

**Agenda for the
Regular Meeting of the Vauxhall Town Council
Monday February 13, 2023
6:00 p.m. – Vauxhall Council Chambers**

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1. Call to Order	
2. Adoption of Agenda	For Adoption
3. Delegations	Receive for Information
a.) R.C.M.P	
4. Minutes	
Council Minutes	
a.) Regular Meeting of Council January 9, 2023	For Adoption
b.) Special Meeting of Council January 10, 2023	For Adoption
c.) Special Meeting of Council January 17 th , 2023	For Adoption
External Minutes	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
d.) Vauxhall Regional Fire authority meeting of October 5 th , 2023	
e.) ORRSC Executive Committee meeting of November 10 th , 2022	
f.) Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce meeting of January 19, 2023	
g.) Vauxhall & District Regional Water Services Commission meeting of October 19, 2022	
h.) Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS meeting of December 7, 2022	
5. Bylaw(s)	
a.) Bylaw No. 991-23 The Business and Tourism Advisory Committee Bylaw	1 st Reading
6. Financials	
a.) Cheque Listing for the month of January 31 st , 2023	For Adoption
b.) Bank Reconciliation as of January 31 st , 2023	Receive <u>all</u> for Information
c.) GIC Holdings as of January 31 st , 2023	
d.) Consolidated Statement of Financial position as of January 31 st , 2023	
e.) Consolidation Statement of Operations as of January 31 st , 2023	
f.) AMSC MasterCard as of February 4, 2023	
g.) Budget by Department – Council	
h.) 2023 Operating Expenses vs. Budget	
7. New Business	
a.) Letter to Minister of Energy	
b.) Letter to the Municipal District of Taber	
c.) 2023 Capital Budget	Resolution
d.) Vauxhall Public Library	
i.) Letter to Council	
ii.) Library Board Member Resignation	Resolution
iii.) Discussion	
e.) JEDC – Long table Dinner Sponsors	
f.) Economic Corridors Update	
8. Reports	Receive <u>all</u> for information
a.) CAO Report – Verbal	
i.) Urban Trees	
ii.) Safety	
b.) Council Activity Report – January 2023	
c.) Action List – January 2023	

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9. Information and Correspondence

Receive all for Information

- a.) FCSS – February Month of Kindness
- b.) Town of Bon Accord – Ambulance Crisis
- c.) Alberta Municipalities' 2022 Highlights from President
- d.) Alberta Counsel
- e.) Letter from Minister Rebecca Schulz
- f.) Southern Alberta Employer Supports and Training
- g.) Town of Fox Creek – Ambulance Service
- h.) Save the Date – Leading Change Summit 2023
- i.) FCSS Report to Council
- j.) 2023 Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus
- k.) Town of Smoky Lake – Camrose Casino
- l.) Outdoor Pantry
- m.) FCSS All-Councils Meeting Invitation

10. Adjournment

Taber RCMP



VAUXHALL

MONTHLY REPORT

DECEMBER 2022

TOWN OF VAUXHALL - DECEMBER 2022

RCMP CALLS FOR SERVICE

Taber / Vauxhall Detachment Area

150

Town of Vauxhall

6

TRAFFIC - ALCOHOL / DRUG

VAUXHALL - Impaired Driving, 24 & 30 DAY SUSPENSIONS, IMMEDIATE
ROADSIDE SUSPENSIONS

0

NON-CRIMINAL

911 Hangups in Vauxhall

2

Detachment Area Criminal Record Check

24

Detachment Area Fingerprints - General Public

4

Total Violation Tickets in Vauxhall

0

Total Violation Tickets in Taber Detachment Area

11

ITU (Lethbridge/Redcliff) Violation Tickets -MD

5

Total Patrols in Vauxhall

44

Taber Provincial Crime Gauge

2022 vs. 2021
January to December

Criminal Code Offences



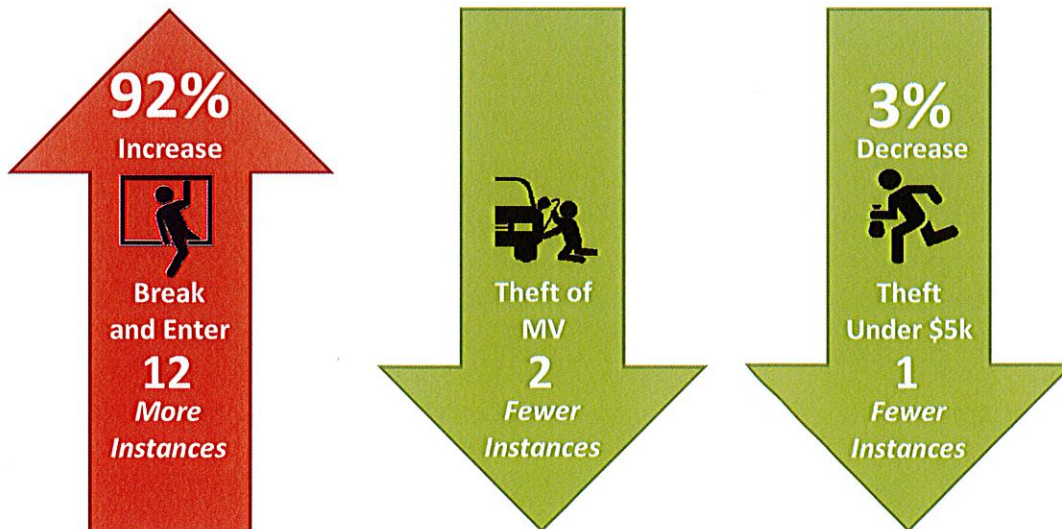
**Total
Criminal Code
Offences:**

0%

Decrease

When compared to
January to December, 2021

Select Property Crime



NOTE: If in both 2021 and 2022 a category had fewer than 20 offences, a percent change is not shown. All numbers without a '%' beside them represent counts.



Strategic Analysis and Research Unit

Taber (Provincial) Crime Statistic Summary – January to December

2023-01-04

Taber (Provincial) – Highlights

- **Break & Enters** are showing a 92.3% increase when compared to the same period in 2021 (January to December). There were 12 more actual occurrences (from 13 in 2021 to 25 in 2022).
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles** decreased by -11.8% when compared to the same period in 2021 (January to December). There were -2 fewer actual occurrences (from 17 in 2021 to 15 in 2022).
- **Theft Under \$5,000** decreased by -3.4% when compared to the same period in 2021 (January to December). There were -1 fewer actual occurrences (from 29 in 2021 to 28 in 2022).

Taber (Provincial) – Criminal Code Offences Summary

Crime Category	% Change 2021 – 2022 (January to December)
Total Persons Crime	22.5% Increase
Total Property Crime	3.5% Increase
Total Criminal Code	0.4% Decrease

From January to December 2022, when compared to the same period in 2021, there have been:

- 9 more **Persons Crime** offences;
- 5 more **Property Crime** offences; and
- 1 fewer **Total Criminal Code** offences;

Taber (Provincial) – December, 2022

- There were 1 **Thefts of Motor Vehicles** in December: 0 cars, 1 trucks, 0 minivans, 0 SUVs, 0 motorcycles, 0 other types of vehicles, and 0 vehicles taken without consent.
- There were 0 **Break and Enters** in December: 0 businesses, 0 residences, 0 cottages/seasonal residences, 0 in some other type of location, and 0 unlawfully being in a dwelling house.
- There were a total of 0 **Provincial Roadside Suspensions** in December (0 alcohol related and 0 drug related). This brings the year-to-date total to 6 (6 alcohol related and 0 drug related).
- There were a total of 0 files with the **Spousal Abuse** survey code in December (December 2021: 3). This brings the year-to-date total to 27 (2021: 26).
- There were 124 files with **Victim Service Unit** referral scoring in Taber Provincial: 0 accepted, 4 declined, 0 proactive, 0 requested but not available, and 120 files with no victim.

PROS Data pull 2023/01/04

The data contained in this document was obtained from PROS, which is a live database. As such, some of the information presented could differ slightly from any past or future reports regarding the same time period.

**Town of Vauxhall - Taber Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
January - December: 2019 - 2022**

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 5, 2023

CATEGORY	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	% Change 2019 - 2022	% Change 2021 - 2022	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		5	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-1.6
Sexual Assaults		0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.3
Other Sexual Offences		1	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Assault		1	7	6	8	700%	33%	2.0
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	1	1	N/A	0%	0.4
Criminal Harassment		2	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.6
Uttering Threats		3	4	5	4	33%	-20%	0.4
TOTAL PERSONS		12	14	13	14	17%	8%	0.5
Break & Enter		4	4	2	5	25%	150%	0.1
Theft of Motor Vehicle		0	1	3	4	N/A	33%	1.4
Theft Over \$5,000		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Theft Under \$5,000		6	9	3	2	-67%	-33%	-1.8
Possn Stn Goods		1	1	0	1	0%	N/A	-0.1
Fraud		1	8	1	5	400%	400%	0.5
Arson		1	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
Mischief - Damage To Property		3	5	17	9	200%	-47%	3.0
Mischief - Other		8	6	1	1	-88%	0%	-2.6
TOTAL PROPERTY		24	34	27	27	13%	0%	0.2
Offensive Weapons		0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Disturbing the peace		2	2	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.6
Fail to Comply & Breaches		0	2	1	0	N/A	-100%	-0.1
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		1	4	1	1	0%	0%	-0.3
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		3	8	5	1	-67%	-80%	-0.9
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		39	56	45	42	8%	-7%	-0.2

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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Cannabis Enforcement		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
TOTAL FEDERAL		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Liquor Act		N/A	N/A	1	1	N/A	0%	-0.1
Cannabis Act		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Mental Health Act		N/A	N/A	19	5	N/A	-74%	-0.1
Other Provincial Stats		N/A	N/A	10	11	N/A	10%	2.6
Total Provincial Stats		N/A	N/A	30	17	N/A	-43%	2.3
Municipal By-laws Traffic		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		N/A	N/A	0	6	N/A	N/A	1.8
Total Municipal		N/A	N/A	0	6	N/A	N/A	1.8
Fatals		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		N/A	N/A	2	2	N/A	0%	0.3
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		N/A	N/A	1	0	N/A	-100%	-0.1
TOTAL MVC		N/A	N/A	3	2	N/A	-33%	0.2
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		N/A	N/A	5	2	N/A	-60%	1.1
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Provincial Traffic		N/A	N/A	46	55	N/A	20%	14.1
Other Traffic		N/A	N/A	0	1	N/A	N/A	-0.9
Criminal Code Traffic		5	11	6	1	-80%	-83%	-1.7
Common Police Activities								
False Alarms		N/A	N/A	0	3	N/A	N/A	0.3
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		N/A	N/A	7	7	N/A	0%	2.0
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		N/A	N/A	5	9	N/A	80%	2.5
Persons Reported Missing		N/A	N/A	0	2	N/A	N/A	0.6
Search Warrants		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		N/A	N/A	7	5	N/A	-29%	-2.0
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0



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January 4, 2023

CATEGORY	Trend	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	% Change 2018 - 2022	% Change 2021 - 2022	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		1	6	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.8
Sexual Assaults		5	5	4	3	3	-40%	0%	-0.6
Other Sexual Offences		10	11	3	0	1	-90%	N/A	-2.9
Assault		42	33	35	20	25	-40%	25%	-4.7
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		1	1	2	1	1	0%	0%	0.0
Criminal Harassment		13	5	12	2	3	-77%	50%	-2.3
Uttering Threats		14	10	11	14	16	14%	14%	0.8
TOTAL PERSONS		86	71	70	40	49	-43%	23%	-10.5
Break & Enter		21	30	22	13	25	19%	92%	-0.9
Theft of Motor Vehicle		22	16	21	17	15	-32%	-12%	-1.3
Theft Over \$5,000		6	7	7	5	5	-17%	0%	-0.4
Theft Under \$5,000		56	61	52	29	28	-50%	-3%	-8.8
Possn Stn Goods		11	11	21	13	10	-9%	-23%	0.0
Fraud		23	28	37	27	31	35%	15%	1.5
Arson		1	1	2	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
Mischief - Damage To Property		0	12	35	38	29	N/A	-24%	8.4
Mischief - Other		62	24	20	2	6	-90%	200%	-13.4
TOTAL PROPERTY		202	190	217	144	149	-26%	3%	-15.2
Offensive Weapons		7	6	4	6	3	-57%	-50%	-0.8
Disturbing the peace		5	5	3	8	5	0%	-38%	0.3
Fail to Comply & Breaches		14	25	30	28	19	36%	-32%	1.3
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		9	16	15	11	11	22%	0%	-0.1
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		35	52	52	53	38	9%	-28%	0.7
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		323	313	339	237	236	-27%	0%	-25.0



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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		5	5	3	2	1	-80%	-50%	-1.1
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		2	2	1	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.3
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		7	7	4	3	2	-71%	-33%	-1.4
Cannabis Enforcement		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Federal - General		9	2	4	5	1	-89%	-80%	-1.3
TOTAL FEDERAL		16	10	8	8	3	-81%	-63%	-2.8
Liquor Act		36	22	10	9	2	-94%	-78%	-8.1
Cannabis Act		1	6	3	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.7
Mental Health Act		30	23	36	37	40	33%	8%	3.4
Other Provincial Stats		106	100	123	106	52	-51%	-51%	-10.2
Total Provincial Stats		173	151	172	153	94	-46%	-39%	-15.6
Municipal By-laws Traffic		1	3	0	2	1	0%	-50%	-0.1
Municipal By-laws		18	16	22	22	30	67%	36%	3.0
Total Municipal		19	19	22	24	31	63%	29%	2.9
Fatals		3	2	3	3	3	0%	0%	0.1
Injury MVC		18	20	12	14	16	-11%	14%	-1.0
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		164	186	113	148	140	-15%	-5%	-8.6
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		29	34	20	18	28	-3%	56%	-1.8
TOTAL MVC		214	242	148	183	187	-13%	2%	-11.3
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic		1,846	1,481	895	1,195	777	-58%	-35%	-242.4
Other Traffic		10	14	6	4	9	-10%	125%	-1.2
Criminal Code Traffic		47	43	39	28	9	-81%	-68%	-9.1
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		39	16	19	12	17	-56%	42%	-4.8
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		97	129	80	68	123	27%	81%	-0.9
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		46	75	48	45	49	7%	9%	-2.4
Persons Reported Missing		10	6	3	5	6	-40%	20%	-0.9
Search Warrants		2	0	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		49	34	18	26	27	-45%	4%	-5.2
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	0	1	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1



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Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Other Sexual Offences		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Assault		5	0	5	5	1	-80%	-80%	-0.3
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Criminal Harassment		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Uttering Threats		1	0	2	3	0	-100%	-100%	0.1
TOTAL PERSONS		8	1	7	8	1	-88%	-88%	-0.7
Break & Enter		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Theft of Motor Vehicle		3	1	0	1	1	-67%	0%	-0.4
Theft Over \$5,000		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Theft Under \$5,000		6	1	1	0	1	-83%	N/A	-1.1
Possn Stn Goods		2	0	0	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.1
Fraud		5	1	5	3	1	-80%	-67%	-0.6
Arson		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		0	0	1	2	2	N/A	0%	0.6
Mischief - Other		8	1	0	0	1	-88%	N/A	-1.5
TOTAL PROPERTY		25	5	8	7	7	-72%	0%	-3.4
Offensive Weapons		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Disturbing the peace		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Fail to Comply & Breaches		2	0	8	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		2	0	8	3	1	-50%	-67%	0.1
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		35	6	23	18	9	-74%	-50%	-4.0



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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
TOTAL FEDERAL		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Liquor Act		2	1	2	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.5
Cannabis Act		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Mental Health Act		3	1	2	1	3	0%	200%	0.0
Other Provincial Stats		10	1	10	5	2	-80%	-60%	-1.2
Total Provincial Stats		16	3	14	6	5	-69%	-17%	-1.9
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		2	2	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.6
Total Municipal		2	2	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.6
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		3	4	0	2	1	-67%	-50%	-0.6
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		19	14	16	20	17	-11%	-15%	0.2
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		0	5	2	5	6	N/A	20%	1.2
TOTAL MVC		22	23	18	27	24	9%	-11%	0.8
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic		154	109	89	52	37	-76%	-29%	-29.1
Other Traffic		0	2	0	1	1	N/A	0%	0.1
Criminal Code Traffic		2	2	2	2	2	0%	0%	0.0
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		2	0	1	0	1	-50%	N/A	-0.2
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		5	8	1	5	10	100%	100%	0.7
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		3	1	3	3	5	67%	67%	0.6
Persons Reported Missing		3	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.6
Search Warrants		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		6	1	1	3	0	-100%	-100%	-1.0
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0



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Category	Trend	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	FLAG
Theft Motor Vehicle (Total)		22	16	21	17	15	Within Norm
Auto		1	2	5	0	0	Within Norm
Truck		11	8	12	11	12	Within Norm
SUV		1	2	1	1	0	Within Norm
Van		0	0	0	1	1	Issue
Motorcycle		0	0	0	1	0	Within Norm
Other		9	3	2	1	2	Within Norm
Take Auto without Consent		0	1	1	2	0	Within Norm
Break and Enter (Total)*		21	30	22	13	25	Within Norm
Business		11	11	7	3	13	Issue
Residence		2	9	3	1	4	Within Norm
Cottage or Seasonal Residence		0	0	1	0	0	Within Norm
Other		8	9	11	8	7	Within Norm
Theft Over & Under \$5,000 (Total)		62	68	59	34	33	Within Norm
Theft from a motor vehicle		16	28	20	9	6	Within Norm
Shoplifting		0	0	0	0	0	Within Norm
Mail Theft (includes all Mail offences)		0	0	1	0	1	Issue
Theft of bicycle		1	2	3	2	0	Within Norm
Other Theft		45	38	35	23	26	Within Norm

Mischief To Property		62	36	55	40	35	Within Norm
Suspicious Person/ Vehicle/ Property		46	75	48	45	49	Within Norm
Fail to Comply/Breach		14	25	30	28	19	Within Norm
Wellbeing Check		12	12	19	24	20	Within Norm
Mental Health Act		30	23	36	37	40	Issue
False Alarms		39	16	19	12	17	Within Norm

Traffic	Trend	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	FLAG
Roadside Suspensions - alcohol related - No grounds to charge*		4	11	6	4	9	Within Norm
Occupant Restraint/Seatbelt Violations*		109	35	15	30	24	Within Norm
Speeding Violations*		812	748	436	533	265	Within Norm
Intersection Related Violations*		21	22	9	9	6	Within Norm
Other Non-Moving Violation*		512	341	153	263	194	Within Norm
Pursuits**		3	1	5	7	3	Within Norm
Other CC Traffic**		7	5	6	5	2	Within Norm

Actual ***Reported**

Categories flagged with "Issue" only indicate that the current number of offences are higher the statistical norm based on previous years.



Taber Provincial Detachment - Break and Enters (includes unlawfully in a dwelling place)

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 4, 2023

2021												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	4	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	2	0
Running Total	4	5	6	6	6	6	8	8	8	11	13	13
Quarter	6			0			2			5		
2022												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	1	2	8	2	2	0	6	0	0	4	0	0
Running Total	1	3	11	13	15	15	21	21	21	25	25	25
Quarter	11			4			6			4		
Year over Year % Change	-75%	-40%	83%	117%	150%	150%	163%	163%	163%	127%	92%	92%

Taber Provincial Detachment - Theft of Motor Vehicles (includes taking without consent)

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 4, 2023

2021												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	1	1	1	1	0	2	4	1	2	1	2	1
Running Total	1	2	3	4	4	6	10	11	13	14	16	17
Quarter	3			3			7			4		
2022												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	6	2	1
Running Total	2	2	2	2	3	3	4	5	6	12	14	15
Quarter	2			1			3			9		
Year over Year % Change	100%	0%	-33%	-50%	-25%	-50%	-60%	-55%	-54%	-14%	-13%	-12%



Taber Provincial Detachment - Theft Under \$5,000

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 4, 2023

2021												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	5	3	0	5	2	1	3	0	4	3	3	0
Running Total	5	8	8	13	15	16	19	19	23	26	29	29
Quarter	8			8			7			6		
2022												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	2	5	4	0	1	1	5	0	3	4	2	1
Running Total	2	7	11	11	12	13	18	18	21	25	27	28
Quarter	11			2			8			7		
Year over Year % Change	-60%	-13%	38%	-15%	-20%	-19%	-5%	-5%	-9%	-4%	-7%	-3%

Taber Provincial Detachment - Theft from Motor Vehicles

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 4, 2023

2021												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	0
Running Total	2	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	6	6	9	9
Quarter	3			0			3			3		
2022												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actuals	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1
Running Total	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	4	5	6
Quarter	1			0			3			2		
Year over Year % Change	-50%	-67%	-67%	-67%	-67%	-67%	-25%	-25%	-33%	-33%	-44%	-33%

A regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Monday January 9th, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR: Raymond Coad
DEPUTY MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley
COUNCILLORS: Shelley Deleeuw
Kimberley Dorin
Marilyn Forchuk
Margaret Plumtree

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer: Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda
RES: 23:01

MOVED by Councillor Dorin to adopt the agenda as amended.
CARRIED

Additions:

- 6(f) ATB Vauxhall Agency
- 6(g) EMS Service in Bow Island and Area
- 6(h) CAO Report

Delegation
RES: 23:02

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley to accept the delegation report as information.

- R.C.M.P.

CARRIED

Minutes
RES: 23:03

MOVED by Councillor Forchuk to adopt the following minutes as presented.

- Regular meeting of Council December 12th, 2022

CARRIED

Minutes
RES: 23:04

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to adopt the following minutes as presented.

- Special meeting of Council December 13th, 2022

CARRIED

Minutes

RES: 23:05

MOVED by Councillor Forchuk to accept the following minutes as information

- ORRSC Board of Directors meeting of September 1st, 2022
- Joint Economic Development Committee of November 22nd, 2022
- Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board meeting of November 2nd, 2022
- Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce meeting of December 14th, 2022

December 31st, 2022

Cheque Listing

RES: 23:06

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley to adopt the December 31st, 2022, cheque listing in the amount of two hundred and sixty six thousand, nine hundred and twenty eight dollars and eighty seven cents (\$266,928.67), as information.

CARRIED

Financial Information

RES: 23:07

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley to accept the following as information:

- Bank Reconciliation as of December 31st, 2022
- GIC Holdings as of December 31st, 2022
- Consolidated Statement of Financial position as of December 31st, 2022
- Consolidated Statement of Operations as of December 31st, 2022
- AMSC MasterCard as of January 4th, 2023
- Budget by Department – Council
- 2022 Operating Expenses vs Budget

CARRIED

By-Election Day

RES: 23:08

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw that the town of Vauxhall Municipal By-Election be held on Monday March 27, 2023, the polls open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. located in the Vauxhall Administrative Office 223 5th Street N.

CARRIED

Substitute Returning Officer

RES: 23:09

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley to appoint Melinda Dunphy as the Substitute returning officer for the Town of Vauxhall Municipal By-Election to be held on March 27, 2023.

CARRIED

Boards & Committees

RES: 23:10

MOVED by Councillor Plumtree to accept all appointments of Council to Committees until the By-Election.

CARRIED

Business and Tourism

Advisory Committee

RES: 23:11 **MOVED** by Councillor Plumtree to amend Bylaw No. 938-19 Business and Tourism Advisory Committee and bring back to council.
CARRIED

Library Board Member

Resignation

RES: 23:12 **MOVED** by Councillor Forchuk to accept the resignation of Library Board Member Edi Winburg.
CARRIED

ATB Vauxhall Agency

RES: 23:13 **MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to accept the letter presented from ATB Vauxhall Agency and file for future reference.
CARRIED

EMS Service in
Bow Island and Area

RES: 23:14 **MOVED** by Councillor Plumtree to accept the letter from the Town of Bow Island as information.
CARRIED

CAO Report/
Electric Vehicles

RES: 23:15 **MOVED** by Councillor Plumtree to direct administration to send a letter to the Minister of Energy, with Councils concerns on electric vehicle smart charging stations and the costs associated with it.
CARRIED

Reports

RES: 23:16 **MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to accept the following as information

- Council Activity Report – December 2022
- Action List – December 2022

CARRIED

Information and Correspondence

RES: 23:17 **MOVED** by Councillor Dorin to accept the following as information:

- Chinook Arch – Board Report
- Vauxhall Ag Society AGM
- Prairie baseball Academy Hall of Fame
- The Vauxhall & Area Food Bank
- AHS – Healthcare Improvement Update

Closed Meeting

RES: 23:18 **MOVED** by Councillor Dorin that council move to closed session to discuss Section 16 – of the FOIP Act at 7:09 p.m.
CARRIED

Closed Meeting

RES: 23:19

MOVED by Councillor Dorin that council return to open meeting at 7:19 p.m.

CARRIED

7:20 p.m. Meeting recessed to allow return of public.

7:21 p.m. Meeting resumed with no public present.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

A Special Meeting of the Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Tuesday January 10th, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR:	Raymond Coad
DEPUTY MAYOR:	Kimberley Cawley
COUNCILLORS:	Shelley Deleeuw Kimberley Dorin Marilyn Forchuk Margaret Plumtree

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer:	Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager:	Mindy Dunphy
Chief Financial Officer:	Wendy Bergen

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

RES: 23:20 **MOVED** by Councillor Forchuk to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

Delegation
Vauxhall Public Library attended as a delegation.

Chinook Arch Library
RES: 23:21 **MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to not approve the Chinook Arch Board
2023-2026 Municipal Levy Schedule and the requisition remains the
Same as 2022 at \$7.76 per capita for 2023.
CARRIED

Vauxhall & District
Chamber of Commerce
RES: 23:22 **MOVED** by Councillor Plumtree to approve sustainable funding of
50% of all business license fees collected for the full year for five
years for funding support for the Vauxhall & District Chamber of
Commerce.
CARRIED

RES: 23:23 **MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to approve Vauxhall & District Chamber
of Commerce funding of \$1400.00 for 2023.
CARRIED

Councillor Plumtree left the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Adjournment Meeting Adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

A Special Meeting of the Council of the Town of Vauxhall, was held in
Council Chambers
on Tuesday January 17th, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR: Raymond Coad

DEPUTY MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley

COUNCILLORS: Shelley Deleeuw
Kimberley Dorin
Marilyn Forchuk

ABSENT: Margaret Plumtree

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer: Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy
Chief Financial Officer: Wendy Bergen

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Coad called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

RES: 23:24

MOVED by Councillor Forchuk to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Cawley arrived in Chambers at 6:13 p.m.

Bylaw 990-23
The Water and
Sewer Bylaw

RES: 23:25

MOVED by Councillor Forchuk that Bylaw 990-23 to regulate and provide for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of water services and sewer services provided by the Town of Vauxhall, be given first (1st) reading as presented.
CARRIED

Bylaw 990-23
The Water and
Sewer Bylaw

RES: 23:26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley that Bylaw 990-23 to regulate and provide for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of water services and sewer services provided by the Town of Vauxhall, be given second (2nd) reading as presented.
CARRIED

Bylaw 990-23
The Water and
Sewer Bylaw
RES: 23:27

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw that Bylaw 990-23 to regulate and provide for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of water services and sewer services provided by the Town of Vauxhall, be presented for third reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 990-23
The Water and
Sewer Bylaw
RES: 23:28

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Cawley that Bylaw 990-23 to regulate and provide for the terms, conditions, rates and charges for the supply and use of water services and sewer services provided by the Town of Vauxhall, be given third (3rd) and final reading.
CARRIED

2023-2026
Operating Budget
RES: 23:29

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to approve the 2023-2026 Operating Budget as amended. (Attached hereto)
CARRIED

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

4d.

Municipal District of Taber
Meeting Minutes
Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority October 5, 2022 - 07:00 PM

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority, held in the Vauxhall Fire Hall, on Wednesday, October 5, 2022.

Present:	Nathan Cote	MD of Taber Regional Fire Chief
	Chantal Claassen	MD of Taber Councillor
	Murray Reynolds	MD of Taber Councillor
	Raymond Coad	Town of Vauxhall Mayor
	Barry Thompson	Town of Vauxhall Councillor
	John Martens	Vauxhall District Fire Chief
	Cris Burns	Town of Vauxhall CAO

1 Call To Order

Chair Murray Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

2 Acceptance of Agenda

Moved By: Raymond Coad
That; the agenda be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

3 Adoption of Minutes

3.1 July 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Chantal Claassen
That; the minutes of the July 6, 2022 meeting be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

4 New Business

4.1 VRFA Report

Moved by: Raymond Coad
That; the VRFA Report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

4.2 Financial Report - January 1, 2022 to August 31, 2022

Moved by: Raymond Coad
That; the Financial Report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4.3 Proposed Budget

Moved by: Raymond Coad

That; the proposed budget be accepted as presented.

And; That; Administration prepare a 5 year capital plan and present it to the Authority at a future meeting.

CARRIED

5 Other Business

No other business was added to the agenda.

6 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be January 11, 2023.

7 Adjournment

Moved by: Chantal Claassen

That; the meeting adjourn at 7:26pm.

CARRIED

4e.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2022; 6:00 pm
ORRSC Conference Room (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building, as well as virtually via Zoom.

Attendance:

Executive Committee:

Don Anderberg, Vice Chair (Virtual)
Jesse Potrie
Brad Schlossberger (Virtual)
Neil Sieben (Virtual)

Staff:

Lenze Kuiper, Chief Administrative Officer
Raeanne Keer, Executive Assistant

Absent:

Gordon Wolstenholme, Chairman
Christopher Northcott

Vice Chair Anderberg called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Neil Sieben

THAT the Executive Committee approves the November 10, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the October 13, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. New Business

a. Budget Discussion

L. Kuiper, CAO, presented the proposed 2023 Operating and Capital Budget to the Committee, highlighting an increase to membership fees, subdivision fees, and GIS fees, a 5% cost-of-living increase for staff due to rising inflation, and the purchase of a third staff vehicle in 2023. L. Kuiper noted that a vehicle was budgeted in 2020, but due to the pandemic restrictions it was not purchased at the time as it was not needed.

Moved by: Jesse Potrie

THAT the Executive Committee for the Oldman River Regional Services Commission recommends the Draft Budget for 2023 to the Board of Directors for approval, as presented.

CARRIED

b. Board of Directors Organizational Meeting & Executive Committee Elections – Thursday, December 1, 2022

L. Kuiper stated that the Organizational Meeting would be held on December 1, 2022 and that nomination forms were sent out for those who wish to let their name stand for the Executive Committee.

Don Anderberg verbally provided his nomination for Vice Chair.

Jesse Potrie, Brad Schlossberger, and Neil Sieben verbally provided their nominations for the Executive Committee.

c. Subdivision Activity

The Subdivision Activity to the month ending October 2022, was presented for information.

5. Accounts and Financial Statements

a. Office Accounts

Moved by: Neil Sieben

THAT the Executive Committee approve the Monthly Office Account for September 2022 and the Payments and Credits for August 2022.

CARRIED

b. Financial Statements

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee approve the following Financial Statements:

- (i) Balance Sheet
 - As of September 30, 2022
- (ii) Comparative Income Statement
 - Actual to September 30, 2022
- (iii) Details of Account
 - As of September 30, 2022

CARRIED

6. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

7. CAO Report

L. Kuiper provided his CAO Report to the Committee, highlighting the new periodical to be presented at the Board of Directors Meeting, recruitment update for upcoming vacant planning position, and a status update on the Assessment Appeal hearings.

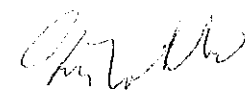
8. Round Table Discussion

The Committee members reported on various projects and activities in their respective municipalities.

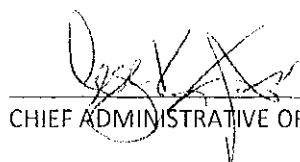
9. Next Meeting -- January 12, 2023

10. Adjournment

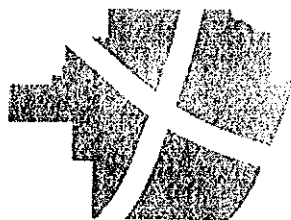
Following all discussions, Vice Chair Anderberg adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:07 pm.



CHAIR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



Vauxhall & District CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Board Meeting Minutes – January 19th, 2023

6pm – Held in person and virtually via Zoom

- **Called to order:** at 5:59 pm by Shelley Mehlhaff
- **Recording Secretary:** Danna Ferguson
- **Attendance:** Danna Ferguson, Shelley Mehlhaff, Ken Holst, Petra Klempnauer, Dallen Flexhaug, Amber Saxer, Chantel Claassen, Melissa Golby, Bonnie Krizsan, Kim Dorin and Rodney Lee.

Additions to the agenda: Ladies Night Out Fundraiser Event

- **Motion:** Petra Klempnauer moved to approve the agenda with the additions Bonnie Krizsan seconded the motion – Carried

Minutes from December 14th, 2022 meeting:

- **Motion:** Dallen Flexhaug moved to approve the minutes as circulated, Chantel Claassen seconded the motion – Carried.
- **Financial Report:** The financial report was presented by Danna Ferguson.
- **Motion:** Bonnie Krizsan moved to accept the financial report as presented, Dallen Flexhaug seconded the motion – Carried.

Administrative Report: Danna Ferguson presented the administrative report.

- The Canada Summer Jobs Grant Application was discussed.
- It was discussed to send out the VDCC Membership Package with the new Invoices each year rather than with the Membership Certificates.
- New Membership application was received from ICI.

- **Motion:** Petra Klempnauer moved to accept ICI as a new VDCC Member, Rodney Lee seconded the motion – Carried.

Old Business:

- **Annual Review:** It was decided to hold off on the Annual Review until Fall 2023.
- **Open Position on the Board of Directors:** Melissa Golby of South Country Co-op Vauxhall will let her name stand to fill the open position on the VDCC Board of Directors.
- **Motion:** Petra Klempnauer moved to nominate Melissa Golby of South Country Co-op Vauxhall to the VDCC Board of Directors, Rodney Lee seconded the motion – Carried.

New Business:

- **Canada Day Breakfast:** This item will be tabled until next meeting.
- **New Goals for 2023:** It was discussed to highlight our members and to add the Value-Added Benefits to the Bi-Weekly Newsletter as well as the Website.
- **Ladies Night Out:** This event was discussed, and it was thought that it was getting too close to organize this event for a March 2023 date and that there are already lots of events booked in March 2023.
- Other ideas were discussed such as a Community Bingo or a Chili Cook Off
- (Summer Kickoff Chili Cook Off) possibly held June 9th or 10th, 2023. There is still lots of planning required including:
 - Rules for the Chili Cook Off
 - Health Inspector
 - Entry Fee or Admission Fee
 - Ticket Sales
 - AGLC License required for Bingo.
 - We can start planning at our next meeting.
- The VDCC could also possibly look into running the concession at the 2023 Farmers Market Events.
- **Town of Vauxhall Funding Letter:** The Town of Vauxhall letter regarding the VDCC funding request letter was presented and discussed.
- **Next meeting Date:** Thursday February 16th, 2023 @ 6pm held at the Vauxhall Library.
- **Meeting Adjourned** @ 6:57 pm by Shelley Mehlhaff

49.

Municipal District of Taber Meeting Minutes

Vauxhall & District Regional Water Services Commission October 19, 2022 - 03:30 PM

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Vauxhall and District Regional Water Services Commission on Wednesday, October 19, 2022.

Attendance	John DeGroot	Municipal District of Taber
	Murray Reynolds	Municipal District of Taber
	John DeGroot	Municipal District of Taber
	Arlos Crofts	Municipal District of Taber
	Raymond Coad	Town of Vauxhall
	Richard Phillips	Town of Vauxhall
	Bryan Badura	Municipal District of Taber
	Ginger Rose	Municipal District of Taber
	Cris Burns	Town of Vauxhall

1 Call To Order

Chair Richard Phillips called the meeting to order at 3:31pm.

2 Acceptance of Agenda

Moved By: Murray Reynolds
That; the agenda be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

3 Adoption of Minutes

3.1 July 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Moved By: John DeGroot
That; the July 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

4 Accounts for Payment

Moved By: Raymond Coad

That; the Accounts for payment be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

5 Balance Sheet

Moved By: Chantal Claassen
That; the Balance sheet be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

6 Profit & Loss Statement

Moved By: Murray Reynolds
That: the Profit & Loss Statement be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

7 Operations Report

Moved by: John DeGroot
That; the Operations Report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED

8 Other Business

8.1 2023 Proposed Operating Budget & Plan

Moved By; Raymond Coad
THAT; The Commission adopt the 2023 Operating Budget and three year
plan as presented.
CARRIED

8.2 Operation Agreement

Moved By: John DeGroot
THAT; The Commission approves the Operations Agreement as proposed by
the Municipal District of Taber, included as Attachment B.
CARRIED

9 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be January 23, 2023 at 3:30pm.

10 Adjournment

Moved By: Murray Reynolds
That; the meeting adjourn at 4:14pm.
CARRIED

yh.

**Barons-Eureka-Warner Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
Minutes of Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Coaldale Hub (2107-13th Street)
In-person and Online via Teams**

Attendance (in-person)

Board Members:

Bekkering, Garth – Town of Taber
Chapman, Bill - Town of Coaldale
Heggie, Jack – County of Warner
Hickey, Lorne – Lethbridge County
Feist, Teresa - Town of Picture Butte
Foster, Missy – Village of Barnwell
Jensen, Kelly – Town of Raymond
Jensen, Melissa – Town of Nobleford
Kirby, Martin – Village of Warner
Nilsson, Larry – Village of Stirling
Weistra, Ed – Village of Barons

Attendance (online) – Board Members

Degenstein, Dave – Town of Milk River
Montina, Lyndsay – Town of Coalhurst
Payne, Megan – Village of Coutts

Absent – Board Members

Harris, Merrill – M.D. of Taber
Plumtree, Margaret - Town of Vauxhall

Staff (in-person):

Morrison, Zakk - Executive Director
Florence-Greene, Evelyn – Accounting Assistant
Hashizume, Linda – Executive Assistant

Call to Order

B Chapman called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Carried Unanimously:

Introductions:

B. Chapman requested Board Members and Staff to introduce themselves.

Approval of Agenda

E. Weista moved the Board approve the agenda as amended.

7 b) Audit 2022-2025

Carried Unanimously

ac.H.
2022

Minutes

J. Heggie moved the minutes of the November 2, 2022, FCSS Board meeting be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Business Arising from Minutes

Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta (FCSSAA)
Conference 2022

The Board discussed the FCSSAA Conference, held on November 16-18, 2022.

The Board members that attended the conference agreed that FCSS 101 was the best session attended.

B. Chapman thanked K. Weaver for showcasing Youth Do Crew and Free Little Pantry at the conference.

Delegation

Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Z. Morrison welcomed Jenn Visser and Mackenzie Beckwith from Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

J. Visser reported FCSS Funding has increased rural programming, which has resulted in an increase in rural participants from 5% in 2019 to 19% in 2022.

Z. Morrison identified the connection between the funding for Family School Liaison Program and Big Brothers, Big Sisters programs that serve the Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS areas.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters is looking for adult volunteers in all our municipalities. To volunteer contact Mackenzie Beckwith, Rural Caseworker at 403-382-9355 or mackenzie.beckwith@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca.

Jenn Visser and Mackenzie Beckwith left the meeting at 4:34 pm.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was presented for information:

- 2022-11-29 – 2023-2025 Grant Agreements – Stephan Gauk, Executive Director, Civil Society and Community Initiatives, Preventive Community Services Division, Alberta Seniors, Community and Social Services
- 2022-11-29 – Nermine Gabr, Canada Revenue Agency – Letter and Certificate of Appreciation.
- FCSSAA Board Meeting Highlights October 14, 2022
- 2022-11-24 FCSSAA – Letter regarding FCSSAA and Food Bank Grants

Z. Morrison discussed food security and food banks.

M.H.

- 2022-10- Lethbridge County – Lorne Hickey appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – Town of Coaldale – Bill Chapman appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – M.D. of Taber – Merrill Harris appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – Town of Picture Butte – Teresa Feist appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – Town of Taber – Garth Bekkering appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – Village of Barons – Ed Weistra appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-10 – County of Warner – Jack Heggie appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Town of Coalhurst – Lyndsay Montana appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Village of Barnwell – Missy Foster appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Village of Stirling – Larry Nilsson appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Town of Milk River – Dave Degenstein appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 Town of Raymond – Kelly Jensen appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Village of Coutts – Megan Payne appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Village of Warner – Martin Kirby appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.
- 2022-11 – Town of Nobleford – Melissa Jensen appointed to Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Board.

Z. Morrison highlighted the completion of the provincial FCSS Accountability Framework. The Framework will be an important tool to measure the local and provincial success of FCSS.

T. Feist moved the Board receive the correspondence as presented for information.

Carried Unanimously

Reports

Executive Director

Z. Morrison reviewed the Executive Director's report.

The following was highlighted:

- New Branding for FCSSAA (logo)
- FCSS Contract 2023-2025
- FRN 4th year extension.

- Staff Updates

L. Nilsson moved the Board approve the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Financial Report

Z. Morrison reviewed the Financial Report including the Project Grand Funding Summary for 2022.

K. Weaver highlighted the Project Grant Funding received from Canada Red Cross for Cultivating Community: Strengthening Mental Health in Agriculture.

The Board discussed the agricultural community and debated the merits of this grant.

K. Weaver highlighted the NeighbourGOOD Trailer project funding received from Community Foundation of Lethbridge and Southwestern Alberta.

L. Hickey moved the Board approve the December 7, 2022 Financial Report including:

- Financial statement for October 31, 2022;
- Monthly accounts for October 1 -31, 2022;
- Mastercard statement for October 14 to November 10, 2022.

Carried Unanimously

T. Feist left the meeting at 5:00 pm

G. Bekkering left the meeting at 5:03 pm

New Business

Policies

Z. Morrison reviewed the guidelines he uses for policy review and revisions.

Z. Morrison reviewed Policy Handbook updates for:

- Introduction (including Orientation Manual)
- Occupational Health and Safety Policies
- Administrative and Finance Policies

J. Heggie moved the Board receive the updates to the Policy Handbook including the Introduction & Orientation, Occupational Health and Safety Policies, and Administrative and Finance Policies for information as per the memo to the Board dated December 7, 2022. to be effective January 1, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

Z. Morrison reviewed the Human Resource Policies.

M.H.

E. Weistra moved the Board approve the proposed changes to the Human Resource Policies as per the memo to the Board dated December 7, 2022, to be effective January 1, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

2022-2025 Annual FCSS Audit

The Board discussed the FCSS Audit – Request for Proposals submissions.

L. Nilsson moved the Board approve that KPMG be the named Auditor for the period of 2022 to 2025.

Carried Unanimously

Round Table

Z. Morrison provided an update on Christmas Hampers for Lethbridge County, M.D. of Taber, County of Warner and Town of Nobleford.

Z. Morrison shared a DO Crew Junior story for information.

Z. Morrison shared a youth counselling story success story for information.

Z. Morrison shared a clothing fest was held in Picture Butte for the first time, it was well attended.

Z. Morrison reported on the toy donation from the Coaldale Teddy Bear Toss for children in need in the Coaldale area.

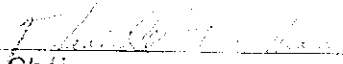
Date of Next Meeting


The date of the next regular Board meeting will be February 1, 2023, at the Coaldale Hub (2107-13th Street) in-person and online (via Teams).

Adjournment

J. Heggie moved the meeting adjourn at 5:46 p.m.

Carried Unanimously


Chairperson


Executive Director

6d.

TOWN OF VAUXHALL

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT JANUARY 31 2023

	2023	2022
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (note 2)	\$ 411,963	\$ 412,188
Temporary Investments (note 3)	2,642,348	2,642,348
Receivables		
Taxes and grants in place of taxes (note 4)	23,505	855
Trade and other receivables (net)	72,670	62,354
Receivable from other governments	1,321,229	1,321,229
GST recoverable	12,527	10,126
Land held for resale	22,241	22,241
Long term investments (note 5)	29,273	29,273
Other assets	-	-
	4,535,756	4,500,614
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	86,395	50,258
Payroll remittance payable	486	486
Deposit liabilities	670	970
Other liabilities	-	-
Employee benefit obligation (note 6)	(47)	-
Long term debt (note 7)	360,655	360,655
Deferred revenue (note 8)	1,861,963	2,007,201
	2,310,122	2,419,570
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT)	2,225,634	2,081,044
NON FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Inventory for consumption	41,569	34,622
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	7,230,956	7,434,192
Prepaid expenses	20,624	22,905
	7,293,149	7,491,719
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Schedule 1, note 10)	\$ 9,518,783	\$ 9,572,763

Contingencies - note 15

Approved on behalf of Council:

_____ Councillor

_____ Councillor

6e.

TOWN OF VAUXHALL
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
AS AT JANUARY 31 2023

	Budget (Unaudited)	2023	2022
REVENUE			
Net municipal taxes (Schedule 3)	\$ 1,649,016	\$ 30	\$ 1,136,342
Sales and user charges	342,050	61,242	782,157
Penalties, fines and costs on taxes	13,500	4,779	17,143
Franchise and concession contracts	100,000	-	99,840
Investment income	37,600	53	43,021
Rentals	90,490	9,147	82,849
Government transfers (Schedule 4)	331,705	-	265,124
Licenses and permits	17,100	11,070	33,457
Sale of land held for resale	74,000	-	507,635
Other revenues	37,775	6,464	32,662
Gain on sale of assets	-	-	31,588
	2,693,236	92,785	3,031,818
EXPENDITURES (Schedule 5)			
Legislative	143,000	4,728	124,881
Administration	440,108	37,247	483,452
Fire, disaster services and ambulance	77,135	-	57,332
By-law enforcement	21,550	858	8,354
Roads, streets, walks, lighting	619,695	23,145	293,791
Water and storm water	678,817	5,953	488,180
Wastewater	132,075	3,864	107,185
Waste management	305,060	10,173	213,708
Cemetery	16,630	978	16,131
Municipal Planning, zoning, economic development	45,593	11,367	37,235
Subdivision land development	2,000	-	192,437
Recreation and culture	630,632	48,452	513,365
Health and FCSS	10,059	-	9,580
Loss on disposal of asset	-	-	-
	3,128,854	146,765	2,545,632
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES - BEFORE OTHER	(435,618)	(53,980)	486,186
OTHER			
Contributed assets	12,100		310,000
Government transfers for capital (Schedule 4)	0	-	-
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	(447,718)	(53,980)	796,186
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	8,442,466	9,572,763	8,776,577
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$ 7,994,748	\$ 9,518,783	\$ 9,572,763

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Town of
Vauxhall

7a.

January 10, 2023

Minister Peter Guthrie
#1B, 60-Railway Street East
Cochrane, AB T4C 1B5

The Honourable Peter Guthrie, Minister of Energy

Canada has committed that by 2035, all new cars and light-duty trucks sold in the country will be zero-emission vehicles.

As a council of a small municipality, we wish to address our concern on the Electric Vehicle smart charging station and the costs associated, not only adding smart charging stations to our community but the cost of an electric vehicle rate, charged by the electrical utility provider.

Expansion of transportation is vital to development of not only tourism but also future economic development. Business may have an opportunity in the future to grow their tourism economies and install charging station at locations that bring visitors and revenue.

We understand the availability of charging stations remains a concern for many Canadians when purchasing a zero-emission vehicle. As a smaller community we ask that more action be taken regarding the costs associated in supporting these programs.

Regards

Mayor Ray Coad
Town of Vauxhall
rcoad@town.vauxhall.ab.ca

cc MLA Joseph Schow, Cardston-Siksika
MP Martin Shields, Bow River
SouthGrow Regional Initiative
RMA Rural Municipalities of Alberta
Alberta Chamber of Commerce
Palliser Economic Partnership
Alberta Southwest Regional Alliance
Veterans Memorial Highway 36

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Vauxhall, January 23rd 2023

Open Letter to the Town of Vauxhall Council

Dear Council Members,

It is with great disappointment that I acknowledge the receipt of Councils funding allocation for the Vauxhall Public Library.

Please allow me to give you the wording by PLSB (Public Library Services Branch) of the AMA (Alberta Municipal Affairs):

'Library service in Alberta is a municipal service, and the municipality that established the board is considered the primary funder. The annual operation funding that comes from the municipality is referred to "local appropriation" as it comes from local tax dollars.

This funding is well below our total budgeted 2023 funding of \$80,652. We will need to make changes to our Plan of Service by reducing the hours the library will be open. We are afraid that Town Council does not appreciate or properly evaluate the Town of Vauxhall's Library service impact to our community.

The libraries request was for \$42,196 and the allocation is for 20,000, including one debenture payment of \$ 5,126.87, net funding for this year is \$14,873.13. This is well below the needed support for the Town of Vauxhall's Public Library.

We ask the town to release the full amount (\$20,000) by February 20th so we have sufficient funds to make payments for the library until June 2023.

The board thanks Town Council for the support, even though it is less than what we feel is needed to keep the VPL's work in our community at a level that is needed.

With regards,


Joerg Klempnauer
Chair, VPL Board

Taber Region Long Table Dinner

July 2023

Feature Sponsor \$5000

8 Tickets to the Event

Name announced from the podium

Logo placement on keepsake lanyard

The unique option to sponsor a
signature dish

Gold Sponsor \$ 2500

4 Tickets to the Event

Name announced from the podium

Your logo on the keepsake lanyard

Silver Sponsor \$1000

2 Tickets to the Event

Your logo on the keepsake lanyard

Bronze Sponsor \$500

Your logo on the keepsake
lanyard

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

Cocktail Sponsors

Entertainment Sponsors

Decor Sponsors

\$1000 each

Economic Corridors Update

CORRIDORS CONNECTING REGIONS, INTERPROVINCIALY, AND
GLOBALLY



The Mandate – Task Force Phase 1 Report Complete Feb 18 2022

Establish Corridors within Alberta, Canada, and into the USA that will be to the economic and strategic benefit of Albertans, that will enable diversified economic growth, and provide economic stability for several generations. Determine the need, and opportunity for growth of our rail system within the province to facilitate economic growth and competitiveness addressing local needs, and mitigating shipping bottlenecks.

The Approach

Treaty Boundaries, 8, 6 and 7

There were team captains assigned, and team members picked their region of interest

Policy team members and myself were “Floaters” and moved between teams

The teams initially focus was in their region, then expanded into touch points between regions

Stakeholder Engagement – Task force members, consultants, Industry, First nations

The Dragons Den


- Each team had to pitch their best corridors too the full group
- The entire group picked the winners – routes that could be supported by the entire group

Final report reviews by team, and departments.


Executive summary, take-aways , short, mid, long-term targets: Executable



Things to Consider “Planes Trains and Automobiles

1. “It Depends what your definition of is, is”
 2. It’s not restricted to a commodity, or asset type
 3. It connects people and regions to mutual benefit and or trade
 4. “What do you have, what di you need, what I have, and how can I get it to you?”
 5. River, Road, Rail, Airport, Port, Pipe, Powerline, Fiber.....
 6. The shortest route may not be a straight line
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What is the Advantage of a Corridor

1. It formalizes a route
 2. It concentrates the efforts for approvals
 3. It allows for Anchor Tennent's, that then allow for densification
 4. It meets the needs of some trade agreements (CanMex)
 5. It increases project certainty
 6. It makes us hunt in a pack, mutual benefits are identified and supported
 7. It facilitates Collaboration & Communication
 8. It strengthens Relationships and trade
 9. It helps us obtain Deep Sea Port Access, and channels strategic growth, not organic
 10. It unlocks Private Capital for Infrastructure & Long-range Ownership
 11. It Aligns in principle with Federal, Municipal, and Provincial goals
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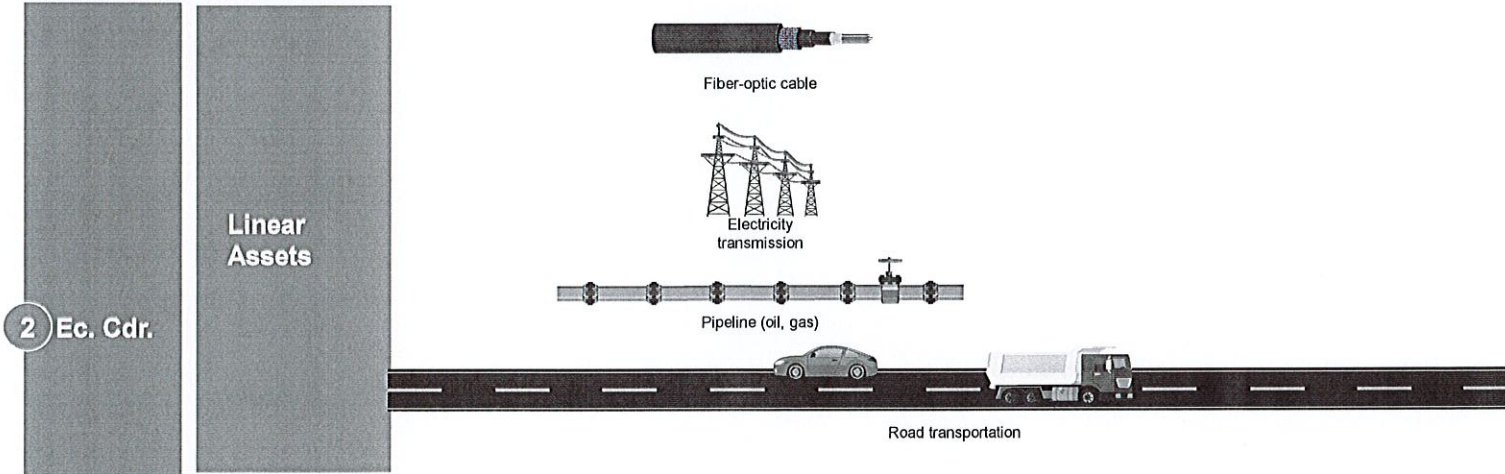
Core Tennant and configuration

Northern Corridor

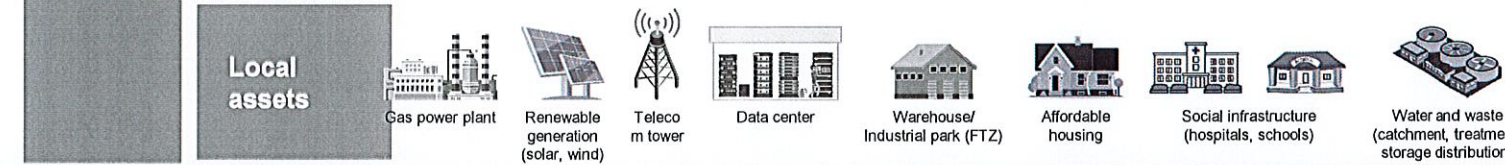
Regional development opportunities



- Socio-economic**
- More jobs and rising income
 - Lower cost of living
 - Improved population services



- Industrial**
- Increased minerals and hydrocarbons exploitation
 - Local petrochemicals industry
 - Diversification into new industries (tech, tourism, ...)



- Strategic**
- Strategic supply route to Northern bases for arctic security exploration
 - Cyber backbone for northern early warning

Predictions & Realized Events?

Vancouver port is a choke point. – BC Floods / Supply Chain Backup

Shortage of Short Line Rail means Risk of Rail Service When we need it – CP rail Strike – Pulp / Paper

Shortage of Service in North – Cost of Energy limiting Growth – Zama City

Energy Shortage, Russia / China in the Arctic – Yamal Peninsula – Invasion of Ukraine

Fortress North America is not yet built – Energy demand , cost of services, fertilizer, potash supply....Food Shortages?

Trade partners must be aligned with our goals, values, and principals

Costs of Shipping and Backlog West Coast USA – Cascades into Canada

Key Ports for Alberta

Prince Rupert (Alberta's Port) – 70% growth Potential – Yellow Head Corridor

Vancouver, Marginal Room to Grow – Critical Link

Churchill – Think of the Siberian Yamal Peninsula in means of construction and operation

Tuktoyaktuk – NWT Gas Play, All weather Road, PL ROW Active, Liquids into Norman Wells System

Anchorage – 24/7, operating at 60%– Logistics, and Defense

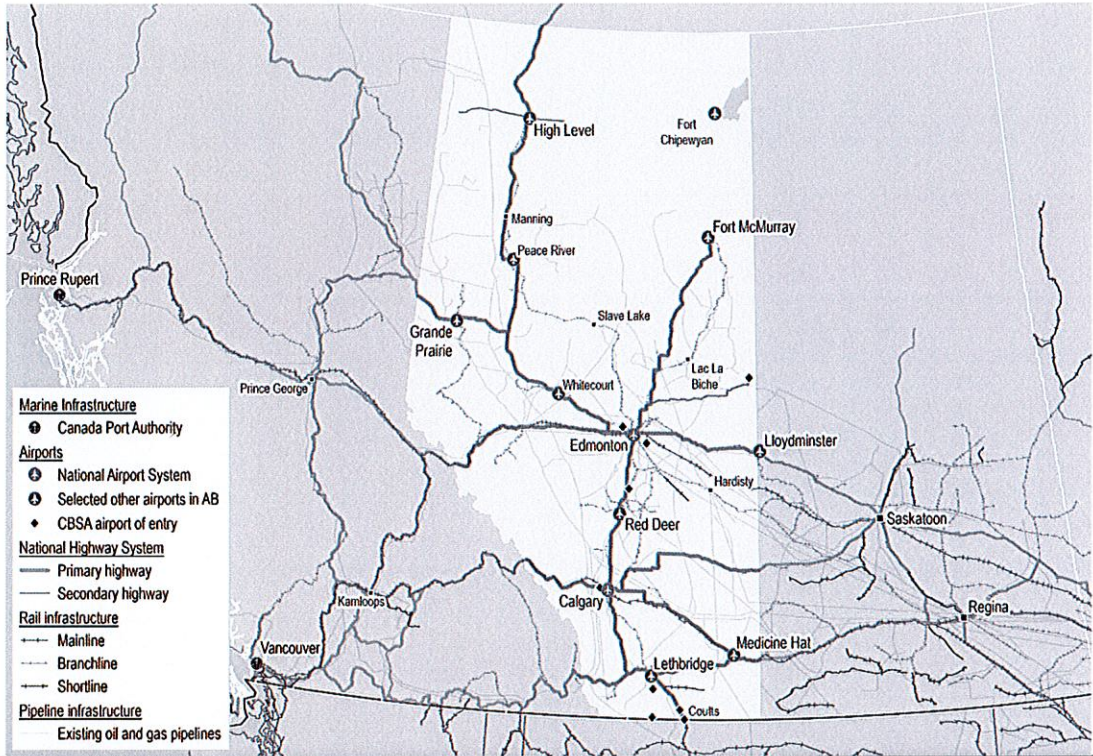
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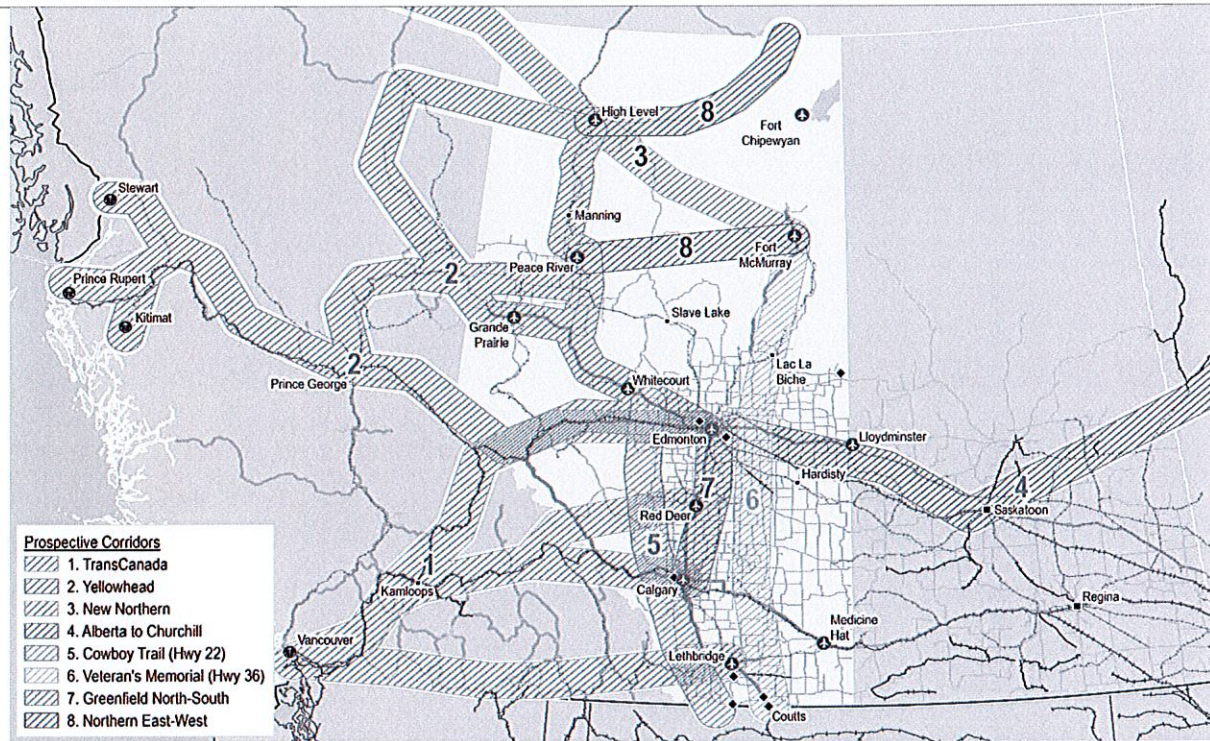
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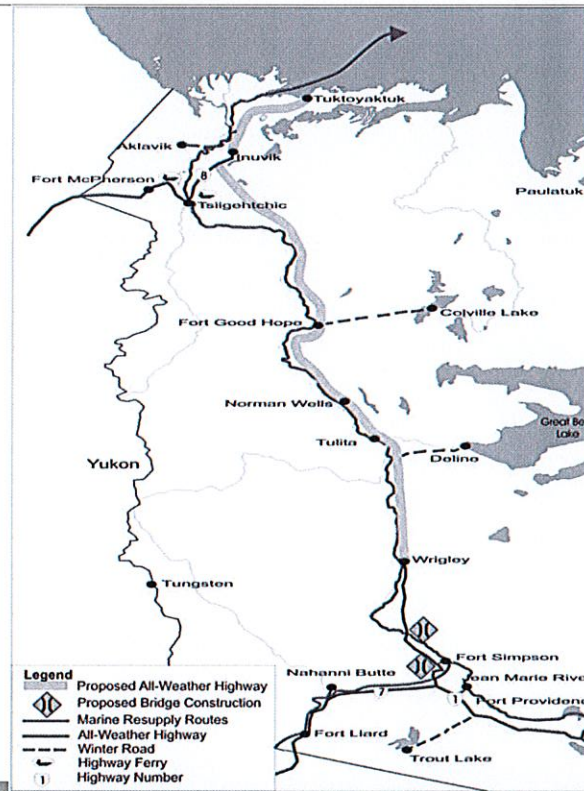
Our Current “Unofficial” Corridors



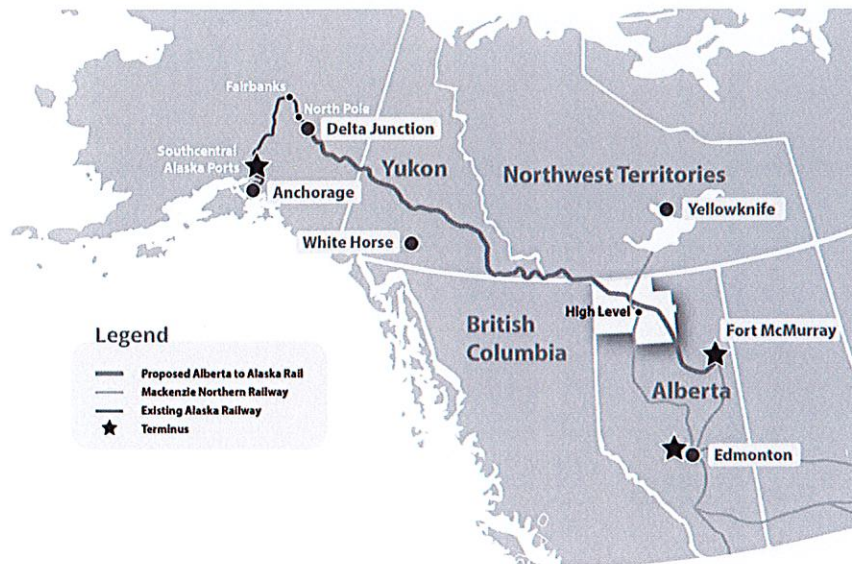
Prospective Corridors



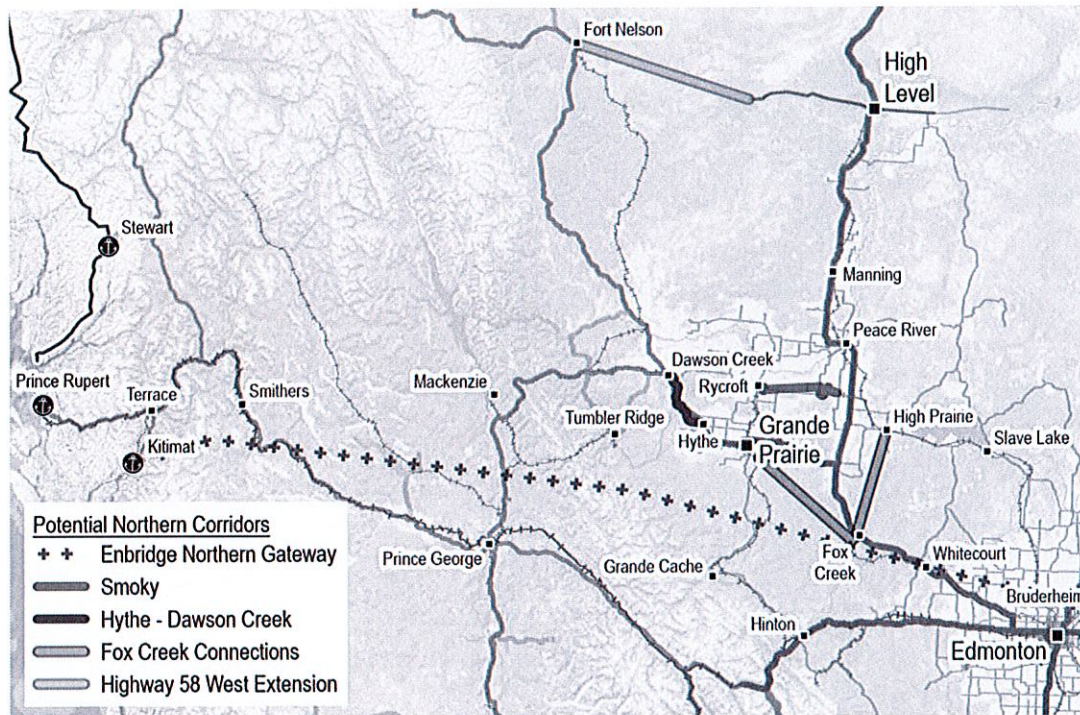
NWT / Yukon - Tuk



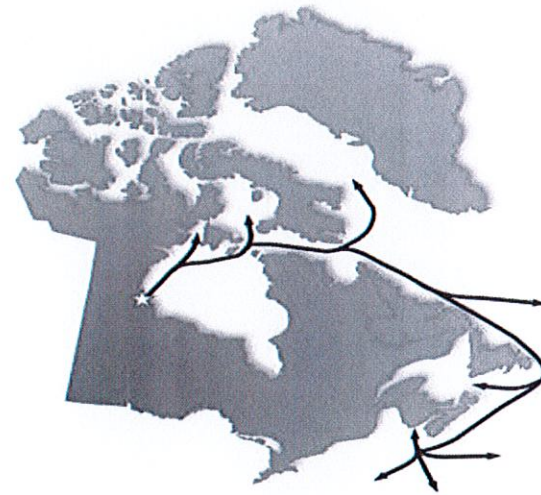
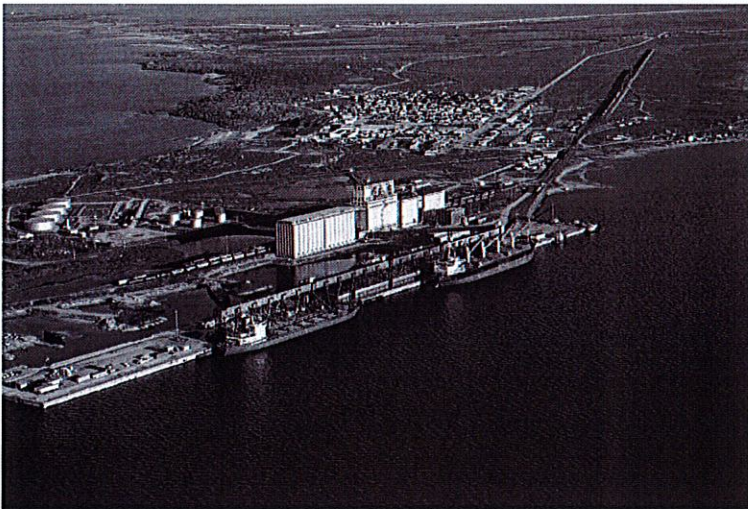
Fort McMurray to Alaska



Northern AB – BC Routes – Great Value



Churchill – A few Options – LNG – Refining – Pipe – Rail Arctic Presence



Highway 3 / CANAMEX— Highway 22 – Veterans Highway (Agri Food & Logistics)

- Continuation of the **TransCanada Corridor**, including:
 - Calgary-Medicine Hat – Regina, SK including the Highway 1 roadway, CP mainline which also extends to Winnipeg, Thunder Bay, Toronto, Montreal and St John, and the Saskatchewan-Alberta electrical inter-tie from Empress, AB to Swift Current, SK
 - Crowsnest Pass – Lethbridge – Medicine Hat-Regina, SK including Highway 3, a CP secondary rail line and TC Canadian mainline for natural gas

What is CANAMEX?

CANAMEX is a corridor established under the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) in 1995 consisting of a highway directly linking Alaska to Mexico, passing through Alberta. Other uses were also proposed including rail and fiber optic for telecommunications. The corridor project was never completed and the project is currently not being pushed forward. However, Alberta's Highways 4, 3, 2, 201, 216, 16 and 43 would be part of CANAMEX corridor. These highways are integral to the North-South flow of goods in the province.

Summary of Findings

Corridors need to be formalized & Defined (we now have a ministry)

Corridor Authority needs to be established – Focus on growth, and trade connecting into ports and trade offices

Further Participation is a must for First Nations – Real Participation and Ownership

Just in time balanced between Just in case. Our supply chain is very fragile, infrastructure is not a nice to have, it's a need.

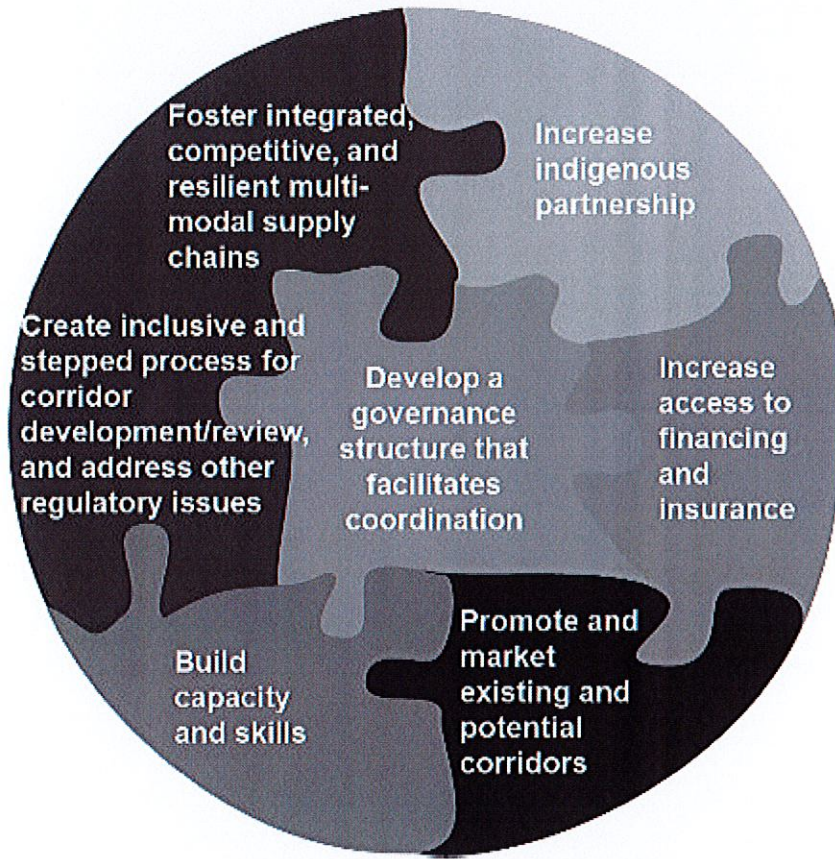
ACT – Federal Study, trade and infrastructure corridors are paramount for Canada – over 4 Trillion on spending required (2020 – 70) HWY 3.3 Trillion, Rail 2.8 Billion, Ports 1.1 Billion

Development of these corridors could be facilitated by the following strategic enablers:

<u>Issues</u>	<u>Enablers</u>
Many existing and potential corridors cross jurisdictional boundaries resulting in the need for a higher level of coordination, cooperation and collaboration among stakeholders	Develop a governance structure that facilitates coordination, such as corridor management institutions
There is a lack of access to appropriate infrastructure in Indigenous territories, while large-scale infrastructure projects in Canada cross them. These projects have the potential to both impact and benefit Indigenous nations.	Increase Indigenous engagement and partnership in corridor development
Timeliness and uncertainty of project review processes as well as other regulations and government policies (oil tanker ban, high shortline insurance requirements, tech standards) are barriers to infrastructure investments	Create inclusive and stepped process for corridor development and review processes, and address regulatory issues
Cost and quality of transportation services impact the profitability of business and the quality of life of Albertans. As such, efficient and resilient corridors are necessary to enable exports as well as imports	Foster integrated, competitive and resilient multi-modal supply chains to help minimize overall transportation costs
Some corridors and infrastructure are economically/socially desirable but are not financially viable creating a funding gap	Increase access to financing and insurance to fill the funding gap for economically desirable projects
There is a shortage of capacity and skills in much of rural Alberta to develop projects	Build capacity and skills in rural communities
Economic Corridors are often seen as just one road, one pipeline or one power line, but they are much more than that. They are a land planning tool that will enhance economic development, provide security to investors, assist in long-range planning, connect regions and trade routes and bring prosperity to communities	Promote and market existing and potential corridors to highlight their benefits as well as raise awareness of potential options and routes for traders

The “Asks” That were made of Government

1. Support for the findings of the report – Next Steps – Continue execution plan
2. Establishment of the Corridor Management Authority (Advisory Council)
3. Formalization of existing corridors / and new corridors
4. Change in policy / legislation to facilitate growth of short-line Rail
5. Designation of Ministry Transportation to action report findings (Steering Committee)
6. Fully Engage PNWER / CSG / NCSL members.
7. Focus efforts on NW partners (MB, SK, BC, YK , NWT , Alaska) formalize Economic Corridors between regions (MOU's)
8. Engage federal government regarding their status on Corridors (Prairies Can CIB)



Questions & Next Steps



FEBRUARY: A MONTH OF KINDNESS



February can sometimes feel a bit gloomy; the holidays are over, and the weather remains dark and cold. Did you know that one of the best ways to beat the winter blues is to show kindness to one another? The month of February includes two nationally recognized days that aim to celebrate and promote kindness: February 17th is Random Acts of Kindness Day and February 22nd is Pink Shirt Day.

Pink Shirt Day (originating in Nova Scotia) began when a male high school student was bullied for wearing pink. The next day the entire school of students and teachers showed their support for him by wearing pink. Thanks to the incredible amount of kindness demonstrated, as well as the impact it made in the media, Pink Shirt Day is now nationally recognized as an anti-bullying campaign for both children and adults. This kind act not only changed the life of the student who was bullied, but it also changed the month of February.

So, what are some random acts of kindness that you can do?

- Smile! Smiling is proven to have health benefits for those who give a smile as well as those who receive it. It seems like a small act, but it is amazing how a simple smile can turn someone's day around.
- Complement a co-workers work ethic or their quick wit! This can make them feel like they are being noticed.
- Help a neighbor by shoveling their sidewalk or help them bring in their groceries. These efforts can really make a difference to them, especially if they are experiencing mobility issues.
- Leave an encouraging note somewhere for someone else to find (on a co-workers desk, in the staff kitchen, etc.)
- Tell a teacher that you appreciate them.
- Hold the door open for a stranger.

Resources for those that are experiencing bullying:

- Kids help phone (a toll-free phone available for any youth) 1-800-668-6868
- Alberta bullying helpline (call or text) 310-1818
- Mental Health hotline 1-877-303-2642
- Child abuse hotline 1-800-387-5437

Trinity Walker is the Youth Development Coordinator at FCSS.

To learn about FCSS programs visit our website: www.fcss.ca

Submitted by:
Trinity Walker



Youth Development Coordinator

SERVING:

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M.D. of Taber • Nobleford • Picture Butte • Raymond • Stirling Taber • Vauxhall • Warner



January 12th, 2023

The Honourable Jason Copping
Minister of Health
204, 10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

VIA EMAIL health.minister@gov.ab.ca

Re: Ambulance Crisis

Dear Minister Copping:

At the Regular Bon Accord Council Meeting on December 6, 2022, Council received a copy of correspondence from the Town of Ponoka to the Ministry of Health requesting support for their local fire department as first responders for emergency ambulance calls. Bon Accord Town Council fully stand with Ponoka in support of their request for better delivery of ambulance services across the province.

The incidents described in the letter show that ambulance service for rural Albertans is in severe crisis. What steps are being taken to remedy this detrimental situation for our communities? As Canadians, our section 7 Charter right to life, liberty, and security of person should be top priority. The current state of our ambulance service, or lack thereof, affirms instead that these rights hang in the balance.

These incidents, and others across the province, also show the value local fire departments bring to our communities. The lack of adequate ambulance service is placing unfair stress and expectations on volunteer firefighters and further putting the health and safety of Albertans in jeopardy.

These community volunteers and our communities deserve better. We hope your Ministry will make positive changes moving forward to uplift our communities during these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Mayor Brian Holden
Town of Bon Accord

cc: Premier Danielle Smith
Rachel Notley, Leader of the Opposition
Alberta Municipalities
Dale Nally, MLA – Morinville-St. Albert
Pat Mahoney, Fire Chief – Town of Bon Accord

Alberta Municipalities' 2022 highlights from perspective as President Mayor Cathy Heron

Policing & Public Safety

Alberta Municipalities continued challenging the provincial government on its dogged pursuit of a provincial police service throughout 2022. In March, members voted overwhelmingly against supporting the Government of Alberta's proposed transition plan from the RCMP to an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). In September, ABmunis called for the provincial government to pause its efforts to create an APPS and convene a public safety task force. The root causes of crime, which include poverty, homelessness, mental health issues and addictions, need to be thoughtfully considered and addressed. Alberta's chronically under-resourced and overwhelmed judicial system isn't helping matters, either.

We've been invited to participate in an APS working group and are working to make sure that the working group meets our interests. Above all, we want to ensure Albertans' public safety needs are met, now and in the future. We also want to ensure policing costs neither increase nor are downloaded to local governments and, ultimately, Albertan taxpayers.

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Alberta experienced an unprecedented 30% increase in calls for emergency medical services (EMS) over the past two years, largely due to opioid use and the COVID-19 pandemic. These systemic issues and increased demand have resulted in further deterioration in ambulance response times, including rotating periods of no response (aka 'code red' or 'red alert') around Alberta.

From February to September 2022, I represented ABmunis on the Government of Alberta's EMS Provincial Advisory Committee. We met regularly to review policies and procedures, identify issues, develop strategies, and make recommendations to the Minister of Health. The EMS Provincial Advisory Committee's final report, which includes long-term recommendations, was submitted two months ago. I fervently hope it will be shared with Albertans before December 31. Alberta Health Services' 10-point plan to add capacity and ensure the most critical patients receive immediate care has helped somewhat. While ABmunis welcomes the addition of more than 160 paramedics and 19 ambulances to our provincial EMS system, more needs to be done

Infrastructure Funding

We worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) that is set to replace Municipal Sustainability Index (MSI) in 2024 will work for all our member communities. In November, ABmunis submitted its recommendations to Municipal Affairs. We conducted two online members-only seminars on LGFF in late November to ensure everyone has a good understanding of what we've proposed. Our goal: ensure that summer villages, villages, towns, cities and specialized municipalities receive sufficient provincial funding to remain viable and thrive. We are under no illusion that ABmunis' work to secure stable, predictable and sufficient long-term funding from the provincial government to municipalities for infrastructure, programs and services will end in 2023. To succeed, we must continue pressing the Government of Alberta on this vitally important issue. The success and well-being of Albertans is at stake.

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

After three years of advocacy by ABmunis and its members, the Government of Alberta introduced Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) regulations in October 2022! These regulations mark an important milestone as municipalities begin planning to hand over responsibilities for the collection of designated recyclable material.

By April 1, 2025, all single family and multi-family dwellings currently receiving recycling collection services should shift from municipally operated to producer operated. By April 1, 2026, any single family or multi-family dwellings currently not receiving community collection services should have an available service.

Broadband service

Many of you will recall that members passed a resolution at our 2021 Convention calling on the provincial government to take tangible steps to address the lack of reliable high-speed Internet in Alberta. In early 2022, the provincial government introduced its Alberta Broadband Strategy – a plan to connect 400,000 underserved households in Alberta. The Government of Alberta's 2022 budget included \$390 million in funding for broadband projects. Soon after, the Government of Canada announced that it would match the provincial government's funding, bringing the total funding available for Alberta broadband projects to \$780 million.

Clean Energy Improvement Program

Our Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) continued to make great strides by adding to the number of participating municipalities. This program is an innovative financing tool that enables residential and commercial property owners to access flexible, long-term financing through their municipality, improving their ability to pay for energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades.

In 2022, eight additional municipal councils passed a clean energy improvement tax bylaw and seven additional active programs were launched. I look forward to watching this program continue to grow in 2023.

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At a Glance - January 20, 2023

Chair Appointed to COVID-19 Review Committee

One of the most well-known faces of the conservative movement in Canada has been hired to chair a committee that will review how the provincial government responded to the pandemic. Preston Manning, former leader of the Reform Party will be paid \$253,000 to lead this panel's review of Alberta's COVID-19 response. The panel's mandate includes evaluating how the province can better respond to public health emergencies in the future while mitigating the impact on the population and the economy.

The panel's full mandate and terms of reference are available on the provincial government's website. The full report, including any recommendations provided, must be submitted to the government by November 15th, 2023.

Allegations Emerge About Staffer Contacting Prosecutors

A CBC report revealed allegation of a staff member in the Premier's Office sending emails to crown prosecutors related to cases from the Coutts blockade last year. It has been alleged that, following her election as leader of the UCP, someone in her office requested a briefing on the Coutts cases which were followed up by additional emails that "critiqued the prosecutors' assessment of the charges and pushed back on the characterizations of the protest."

In response, the Premier's Office issued a statement denying the allegations. "Premier Smith has not been in contact with Crown Prosecutors and has no knowledge of anyone on her staff having done so. This is a serious allegation. If a staff member has been in touch with a Crown Prosecutor, appropriate action will be taken."

Affordability Payment Portal Launches

On January 18th, eligible Albertans were able to apply for the province's inflation relief payments. In the first 24 hours of operation, Minister of Technology and Innovation Nate Glubish indicated that more than 140,000 applications had been submitted and approved, impacting more than 250,000 Albertans.

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Payments are expected to be delivered to successful applicants on the last day of each month between January and June. Minister of Affordability and Utilities Matt Jones has indicated that the government is exploring inflation relief to post-secondary students in Alberta who may not currently be eligible for payments.

Mental Health Pilot Projects for Alberta Students

In an effort to improve access to mental health services for Alberta's grade school students, the province will be launching a series of pilot projects. To date, 60 projects have been approved under a \$40 million envelope and will be rolled out across the province. The next round of proposals are due to government by January 31, 2023.

According to Ministry of Education press secretary Emily Peckham, "the pilot projects will allow us to use this initial funding to determine what practices, supports and services are most effective before committing to future government policy and funding decisions in the area of student mental health, thereby benefiting all school authorities in the province."





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January 6, 2023

His Worship Raymond Coad
Mayor
Town of Vauxhall
PO Box 509
Vauxhall AB T0K 2K0

Dear Mayor Coad and Council:

I am deeply saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Councillor Barry Thomson.

My thoughts are with you and the community during this difficult time. I extend my sympathies to the family and friends of Councillor Thomson, and to all those impacted by his contributions to the Town of Vauxhall.

On behalf of Municipal Affairs, I offer my sincere condolences.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Schulz
Minister

cc: Cris Burns
Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Vauxhall

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Southern Alberta Employer Supports and Training

The Alberta Government is funding this project through a grant to the Taber and District Community Adult Learning Association. The purpose of this project is to support employers to find appropriate staff to meet their present and future workforce needs.

This project began on September 1, 2022 and is a 2-year term.

The service area for this project includes the **Town of Taber, MD of Taber, County of Warner and the County of 40 Mile.**

Here are the current developments on this project:

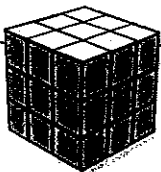
- Resources are being put together for the entire employee hiring process from advertising to interviews to orientations to onboarding.
- Development of employer resources has begun which include Human Resource and Safety documentation that employers can readily use, add their company name and logo into them while being able to adjust the forms to fit their needs.
- Local presentations to employers are being developed that will act as a training component that employers can take part in.
- Web site development is beginning which will act as a one stop shop for employers to access documents, announcement of local presentations, links to on-line training, links to Government Legislation, WCB, Labour Standards, Human Rights, etc.

Since this is a pilot project we anticipate some updates as we work with our Alberta Government contacts to help fine-tune the services to employers.

This is a great opportunity for small businesses to receive support in areas that they may not have had the resources to obtain. Larger businesses who have established processes in place can take advantage of these resources as well and someone to talk to about current issues and concerns.


All supports are confidential with resources being evaluated according to company needs. We look forward to working with employers on Southern Alberta Solutions!

Sincerely,
Patrick Kavanagh
Employer Support Caseworker
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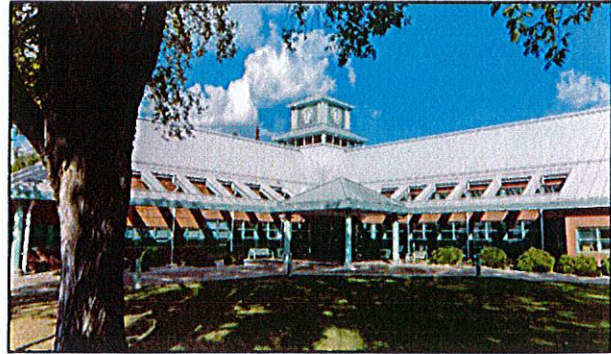
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Employer Resources

Here is the current listing of documents and links to information that may be of use to you and your company. All resources are **FREE** for you to use as you like, make changes, add your company logo, use as quick reference sheets, etc.

Human Resource Documents

- Job application form (adjustable)
- Creating job postings
- Advertising job postings
- Employer interview questions
- Reference checks made easy
- Bank deposit form (adjustable)
- Onboarding employees
- Employee tracking sheet (adjustable)
- How to do exit interviews
- Laying off employees - TDCALA services



Health and Safety Documents

- Incident investigation form
- Hazard assessments
- Toolbox talks - info, agenda and attendance
- Supervisors monthly safety inspection guidelines and worksheet (adjustable)
- Injury workflow
- What about safety committees?
- Working alone

Many of these documents have links in them so that you can access additional information immediately.

External Links

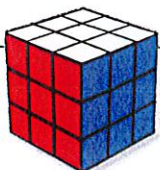
Human Resource Information

Alberta Human Rights - Interview question guidelines, harassment policy development, duty to accommodate,

Employment Standards - Wages, Holidays, Overtime, Termination pay, Job leaves, Youth employment laws and many more.

Youth Employment Laws - Basic Rules, Employees 12 years and under, 13 – 14 years, 15 – 17 years and more.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act - FOIP - Guidelines, FOIP Act, Regulations, Help Desk and more.



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Farm and Ranch Workplace Legislation - Employment Standards for employers.

Hiring Guide - A Government of Canada guide with some good information on hiring employees.

How do I give a reference - An excellent resource looking at what to say and what not to say.

Ice Breaker Questions - An extensive list of questions for interviewers to consider.

English Classes in Taber - English as an additional language classes for employee and families in Taber through Taber Adult Learning.

Census of Populations - This is a fascinating look at the breakdown of people who live in our communities. Information on things like age brackets, household income, languages spoken, mother tongue's, types of housing, marital status and so much more.

Occupational Demands Outlook - Looks at what types of jobs will be in demand in the coming years up to 2025.

Resources for Employers - Alberta Government Programs, Grants, On-line Services and more.

Labour Market Information - Labour forecasts, Trends, Statistics, Wages, Salaries and more.

Mature Worker Recruiting - Advantages of hiring this neglected employee base. Things to consider when hiring mature workers.

Ex-Offenders Recruiting - How to evaluate hiring, benefits, concerns, criminal record checks? and more.

Alberta Advantage Immigration Program - This is an economic immigration program that assists businesses in finding skilled workers from around the world, and in turn allows for skilled workers to be nominated for permanent residency by a Committee set up by the **Town of Taber**.

Temporary Foreign Workers Program - How to hire, obligations, employer compliance, guidance and more.

Alberta - **TD1AB Tax Forms - Fillable Form and Printable Form**

Federal - **TD1 Tax Form - Fillable Form and Printable Form**

Health and Safety Information

OHS Templates for all of your safety documents - OHS - If you need safety documents then this link is for you! Templates for Safety Policy, Hazard Assessments, Emergency Response Plan, Work Site Inspection, Worker Orientation Record, Safety Training Records and more.

OHS Portal - A great website that lets you drill down to safety information categories.

OHS Search Tool - This **NEW** search tool is a web-based word-for-word transfer of Alberta's OHS Act, Regulation, and Code. You can now search on any safety wording and find all of the information on it.

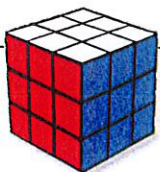
Health and Safety Programs for Employers - Alberta Government - An excellent document (PDF) that addresses all the areas of a safety program from "Do I need one" to providing templates and sample policies for employers.

OHS Guide to OHS for Employers - A good overview of OHS Alberta, safety inspectors, employers and employee's responsibilities. **The last page has very useful links for employers.**

OHS Resources specific for your Industry - Agriculture, construction, manufacturing, transportation, energy, hospitality, retail and more. A good one-stop shop location to find OHS publications specific to your industry.

Alberta Association for Partnerships Association (AASP) - Looking for a safety association? Founded in 1999, AASP services all industries and are the 2nd largest safety association in Alberta **and the largest in Canada** for "all industries" safety associations. **AASP is located in Taber too!**

Hazard Assessment and Control - An excellent handbook for Alberta employer and workers.



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Hazard Assessment and Control TEMPLATE - For site-specific hazard assessments and solutions for controlling them.

Alberta Workers Health Centre has some good information.

Overview guide of topics for best practices PDF

Seven modules to review PDF

Workers Compensation for Employers and Workers

Employer WCB Handbook - A good overview of information for employers.

Employer Injury Reporting Form - Excellent employer information resource! How to report an injury with instructions and employer report form.

Workers Injury Reporting Form - Excellent information resource! How to report an injury with instructions and worker report form. Information that employers need to be aware of.

Employer Reporting and Injury overview - Information for reporting injuries On-line, MyWCB employer app. and by Fax.

All WCB Forms and Guides for Employers - An extensive list of information.

Mental Health in the Workplace - What are the signs to watch for in employees.

Workers WCB Handbook - A great overview of information for workers that employers should review.

Offer of Modified Work - Document agreement between employer and worker. Copy and use.

Letter to the Health Care Provider (Dr.) - Health Care provider "fitness for work" letter template.

Return to Work Planning - Employers, workers and modified work information.

Employer Injury Tracker - Use this injury tracker to self-monitor your company's Injury recovery success.

Tracking helps recognize positive outcomes like early return to work or no-time loss claims and determine gaps in your disability management program.

WCB Posters for Workplace posting

Hurt at Work Poster? - All workplaces should have this poster posted. Here are the languages that this poster comes in.

Arabic, Chinese (Simple), Chinese (Traditional), English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Punjabi, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese



Helpful Links

Helplines and Hotlines for Support - To help people right now.

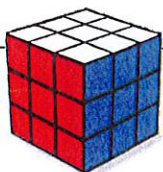
Every employer should have these phone numbers available for easy access. Suicide, mental health, addictions, distress, First Nations, kids, rural distress, LGBTQ2S+ support lines for all kinds of emergency situations.

Domestic violence in the workplace - OHS - Domestic violence is a pattern of behaviour used by one person to gain power and control over another with whom the person has, or has had, a personal relationship. This can range from subtle intimidating behaviours to violent acts that result in physical harm or death.

Mental Health in the Workplace - OHS - Videos, Posters and Information.

Mental Illness in the Workplace - Canadian Mental Health Association - An excellent resource for employers. Download their brochure and make it available to employees.

Ask an OHS expert - Report an OHS concern - Report serious injuries - Illnesses or incidents



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Farm and Ranch

Occupation Health and Safety - OHS - A good overview of legislation, safety basics and more.

Farm Safety - Alberta Government - Excellent resource with information on livestock, environment, chemical, farm home safety, equipment and machinery safety, worker safety and more.

Farm Safety Resources - AgSafe Alberta - **Excellent information for farm safety operations.** Topics cover a huge range of safety situations.

Working Alone on the Farm - A nice 2-page review on working safely when alone.

Workers Compensation Board - WCB - Workplace insurance for Farm and Ranch.

WCB Coverage - How it benefits your company and employees.

Demographics, Labour Market Information and Multicultural Links

Occupational Demands Outlook - Look into the future to see the types of jobs predicted to be in demand in the coming years up to 2025.

Census of Populations - This is a fascinating look at the breakdown of people who live in our communities. Age brackets, household income, languages spoken, mother tongue's, types of housing, etc.

Town of Taber - An extensive website of information. Direct links: Business Support Services, Economic Development, and Community Links.

MD of Taber - Business information including Economic Development and Departments.

County of 40 Mile - Main website. Direct links: Business Resources and Departments.

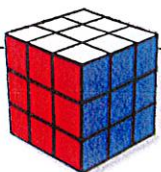
County of Warner - Main website. Direct links: Agriculture Service Board and Departments.



55% of the population in Southern Alberta do not have English or French as their first language.


(Taber, MD of Taber, County of Warner and 40 Mile)

...this makes "English as an Additional Language (EAL) Training" and "Literacy Training" important for communication between you and your employees.



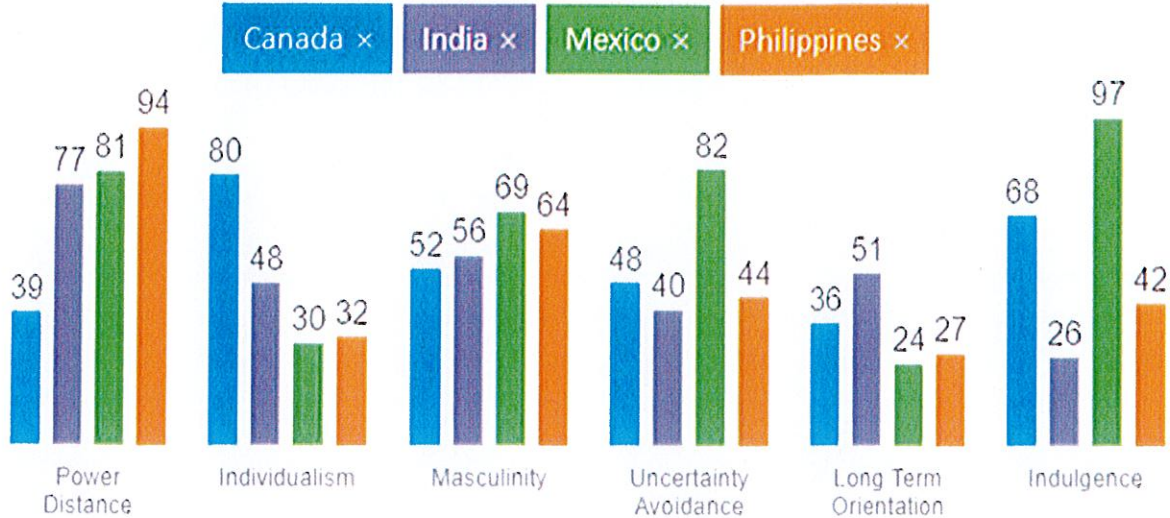
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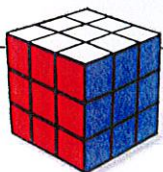
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Hofstede Insights - This website is fascinating! You can compare Canada with other countries and by doing so you can see the similarities and the differences between cultures. The cultural differences are a great eye-opener which can help employers see through the eyes of some employees. Its all about communication and this insight will do a lot for you personally and your company.



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January 27, 2023

The Honourable Jason Copping
Minister of Health
432 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6
health_minister@gov.ab.ca

Re: Town of Fox Creek Ambulance Service

Dear Minister Copping,

In November 2022, the Town of Fox Creek was copied on correspondence from the Town of Ponoka expressing concerns on behalf of their Volunteer Fire Department as first responders to emergency calls. The letter received from the Town of Ponoka summed up some of the major issues in our province perfectly, and the Town of Fox Creek would like to reiterate the concerns with the state of our ambulance service in rural Alberta.

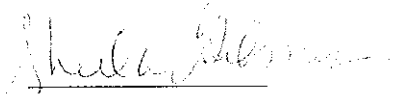
We share in our main concern being the ambulance services that we are receiving from Alberta Health Services. Recently, our community has gone without an ambulance for 14 hours because of patient transfers and staffing issues. The most troubling part of this lapse is the number of times that it seems to be happening. Because of our location, when an ambulance leaves our community, our closest backup unit is a minimum 45 minutes away. Those 45 minutes can quickly turn into over an hour if the roads are bad or if there is not a crew available immediately. Those 45 minutes could very well be the difference between life and death, or could change the course of someone's future.

Much like Ponoka, our Fire Department has been the first responders to many calls that would not necessarily fall under their mandate, however, because they love our community and the people that live here, they go without hesitation. They have seen things they should not have to see and have held the hands of individuals through extremely tough situations.

Fox Creek has also stepped up and is running our Medical First Responder Program out of our volunteer department, however, with a lack of funding for the program, many of the costs to run the program are being covered by the community. It is time the province finds a way to deal with the ambulance situation in rural Alberta that does not fall on the back of volunteer fire departments or municipalities.

It is only a matter of time before the gamble to move Fox Creek's ambulance to a busier location when AHS is short-staffed does not pay off and a life is lost because of the lack of service provided. Unfortunately for Fox Creek, when that happens, it is going to be someone in our community. We are urgently requesting that these issues be addressed with a solution that does not forget about the unique situations of many rural Alberta communities.

Sincerely,

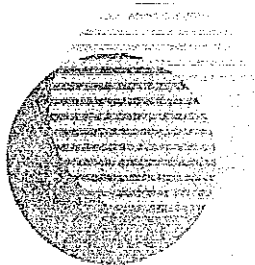


Sheila Gilmour, Mayor
Sheila@foxcreek.ca

cc: The Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta
The Honourable Todd Loewen – MLA – Central Peace Notley
The Honourable Rachel Notley – Leader of the Official Opposition NDP
Arnold Viersen, MP, Peace River – Westlock
Alberta Municipalities Members
Town of Ponoka

From: Alberta Council of Women's Shelters <voice+acws.ca@ccsendu.com>
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2023 2:04 PM
To: Cris Burns <cburns@town.vauxhall.ab.ca>
Subject: Save the Date! Leading Change Summit - May 2-4, 2023

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Leading Change™ SUMMIT 2023

May 2 – 4, 2023 • Edmonton

Choice of Leadership: Inspiring Ethical Spaces in Gender-based Violence Prevention May 2 – 4, 2023

Save the date!

When: May 2–4, 2023

Where: River Cree Resort and Casino, 300 East Lapotac Boulevard, Enoch, AB

Registration: Will open on our website soon.

The Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (ACWS) is excited to announce the 2nd Leading Change™ Summit. Building on the bold conversations from our 2019 event, the 2023 Summit will focus on ideas, research, and emerging practices in visioning, fostering, and sustaining more ethical spaces in gender-based violence prevention.

This event will bring together experts and leaders from various fields across Western Canada to share knowledge, strategies, and best practices in this important area.

Gender-based violence is a critical issue that affects individuals, families, and communities across Alberta. The Summit will provide an opportunity for attendees to learn about the latest research,

policies and practices in this area and to network with others who are working to create a safer and more equitable society.

The event will promote the discussion and development of effective solutions to ethically prevent and address gender-based violence in our communities, and we anticipate that the conference will result in many innovative outcomes for the sector.



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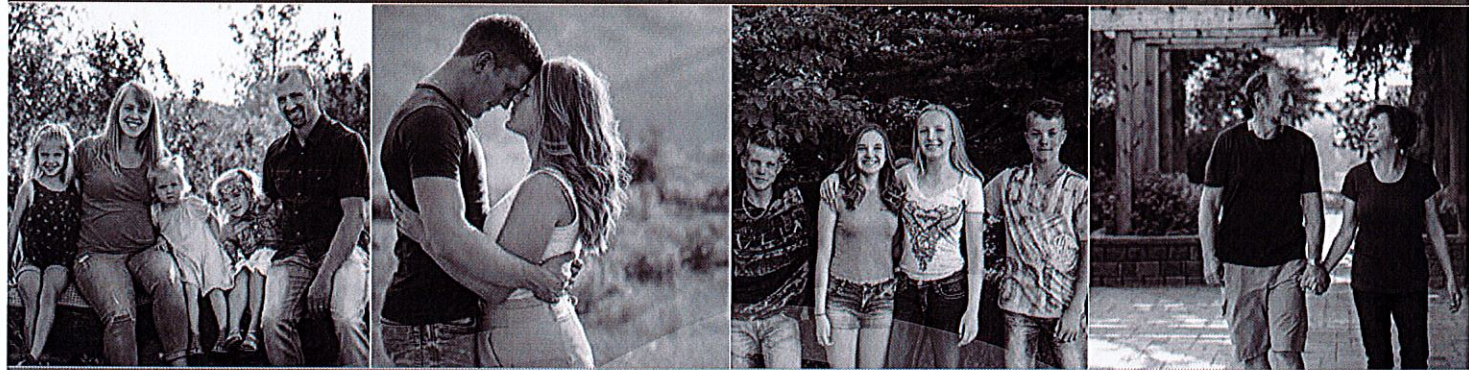


2022

FCSS

Family & Community
Support Services

REPORT TO MUNICIPALITIES FAMILY SERVICES



Strengthening Families in rural Alberta

www.fcss.ca

Alberta



VISION | Residents living their full potential.

MISSION | FCSS enhances the social well-being of individuals, families and communities within our region.

CORE VALUES:

Integrity | *We strive to be accountable and transparent to all whom we serve.*

Innovation | *We remain open to changing needs and ensure services remain timely and relevant.*

Inclusiveness | *We are committed to building a spirit of acceptance and respect with those we work with and support.*

FAMILY SERVICES

OUTCOME STATEMENT

Parents/Caregivers have increased knowledge, abilities and confidence to develop healthy family relationships and to enhance their child's development.

PRIORITIES:

- Exceed the annual Triple P targets.
- Distribute and complete ASQ's for all infants attending programs.
- Collect evaluations quarterly from all participants attending drop-in programs.
- Promote the importance of early childhood development through social media.

Strengthening Families

INTRODUCTION

2022 FAMILY SERVICES AT A GLANCE

19,421 Total service hours

12,492 Total service visits

1,438 Total Information and Referrals provided

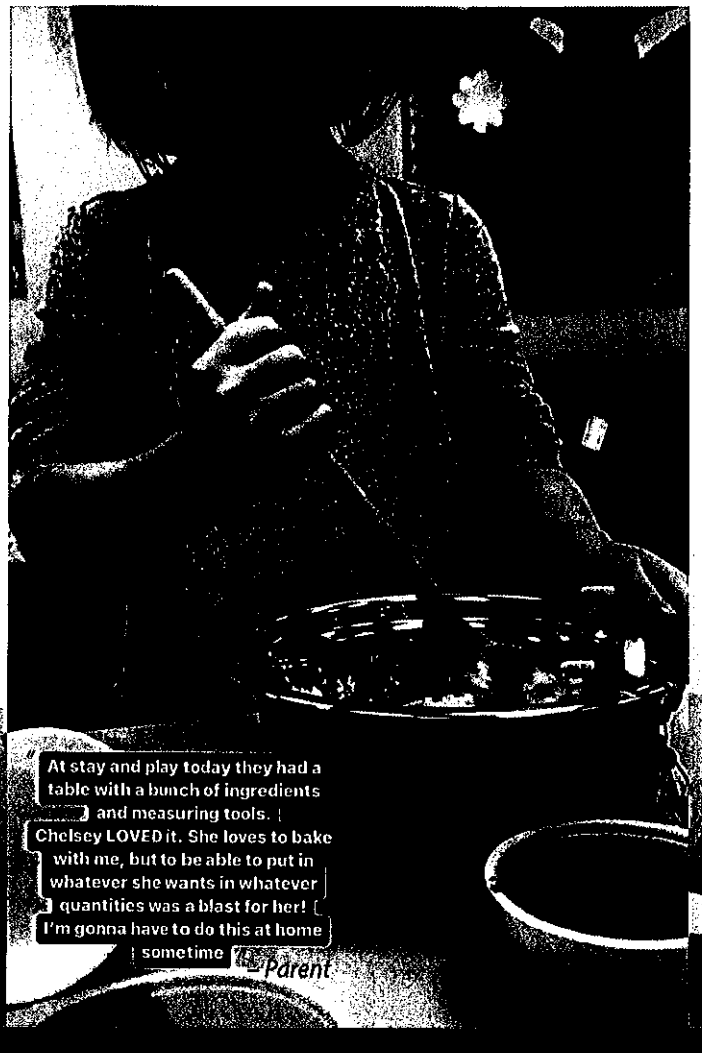
1,072 Total new clients

809 Total of 1 time essential services

WHAT WE DO

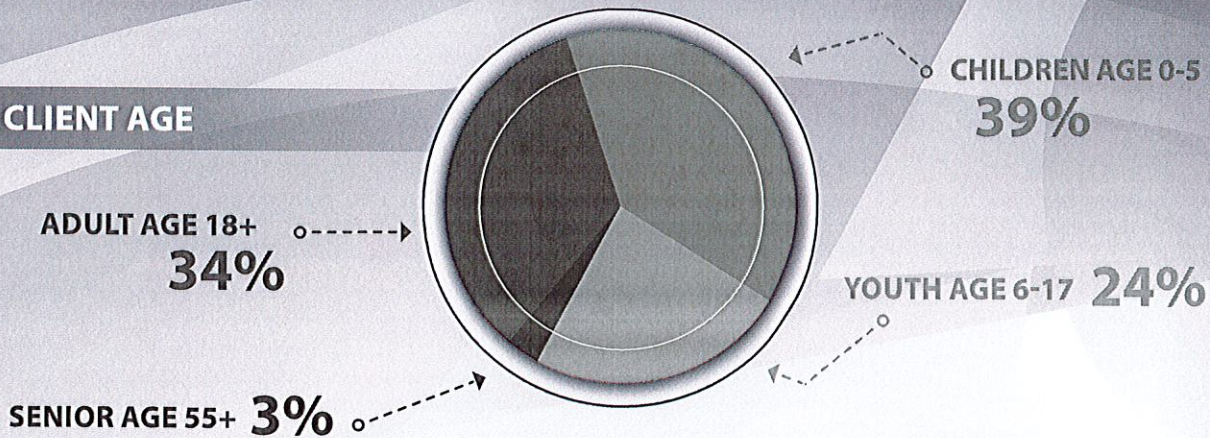
- Parent Education & Family Support
- Early Childhood Development Programs
- Youth Programs
- Community Events & Family Programs

97% of group programs
were attended in-person

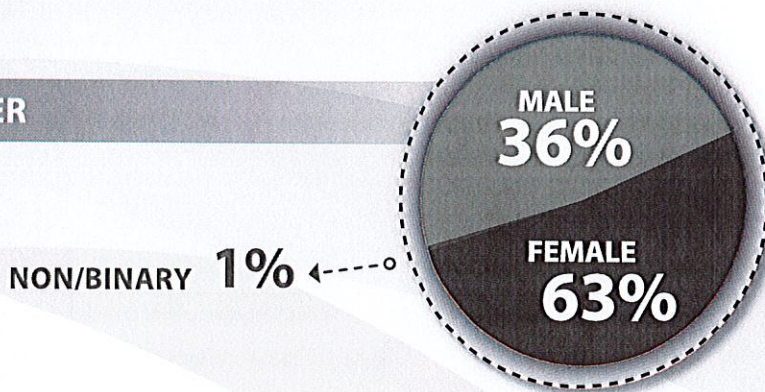


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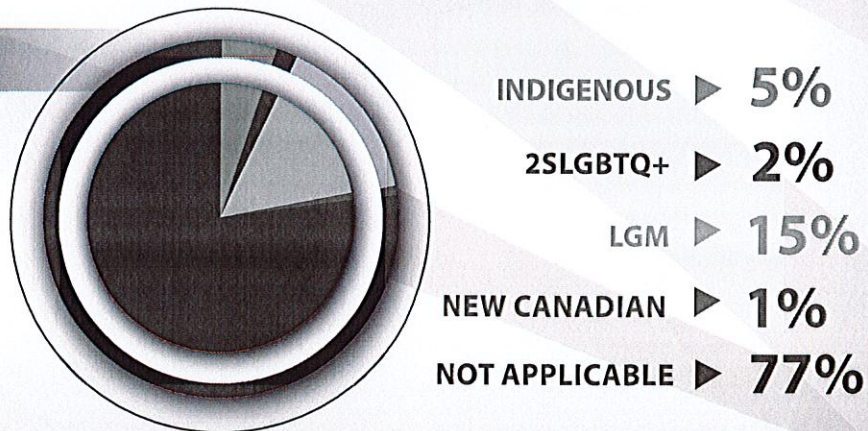
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CLIENT GENDER

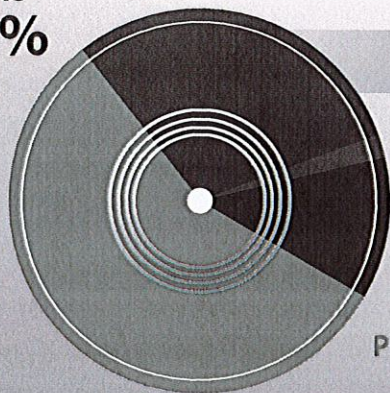


CLIENT SELF-IDENTIFY AS



WALK-INS
30%

EVENT/PROGRAM
38%



HOW FAMILIES FIND US

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA 2%

EMAIL 12%

PHONE/TEXT 18%

MEET THE FAMILY SERVICES TEAM



Kim Fehr



Janet Fekete



Jackie Fiorino



Kim Forchuk



Jessica Goodrider-Loewen



Kim Hardy



Susy Hiebert



Maria Klassen



Stacey Maynes



Susie Peters



Penny Pittman



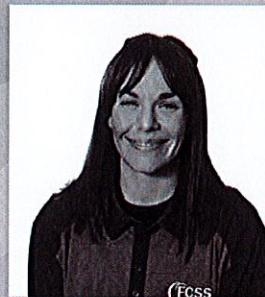
Margarita Sawatsky



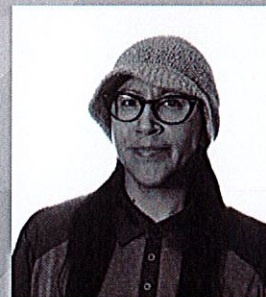
Myrna Sopal



Lauren Tams



Jess Walton



Amanda Weaselfat



Amanda Webster

PARENT EDUCATION AND SUPPORT

PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS OFFERED IN 2022

- Baby Signing
- Caregiver Café
- Kids Have Stress Too
- Triple P Fearless
- Baby & Me
- Infant Massage
- Triple P Groups & Seminars
- Presentations on different topics

1,207 Total service visits

1,487 Total service hours

Caregiver Café is one of our most popular parent education programs. Parents and children attended together, while the children play the parents engage in meaningful conversations. Caregiver Café conversations are structured around questions related to each of the five protective factors. This program had **467** visits throughout 2022.

90% Strongly agree or agree they are more aware of how their child's needs changes as they grow and develop



Infant Massage

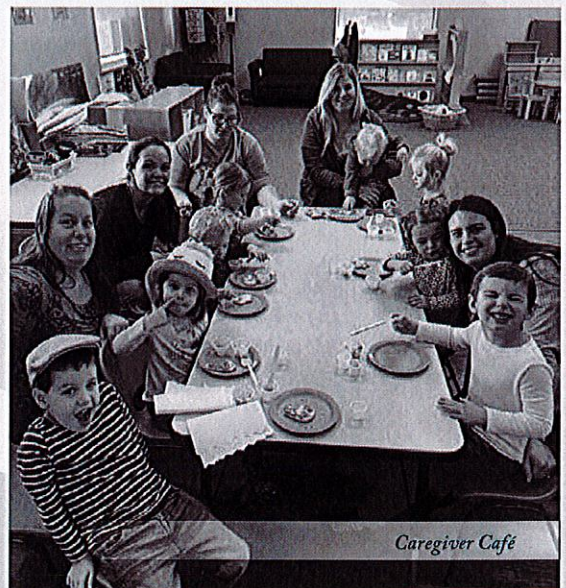
89% Strongly agree or agree they have more information on what resources are available for their family

"Very helpful, this program has not only educated me on how to help my son, but it has also helped me grow as a person and I'm very grateful." – Parent

71% Strongly agree or agree they have met other parents in their neighborhood/community they can ask for help and support

"This class is so wonderful. I enjoy the time with my baby and with other moms. It fills my cup and helps me be a better mom." – Parent

"I loved that I could ask all my questions in a judgement free zone!" – Parent



Caregiver Café

ONE-ON-ONE PARENT EDUCATION

The Family Support Workers and the Family Liaison Workers provide families with one-on-one Triple P and family support. The purpose of these sessions is to help families increase positive parenting skills, gain knowledge of child development, increase protective factors and build familial resilience. This is done by first helping the family to identify parenting strengths and challenges and then to set goals for positive change and last develop a parenting/family plan where new skills and strategies are introduced and practiced. During these sessions staff may also support families with basic needs referrals or help with a financial support application such as child tax benefits.

Most common challenges families report:

- 1 Child behaviour
- 2 Family/Relationship dynamic stress
- 3 Financial stress
- 4 Mental health concerns
- 5 Self-care
- 6 Child with disability
- 7 Child development

1,265 Total service hours

838 Total visits

Most common Protective Factors identified:

- 1 Willing to accept help
- 2 Asking for help
- 3 Values their role as a parent
- 4 Secure attachment with their child
- 5 Has supportive relationships
- 6 Able to problem solve
- 7 Able to cope with stress
- 8 Understands healthy development
- 9 Realistic expectations of children

98 Caregivers received this service

"My favourite thing about this course was the FCSS staff's constant reassurance and understanding that we were going to be okay, that we are good parents, and most importantly, how AMAZING and capable our son is. We are closer as a family because of this program. Forever thankful. It almost sounds fake typing it out.. haha! We are honestly so thankful that this program exists.."- Parent

SUCCESS STORY

A young, single mother who had recently separated from her partner – let's call her Sam – was referred to us. When starting the program, Sam was couch surfing, struggling with substance use, and trying to find a safe and stable place to live. She was also in the process of having weekly visits with her toddler, who was in the care of the paternal grandmother. After identifying her most pressing needs, Family Support Staff was able to empower her to find housing, get connected to the local food bank, and receive addiction counselling.

After finding a secure place to live, Sam was slowly able to welcome her young child back into her care. This client has since completed the Triple P Level 4 parenting program and received her certificate to show her accomplishments. Staff referred her to the local Youth Employment Program, which she completed and was placed at a local establishment for work experience. Not only is she still currently working at the same business, she also received a promotion to supervisor.

During this time, Sam was also able to get her learners licence and purchased a car. While working, she was also inspired to attend the local GED program and has successfully obtained her GED. She now has her son back fulltime, and is slowly exiting out of the program. This client shared with us that her next goal is to continue to work on getting her drivers licence so that she can travel to and from Lethbridge to further her studies at either the Lethbridge Community College or the University of Lethbridge.

Finally, Sam receiving support from the Family Support Worker also helped her improve her relationship with her extended family. This is a particularly important outcome since families thrive when they are healthy and together. Sam continues to be empowered to improve every facet of her life, and we look forward to seeing her participate actively in her community.

"She helped us understand our son in a way I didn't think was possible. How children develop - How their brains handle and manage emotions - and unrealistic expectations when it comes to being a perfect parent." – Parent

73% Strongly agree or agree they are more aware of how their child's needs changes as they grow and develop

57% Strongly agree or agree they have more confidence in their parenting skills

** During one-on-one parent education sessions it typical to see a decrease in confidence level at first.*

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

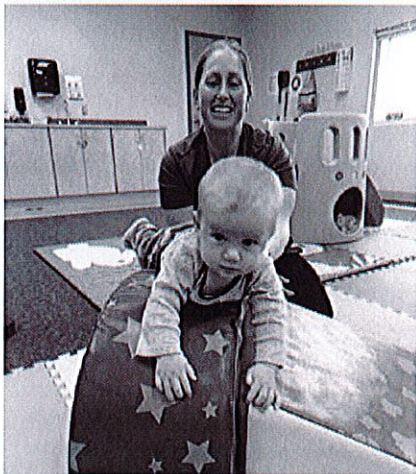
Early childhood development programs are designed for caregivers and children aged 0-6 to attend together, learn new skills through play, meet other families and get connected to resources in their community.

12,367 Total service hours

7,642 Total visits

- Stay & Play
- Outdoor Play
- Physical Literacy (Move it, Move it)
- Summer Fun
- Rhyme Time

79% Strongly agree or agree they are more aware of how their child's needs changes as they grow and develop



83% Strongly agree or agree they have more information on what resources are available for their family

84% Strongly agree or agree they have met other parents in their neighborhood/community they can ask for help and support

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING – ASQ

Regular developmental screenings provide a fast and helpful look at how a child is doing in important areas like communication, social skills, motor skills and problem-solving skills. Screening can identify a child's strengths, uncover new milestones to celebrate and reveal any areas where the child may need extra support or specialized intervention. In 2022 the Family Services team completed a total of **144** screenings with **10** children needing follow-up and referrals to specialized services.

WONDERING ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT?

The Ages and Stages Questionnaire can give you a guideline to tell if your child is doing what other children of the same age are typically doing.

Ages 2 months to 60 months

For more information call 403.795.3328

ASQ
Ages & Stages
Questionnaires

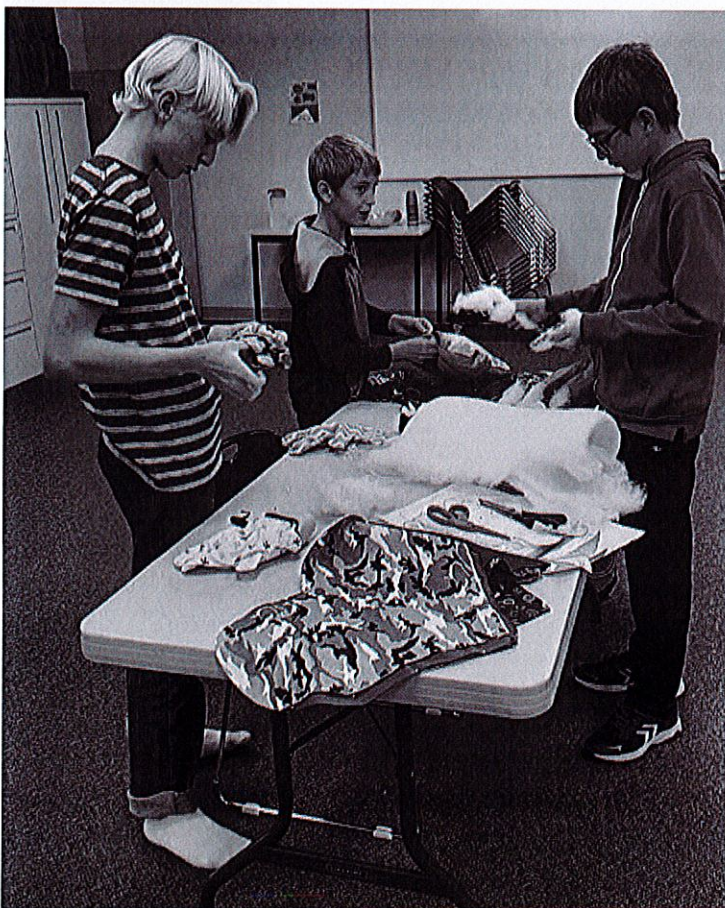
A promotional graphic for the ASQ (Ages and Stages Questionnaire). It features a close-up photograph of a young child's face on the right side. The text on the left asks 'WONDERING ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT?' and explains that the ASQ provides a guideline to see if a child is doing what other children of the same age are typically doing. It specifies that the ASQ is for ages 2 months to 60 months. At the bottom, it provides a phone number for more information: 403.795.3328. The ASQ logo is in the bottom right corner.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

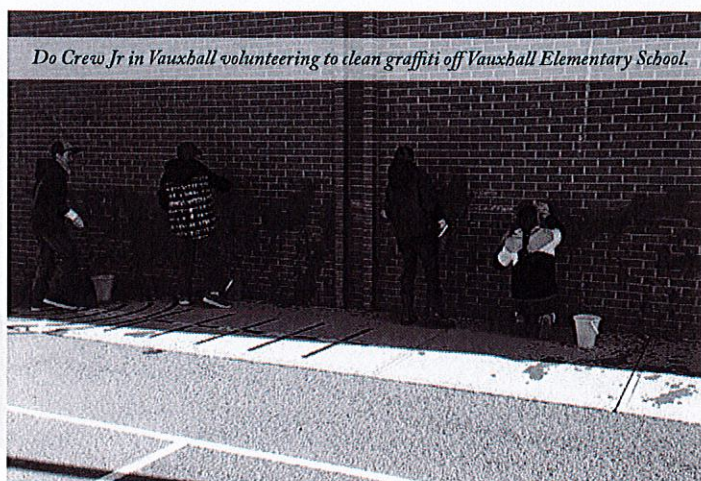
The Family Services team offers programs for youth ages 6-14. These programs are designed to provide a safe and inclusive environment for youth where they can make social connections and learn new skills. Programs offered in 2022 include, Do Crew Jr, 7 Grandfather Teachings, Lego club, Growing Minds, Indigenous Arts & Culture programs and afterschool programs. New this year was the Paleontologist Super Sleuth program.

2,205 Service visits

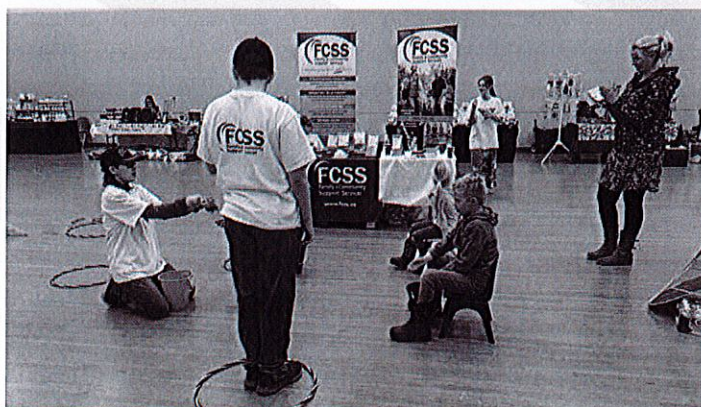
2,350 Service hours



Do Crew Jr participants busy making stuffed heart pillows to donate to charity.



Do Crew Jr in Vauxhall volunteering to clean graffiti off Vauxhall Elementary School.



Do Crew Jr volunteering at the Saturday Vauxhall Farmers Market kids corner.

94% Strongly agree or agree they know adults they can go to for help

94% Strongly agree or agree that they understand that it is okay to be themselves

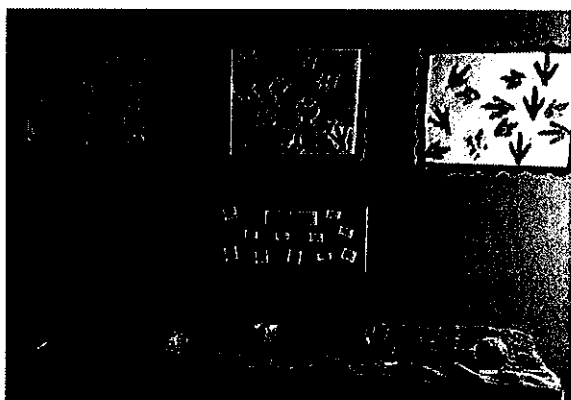
YOUTH PROGRAMS

78% Strongly agree or agree they are better at solving problems

"My son has been involved in Do Crew Jr. Program since the start. I would love to express how truly wonderful and comfortable the program is. I am his mother, obviously I give him rave reviews, but the change in his drive for wanting and actually carrying out community/family service independently is impressive. He wants and seeks things to do for others and knows WHY he wants to do them. He tested positive for Covid when they had the classes to create Christmas Cards for seniors, I was taken back on how disappointed he was when he couldn't attend. The FCSS staff is positively to blame. My son has always been outgoing and enjoy activities, but now he seeks and notices when things need to be done or help. He also approached me to text the FCSS staff a picture back after he finished a project from class at home.

The class has grown so much since the first one. The staff knows how to interact and pump the kids up. They taught them to wait their turn, listen, really listen, empathy (don't just notice they are upset, find out why, listen, learn). My son is coming up with ideas on his own, seeing things from a different perspective, different approaches etc. I'm not sure if he or myself is more sad it's over, so I'm going to beg! Every single parent and Do Crew Jr. wants more!!! They are comfortable with the staff, have built a connection and trust with them. I feel with Grade 7 approaching in the fall, Do Crew Jr. would continue to be a beneficial positive impact on this same group of kids. Especially with this next year bringing a lot of changes and emotions with the age. They feel safe with staff and may have questions or situations that they may feel more openly to work on or discuss with someone less momish and teacher-ish and or settings. I feel like he has learned and gained so much. I should send the many compliments your way that I get from parents that I have recommended Do Crew Jr too. Is there a possibility for continuing the program with the group of kids? Grade 10 is a long time to remember how great and awesome Do Crew Jr was. I would love to keep them engaged and continuing. I LOVE the program! – Parent

PALEONTOLOGIST SUPER SLEUTH PROGRAM WARNER - PARTNERSHIP



After a hard couple of years through the pandemic, the Devil's Coulee Museum in Warner was looking for new and imaginative ways to raise awareness in the County of Warner. They are a small organization run by Board members and volunteers. When they started thinking about offering some free programming to youth, they realized they would need some help. They approached FCSS to see if we could partner; they offered their facility, knowledge and volunteers and we would help with advertising and implementation. The Paleontologist Super Sleuth program was the result of this

partnership. Youth aged 5-14 were welcomed and we saw participants from Warner, Milk River and Stirling. They enjoyed hands-on activities, stories, puzzles and got personalized tours through the museum. The families and community were then welcomed for free museum admission, hot chocolate, snacks and a gallery showing what the youth had accomplished. Everyone agreed it was a success!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

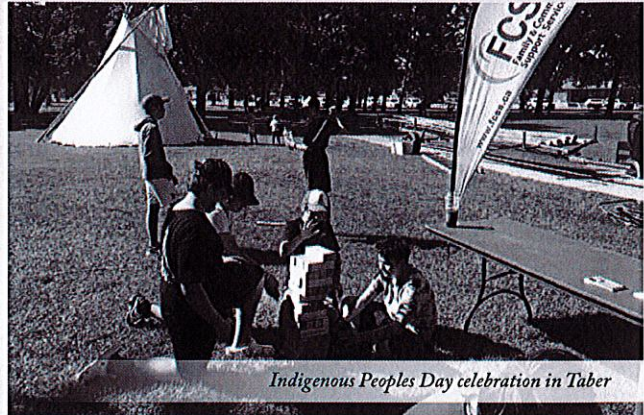
Community events and family programming during 2022 included Clothing Fests, National Indigenous peoples Day Celebrations, Farmers markets, back to school events and cultural programming.

2,447 Service visits

28 Events



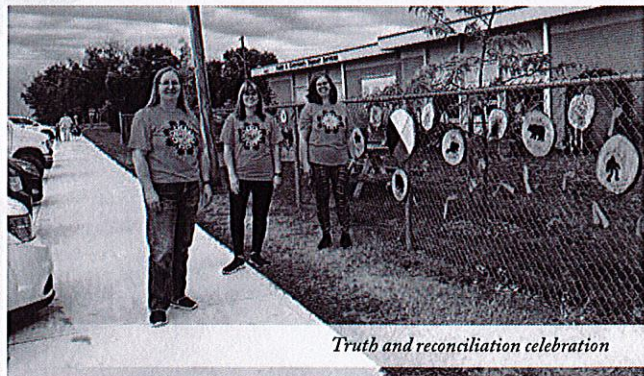
Gingerbread Pajama Night



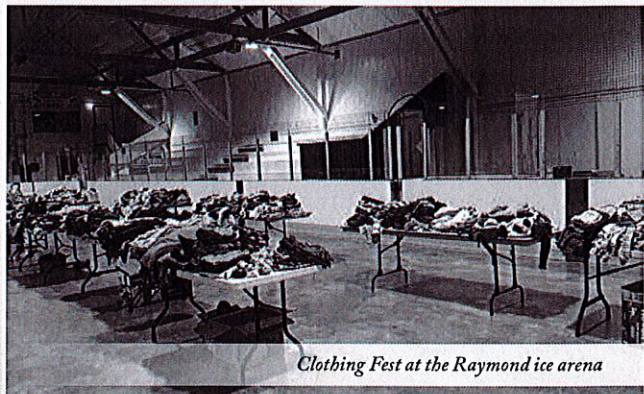
Indigenous Peoples Day celebration in Taber



Indigenous Peoples Day celebration in Taber



Truth and reconciliation celebration



Clothing Fest at the Raymond ice arena

91% Strongly agree or agree they have more information on what resources are available to their family.

85% Strongly agree or agree they have met other parents in their neighbourhood/community they can ask for help and support.



Serving:

Barnwell | Barons | Coaldale | Coalhurst | Lethbridge County
County of Warner | Coutts | Milk River | M.D. of Taber | Nobleford
Picture Butte | Raymond | Stirling | Taber | Vauxhall | Warner

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2023 Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus

OVERVIEW AGENDA

**Please note, agenda is subject to change at any time*

Join us for the 2023 Spring Municipal Leaders' Caucus (MLC), taking place at the Westin Edmonton on March 30 and 31. This important event will cover key, top-of-mind issues facing your communities, and give you a chance to hear from government leaders ahead of the provincial election. The event will kick off with lunch on Thursday, March 30, and run until lunch on Friday, March 31.

This year's Spring MLC is being held in conjunction with a ***President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government which will run from March 29 to noon on March 30***. The Summit will focus on opportunities and challenges related to intermunicipal collaboration. More details on the MLC and President's Summit will be available soon, including hotel booking details and overview agenda. Registration for both events will open in February.

Requests For Decision (RFD) - Deadline March 6

The Spring MLC also provides an opportunity for members to bring forward Requests for Decisions (RFDs) on issues that should be addressed in advance of the 2023 Convention in September.

Members interested in sponsoring an RFD are encouraged to reach out to advocacy@abmunis.ca, to determine if an RFD is the right tool to bring forward an issue for consideration by ABmunis members. An [RFD template](#) is also available that provides tips on how to draft an RFD. More information on the difference between RFDs and resolutions is available on our webpage on [Requesting Action by Alberta Municipalities](#).

Cost

While the President's Summit and Municipal Leaders' Caucus are separate events, members are encouraged to attend both, but are not required to. Please note, due to the interactive nature of the President's Summit, it will **NOT** be available virtually.

In-person events include food and beverage. President's Summit registration includes an evening event on March 29 which will include dinner and entertainment.

Full Registration (Both events, in person) - \$350
President's Summit Only (March 29 to March 30 at noon) - \$200
Municipal Leaders' Caucus Only (March 30 at noon - March 31) - \$200
Municipal Leaders' Caucus Virtual - \$125

Accommodations

A hotel room block has been set-up at The Westin for attendees. Rates start at \$195+tax per night.

[Click here to book your room](#)

Event Category Advocacy

Location

Westin Edmonton

10135 100 Street

Edmonton AB T5J 0N7

Audience This event is open to all elected officials and senior administrators from Alberta municipalities. Registrations outside of these parameters are not eligible and will be cancelled and refunded.

Ticket pricing

Full Registration (Both events, in-person) \$350

President's Summit Only (March 29 to March 30 at noon) - \$200

Municipal Leaders' Caucus Only (March 30 at noon - March 31) - \$200

Municipal Leaders' Caucus Virtual - \$125

How to register and submit questions.

[Click here to register.](#)

Cancellation/Refund Policy

Any cancellation made prior to 4:30 pm on Friday, March 17 will be eligible for a full refund minus a \$10 administrative fee. Any cancellation made between March 17 at 4:30 pm and March 24 at 4:30 pm will be eligible for a 50% refund. Any cancellations made after 4:30 pm on March 24 will not be eligible for a refund. Registrations are transferrable. Please send all cancellation requests or changes to registration@abmunis.ca.

Draft Agenda for Spring 2023 Municipal Leaders' Caucus
March 30, and 31, 2023
Westin Hotel, 10135-100 Street NW, Edmonton
 Subject to Change

Thursday, March 30 – Municipal Leaders' Caucus	
1:00 p.m.	Welcome and transition from President's Summit to Municipal Leaders' Caucus
1:05 p.m.	Education/Engagement Session I – ABmunis' Election Strategy
1:55 p.m.	Break
2:10 p.m.	Education/Engagement Session II – Update from RCMP "K" Division
3:05 p.m.	Education/Engagement Session III – Family and Community Support Services
4:00 p.m.	Requests for Decision
4:15 p.m.	Closing Remarks
4:30 p.m.	Networking Session

Friday, March 31 – Municipal Leaders' Caucus	
8:00 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Opening Remarks
9:05 a.m.	Minister of Municipal Affairs' Remarks
9:20 a.m.	Media Panel – Political Landscape
10:20 a.m.	Break
10:35 a.m.	Opposition Leader's Remarks and Q&A Session
11:05 a.m.	President's report
11:25 a.m.	Premier's Remarks and Q&A Session
11:55 a.m.	Closing Remarks and Wrap Up
12:00 p.m.	Lunch

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February 6, 2023

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**Re: Letter of Support: Appeal of Denied Application to Relocate
Camrose Casino to South Edmonton**

Dear Nadja:

On behalf of the Not-for-Profit community groups and the residents of the Town of Smoky Lake, please accept this letter in support of the owners of the Camrose casino appeal of the AGLCs decision to deny the request to relocate the casino from Camrose to South Edmonton.

The decision to deny the relocation, we are informed, may result in the closure of the casino. This will have a significant negative impact on our community groups and, by extension the people within our region. The casino has long been a significant source of funding for the groups in our rural area.

In the current economy, parents specifically rely on an equitable charitable gaming model to help serve the under-served (the rural people within the Province of Alberta). Those same parents are the eager volunteers who take advantage of every opportunity they are given to "work at a casino event" to raise much needed funds for their organization.

I'm given to understand that should the Camrose casino close, our groups will have far fewer fundraising opportunities and will have to travel greater distances to fill the funding gap.

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Again, in the pursuit of equality of opportunity that would have Rural Albertans presented with the same funding opportunities as our urban counterparts, we ask that you consider the appeal by the Camrose Casino owners and allow the relocation. This will ensure the survival and growth of the current rural charitable gaming region.

Sincerely,

TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE

Per

Amy Cherniwchan
Mayor
Town of Smoky Lake

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Cc:

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INVITATION

The Board of Barons-Eureka-Warner Family and Community Support Services invites your Council members to the

All-Councils Meeting

Date: April 5, 2023
Registration: 5:30 to 6:00pm
Dinner: 6:00 pm
Location: Civic Square
1801 20th Ave. #200, Coaldale

Please RSVP by March 24, 2023 via email to Linda.Hashizume@fcss.ca for those attending.