying to subdivide your land.

You'll want to begin by completing and submitting a subdivision application, which can be found at www.laclabichedev.com. You can submit any additional planning documentation along with the application.

Once received, your application goes through an internal review, which includes checking additional planning documents and reviewing the zoning district and land file. If the application passes the review process, the next step is to notify adjacent landowners and affected agencies about the subdivision application for comments, questions and concerns. This process takes 21 days. Any submissions arising from the notification process are submitted to the Municipal Planning Commission to consider when deciding on the application.

The Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) is a board made up of public members at large and

Council members. They meet twice a month to discuss subdivision and development files. Once they render a decision on the application, each subdivision will be met with some conditions for approval. These conditions can vary. Once they are completed, the County collects a final endorsement fee and authorizes the survey plan to be registered.

A survey plan is a document that is prepared by qualified professional showing the measurements and dimensions of existing and new parcel boundaries. Lac La Biche County will accept a surveyed plan or a descriptive plan. A surveyed plan will identify exact surveyed boundaries and lot dimensions by way of pins. A descriptive plan is a metes and bounds description of the area to be separated from the original title.

Once the survey plan is registered at the Land Titles Office, the subdividing process is complete.

For more information, please call and speak to a representative in the Planning and Development Department at 1-780-623-1747 or email the team at planning.development@laclabichedev.com.

Correction: In the August 2021 Your County In Touch Newsletter, an item titled *Building a Summer Structure: What to keep in mind when building your new deck, shed, gazebo, or pool*, stated that development permits were not required for in-ground or above-ground pools. This is not the case. Development permits are required to construct in-ground and above-ground pools.



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FEATURED FCSS PROGRAMS

It Starts With Hope Parent Group - Wood Carving Workshop

Thursday, September 16

7:00-8:30 pm

Bold Center • FREE • All parents welcome

Join instructor Solene Lamoureux in a beginner's wood carving workshop. A Northern Lights Public Schools Wellness Coach will also attend to offer information and resources about managing stress.
email: christine.martin@laclabichedev.com

Teen Chill Zone - No Sew Totes

Friday, September 17

4:00-6:30 pm

Bold Center • FREE • Ages 13-17

Maureen Penn from LLB County Libraries will show you how to make a quick and easy tote in no time!
email: christine.martin@laclabichedev.com

Seniors' Staycation - An Homage to Patsy Cline at the Mayfield Dinner Theatre

Wednesday, October 6

All day trip to the Mayfield in Edmonton

\$80

Join us for a magical afternoon at the Mayfield as we pay homage to Patsy Cline, one of the all-time legends of country music.
email: trish.leduc@laclabichedev.com

RSVP by September 24

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



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!





Dates to Remember

September 8 - 7:00 pm

Business Q&A Session: Phase 1 - Main Street Lac La Biche Revitalization Project
McArthur Place

September 9 - 4:00-7:00 pm

CARE Event
Bold Center

September 10 - 8:00 pm

Drive-in Movie - Star Wars
Bold Center

September 20 - 12:00pm

Deadline to file nominations for the 2021 Municipal Election - visit llbcvotes.ca to learn more.

September 23 - 4:00 pm

House of Horrors Escape Room
Stuart MacPherson Library

September 24 - 11:00 am

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September 25 - 8:00 am Check-in

Fun Triathlon
Portage Pool

Visit boldcenter.ca for a full list of Alberta Culture Days events throughout September!

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

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The Fall 2021/Winter 2022 Community Activity Guide is here! Registration is open in person, online and by phone. It's full of programs, services & ideas to keep you and your family active all winter long. To receive a hard copy of each edition of the Community Activity Guide in your mailbox, please email recreation@laclabichcounty.com and provide your contact info and mailing address. **The Bold Center will resume regular operating hours on Tuesday, September 7.**