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Locking in a better rate for savings on power, for budget stability in a volatile energy market – Town Council



Rolling the dice on a fixed rate for power, the Town of Whitecourt recently signed a six-year deal with Alberta Municipalities. Town of Whitecourt facilities like the town office, fall under the contract. See story page 4.

From tough road games to slinging pumpkins for a great local cause

By Serena Lapointe

The Whitecourt Wolverines played southern road games from September 22 to the beginning of October, taking on teams like the Brooks Bandits, Drum-

heller Dragons, and the Camrose Kodiaks. The stretch yielded a big win against Drumheller and some heartbreaking losses. On October 5, the team returned to home base to play

against the Blackfalds Bulldogs in front of their Whitecourt fans.

The cheering squad of 539 fans was ready for a night of great lo-

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Wolverines and a couple of young helpers at IGA.



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To everyone who participated in the MNA's 2023 General Election, thank you for making your voice heard and helping to shape the future of our Nation. Below you can find the certified results of the Election. Continue reading to see who is elected to our first Otipemisiwak Métis Government.

While this year's election may be over, the work of the new government is just beginning. Visit www.MNAConstitution.com to stay up to date and keep an eye out for future events.



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Locking in a better rate for savings on power, for budget stability in a volatile energy market – Town Council

By Serena Lapointe

The energy cost in today’s world has grown significantly for homeowners and businesses. The Town of Whitecourt is no different, with offices, shops, and town-owned facilities needing power. To help

reduce the costs and provide a budgetable expense for an extended timeline, the Town joined the Alberta Municipalities Power+ Energy Program nearly a decade ago, on January 1, 2014. The five-year term was then extended

and ends on December 31, 2023.

At a recent Policies and Priorities Committee meeting, where Council delves deeper into topics before voting on them at a regular Council meeting, a delegation from Alber-

ta Municipalities (AM) detailed the program and potential savings. Town CAO Peter Smyl said that things were a little different this year. “We are going directly to the generator, not to a middleman in between, so they (Alberta Mu-

nicipalities) are directly dealing with it.” In the past, AM tendered power aggregation to wholesale retailers, but by removing intermediaries, some costs were avoided.

Not surprisingly, rates this year have

gone up, a pain anyone with a power bill feels these days. Smyl said AM had hoped for a specific rate. “The rates they got were a little bit higher. Sixty-five cents a kilowatt is what

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DISCRETIONARY USE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

PLEASE NOTE – TIME CHANGE TO 4 PM

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 on **Wednesday, October 18, 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 planning@woodlands.ab.ca prior to **4:30 p.m., October 11, 2023** or you may attend the meeting to voice any comments.

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

LEGAL DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER	PROPOSAL
PT. NE 19-58-11-W5M Lot 13 Block 1 Plan 102-5167	15-060-2023	Kenel – Personal Use (Small Animal Boarding/Breeding)

Information regarding this application may be obtained by inquiring prior to **4:30 pm, October 11, 2023.**

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

Woodlands County
Box 60, #1 Woodlands Lane, Whitecourt AB T7S 1N3
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- Municipal Planning Commission - 2 vacancies**
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board – 1 vacancy**
- Community Services Committee – 1 adult and 1 youth vacancy**
- Woodlands County Library Board – 2 vacancies (3-year term)**

Positions are held for a **two-year period from November 1, 2023, to October 31, 2025**, (unless otherwise stated).

Learn more about each committee and apply online at woodlands.civicweb.net or submit letters of interest and/or resume and experience to either of our municipal offices.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 4:30pm

Submit Applications to:

Email: carey.stephens@woodlands.ab.ca

In-Person:
Woodlands County
Municipal Office, #1 Woodlands Lane, Whitecourt, AB
Regional Municipal Office, 61053A Highway 33, Fort Assiniboine, AB

NOTICE OF DECISION

Application: 15-054-2023
Location: PT SW 27-59-10-W5M Lot 13 Block 2 Plan 892-0200
Proposed Development: Institutional/Public Use: Church Hall
Decision: Approved with Conditions
Decision Date: October 4, 2023
Appeal Deadline: October 25, 2023, 4:30 pm

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Wolverines returning from a shopping spree for the Food Bank.



Filling up the Food Bank van.

The Whitecourt Wolverines played a tough string of games down south to start the regular season. Once back in town, they laced up their running shoes and helped raise funds and food for a great cause. The Annual Pumpkin Giveaway brings the community together to do incredible things for those who need it most.

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cal hockey and cheered loudly as the puck dropped shortly after 7 p.m. at JDA Place. Blackfalds came out with an unrivalled passion, pushing hard from the get-go. Their push landed them on the scoreboard, scoring 42 seconds into the game. Following a hook from Wolverine Spencer Rheume, a late-period powerplay gave the visitors the man advantage. They did not miss. Blackfalds closed

out the first period with a 2-0 lead.

In the second, Wolverine Colby Browne scored a beauty of a goal, assisted by Joey Melo. It looked as though the Whitecourt team was on the road to a comeback. A little over a minute later, the Bulldogs regained their two-goal lead, making it 3-1. Less than 60 seconds later, they scored another, extending their lead to 4-1.

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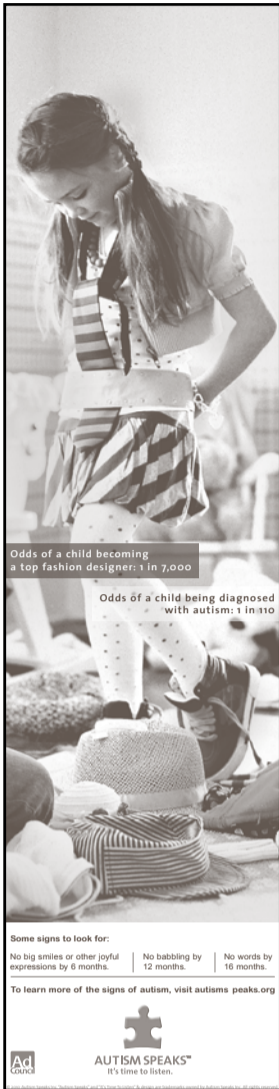
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High	70%	30%	20%	20%	10%
Low	12°C	14°C	12°C	13°C	11°C
Wind	7°C	4°C	6°C	5°C	5°C
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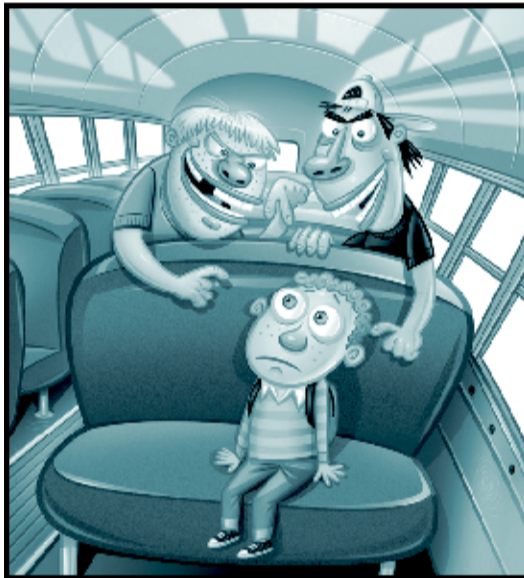


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West Yellowhead





Gorgeous Fall

Autumn is here, and she's beautiful! The pond at Festival Park looks like a painting with gorgeous yellows and oranges surrounding it on all sides, glowing in the sunshine on Saturday morning. The perfect reflection of the trees in the pond was the icing on the cake. With the winds picking leaves off their trees one by one, remember to make time to enjoy the beauty of the season before it's gone for another year.

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- 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.
- Ability to endure abundant physical movements in carrying out job duties.
- Demonstrated ability to lead and direct a team.
- Ability to respond quickly in a dynamic and changing environment
- Knowledge of cost analysis, fiscal management, and budgeting techniques as an asset

Education: Post-secondary in business management, Culinary Arts or Hospitality **Experience:** 5 years or more

Terms of Employment: Permanent full-time, 44-hour work week **Language:** English

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

Wage: \$70,000 - 80,000 depending on experience.

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

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

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they were trying for, and they got \$0.695 per kilowatt,” he explained. He also added that rather than offering a ten-year term, AM recommended six years.

The Town of Whitecourt currently pays just over \$0.51/Kw with the contract that ends at the end of the year. Though the increase to \$0.695/Kw is significant, the package explained that future market rates are expected to be impacted by increasing carbon taxes from the federal government and that the rate offered by AM is expected to be lower. Locking into a contract does run the risk that rates could drop below the contract’s rate, but not locking in a lower rate could potentially mean millions.

“Everybody knows what rates are now,” said Smyl. The meeting’s agenda package detailed that recent contract pricing proposals for municipalities not part of the Power+ Program through AM averaged ten cents/Kw higher than the rate offered to those in the program. As of the meeting date, 100 Albertan municipalities had signed on and amended their participation agreements.

Smyl said that as a program member, the Town of Whitecourt had seen advantages, including budget stability through price certainty. Administration recommended that Council enter into a six-year contract with AM at the 0.695/Kw rate. Variables outside the agreement, which could still impact costs, include distribution, transmission, and delivery tariff changes.

“I read in here (the package) that because we are already part of this, we’ve saved the community over a million dollars by being involved the first time, and now \$700,000 this time. That sounds appealing,” said Mayor Tom Pickard. “That’s hedging your power,” responded Smyl. “We don’t have a crystal ball, but one thing that is nice for us is that it’s consistent. When we talk about budget impacts, this does have an impact for 2024, as it is an increase from the

current price. However, it could be a lot worse, and we are happy to present this.”

Councillor Bradon Lanctot agreed. “It’s nice to have a little bit of clarity and stability, and I think it’s a fantastic idea.” He then motioned to accept the amended contract, officially entering into a six-year contract with Alberta Municipalities’ Power+ Program from January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2029, which passed unanimously. The Town of Whitecourt has a similar contract in place for natural gas, which ends December 31, 2026.

The cost of energy is top of mind for many Canadians. According to www.energyhub.org, Quebec had the cheapest electricity prices for residential customers in the country as of last month, at 7.8¢/kWh and the Northwest Territories had the highest, at a whopping 41.0¢/kWh (based on monthly consumption of 1,000kWh). Alberta was the second highest at 25.8¢/kWh. Apart from the territories, the closest province was Saskatchewan, where residents paid 19.9¢/kWh. The Canadian average as of September 3 was 19.2¢/kWh (www.energyhub.org).

During a press conference at the end of September, Premier Danielle Smith unveiled www.tellthefeds.ca, a site part of an extensive Albertan campaign to spread the word on the need for affordable electricity. The conference came mere hours after the Alberta Electric System Operator said Ottawa’s proposed clean electricity regulations stood to hurt Alberta more than other provinces, increasing costs.

In response, the Alberta government kick-started an eight-million-dollar campaign to help educate Canadians on the potential impact of federal regulations. It will run until November 2, when the feds’ public input period on their proposed net-zero rules concludes. Smith said the campaign will run ads in Alberta, Ontario, Nova Scotia and

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New Brunswick, areas which stand to be most impacted.

Residents dealing with high energy bills should speak with their retailers and find out if they are on a regulated or variable rate. Both

options are currently higher, with some more than double the fixed rates available. A fixed rate, similar to the contract signed by the Town of Whitecourt, can provide stability rather than being at the mercy of a volatile market.

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

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Dollar Values as of October 11, 2023

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Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza

Now Hiring Surveillance Supervisor NOC 62029

Responsibilities:

- Completes routine surveillance of the gaming floor identifying potential problems, such as poor game protection, suspicious individuals, and acting as a support unit to other departments in relation to the protection of company assets.
- Maintains accurate logs of all procedure violations or completing reviews of all material that is pertinent to site operations.
- Always maintain awareness of gaming operation and comply with security policies and procedures to secure company assets.
- This position requires the ability to communicate clearly, deal tactfully and work effectively with Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza, staff, and management.
- Ensure smooth operation of computer systems, equipment, and machinery, and arrange for maintenance and repair work.
- Monitor quality and production levels.
- Resolve work-related problems and prepare and submit progress and other reports
- May perform the same duties as workers supervised.
- Handle emergency situations.
- Monitor quality and production levels.

Qualifications:

- Completion of college courses related to the area supervised may be required.
- Completion of secondary school is usually required.
- Possesses detailed knowledge of casino table games, slots, poker policies, cash/slot cage, and count room policies and procedures.
- For this position you will be required to sit for long periods with computer monitors.
- Experience in the occupation supervised is usually required.
- Certification or licensing AGLC.
- Must be able to complete Smart training course
- Must have a valid driver's license class 5
- Must be able to complete AML.

Experience: 2 – 3 years.

Education: Completion of secondary school an asset.

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

Language: English

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

Wage: \$20.77 per hour.

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

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

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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.

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Human Resources Manager

Reports To: General Manager

PURPOSE

A structured Human Resources Manager role is critical to the success of the Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza. The primary purpose of the Human Resources Manager is to provide guidance and coaching on all Human Resources matters to our property.

ROLES

Reporting to the General Manager, the Human Resources Manager oversee all aspects of human resources practices and processes.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support departments in developing and delivering strategic HR plans that fit with the overall business direction
- Plan, monitor, and appraise HR activities by scheduling management conferences, resolving employee grievances, training managers in how to coach and discipline, and counseling employees and supervisors
- Champion the onboarding process by ensuring that it's high-quality and up to date, and provide clarity and connection for employees so their roles serve the overall business vision
- Maintain management guidelines by preparing, updating, and recommending human-resources policies and procedures
- Build strong relationships with external suppliers, fostering trust and promoting collaboration
- Handle confidential matters with discretion
- Lead the recruiting function at the property

IMPACT OF ACTION

The Human Resources Manager has a direct impact on the ability to provide Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza staff and management with a safe and suitable environment in which to visit and/or work.

KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

This position requires the ability to communicate clearly, deal tactfully and work effectively with Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza staff and management. The incumbent in this position will provide a primary interface to other Casino & Plaza departments.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- A minimum of 8 years of progress human resources experience in a medium to large organization with experience leading teams and assessing human resources services
- A minimum of 2 years in a senior role in and HR department
- An affinity for the service sector is essential
- Demonstrated success in HR systems and HR Policy/Practice
- Experience of negotiation and influencing at senior management levels
- A leadership style that will incite enthusiasm, provide vision, create a positive morale, role model standards of professionalism
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills are necessary to support diverse associate population
- Strong facilitation and interpersonal skills are essential
- Ability and willingness to develop presentation as required
- A track record effective human resources decision-making and an "urgency to execute" attitude is essential for the fast-paced environment

CANDIDATE PROFILE

- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to meet deadlines in a rapidly changing business environment.
- Ability to work independently.
- Developed writing skills sufficient to prepare written materials involving detailed descriptions and explanations requiring the accurate use of specialized terminology.
- Self-planning skills sufficient to schedule, organize, and carry out work assignments according to established work plans, adjusting work schedules according to changing priorities.
- Developed judgment and problem-solving skills sufficient to interpret and/or analyze factual and conceptual information with the ability to adapt general procedures or approaches when formulating responses to problems.
- Manages workload independently and works well in teams.
- Develops security and systems knowledge through on-the-job experience.
- Must display leadership skills, the ability to multi-task and adjust to multiple jurisdictions.
- Models company values at all times. Shows strong teamwork skills.
- Working knowledge of MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint.

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onds left in the second period and the Wolverines scrambling to get a puck in the net, both teams played hot-potato hockey, bouncing quickly between each other, moving from end to end. The Wolverine goalie, Lukas Renaud, made some big saves, even batting the puck out of the air at one point. With thirty seconds left on the clock, the Bulldogs managed to slide one in past the Wolverine's netminder, taking a massive 5-1 lead.

When the ref blew the whistle to signal the start of the third, fans cheered on their team, urging them not to give up. Just over three minutes in, the lone scorer for the Wolverines, Colby Browne, potted his fourth goal of the season, assisted by Kaiden Wiltsie, his third. Outside of four penalties, that was the last scoreboard-related action for the game. The Bulldogs took the win 5-2.

Following the hard loss, the Whitecourt Wolverines got out into the community. They participated in a Pumpkin Giveaway held by List It With Lexi & Lyndsay and sponsored by RE/MAX, IGA, United Rentals and New Venture Safety Services Ltd. The Wolverines signed autographs and took pictures while helping collect donations for the

Whitecourt Food Bank in exchange for pumpkins.

RE/MAX started the giveaway in the mid90s. Years later, the event began to dwindle. In 2012, Lexi Ames, who worked at the Whitecourt Teen Centre, restarted it to help raise food for lunches for kids at the centre. When the centre closed, she and RE/MAX returned to supporting the Whitecourt Food Bank.

"It's the biggest feel-good event. It's the perfect weekend to give back to the community that has given us so much," said Ames. As shoppers approached the store, a Wolverine player handed them a piece of paper with some of the most commonly needed items for the Whitecourt Food Bank. Those who donated were given a free pumpkin from IGA.

"My favourite is when you see parents start explaining to their kids why they are buying something for the Food Bank and what the Food Bank is, and then they come back, and the kids are excited to hand over the donation they picked out. Then the bonus is they get to pick out a pumpkin for it," explained Ames. "Last year, we had a guy come, and he gave a twenty dollar bill and said he was one of the people using the Food Bank the year be-

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Loading up the till at IGA.



Front of House Manager

Reports To: General Manager

PURPOSE

A structured Front of House Manager role is critical to the success of the Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza. The primary purpose of the Front of House Manager is to provide leadership and oversight for the food and beverage service and sales.

ROLES

Reporting to the General Manager, the Front of House Manager will be responsible for the daily operations of the outlets (the restaurant and the bar, as well as banquets, catering and special events). The Manager must ensure that service standards, appearance and cleanliness are of the desired levels. The Manager is also directly responsible for ordering inventory, inventory controls, budgeting, and cash floats.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Actively promotes an environment conducive to high quality customer service and employee relations by being a positive leadership example.
- Must ensure that staff maintains prompt, efficient, friendly and knowledgeable service.
- Scheduling, payroll, disciplinary actions, training and mentoring for staff of food and beverage outlets.
- Work with Marketing to promote the food & beverage outlets.
- Create, manage and implement departmental policies & procedure.
- Maintain compliance with AGLC regulations.
- Ensure alcohol is served responsibly.
- Maintain effective inventory controls and practices.
- Ensure maintenance of safety and sanitation standards and policies
- Provide overall direction, coordination, and ongoing evaluation of outlets operations.
- Budgetary, projections, and cost-control skills to be applied to the daily operations of the Department as outlined by the Manager.
- Use a "hands-on" approach to management. Able to coach staff effectively.

IMPACT OF ACTION

The Front of House Manager has a direct impact on the ability to provide Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza guests, staff and management with a safe and suitable environment in which to visit and/or work.

KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

This position requires the ability to communicate clearly, deal tactfully and work effectively with Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza guests, staff and management. The incumbent in this position will provide a primary interface to other Casino & Plaza departments.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- 4-5 years' experience in the Food & Beverage Industry.
- 3-4 years' supervisory/management experience within the Food & Beverage Industry.
- Experience in a casino setting preferred.
- Post secondary education in a related field preferred but not required.
- Training in management and employee development preferred.
- Continuous training and education to keep abreast of changes in the industry and external environment.

CANDIDATE PROFILE

- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to meet deadlines in a rapidly changing business environment.
- Ability to work independently.
- Extensive food & beverage knowledge and ability to develop and apply practices, procedures, and principles in a casino environment.
- Developed writing skills sufficient to prepare written materials involving detailed descriptions and explanations requiring the accurate use of specialized terminology.
- Self-planning skills sufficient to schedule, organize, and carry out work assignments according to established work plans, adjusting work schedules according to changing priorities.
- Developed judgment and problem-solving skills sufficient to interpret and/or analyze factual and conceptual information with the ability to adapt general procedures or approaches when formulating responses to problems.
- Manages workload independently and works well in teams.
- Develops security and systems knowledge through on-the-job experience.
- Must display leadership skills, the ability to multi-task and adjust to multiple jurisdictions.
- Models company values at all times. Shows strong teamwork skills.
- Working knowledge of MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint.

WORKING CONDITIONS

The Schedule for this position may vary and would require the ability to work shift work, late nights, weekends and holidays.

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fore. It chokes me up. That's why we all do this."

The Whitecourt Wolverines have helped with the event every year, and as players have changed, new players have gotten to experience it. Hunter Motley joined the team as an affiliate late last season and is now a full-time member. He said he enjoyed shopping with his teammates and being part of the donation process. "It makes us feel great to be out here. We really have to take advantage of any chance we get to give back because it's such a great community that we have here in Whitecourt," said Motley. "This has been fun."

The handful of players involved took time to shop for specific items with any monetary donations received. "We love that the Wolverines come. They are celebrities for the kids, and they love seeing them. I think they are great role models because it takes courage to come into a new community, not know anybody, and get

out and volunteer like this. I feel like it teaches them a lot of good attributes to have as an adult," said Ames. "We should support them too, like they support us."

Ames said they can't say "thank you" enough to the community. "Thank you, thank you, thank you. It's the public that makes this happen. We can facilitate an event, but they are the ones that make it a success. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you, Whitecourt, for your money, time, and willingness to participate. It's so appreciated, and we know the Food Bank and those receiving it appreciate it too. Big thank you to our sponsors for making it all happen."

The Wolverines will be back in action at JDA Place on October 20 and 21, taking on Olds and Canmore, and again on Friday, October 27 and 28, to take on Brooks and Sherwood Park. The Wolverines love a loud barn and encourage fans to come out for some great hockey action at the local rink. "It's a great atmosphere," said Motley.



Moving up the ice.



Batting a puck out of the air.



Eagle River Casino & Travel Plaza

Now Hiring Security Guard Supervisor NOC 62029

Responsibilities:

- Co-ordinate, assign and review the work of security guards and other service workers not elsewhere classified
- 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
- Monitor quality and production levels
- May perform the same duties as workers supervised.
- Arrange for maintenance and repair work
- Assist clients/guests with special needs
- Co-ordinate activities with other work units or departments
- Ensure smooth operation of computer equipment and machinery
- Establish work schedules and procedures
- Handle emergency situations
- Monitor quality and production levels
- Prepare and submit progress and other reports
- Requisition or order materials, equipment, and supplies
- Resolve work-related problems
- Supervise the operation of mechanical equipment and machinery
- Supervise, co-ordinate and schedule (and possibly review) activities of workers
- Train staff/workers in job duties, safety procedures, and company policies.

Qualifications:

- Completion of college courses related to the area supervised may be required.
- Experience in the occupation supervised is usually required.
- Certification or licensing AGLC.
- Must be able to complete Smart training course
- Must have a valid driver's license class 5
- Must be able to complete AML.

Experience: 2 – 3 years.

Education: Completion of secondary school an asset.

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

Language: English

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

Wage: \$20.77 per hour.

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

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

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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.

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GET INVOLVED....IT'S YOUR TOWN! Opportunity for Public Participation

Every fall, the Town of Whitecourt recruits citizens to fill volunteer positions on various boards and committees that provide Town Council with perspective and recommendations regarding important civic issues. Whitecourt is a diverse, growing town, and citizens are in the best position to provide input on our changing community needs.

Get involved! It's your town. Share your knowledge and meet new colleagues.

The Town of Whitecourt is now accepting applications for:

Community Services Advisory Board

"To create a healthy, strong community by meeting the leisure and social needs of the community."

(1) Member – term to expire in October 2026

Applications will be accepted from residents of Whitecourt or the Woodlands County agreement area.

Economic Development Committee

"To set up and establish an economic development program to further the interests of the Town of Whitecourt in the areas of economic development and tourism."

(1) Member – term to expire in October 2026

Municipal Planning Commission

"To deal with land use planning matters with particular emphasis on the Land Use Bylaw."

(1) Member – term to expire in October 2025

(1) Member – Alternate Position – term to expire in October 2026

Protective Services Committee

"To ensure that police needs of the community are met."

(1) Member – term to expire October 2026

Applications will be accepted from Town of Whitecourt residents or one resident from Woodlands County. Please note that members will be required to submit a criminal record check with their application. This document will be used to consider the suitability of the candidate.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

"To make decisions on appeals of subdivision or development decisions made by the Development Officer or Municipal Planning Commission."

(4) Members – terms to expire in October 2026

Town of Whitecourt Library Board

"To work towards maintaining the vibrancy of our library and meeting the social needs of community members through the creation of policies and planning."

(1) Member – term to expire in October 2026

Applications will be accepted from Town of Whitecourt residents.

If being on a Council Committee interests you, please complete an application form which can be found on the Whitecourt website at www.whitecourt.ca or picked up at the Town Office. Applications must be received before 12:00 noon, Monday, October 16, 2023 to:

Whitecourt Town Administration Office
Attention: Executive Assistant
5004 - 52 Avenue, Box 509
WHITECOURT, AB T7S 1N6
email: administration@whitecourt.ca

Applications are also being accepted for the:

Youth Advisory Committee

"To work collectively to ensure the needs of Whitecourt's youth are met."

(10) Members – term to expire September 2024

Youth between the ages of 13 and 18 years old (as of December 31, 2023) from Percy Baxter Middle School, Hilltop High School, École St. Joseph School, and the community at large are eligible to apply. New applicants are required to complete a Youth Advisory Committee Application Form and submit two signed reference forms. Students currently on the committee only need to complete the application form. Applications for the Youth Advisory Committee must be submitted to administration@whitecourt.ca before noon on Tuesday, October 10.

Applications for all committees will be presented to Town Council at the October 23, 2023 Regular Meeting.

CAMPING SEASON IS WINDING DOWN....

Residents throughout Whitecourt are getting ready to winterize and store their Recreational Vehicles (RVs) for the season. The Town of Whitecourt reminds residents that Land Use Bylaw 1506 and Traffic Bylaw 1440 outline guidelines and regulations for the parking of RVs on residential properties and streets.

Below are some frequently asked questions regarding RV parking.

What vehicles are considered RVs?

Motor homes, fifth wheel trailers, holiday trailers, and boats are all considered recreational vehicles under Land Use Bylaw 1506.

Can residents park unattached trailers on a local street?

No, unattached trailers cannot be parked on town streets at any time. This includes (but is not limited to) tent trailers, travel trailers, fifth wheel trailers, boat trailers, utility trailers, campers not mounted on truck, etc.

Can an RV parked on a local street or on a private property be utilized for sleeping?

No, an RV parked on a local street or highway cannot be utilized for sleeping. RV's are not permitted to be occupied for temporary accommodations except within approved campground locations.

Where can residents park their RVs during the winter?

During the winter, RVs must be stored beside or behind the house. From November 1 to March 31, on residential properties, one recreational vehicle may be stored on site. No portion of the recreational vehicle may be located any further forward than the front of the home (minimum of 6.1m from the front property line).

What are the fines for the improper parking of an RV and utility vehicle?

Fines can be issued according to Town Bylaws and Provincial Legislation.

- Parking RVs in prohibited areas - \$250 fine for first offence under Land Use Bylaw 1506. Subsequent fines will apply for non-compliance.
- Unattached Trailers - \$50 fine under Traffic Bylaw 1440
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