



NOVEMBER 15, 2009

# Council Newsletter

## Town Council

Town Council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month commencing at 10:30 a.m. The public is welcome to come and observe.

### UPCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

- November 17
- December 1
- December 15

### Newsletter

If you have suggestions for topics you would like to see covered in the Council newsletter please contact any member of Council or advise Town office staff.

### TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### OFFICE CLOSURE

The Town Office will be closed at noon on **December 24, 2009** and will reopen on **December 29, 2009** for the holiday season.

The Town Office will be closed **January 1, 2010** for the New Years Day.

## COMING EVENTS

### DECEMBER

- **December 8**  
Recreation, Parks and Community Services Winter Program Guide
- **2010 Budget meeting**  
December 14, 2009

## Town of Rocky Mountain House

### APPLICATIONS REQUIRED FOR TOWN BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

The Rocky Mountain House Town Council is now accepting applications from interested persons to serve on the following volunteer Boards and Committees:

#### Subdivision Development Appeal Board – 1 Member, 2 Alternates

The Board meets only as required. Members are appointed for a one (1) year term commencing November 2009. For more information contact Susan Wood, Director of Finance and Administration at 403-845-2866.

#### Library Board – 2 Members

The Rocky Mountain House Public Library is now accepting applications for two Board Members commencing January 1, 2010 for a three-year term. Applicants must reside in the Town of Rocky Mountain House.

Meetings are held the forth Wednesday of each month, excluding July and August, and members also participate in various committees, as required. If you are interested in assisting with the development and enhancement of the Library and its services, please submit a letter of application to the Library Board.

Attention: Bob Bryant, Chair, Rocky Mountain House Public Library Board, Box 1497 Rocky Mountain House, AB T4T 1B1 or in person to the Library, 4922-52 Street

**Please submit a resume stating qualifications, related experience, community involvement and reasons for serving on the Board of your choice. You can also pick up a volunteer application form at the Town Office or get a copy on the Town website [www.rockymtnhouse.com](http://www.rockymtnhouse.com).**

To: Todd Becker, Town Manager  
Town of Rocky Mountain House  
Box 1509  
Rocky Mountain House AB  
T4T 1B2 or  
E-mail:  
[town@rockymtnhouse.com](mailto:town@rockymtnhouse.com)

### 2010 BUDGET MEETING

Monday, December 14, 2009  
9:00 a.m.

Town Office Council Chambers

### ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED

### TOWN AMBASSADORS

The Tourism and Economic Development Board is looking for volunteer Town Ambassadors.

If you are travelling around Alberta, to other Provinces, or out of the country, consider promoting our great Town and Area.

If you are interested in becoming a Town Ambassador,

Please call Dean Schweder at the  
Town Office 403-847-5260.

### KEEPING INFORMED

There is always something happening in our Town and there are many ways to stay informed.

**Read** - the Town Council Newsletter a bi-monthly publication sent out with your utility bill.

The Recreation, Parks and Community Services Program Guide – it contains Recreation, Pool, Family Life and Enrichment Programs for residents of all ages.

**Surf** – The Town of Rocky Mountain House's website is [www.rockymtnhouse.com](http://www.rockymtnhouse.com) to find out more about: Town Council meetings Recreation Programs, Family & Community Services, and Bylaws

**The Mayor, Council and staff wish you and yours the best of the holiday season.**



**Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!**

### SANTA'S ANONYMOUS

The Santa's Anonymous Program is set up to help families that may not be able to celebrate Christmas for financial reasons.

Gift donations will be accepted until December 10, 2009 at Rocky Co-op, VHQ, Shoppers Drug Mart, Coldwell Banker Real Estate, Great Canadian Dollar Store, Sobey's, Zellers and the Town Office.

For more information please call Marie Pattison at 403-845-4080 or Melissa Rowe-Lyle at 403-845-2866.

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[www.rockymtnhouse.com](http://www.rockymtnhouse.com)

**PARADE OF LIGHTS**

SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 5, 2009,  
7:00 p.m.

PARADE ROUTE  
For further information  
please call  
Carol or Mabel  
at (403) 845-3601

**Snow Removal**

The continued cooperation of the public is respectfully requested to assist Town staff in snow removal.

You can assist by :

- Obeying "No Parking" signs for snow removal.
- Removing inoperative vehicles from streets.
- Shoveling snow onto your own property; please do not shovel snow onto Town streets.
- Call 403-845-3220 to report any problem areas on Town sidewalks.

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**BE A SNOW ANGEL**

With the first snowfall of winter come challenges for residents to keep their sidewalks clear and avoid falls. Seniors in particular need extra help in the winter, keeping their sidewalks shoveled, ice-free and safe. **Snow Angels** is a campaign that encourages residents to be good

neighbours and help seniors, and other neighbours in need, with snow removal this winter.

**All you have to do to be a Snow Angel is simply adopt a senior's sidewalk this winter, and keep it clear. Watch for people in your neighbourhood that could use help**



**ALBERTA SWEET SIXTEEN – ALTO AWARD**

On Monday, October 26 in Banff the Central Alberta Tourism Committee, under the marketing campaign "Alberta Sweet 16" won the 2009 provincial Alto Award for Marketing Partnership. "We are thrilled to win this award. It is great to be recognized for the excellent marketing partnership that we have in Central Alberta. This year we had 10 municipalities who came together and pooled resources in order to further promote all the awesome attractions and events we have right here in our own backyard," stated Dean Schweder, Chair, Central Alberta Tourism Committee and Tourism & Economic Development Coordinator, Town of Rocky Mountain House.

From May long weekend to September long weekend, Alberta Sweet 16 promotes a feature event, along with all the other great activities that are going on each weekend in Central Alberta.

The marketing campaign is centered on their website ([www.albertasweet16.com](http://www.albertasweet16.com)), which promotes local events and attractions through a very user friendly year round calendar. Local organizations can submit events directly to the website themselves.



**Pre-Authorized Tax Payment Plan**

The pre-authorized tax payment plan may be a benefit to you. The following are some of the highlights of the plan:

- Your installments will be based on your previous year's taxes (e.g. taxes plus estimated increase divided by 12 equal monthly payments.
- When taxes are levied, for current year, your monthly payment will be adjusted to pay the balance owing by

December 31, of that year.

- There will be no penalty levied on unpaid current taxes for those participating in the plan.
- On signing an authorization form, your monthly payments will automatically be deducted from your bank account. All tax arrears must be paid before you can participate in the plan.

For more information please call 403-845-2866.

**ALBERTA ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES**  
(cats, dogs & skunks)  
removing snow from their driveways and ask if you can lend them a hand.

For questions and concerns during office hours, please call toll free 1-866-340-2388.

Office hours are:  
Monday to Friday  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturdays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Sundays closed and closed on all statutory holidays

In case of an emergency related to animal control please call 1-866-340-2388.

Animal Licensing Tags can be purchased at the Town Office in Rocky Mountain House at 5116—50 Avenue.

Purchase of licensing tags for cats and dogs made between December 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010 will be the following rate:

**Spayed or neutered \$15.00 Not Spayed or neutered \$40.00.**

Purchase of licensing tags made after January 31, 2010 will be the following rates:

**Spayed or neutered \$30.00 Not Spayed or neutered \$60.00.**

If you have lost your pet you can check their website:

*"Purchase of licensing tags for cats and dogs made between December 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010 will be the following rate: Spayed or neutered \$15.00 Not Spayed or neutered \$40.00."*