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Tara Baker (left) with CLB employees Lorri Splrak and Brigette Moore.

Demolition day for the Whitecourt Community Lunchbox brings a dream to life for the society

By Serena Lapointe

An empty home that once stood beside the Whitecourt Community Lunchbox Society (CLB) office is now gone. A team of community partners teamed up to make the

demolition happen, and Community Lunchbox Society Chair Tara Baker said they are grateful. "Today was possible because of the kindness and generosity of a few local companies stepping up and

offering to help us. Roszko Construction, JT Enterprises and TriJet Services went above and beyond."

Baker said they'd owned the land beside

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Great community partners, hardworking volunteers, and hundreds of bags of food

By Serena Lapointe

On Wednesday morning, Food Banks Alberta, recognizing the increased need in Whitecourt as evacuees from Fox Creek descended on the community, reached out to the Whitecourt Food Bank to see what they could do to help. Director Lori Coffey accepted the help offer and listed what resources were needed. The only issue was the amount of food incoming would be more than they could handle with their van.

"I had nowhere to put that or sort it," explained Coffey. A call to Matthew Joyal, the Freight Operations Manager at Whitecourt Transport, solved

her issues in seconds. "He literally saved the day. He is an amazing human being." Coffey said she explained the situation to Joyal and that he offered to go to Edmonton, pick up the food and bring it back to Whitecourt.

The help didn't stop there. "I told him we would pay to pick up the stuff in the city, and he said no way. He went to all the places, picked up all the food, and brought it to Whitecourt for free! He had to go to three different places to pick it up. Now, they are unloading it for us and letting us use their floor space in the bay to sort it. Now, that's how you do community!"

Roughly twenty volunteers, including coaches from Whitecourt Gymnastics and a couple of their athletes, and families from Whitecourt and Fox Creek joined Coffey and Roxanne Grumbach, Fox Creek Food Bank Coordinator, to sort and pack as many bags as possible.

"We've lived here for almost seven years, and we've got three kids, and we are pretty immersed in the community with hockey, football, and soccer. We love being here. It seemed natural to help out, and it's a great cause," said Joyal. "Many people, at some point in

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Volunteers pictured with an ocean of food bags around them.



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We would like to invite you to visit the websites below to view each companies upcoming forest activities. We will have a variety of plans available for review including: Areas of Operations for 2023-2024 season; Company Reforestation Plans; and Herbicide Treatment Plans.

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Halfway through the demolition process.

Six years in the making, a project is finally coming through for the Community Lunchbox Society. Thanks to generous support from a handful of local businesses, an eyesore near downtown Whitecourt is getting a new lease on life.

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their main office for six years. "It takes a lot of work and planning to demolish buildings. We spent last year doing all the proper inspections and making sure there was no asbestos. We made sure it was safe. Removing old buildings is a lot more in-depth than we first realized."

Baker said one phone call was all it took to get the ball rolling. "One of the coolest things is that our board member, Kristina, reached out, and they (TriJet Services, JT Enterprises, and Roszko Construction) all started to work together because their understanding of this process is a lot more than ours. Once Christina made the call, it was done and organized within just a few days. We are really thankful."

She said community partners make all the difference. "Millar Western, right before they became Canfor, donated money to this project, and Chevron recently donated to it too. It's because of these community partners that this is happening. Last year, David Green Tree Services removed a tree for us. That's another great community supporter." Baker said GFL and Local Environmental also played roles in the project, offering their support. She also said the

neighbours in the area were supportive too.

As Baker spoke to the Whitecourt Press, the demolition was actively taking place before her. When asked what it felt like to be watching it happen, finally, Baker was almost without words. "Oh. It's super awesome to watch this house go down," she paused, thinking momentarily. "It's such a blessing for us. We've had big hopes and dreams for the lot next door since we bought it. Doing things will be easier once the structure isn't there."

Having the empty house removed also came down to safety, which Baker said was a big concern. "That's why it sat empty for quite a few years, but in the last year, safety became a concern which is why we knew we had to take it down this spring." Baker said all the utilities were removed during the process, leaving them with a fresh piece of land, which she called "exciting."

One of the original plans for the property was to build a community kitchen. "We did the research, and we applied for funding and were successful, but when it came down to it, we identified that it wasn't necessarily the direction we wanted to go." Baker said one of the strengths of the CLB

team is their ability to pivot as necessary. "We are allowed to dream, and ultimately, we will make the most responsible decision."

With the kitchen out of the plans, Baker said they are excited to move forward. "Our immediate plan is to sod the property and then take it back to our group of CLB members. Many have mentioned that they would like a green space to do some gardening and connect as a group. So, we will be looking at different green space options."

Whatever they create on the property, Baker said it would be made intentionally accessible. "It will be a useable, accessible green space for the benefit of the society, our members, and the whole community." She added that the CLB team is focused on expanding the meaningful part-time employment they offer. The accessible grounds will mean that someone approaching them to be included in the organization won't be held back because of an accessibility barrier.

Baker said they would start creating the space this summer. "Our members want to spend more time together when the weather is nice and do something collectively, learn, and have something to show for it. We asked our team what they would want, and it's to grow stronger."

The demolition began at 9 am on Thursday last week, and by 10 am, the house was already halfway gone. By lunchtime, the Roszko excavator was rolling on top of where the house used to stand, crumpling the debris into smaller pieces, and depositing them into the JT Enterprises dump truck. "This is amazing," said Baker as she watched.

Local businesses that want to partner with or sponsor the accessible green space project are encouraged to reach out. Baker said the CLB is always open and grateful to receive support. She said they are also saving for a newer truck to replace their van. "The van doesn't allow more than two people inside at a

time. It's been awesome for us and served its purpose, but we need something that allows more volunteers to ride along."

Baker said she hopes residents appreciate the effort to beautify the area and increase safety now that the empty house is no longer an issue. "We spoke to our neighbours in the area. It already looks so much better. I can see into the downtown now!"

From September to the end of April, the CLB provided 2,189 breakfasts and 6,792 lunches to area students. They've provided 369 bags of apples, 82 boxes of apples, 555 small muffins and 927 big ones. They've also provided 216 yogurt tubes, 479 banana bunches and 559 granola bars. Full bellies


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NOTICE OF DECISION

The following decisions were made by the Development Authority:

Application 23-040: 81 Rivervalley Estates – Administrative variance – Reduce side yard setback from 5.0m to 4.4m – Approved with conditions.

Date of Decision: May 10, 2023 **Appeal Closes at 4:00pm:** May 31, 2023

An Appeal of the above decision(s) may be made by submitting a written appeal and appeal fee (\$300) to the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, Town of Whitecourt Administration Building, Box 509, Whitecourt, Alberta, T7S 1N6 prior to 4:00pm on the above noted date. Any person(s) affected by the said proposal(s), has the right to appeal prior to the above date.



WEST YELLOWHEAD

Your Guide to Voting

Provincial General Election

Voting will take place to elect a Member of the Legislative Assembly. If you are voting on Election Day, Monday, May 29, 2023, you must vote at the voting place identified for you on the map. If you prefer to vote in advance, from May 23 to May 27, you may vote at any advance voting location in Alberta.

Advance Voting Days Tuesday, May 23 to Saturday, May 27

During Advance Voting Days, you can vote at any advance voting location in Alberta.

Advance voting locations nearest your electoral division are specified below. Visit www.elections.ab.ca for additional voting locations throughout the province.

Advance Voting Location		Tuesday, May 23	Wednesday, May 24	Thursday, May 25	Friday, May 26	Saturday, May 27
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Dr. Duncan Murray Recreation Centre, 805 Switzer Drive, Hinton		9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Jasper Activity Centre, 303 Bonhomme Street, Jasper		9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Allan & Jean Millar Centre, 58 Sunset Boulevard, Whitecourt		9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Edson Royal Canadian Legion, 5016 5 Avenue, Edson		9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM

Election Day Monday, May 29, 2023

Election Day voting hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

On Election Day, you **must** vote at the voting place specified for your residence.

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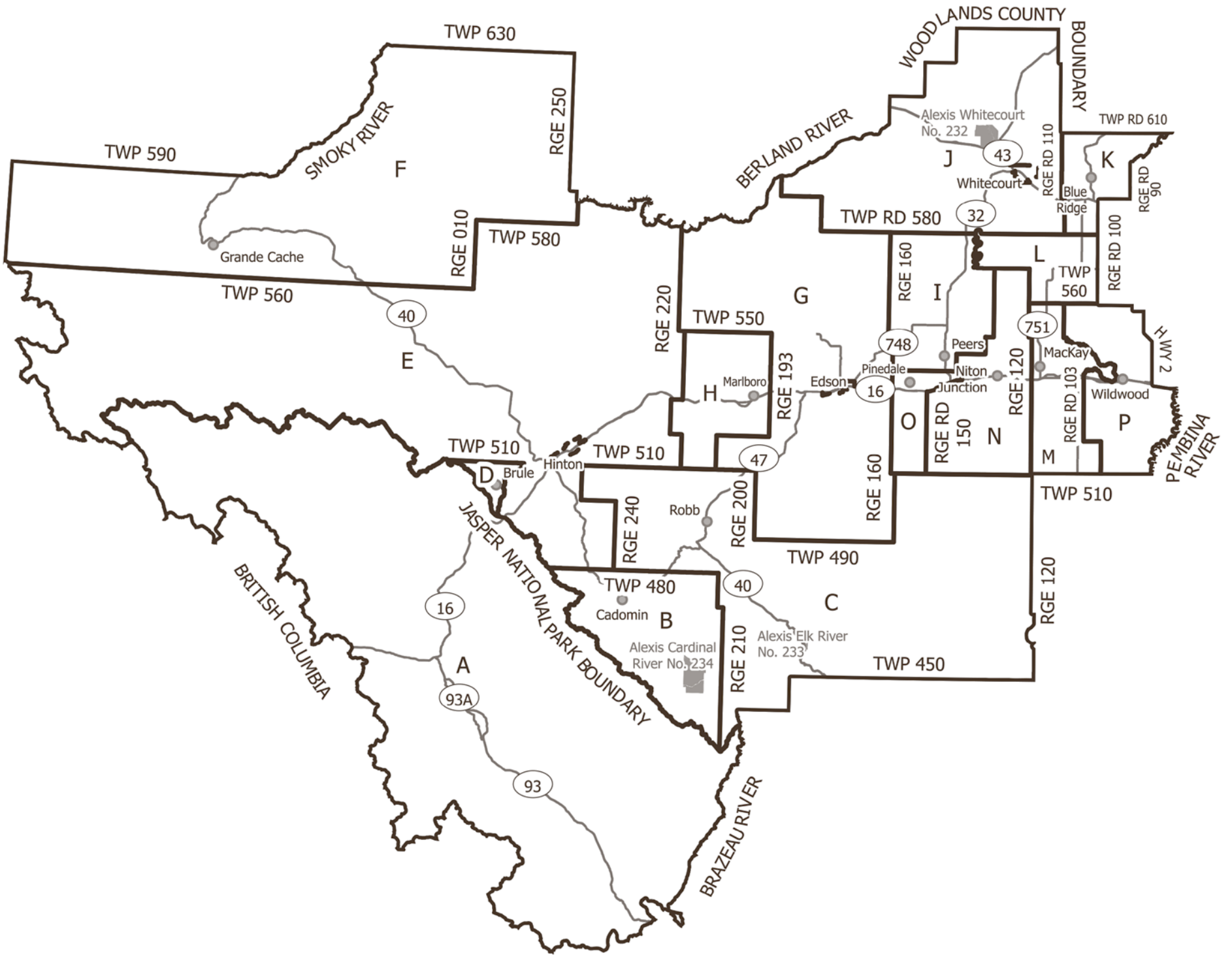
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their lives, rely on the food bank, whether they admit it or not. It's one of the most fundamental, important things that the community has to offer. We fully support it. I do personally, and the company does. Lori is full of energy and great to work with, and we will help her out anytime she needs it."

Joyal said the roles could easily be reversed. "We were so close to us needing it here in Whitecourt. We didn't get evacuated yet, but it's always possible. It's different to see this in here and not freight, but I'm floored with how everybody is working so hard and is targeted and goal-oriented and knows what they are doing. I'm pretty proud."

Joyal has worked at Whitecourt Transport for five years and has been in the Freight Operations Manager position for a year and a half. "It goes to the core values of the company. This company has been around for about 70 years, and I'm very lucky to be part of it for the last five years. They've always been involved in different things. So, I'm not inventing anything new; it's just continuing the pattern. We have extremely supportive owners; when we brought this idea up with them, they didn't hesitate. They said go for it." Joyal said they would continue playing a role. "We will do it again and again if we need to."

Coffey said she was beyond grateful. "This right now would not be happen-

ing if not for Whitecourt Transport. There's no way. They enabled the pickup and are giving us space to go through it and pack it up. People are going to get food thanks to them stepping up like they did. Our goal right now is to make sure 600 people get to eat for five days. After five days, we will re-evaluate what we need to do."

For Grumbach, working to help her Fox Creek community while she deals with the stress of leaving her home, just as everyone else has, watching the support come together was touching. She had worked long hours at the Millar Centre since her arrival, helping answer questions and linking people to resources. "I think people are going to be grateful. Many people coming to the Millar Centre to eat have been concerned about buying groceries and aren't able to cook in their hotel rooms, so having this food that they can eat without a lot of preparation, will help."

Bags included water bottles, granola bars, cereal, crackers and fruits and vegetables. "It is a big undertaking, and it's a lot of food that's going out to people. Even people who were not regular food bank users back in Fox Creek may not have had the financial means or weren't prepared with their banking situations to have extra groceries over and above what they already had in their houses, so it affects everybody. Everybody is going to benefit from this because everybody gets hungry."

Evacuees could pick up a bag at the AJMC each day. "This way, they will have a bag of food to take with them and will be able to eat throughout the day and feel more secure about how much food they have," explained Grumbach.

She added that the support from Whitecourt and Fox Creek businesses in keeping suppers happening each day has been tremendous. "Those dinners have taken the pressure off families for where they will eat that day. A huge thank you to all the Whitecourt and Fox Creek companies that have stepped up to do that." She said she was also grateful for Coffey's support. "It's so generous. I'm so happy."

While sorting food at Whitecourt Transport, Coffey was nearly brought to tears when a donation was handed to her. "As we are here working, Stitch and Time showed up to give us \$1000 because they figured that we could use it while we are going through this. The fact that it wasn't asked for, and Tyler Perrin just showed up and handed me money, is incredible. That's this community! Whitecourt is awesome!"

Perrin, whose daughter was one of the youths helping pack bags, said those who can help should help. He also said that it's important to get the youth involved too. "It's nice to help, especially when other communities are in need like this. Whitecourt always seems to come through, and it's nice to be part of that."

Town Council receives final provincial update from MLA Long before election



MLA Martin Long recently updated Whitecourt Town Council on provincial matters.

MLA Martin Long recently provided Whitecourt Town Council with an update from the provincial government on provincial growth and projects. His update comes just a handful of weeks ahead of the provincial election. Long touched on various subjects from industry to local healthcare spending and how Alberta compares to other provinces.

By Serena Lapointe

At a recent Whitecourt Town Council meeting, MLA Martin Long presented a yearly update of provincial and local matters. Through the last few years, Long and other MLAs haven't been able to provide in-person updates to councils. Long said he was happy to return to the routine, with one difference being a looming election.

"I appreciate the work and efforts you as Council have put into continuing to move our community and our region forward. You all didn't sign up for an easy term. You signed up to lead our community, and inevitably through thick and thin, you guys have done that and set an example in that leadership," he said, addressing Council.

Long said his update would focus on the positives he has seen over the last year. "Our province has seen a drastic turn from an economic standpoint. We are leading the country in job creation. We have been setting the bar on that for over a year now, and what's exciting for me is how quietly

we've done it. In essence, we've taken what many perceive Alberta to be, a resource-based economy, and we've expanded that exponentially."

Long said that there were over a hundred thousand job openings in Alberta and that many people had moved to the province. "We have seen 46 thousand people move to Alberta from other provinces in just over a year. We've seen 120 thousand people move to Alberta since last August from all jurisdictions, including the other provinces. And simply, the reason is that this is a land of opportunity."

He felt there were a few factors for the influx of new residents. "Alberta has the highest base rate before you pay any income tax, of any province, by three thousand dollars. We also obviously have no PST, and we have lower housing prices compared to other big centres, with Edmonton and Calgary in particular when you compare them with Toronto, Mississauga, and Vancouver, and other big centres." Long added that

Alberta having the "highest average weekly earnings of any province" was likely also a draw. "People want to come out and earn more money while they are young and able to work."

Continuing with his update, Long said the growth seen provincially wasn't just in one sector. "It's not just in oil and gas. It's not just in forestry. It's not just in agriculture. It's not just in mining and aggregate. We've got opportunities in technology too. We've seen over 700 million invested in tech over the last year. Five years ago, that number was 30 million dollars. It's booming."

Long said one of the recent announcements that caught his attention involved the movement of 300 jobs moving to Alberta from Ontario by RBC. "The reason that caught my attention is that we would typically expect RBC to put those jobs on Main Street, in Ontario. Pulling them directly out of the financial district in Ontario and moving them to Alberta is, to me, a good

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Unloading one of several skids.



Volunteers from both Whitecourt and Fox Creek working together.

The Whitecourt Transport loading bay looked much different than it usually does on Wednesday evening last week. Hundreds of food-filled bags littered the cement floor as volunteers worked feverishly to prepare emergency kits for Fox Creek evacuees.



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DISCRETIONARY USE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

The Municipal Planning Commission will be making a decision on the following development permit application, as per the Woodlands County Land Use Bylaw, at their regular meeting **Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the Whitecourt Municipal Office**, downstairs.

Section 19 of the Woodlands County Land Use Bylaw provides opportunity for any person who may have comments on the proposed development to deliver to the Development Officer, a written statement of their concerns indicating: their full name and address and the reasons for their comments to the proposed use.

If you have any comment or concern regarding this proposal you may provide a written statement via email to peter.mckay@woodlands.ab.ca prior to **4:30 p.m., May 31, 2023**, or you may attend the meeting.

Comments received will be taken into consideration by the Municipal Planning Commission.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER	PROPOSAL
PT. SE 3-59-13-W5M	15-024-2023	Dwelling: replace existing 3rd residence

Information regarding this application may be obtained by inquiring prior to **4:30 p.m., May 31, 2023**.

Attention: Peter McKay, Development Officer
peter.mckay@woodlands.ab.ca

Woodlands County
Box 60, #1 Woodlands Lane, Whitecourt AB T7S 1N3
Telephone: 780-778-8400
Toll-Free: 1-888-870-6315

NOTICE OF DECISION

A decision has been made regarding the following development permit application:

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION	LOCATION	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	DECISION	DATE OF DECISION
15-013-2023	PT. SW 24-58-12-W5M	Garden Suite change of occupancy	APPROVED	3-May-23

Any person affected by this decision may appeal to the Secretary of the Development Appeal Board by forwarding a written appeal along with a \$500.00 fee, to the address listed below, prior to **4:30 p.m., May 24, 2023**.

Information regarding this application may be obtained by inquiring at the address noted.

Attention: Peter McKay, Development Officer
Woodlands County
Box 60, #1 Woodlands Lane, Whitecourt AB T7S 1N3
Telephone: 780-778-8400
Toll-Free: 1-888-870-6315

NOTICE OF DECISION

The following development permits have been conditionally approved under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION	LOCATION	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	DATE OF DECISION	APPEAL DEADLINE
15-018-23	PT 6-15-59-W5M	Rural Industrial: Licensed Gas Processing Plant & Plant Expansion	9-May-23	30-May-23
15-020-23	PT SE 1-59-12-W5M Lot 9 Block 1 Plan 102-0445	Dwelling: single family home Accessory Building: shop/storage (personal use)	9-May-23	30-May-23

Any person affected by this decision may appeal to the Secretary of the Development Appeal Board by forwarding a written appeal along with a \$500.00 fee, to the address listed below, prior to **4:30 p.m. of the appeal date noted above**.

Information regarding this application may be obtained by inquiring at the address noted.

Attention: Peter McKay, Development Officer
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Bylaw 597/23 – Advertising

Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 5:30 pm
Location: Woodlands County, Whitecourt Municipal Office, Council Chambers

Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act (the Act), s. 606.1, Advertisement Bylaw, Woodlands County Council is considering a bylaw to advertise municipal notices in local newspapers in a condensed manner and in full on its municipal website.

Woodlands County recognizes its public acquires municipal information from various sources, both print and electronic. Woodlands County proposes a hybrid advertising model to publish all municipal notices online and supporting fiscal responsibility by publishing print notifications in a condensed manner. The condensed versions of the notices provide general information

of the notice and direct the public where to gain more details, if interested, via the website and/or municipal office.

The proposed bylaw can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/3p7qhl2> or obtained at Woodlands County offices.

Electors who wish to file a petition with respect to this proposed bylaw must comply with Part 7 of the Act. The petition must be filed on or before **June 6, 2023, 4:30 pm**.

Questions? Feedback? Contact us:
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61053A Highway 33, Fort Assiniboine



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2023 By-election Catholic School Trustee Opportunity

Two Trustees for the Whitecourt Ward

Eligibility Requirements:

- A Roman Catholic
- A Catholic School supporter
- A resident within the jurisdiction of the Living Waters Catholic School Division school board
- At least 18 years of age

The **deadline for nominations is May 23, 2023 at noon**. Please note that nominations are to be submitted at the Living Waters Board Office in Whitecourt (4204 Kepler St.).

For more information about being a Trustee, you may contact one of the following:

Returning Officer: Bryan Turner
bryan.turner@livingwaters.ab.ca
 Ph. 780-778-5666

Superintendent: Jo-Anne Lanctot
jo-anne.lanctot@livingwaters.ab.ca
 Ph. 780-778-5666

More information and nomination packages are also available at www.livingwaters.ab.ca



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Fun at the cadet booth.



Athletes from Prestige Athletics.



Putting for prizes at the Sunlife booth.



Shelbey Scott from Buckles & Blues.

The 40 Annual Whitecourt & District Chamber of Commerce Trade Fair occurred over the weekend at the Scott Safety Centre. The Athabasca Rink was filled with booths from businesses and organizations offering various products, services and programming opportunities. The Whitecourt Wolverines signed autographs on-site, and Prestige Athletics cheerleaders performed dazzling routines. The Whitecourt Air Cadets brought in a flying simulator which was a big hit for children and parents alike as they each took turns hopping up onto the big orange seat and going for a ride. The always-popular trade fair brought out lots of community members and out-of-town guests to peruse the booths and try their luck at the numerous door prizes available to enter.

FORM 3

Notice of Nomination Day

Local Authorities Election Act (Section 26)

LOCAL JURISDICTION: Living Waters Catholic Separate Regional Division, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Notice is hereby given that Nomination Day is May 23, 2023 and that nominations for the election of candidates for the following offices will be received at the location of the local jurisdiction office set out below within the period beginning on April 22, 2023 and ending at 12:00 noon on Nomination Day.

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Ward or Electoral Division Number (If Applicable)
School Board Trustee - Whitecourt	2	Ward 3

Location (Address) of Local Jurisdiction Office:

Living Waters Catholic Separate School Division
Box 1949, 4204 Kepler St.
Whitecourt, AB
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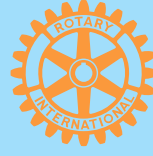


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Phone: 780-778-2341

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WHITECOURT GROUP OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

All meetings are in person and online (hybrid)

- Mondays 7:30pm
- Wednesdays 7:30pm

Meetings held at the Family Worship Center upstairs.

ZOOM ID: 818 413 483 PASSWORD: gratitude



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Providing timely and easily accessible financial support for Whitecourt patients and their families who are dealing with a cancer diagnosis.

This can include help with parking costs for hospital visits, living expenses and unforeseen medical expenses. Applications can be made through the Drs at both Whitecourt Medical Clinics or (office hours, can leave a message): **Willow McIntyre** (Community Cancer Navigation Nurse, McLeod River PCN) **780-779-0079**, **Kim Nendsa** (President of Whitecourt Cancer & Wellness Society) **780-778-0932**
wctcancerwellness@gmail.com

**Monthly meetings have been postponed due to COVID-19

Whitecourt AA Group Of Alcoholics Anonymous



Meetings three times each week

- Monday 8:00 p.m..... (12 Step Meeting)
- Wednesday 8:00 p.m...(Open Topic Meeting)
- Friday 8:00 p.m.....(Big Book Meeting)

Located at the United Church Basement on Legion St. (formerly 5201 - 50 Street)
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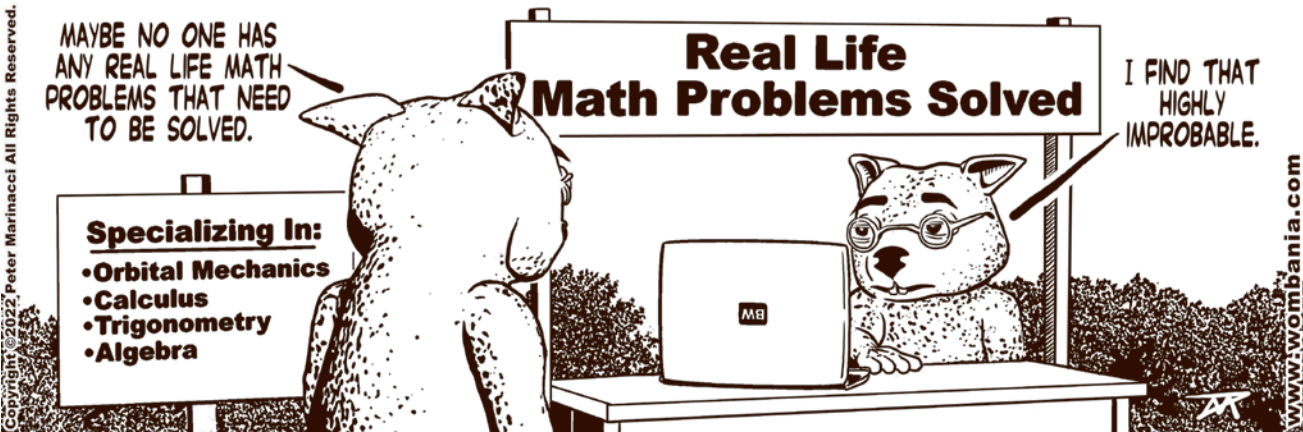


Some signs to look for: No big smiles or other joyful expressions by 6 months. No babbling by 12 months. No words by 16 months. To learn more of the signs of autism, visit autismpeaks.org



A heart-warming message chalked onto the sidewalk outside the Allan & Jean Millar Centre reads "Fox Creek and Whitecourt" with a big heart in the middle. The AJMC has been ground zero for evacuees as they eat meals there and receive updates. Town of Whitecourt staff has worked long hours to ensure evacuees have the support they need, working alongside Town of Fox Creek staff. The love given and received through this process has been beautiful, and this chalked image shows it.

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A look at the local weather

	Tue., May 16	Wed., May 17	Thu., May 18	Fri., May 19	Sat., May 20
P.O.P.	Sunny	Sunny	Chance of a shower	Mainly sunny	Sunny
High	10%	30%	40%	20%	20%
Low	31°C	27°C	25°C	27°C	27°C
Wind	13°C	10°C	9°C	11°C	11°C
24-Hr Rain / Snow	SE 9 km/h <1mm	N 14 km/h 1-3mm	SE 14 km/h ~1mm	SE 12 km/h ~1mm	NW 7 km/h -

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Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza Now Hiring Cashiers NOC 65100

Responsibilities:

- Greet customers
- Receive and process payments by cash, cheque, credit card, or automatic debit
- Provide information to customers
- Calculate foreign currency exchange
- Calculate total payments received at end of work shift and reconcile with total sales
- Verify the age of customers when selling lottery tickets, alcohol or tobacco products
- Operate cash register
- Process money, cheques, and credit/debit card payments
- Scan Items
- Tabulate total payment for goods or services required
- Receive payment for goods or services
- Calculate daily/shift payments received and reconcile them with total sales
- Suggestive selling
- Provide excellent customer service
- Assist customers with self-service items
- Participate in promotional activities

Qualifications:

- Some secondary school education is usually required. High school graduation may be required by some employers.
- Eligibility for bonding may be required.
- A casino gaming license may be required for cashiers working in gambling casinos.
- Must be able to complete Smart training courses
- Must be able to complete AML

Experience: 2 – 3 years, or we will train.

Education: Some post-secondary, high school may require.

Terms of Employment: Permanent full-time 40-hour work week.

Language: English

Employment Conditions: Shift work, Day, Evenings, Weekends, Holidays, Nights.

Wage: \$15.00 per hour.

Benefits Package: Vision, Dental, Health after 90-day probation period.

Location: Twp.Rd.602A, Hwy 32 North, Whitecourt, AB Canada.

Address: Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza P.O Box 10 Whitecourt, Alberta Canada T7S-1N3

Contact: 780-779-2727 or Fax 780-706-7451

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How to Apply: Send resume to HR@eaglerivercasino.ca, mail or fax

Woodlands County Council recap

Woodlands County Council discussed the following items at their recent meeting of Council:

Council approved Policy 6211 – Amended Benefits Program. The policy was amended to include seniors and utilize the FCSS Volunteer Tax Pro-

gram to determine eligibility for the program, effective July 1, 2023. To qualify for the program, a Woodlands County resident must show that Line 150 of the current year's income tax Notice of Assessment is below the following amounts:

1 Person	\$30,000
2 People	\$40,000
3 People	\$42,500
Per dependent after	\$2,500

A sub-committee was established to further strengthen the relationship with Indigenous partners and promotion of Indigenous inclusion. The sub-committee consists of the Reeve and Councillor Deane who will begin the outreach and consultation with Indigenous partners to establish a meaningful recognition.

Woodlands North was awarded the Watercourse Crossing Remediation Survey for a grant amount of \$80,000. The provincially funded watercourse crossing remediation program is designed for municipalities to inspect road crossing culverts that may impact potential Athabasca trout habitats.

Council approved the 2023 Budget adjustments for the 2023 Operating Budget and Capital Budget. The budget is adjusted prior to setting the tax rate ensuring all projects and services are funded for the year.

The next scheduled meetings are Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 5:00 pm for a special Council meeting and Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 6:00 pm for Governance & Priorities Committee. The meeting is held in-person at the Municipal Office in Whitecourt and streamed on the Woodlands County YouTube channel. Agenda packages are available on the Woodlands County CivicWeb Portal.



Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza Now Hiring Casino Shift Manager NOC 62022

Responsibilities:

- Co-ordinate, assign and review the work of casino workers
- Establish work schedules and procedures and co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports
- Hire and train staff in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies
- Requisition of supplies and materials
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work
- May perform the same duties as workers supervised
- Perform the same duties as workers supervised
- Assist clients/guests with special needs
- Co-ordinate, assign and review work
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work
- Establish work schedules and procedures and co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Hire and train staff in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies
- Requisition materials and supplies
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports.

Qualifications:

- Completion of secondary school is usually required.
- Completion of college courses related to the area supervised may be required.
- Experience in the occupation supervised is usually required.
- AGLC casino gaming license will be required.
- Must be able complete Smart training courses
- AML certificate

Experience: 3 – 5 years.

Education: Completion of secondary school is required, casino gaming license.

Terms of Employment: Permanent full-time 44-hour work week.

Language: English

Employment Conditions: Shift work, Day, Evenings, Weekends, Holidays, Nights.

Wage: \$23.08 per hour.

Benefits Package: Vision, Dental, and Health after a 90-day probation period.

Location: Twp.Rd.602A, Hwy 32 North, Whitecourt, AB Canada.

Address: Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza P.O Box 10 Whitecourt, Alberta Canada T7S-1N3.

Contact: 780-779-2727 or Fax 780-706-7451

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at our Whitecourt Store. Competitive wages, a great benefits package, and start with 3 weeks holidays. If you're tired of working long hours in the oil patch or crawling underneath muddy trucks this is a good change from all that. Mainly a Monday to Friday job with on-call and the chance of some overtime.

Drop off resume at 5221 59 St. or call Jeremy at 780-778-4411.

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- **Job# 23-024**, Whitecourt Transit Drivers, Casual Positions

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**HELP WANTED**

Tim Hortons in Whitecourt is looking to fill the following positions:

Food Service Attendant
Full Time / Shift Work

Food Service Supervisor
Full Time / Shift Work

SHIFT INCENTIVE FOR OVERNIGHTS

Please apply in person at the restaurant.



4331-52 Ave Unit 1
Whitecourt, AB

4216 Elko Drive
Whitecourt, AB

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indicator that we are moving in the right direction, and more will come."

Long spoke about the province's Film and Tax Credit and the attention Alberta is getting because of it. "We've seen a lot of activity in southern Alberta over the years, and we look to expand that across the province as we move forward with that tax credit. Having the largest production in Canadian history (The Last of Us) happening here in Alberta is getting us a lot of attention on the global stage."

He touched on the renewable energy sector, saying the growth there was significant, especially with hydrogen advancements, and also touched on oil and gas, saying he expects the industry to grow for decades to come, "and I say decades at a minimum." Long said he was "very optimistic about the future of Alberta and Canadian energy," adding that Alberta is making a name for itself globally "as a responsible provider of energy."

Another provincial

sector, agriculture, will continue to expand, said Long, as food security continues to be "on most people's minds." Wrapping up the conversation, Long said, "I have a lot of excitement when I sit and talk about opportunities now and in the future for our province." One concern he had, though, was if the message had gotten out enough.

Healthcare, including Whitecourt receiving a few million dollars in the most recent provincial budget, was the final topic touched on in his update. Long also pointed out that mental health spending increased to over a billion, with a \$150 million jump. "In our most recent budget, we did announce a three million dollar allocation for the community of Whitecourt for planning. It was a very important day for me to read that in our budget documents that the Whitecourt Healthcare Centre is being acknowledged." Long said that he will be waiting, like those before him at the Council table and community members, "to see what comes out of that planning process."

**Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza
Now Hiring Executive Chef NOC 6321****Responsibilities:**

- Plan and direct food preparation and cooking banquets and specialty functions.
- Plan menus and ensure food meets quality standards
- Estimate food requirements and may estimate food and labour costs
- Supervise activities of sous-chefs, specialist chefs, cooks
- Arrange for equipment purchases and repairs
- Recruit and hire staff
- May prepare and cook food on a regular basis or for special guests or functions.
- Demonstrate new cooking techniques for and new equipment to the cooking staff
- Prepare and cook complete meals or specialty food, such as pastries, sauces, soups, salads, vegetables, meats, poultry, and fish dishes. Create and decorate food displays for special events such as banquets.
- Instruct cooks in the preparation, cooking garnishing, and presentation of food.
- Maintain records of food costs, consumption, sales, and inventory
- Analyze operating costs and other data

Qualification:

- Post Secondary diploma in Business Management, Culinary Arts, or Hospitality
- 3-5 years of supervisory or management experience in the Hospitality or Restaurant industry.
- Ability to provide leadership and communicate with all staff members.
- Ability to compute basic mathematical calculations.
- Knowledge of proper sanitation procedures and food safety guidelines.
- Understanding of food handling and sanitation standards.
- Understanding of restaurant operational procedures.
- Effective decision-making skills.
- Ability to acquire and maintain relationships e.g., associates, customers, and vendors.
- Positive communication and interpersonal skills.
- Positive attitude and a consistent display of professionalism.
- Innovative, detail-oriented, and quality conscious.
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