



GRAPEVINE

Scheduled Meetings

Visit our **‘Agendas & Minutes’** web page for Council meeting information and the **‘Calendar’** web page for the complete list of other scheduled meeting dates and community events.

- County Departmental Meeting**
September 10, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
- Regular County Council Meeting**
September 17, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
November 26, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
- Organizational Meeting followed by Regular County Council Meeting**
October 22, 2026 @ 9:00 AM

A Public Question Period is held during each Regular Council Meeting from 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Smoky Lake County
Main and Public Works
Offices will be
CLOSED
September 7, 2026
for Labour Day
and
September 30, 2026
for National Day of
Truth and
Reconciliation

DECLARATION OF A MUNICIPAL AGRICULTURAL DISASTER



At a Special Council Meeting held on August 11, 2026, Smoky Lake County Council unanimously voted to declare a Municipal Agricultural Disaster in response to the ongoing excess moisture and extremely saturated conditions impacting the region.

A municipal declaration does not automatically provide financial assistance to producers or create a relief program. Rather, it is intended to formally recognize the significant challenges local agricultural producers are experiencing and are expected to continue facing in the weeks and months ahead.

The declaration also emphasizes the vital role agriculture plays in Smoky Lake County, Alberta and the broader Canadian and global food supply chain.

As part of the declaration, Smoky Lake County will send letters to the Provincial Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation and the Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food outlining the current conditions and advocating for support and assistance for the local agricultural community.

Smoky Lake County recognizes that prolonged adverse conditions can place significant financial, emotional and mental strain on farmers and ranchers. You do not have to face these challenges alone. If you or someone you know is struggling, please reach out for support.

- National Farmer Crisis Line: 1-866-327-6701 (1-866-FARMS01)
- Suicide Crisis Help Line: Call or text: 9-8-8
- Do More Agriculture Foundation: www.domore.ag

Scholarship Opportunities

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Looking for funding for your education?

Explore scholarship opportunities available through organizations that work with Smoky Lake County.

www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/scholarships

PROPERTY TAXES DUE

Deadline to pay property taxes without penalty is October 31, 2026.

A 12% penalty will be applied to current taxes with an unpaid balance of \$10 or more on November 1 each year.

DRG SAFE

KNOW WHAT'S BELOW.

Always request a locate before you dig. One call can prevent a costly mistake.

Skip the wait—CLICK before you dig! Protect yourself and your community by requesting your locate online. Know what's below before you break ground.

<https://utilitysafety.ca/submit-a-locate-request>

KIDS ARE BACK AT SCHOOL

It shouldn't be this dangerous to get to school

DRIVE WITH CAUTION

View Smoky Lake County Council's Proclamations for the month of September
www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/proclamations