



APRIL 30, 2024

TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE

Beaver Tails News



15th Annual Volunteer Awards Celebrates Community Spirit

The 15th edition of the Volunteer Awards in Beaverlodge was a heartwarming celebration of community dedication and selflessness. With 89 esteemed members of the community in attendance, the event marked a significant milestone in honoring the invaluable contributions of volunteers.

Hosted by the Town of Beaverlodge and Beaverlodge FCSS (Family and Community Support Services), the event not only recognized the outstanding volunteers but also provided an opportunity for the community to come together and express gratitude. The atmosphere was filled with appreciation and camaraderie as attendees enjoyed a sumptuous meal prepared by the FCSS Advisory Committee and generously provided by the Town of Beaverlodge and Beaverlodge FCSS.

The spirit of service was palpable throughout the evening, with members of the Town Council, Beaverlodge CAO, FCSS Advisory Members, and RCMP officers selflessly serving the meal and assisting in the cleanup. Their dedication exemplified the collaborative effort that underpins the success of community initiatives.

This year, the nominations highlighted the diverse ways in which volunteers contribute to the fabric of Beaverlodge. Eleven individuals and one group were nominated, each recognized for their extensive commitment to enhancing the quality of life in the town. From sports organizations to social clubs, auxiliary groups, and beyond, these volunteers have dedicated their time and energy to enriching our community.

The Town of Beaverlodge extends their congratulations to all the nominees and winners. Their tireless efforts have not only made a tangible difference but have also served as a source of inspiration for others to follow. Every moment of volunteerism matters, and the impact it creates is undeniable. In a world where every act of kindness counts, these volunteers stand as shining examples of the power of collective action and the difference it can make.

Council Corner

Mayor

Gary Rycroft

Councillors

Cal Mosher

Hugh Graw

Ryier Hommy

Cody Moulds

Cyndi Corbett

Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus

Next Council Meeting and

Committee of the Whole:

May 13, 2024

May 27, 2024

6pm - Committee of the

Whole

7pm - Council Meeting



Photo Credit: Austin Payer

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE NOMINEES

OF THE BEAVERLODGE & AREA VOLUNTEER AWARDS

- ERNIE BEART
- JUDY BREMNER
- MELISSA HANSEN
- SHARON ALBRIGHT
- DEBBIE HARRIS
- KARIN ROURKE
- KRYSTAL BREKKAAS
- FAYE DYRKACH
- DEBBIE & BURT VANT ERVE
- CHRISTY MARTIN
- BEAVERLODGE 4H CLUB

Congratulations **TO THE WINNERS**

of the 15th Annual Beaverlodge & Area
Volunteer Awards



**Burt & Debbie
Vant Erve**



Ernie Beart



Krystal Brekkaas



Sharon Albright



Karin Rourke



Faye Dyrkach

NuVista Energy Center

NuVista Energy Centre - Aquatics & Facility Schedule

May 1 - 31, 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am		
Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Shallow Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Combo Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Deep Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Lessons 10:00am-12:00pm	
School Lessons 10:00am-3:00pm				Public Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm	Public Swim 12:00pm-6:00pm
Senior & Assisted 3:00pm-3:50pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-3:50pm	Senior & Assisted 3:00pm-3:50pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-3:50pm	Lessons 3:30pm-5:30pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	
Barracudas Swim Club 4:00pm-7:00pm						
Public Swim 7:00pm-9:00pm	Aquafit-Deep 7:15pm-8:00pm Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm	Public Swim 7:00pm-9:00pm	Aquafit-Shallow 7:15pm-8:00pm Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm	Public Swim 5:30pm-9:30pm	1016 4th Ave Beaverlodge AB 780-354-2203	
FITNESS CENTER & FRONT DESK HOURS						
Monday 6:00am-9:00pm	Tuesday 7:00am-9:00pm	Wednesday 6:00am-9:00pm	Thursday 7:00am-9:00pm	Friday 6:00am-9:30pm	Saturday 10:00am-6:00pm	Sunday 10:00am-6:00pm
IMPORTANT INFORMATION						
May 1st - No aquafit or Parent & Tot from 9:00-10:00am				NuVista Energy Ltd. Sponsored Swim May 20th 12:00-5:00pm		
May 20th Facility Hours 12:00-5:00pm						
July/August swim lesson registration will open at 9:00am on June 20th						
Schedule subject to change						

NuVista Energy Centre - May Fitness Classes

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	6am Fitness Centre Bootcamp May 7,14,21,28 6:00am-7:00am \$24	Spin May 1,8,15,22,29 6:00am-6:45am \$30	6am Fitness Centre Bootcamp May 2,9,16,23,30 6:00am-7:00am \$30	*Schedule is subject to change*
Aquafit-Combo 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Shallow 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Combo 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Deep 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit- Uninstructed 9:00am-10:00am
Parents with Tots Bootcamp May 6,13,27 10:30am-11:30am \$18				
Spin May 6,13,27 5:45pm-6:30pm \$18		Adult Strength May 1,8,15,22,29 5:30pm-6:30pm \$30	Ride & Strength May 2,9,16,23,30 5:30pm-6:30pm \$30	
Flow Yoga May 6,13,27 7:30pm-8:30pm \$18	Aquafit-Deep 7:15pm-8:00pm	Ride & Strength May 1,8,15,22,29 7:00pm-8:00pm \$30	Aquafit-Shallow 7:15pm-8:00pm	

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Drop-ins available for all classes when space allows.

Adult Strength is pre-registered only.

Aquafit is drop-in only.

Call to register:

780-354-2203

www.beaverlodge.ca

Visit us on Facebook : NuVista Energy Centre

FITNESS CENTER & FRONT DESK HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	Tuesday & Thursday	Weekends
6:00am-9:00pm	7:00am-9:00pm	10:00am-6:00pm

**20
MAY**

SPONSORED

Swim

**NUVISTA
ENERGY LTD**

12PM -5PM
NUVISTA ENERGY CENTRE

**1016 4 AVENUE
BEAVERLODGE**





National Public Works Week May 19 - 25, 2024

As May blooms into its full splendor, so too does our appreciation for the unsung heroes of our communities: public works professionals. From May 19th to 25th, we celebrate National Public Works Week, a time to recognize the tireless efforts of those who quietly, yet profoundly, enhance the quality of life in every corner of our community.

Under the theme "Advancing Quality of Life for All," this year's celebration illuminates the vital role public works professionals play in shaping the very fabric of our communities. They are the backbone, the silent guardians who ensure our daily lives run smoothly, from the moment we wake until we rest our heads at night.

Think of the routine, yet essential, services that often go unnoticed: waste pickup, road maintenance, water treatment. These professionals work diligently, day in and day out, to ensure our communities remain clean, safe, and functional. They are the custodians of our infrastructure, the guardians of our well-being.

But their contributions extend far beyond the routine. Public works professionals are the architects of our urban landscapes, the stewards of our natural resources. They design and maintain our parks, our public spaces, our transportation networks. They are the silent architects of our daily lives, shaping the environments in which we live, work, and play.

So, as we celebrate National Public Works Week, let us pause to recognize and honor the quiet work of these dedicated professionals. Let us celebrate their unwavering commitment to service, their tireless dedication to our communities.

Join us in celebrating the unsung heroes who make life better for all of us.

Thank you!

ST. MARYS SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, BEAVER LODGE

DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL

APRIL 18TH - JUNE 20TH
THURSDAYS
7:00 - 9:00PM

ADULT (18YRS +)
MIXED DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL
\$5.00 DROP-IN, CASH ONLY
CLEAN INDOOR SHOES REQUIRED

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO TAG ALONG
BUT MUST REMAIN IN THE GYMNASIUM

We keep health care
close to home

#Rural Health Matters

R&PAP

rhpap.ca/arhw

May 27 - 31, 2024 is Alberta Rural Health Week: a great opportunity to honour the contributions of the rural Alberta health-care providers and community volunteers who help keep health care close to home.

Prevention Starts With YOU!

As we approach fire season and the possibility of drought-like conditions, The Town of Beaverlodge encourages all residents to make sure any long grass on or around your property is cut to reduce the risk of fire.

Make sure to stay up to date on the latest restrictions and do your part to be fire smart.



PEACE OFFICER CORNER



DID YOU Know...

The traffic safety focus for the month of April is "Speed"

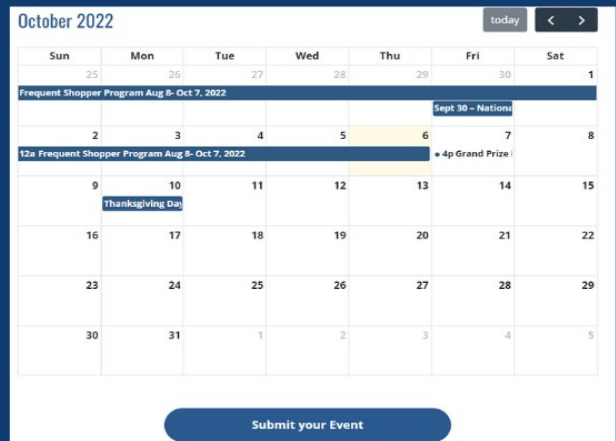
Speeding is a major factor in traffic deaths and injuries. Take your time, slow down and arrive alive.



Upcoming Events:

- May 4** - Community Clean-up
- May 9** - Teen Skill Night
- May 10** - Teen Chill Night
- May 19-25** - Public Works Week
- May 20** - NuVista Sponsored Swim
- May 27-31** - Rural Health Week

Did you Know About The Town Community Calendar?



Submit your community events by going to beaverlodge.ca website. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click "view calendar". This will take you to the calendar page and at the bottom of the calendar click "submit your event."



Council Message

Well winter is behind us now, but some snow or rain would be most welcome due to very dry conditions. Please check your area where you live or travel for clutter, dry grass as this poses a huge fire risk. Broken glass, cigarette butts, four wheelers, and of course a lightning strike could set a massive town fire.

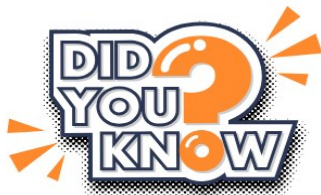
We recently had a thank you evening for the volunteers who freely give many hours of their time for this Community. Many were recognized for their contribution to the various programs that exist within in this community. To all volunteers THANK YOU.

Recently I have witnessed several vehicles travelling much too fast on our streets. I am not sure where they took their driver training, but they have no room to deal with kids, dogs or people on our streets should one of them do something unexpected. I have also witnessed several stop sign infractions.

Please think about your driving habits when you are on the road.

EVERYONE STAY SAFE!

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In 2023 The Town of Beaverlodge Council approved fee waivers, reductions and donations to support community organizations worth \$35,413.

Community Organizations: \$11,985

- McNaught Homestead Society - \$475
- Senior's Bus - \$1,000
- Alliance Church Dinner - \$350
- Paizley's Purses & Bentley's Backpacks - \$300
- Legion (Nov. 11) - \$1,180
- Community Garden - \$1,500
- Beaverlodge Daycare- \$1,325
- Chamber Lunch - \$115
- Beaverlodge Elks rent - \$2250
- Firefighters Lobsterfest - \$1,900
- Beaverlodge Mural Foundation - \$1,500

Total Fees Waived: \$14,692

Total Sponsorships & Donations: \$20,721

Sports Groups: \$10,427

- Beaverlodge Barracuda's - \$8695
- Rebel's Volleyball - \$406
- Junior B Blades - \$1326

Schools:

- BRHS Grad - \$6300

Other:

- Great Canadian Playwright Showcase - \$2,001
- International Street Performers- \$3,000
- Jim Nichol Family- \$800
- AHS- \$360
- Beaverlodge Hospital- \$540





NOTICE – Effective June 1, 2024

Utility Bylaw Amendment

At its meeting on March 25, 2024 Council passed an amendment to the Water Utility Bylaw #923K which included an increases of distribution charges, water consumption, sewer consumption, bulk water and administrative fees.

Distribution Rate

1. All consumers connected to municipal water shall pay a monthly water distribution charge and this charge shall be based on water meter size:

5/8 inch (15 mm)	\$ 17.50
3/4 inch (18 mm)	\$ 18.25
1 inch (25 mm)	\$ 27.10
1 ½ inch (37.5 mm)	\$ 70.50
2 inch (50 mm)	\$113.50
Greater than 2 inch (50 mm)	\$131.00

2. All consumers connected to municipal sewer shall pay a monthly sewer distribution charge and this charge shall be based on water meter size:

5/8 inch (15 mm)	\$ 8.50
3/4 inch (18 mm)	\$ 9.25
1 inch (25 mm)	\$10.20
1 ½ inch (37.5 mm)	\$33.50
2 inch (50 mm)	\$40.50
Greater than 2 inch (50 mm)	\$62.00

Consumption Rate

1. All consumers connected to municipal water shall pay a consumption rate based on the meter reading of the supply to the consumer. The rate shall be \$1.90 per cubic metre (m³) of water used per month.
2. All consumers connected to municipal sewer shall pay a consumption rate based on the meter reading of the supply of water to the consumer. The rate shall be \$2.00 per cubic metre (m³) of water used per month.

The amendment also increased the Bulk water rate to \$10.50 and the administrative fee for non-electronic billing to \$5.00 per month.

In order to not be charged for the administrative fee, we encourage everyone to sign up for Electronic billing. This can be done by completing the EBill Form which can be found on our website www.beaverlodge.ca

Garbage Bylaw Amendment

At its meeting on March 25, 2024 Council passed an amendment to the Garbage and Landfill Fees Bylaw #959-A

All consumers with Town garbage bins shall pay the monthly garbage fee as follows:

a. 1 Garbage Bin (Black)	\$15.00
b. 1 set of Recycling bins (Green & Blue)	\$ 6.50
c. Extra bins	\$ 7.50