



AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
 TO BE HELD MONDAY MARCH 11, 2024 @ 6:00 PM  
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 400 10 ST BEAVERLODGE, AB  
*Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer, mobile app or room device*  
*Meeting ID: 222 185 688 060 Passcode: L4yDV3*

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></b><br><i>Town of Beaverlodge's Legislative Meetings are being live streamed effective June 12, 2023 via Council resolution #145-2023-05-23</i>   |                        |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b><u>LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</u></b>  | PP 2                   |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b><u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u></b>  |                        |
| <b>4.0</b> | <b><u>DELEGATION</u></b>  |                        |
| <b>5.0</b> | <b><u>OLD BUSINESS:</u></b>   |                        |
| <b>6.0</b> | <b><u>NEW BUSINESS:</u></b><br>6.1 15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Awards – April 17, 2024<br>6.2 Regional Transportation Study Open House – March 12, 2024<br>6.3 Intermunicipal Meeting Topics – April 23 @ 6pm in Sexsmith<br>6.4 Retention of Healthcare Professionals – Zoom Session March 20 @ 6PM<br>6.5 Mountview Health Complex Committee Update – Mayor Rycroft<br>6.6 Community Enhancement Committee Update – Councillor Moulds<br>6.7 Economic Development Committee Update – Councillor Corbett | PP 3<br>PP 4,5<br>PP 6 |
| <b>7.0</b> | <b><u>TOPICS FOR NEXT AGENDA:</u></b>   |                        |
| <b>8.0</b> | <b><u>ADJOURNMENT:</u></b>  |                        |



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We are grateful to live, learn and work on the traditional territory of Treaty 8 and we make this acknowledgement as an act of reconciliation and gratitude.

## Nichole Young

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**From:** Reanna Stockman  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 5, 2024 10:23 AM  
**To:** Council-email; Nichole Young  
**Subject:** 15th Annual Volunteer Awards

Dear Town Council Members,

I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of the Beaverlodge community, I am delighted to extend a warm invitation to you to attend the 15th Annual Volunteer Awards Ceremony. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. The Volunteer Awards Ceremony is an opportunity for us to come together as a community and recognize the outstanding contributions of our dedicated volunteers. These individuals generously give their time, effort, and passion to make the Town of Beaverlodge and area a better place for all of us.

Details of the event are as follows:

**Date:** Wednesday, April 17, 2024

**Time:** 6-8pm

**Location:** NuVista Energy Centre, 1024 - 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Beaverlodge, AB

We would be honored to have you join us in celebrating the invaluable work of our volunteers. Your presence would not only support and encourage our volunteers but also highlight the importance of community engagement and volunteerism in our town.

Please let us know if you are able to attend the ceremony by March 26th. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for considering our invitation. We look forward to welcoming you to the 15th Annual Volunteer Awards Ceremony and celebrating the spirit of volunteerism together.

Warm regards,

## Reanna Stockman

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**Subject: Invitation to Participate in the Grande Prairie Regional Public Transportation Study**

Dear Council Members,

The purpose of this email is to inform you of upcoming Public Engagement activities to occur between March 6<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The project team will kick off the engagement period with a series of open houses across each participating community, complemented by a survey available from now until March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**About the Study:**

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance regional transportation services, the County of Grande Prairie, the City of Grande Prairie, the Town of Wembley, the Town of Beaverlodge, and the Town of Sexsmith have embarked on the Grande Prairie Regional Public Transportation Study.

The objective of this study is to consider blending different types of services to establish a unified regional transportation approach that will efficiently and effectively connect communities within the region. This includes exploring how the various existing independent regional bus and shuttle transit routes could potentially be combined into a single service. The recommendations will cover operations and decision-making for the service, scheduling, and service levels, contingency planning for service interruptions, partnership opportunities, and funding contribution rational and proposed passenger fares. The project is guided by a Steering Committee with members from each participating community.

**About Engagement:**

The success of this study and the implementation of its recommendations heavily depend on the input from community residents and their leaders. We therefore invite you to participate in the upcoming open houses on March 12 and 13, which will offer a platform to share preliminary findings and explore opportunities for improvements tailored to each community’s needs. The open houses will be held as per the following schedule:

| Grande Prairie Regional Public Transportation Study Open Houses |                  |             |   |
|---|------------------|-------------|---|
| Tuesday, March 12   | 9:00am – 10:30am | Hythe       | Hythe Public Library, 10013 100 St.     |
|   | 11:30am – 1:00pm | Beaverlodge | Beaverlodge Public Library, 406 10 St.  |
|   | 4:00pm - 5:30pm  | Sexsmith    | Shannon Municipal Library, 9917 99 Ave. |
|   | 6:00pm- 7:30pm   | Clairmont   | Community Centre, 9819 100 Ave.         |
| Wednesday, March 13   | 9:30am - 11:00am | Wembley     | Wembley Recreation Centre, 9831 97 St.  |

For those who can’t attend an open house, an online survey is available at [www.engagecountygp.ca](http://www.engagecountygp.ca) with paper surveys also available at each local municipal office and public library. To promote these events, a news release will be issued on March 6<sup>th</sup> and we will also be emailing community groups and stakeholders to let them know about the survey and open house opportunities. Posters advertising the engagement will also be provided on all transit vehicles. Project partner municipalities will also be communicating the engagement opportunities through their social media channels.

When the survey and news release go live, we would also appreciate any assistance you can provide in spreading the word through your own channels.

**How the Project Team will further involve Council Members before finalizing the study:**

Following the project's engagement period, results will be summarized and discussed with the Steering Committee. It is then planned that at the bi-annual Inter-Municipal Council meeting scheduled for April 23rd, WATT will present detailed findings based on the engagement activities. The presentation will highlight the transportation needs identified for each community and will also include an analysis of the Community Connector Pilot's ridership results, offering insights into the service's effectiveness and recommending regional public transportation options to enhance coordination and efficiency. Council members will then have the opportunity to discuss and share their views on the proposed recommendations and ask questions of the Project Team.

To note, each community will have the opportunity to opt in or opt out of proposed services, ensuring that decisions are aligned with local priorities and capacities. Key principles of the project are also to determine how to most efficiently use existing resources and to determine solutions that are right sized for community needs and anticipated passenger demand.

**Key Messages**

We recognize that, as leaders in your community, residents may reach out to you regarding this project. To help guide them to the project team to answer questions or gather information, please refer to the following:

- To find out more about the project and provide your input, please see the website at [engagecountygp.ca](http://engagecountygp.ca) or contact the project team at [GrandePrairie@wattconsultinggroup.com](mailto:GrandePrairie@wattconsultinggroup.com).
- Guided by a Steering Committee made up of representatives from each of the municipalities, the project will involve outreach to existing service providers, community organizations and the public to confirm transportation needs and opportunities and to shape the resulting Grande Prairie Regional Public Transportation Study.
- The study and its recommendations will be presented to the Steering Committee and local Councils for their consideration.

Your participation and feedback are crucial to the success of this study and the future of the regional transportation solution which will be presented in the final study report.

Together, we can develop and implement a transportation plan that truly meets the needs of residents and supports the continued growth and vitality of each community!

Please mark your calendars for the open houses and stay tuned for additional information on how to participate. We look forward to your valuable contributions to this important initiative.

Thank you,

**Nichole Young**

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**Subject:** FW: {External}Join the PHAC event!

**From:** Deanna Dament <[Deanna.Dament@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:Deanna.Dament@albertahealthservices.ca)> **On Behalf Of** Peace HAC

**Sent:** Thursday, March 7, 2024 10:26 AM

**Subject:** {External}Join the PHAC event!

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**OPEN TO PUBLIC – PLEASE SHARE WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY**

**Presentation(s):**

Title: *“Retention of Healthcare Professionals”*

Presenter(s):

Candice Edey, Senior Operating Officer North Zone, Area 9

Susan Smith, Physician Resource Planner North Zone

Holly Handfield, Rural Health Professionals Action Plan

Peace HAC is partnering with AHS staff and community organizations that work on the retention of healthcare professionals.

Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Time: 6 p.m.

Format: Zoom

Click [here](#) to register.

Email: [peace@ahs.ca](mailto:peace@ahs.ca)

Join the healthcare conversation! Participate in the Peace Health Advisory Council Event on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 6 p.m. To join, Click [here](#) to register or e-mail [peac@ahs.ca](mailto:peac@ahs.ca) and you will be sent the Zoom link.

This is your opportunity to:

- Learn about the retention efforts in the area
- Brainstorm retention ideas
- Make connections

Sincerely,

Peace Health Advisory Council and Community Engagement & External Relations



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