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SAPRAE CREEK NEWSLETTER
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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

OCTOBER 25, 2017

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Saprae Creek Residents Society

SAPRAE CREEK RESIDENTS SOCIETY

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<i>Keith Finnon, Infrastructure</i>	780-799-0230
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Saprae Creek Residents Society
215 Freestone Way, Fort McMurray
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Email: sapraecreek@gmail.com



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IN THE CREEK



THE HUB Parent/Child Program



WHEN: Wednesdays

WHERE: Vista Ridge, Spruce Valley Room

TIME: 10-11:30

Geared towards ages 0-5, a great way for your child to socialize with similar aged children in Sapræe Creek by way of interactive stations and craft time, followed by a light snack.

Join Tamara for weekly activities

This is such a great program for families in Sapræe when your oldest child(ren) is in school and you want to get the chance to get out of the house once a week and meet some fantastic people in our community.



RMWB PULSE Line: 780-743-7000

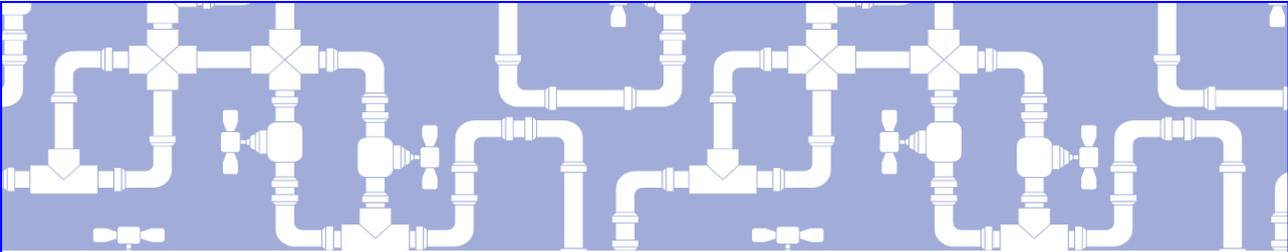
Animal Control: 780-788-4200

SPCA: 780-743-8997

Fish and Wildlife: 780-743-7200



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RWSS Open House – Sapræe Creek

We're holding an open house about the rural water and sewer servicing program (RWSS) in October. Bring your neighbours and your questions about the project.

Where: Vista Ridge - Upstairs

When: October 5, 2017 with presentation to start at 6 p.m.

We're continuously updating rmwb.ca/rwss with more information throughout the duration of the project.

For questions about these open houses please call 780.588.3735 or email janine.kruse@rmwb.ca.





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ELECTION DAY IS OCTOBER 16

Voting Stations will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

WHERE TO VOTE

Vista Ridge
1 Spruce Valley Dr.,
Saprae Creek Estates

Advance Voting

Advance Voting will take place between the hours of 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. at the following locations and dates:

Vista Ridge
1 Spruce Valley Dr.,
Saprae Creek Estates
Wednesday, October 11, 2017
Thursday, October 12, 2017

For more information: rmwb.ca/election

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VOTER REQUIREMENTS

AM I ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

I can vote in the election if **ALL** of the following apply:

- I have not voted before in this election;
- I am at least 18 years old;
- I am a Canadian citizen;
- I have lived in Alberta since April 16, 2017;
- I reside in the Ward for which I am casting my ballot on election day; and
- I produce proper identification for inspection.

In order to vote, every person must make a statement that proves their voting eligibility as well as provide one piece of government issued identification containing the elector's photograph, current address and name. This includes an Operator's (Driver's) Licence or an Alberta Identification Card.

An elector who is unable to provide government issued photo identification must provide two pieces of identification from the accompanying list prior to voting. Both pieces of identification must establish the elector's name and one piece must establish the elector's current address.

TO VOTE YOU MUST PROVIDE:

- Option 1: Government issued identification with photograph, current address and name.
or
Option 2: One piece of identification from List 1 and one piece from List 2.
or
Option 3: Two pieces of identification from List 2.

Election Day: October 16, 2017
Advance Voting: October 7, 11, 12 & 14

2017
**Municipal
Election**

Visit mwb.ca/elections for more information

List 1: Identification with Elector's Name

Alberta Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) card	Confirmation Certificate
Alberta Forestry Identification card	Credit / Debit card
Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan (AHIP) card	Employee / Staff card
Alberta Health Services ID (and patient wrist identification band)	Firearm Possession and Acquisition Licence or Possession-Only Licence
Alberta Natural Resources (conservation) ID card	Fishing, Trapping or Hunting Licence
Alberta Service Dog Team ID card	Hospital / Medical card
Alberta Wildlife (Wild) ID card	Library card
Baptismal Certificate	Marriage Certificate
Birth Certificate	Membership card e.g. Service clubs, fitness/health club, political party or retail outlet.
Canadian Air Transportation Security Agency (CATSA) ID card	MI's Nation of Alberta membership card
Canadian Blood Services card	Old Age Security card
Canadian Border Services Agency Canadian Passenger Accelerated Service System (CANPASS) card	Outdoor or Wildlife card / licence
Canadian Border Services Agency Fee and Secure Trade (FAST) card	Pleasure Craft Operator (POOC) card - Government of Canada
Canadian Border Services Agency Nexus card	Prescription bottle insert
Canadian Forces Civilian ID card	Public Transportation card
Canadian Forces Health card	Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS) card
Canadian Forces Identity card	Social Insurance Number card
Canadian Passport	Student ID card
Citizenship card	Veteran's Affairs Canada Health card
Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) ID card	

List 2: Identification with Elector's Name and Address

Attestation of identity and residence issued by an authorized representative of a property manager	Income / property tax assessment notice
Attestation of identity and residence issued by the authorized representative of a First Nations band or reserve	Insurance policy or coverage card
Attestation of identity and residence letter, letter of stay, admission form or statement of benefits issued by the authorized representative of a treatment centre, a respite* accommodation facility, a long-term care or supportive living facility	Letter from a public curator, public guardian or public trustee
Attestation of identity and residence issued by the authorized representative of a shelter, soup kitchen or a facility that provides services to the homeless	Pension Plan statement of benefits, contributions or participation
Attestation of identity and residence letter, letter of stay, admission form or statement of benefits issued by the authorized representative of a post-secondary institution	Residential lease or mortgage statement
Bank / credit card statement or personal cheque	Statement of government benefits
Correspondence issued by a school, college or university	Utility bill: e.g. Telephone, public utilities commission, cable, power, gas or water
Government cheque or cheque stub	Vehicle ownership, registration or insurance certificate

Note: For electors residing in seniors' accommodation facilities and long-term care facilities, a photograph of an elector on the list is acceptable. This exception is made to address the fact that when residents are admitted, they routinely surrender their original identification to the administrator or to members of their family.



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MEET THE CANDIDATES



SHEILA LALONDE

Views and Goals if elected Ward 3 Councillor

My name is Sheila Lalonde and I'm running for the Ward 3 Councillor. I have lived in Sapræe Creek since 1996 and have seen a lot of changes and growth in our area. I was a member of the sub-committee for the tree clearing/ replanting and was involved in the signage for the reclaimed areas. I also suggested planting larger trees at the access points to help protect the saplings and it was being looked into by the RMWB.

I have been a follower of local politics and feel that I can make a difference for Sapræe Creek and Draper. I'm willing to work hard to represent the residents of Ward 3 and the municipality.

My biggest concern is the roads and sewers. In Sapræe Creek, I think that the sewer lines and the road repairs should be done simultaneously. I'll need to check to verify if there's a safety concern or a valid reason why this can't be done. I would like the RMWB to be more open with information and timelines for completion. Draper residents needing to truck in/out water and sewer in 2017 is unacceptable. With the rain the other evening, I found their roads to be atrocious. It felt like I was slipping all over the road due to the slimy conditions; this definitely needs to be addressed as I feel that it's a safety issue. Why wasn't this done when the road to behind waterways was upgraded? I will be researching and looking for answers as to why this hasn't been done.

The other main concern is that there isn't a second egress from Sapræe Creek in the event of an emergency. The rail yard is next to our only entrance/exit and product is brought in/out via truck and train, if something happens and the road has to be closed, we have no other exit. I feel that this emergency route should be gated to minimize access and to keep it from being utilized as a second entrance.

Other residents have brought their concerns regarding the coke dust on Sapræe Creek Trail and Spruce Valley Drive from the plants hauling product to the rail yard. I plan on meeting with representatives from the plants and ensuring that clean up will be done regularly and extra clean up when needed.

Some of the safety concerns that have been mentioned are: having extra street lights so that the children are more visible when waiting for the school bus, the only playground in Sapræe Creek is unusable in early spring due to flooding so that will need repairing.

Some of the Draper residents have brought their concerns forward regarding the need to have the by-laws enforced and maintaining the residential character of the neighbourhood. They have also mentioned the need for transparency with the new council as they feel that it was lacking in the previous one.

I plan on working with the other members of council to beautify the Snye and to revitalize the downtown core. Both sections aren't being used to their full potential. I think that having a walking trail or boardwalk with benches and picnic tables at intervals to encourage family use, allowing small boutiques, cafes, and others types of establishments will revitalize the downtown core. I think that if a "Central Park" style green space was developed and tied into the Snye Waterfront, Borealis Park and MacDonald Island with the addition of restaurants, cafes and boutiques, it could be a vital part of our community that the residents would be proud to show our visitors.

I would like the voters to know that I am willing to work hard and I can be reached through email sheila33@shaw.ca or through Facebook messenger. I'll probably take a few days to properly answer your concern but I will acknowledge that I got your message. I will not be making any promises but I'll represent the residents of Sapræe Creek and Draper to the best of my ability.

Remember to vote on October 16, 2017



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BRAD LUCIER

My name is Brad Lucier and I have lived in Fort McMurray for 17yrs.

I am divorced with 2 girls, Colleen 27, and Megan 20. I have two grandchildren; Every 3 and Brooke who is 4mths.

I started HVAC Solutions 2004.

I am a Big Community Supporter. I was a Volunteer on Ski Patrol 5 years, Educare Board of Directors for 5 years, Food Bank Board of Directors (current), Business Advisory Council with YMM Airport, on the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (current) and Rotary Link Golf Course Board of Directors (current)

Along with volunteering time for the various Boards that I sit on I have monetarily donated to the following: Festival of Trees, SMS Wine Auction, Spring Fling, Educare, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Keyano Gala, Fort McMurray Food Bank, Fort McMurray Food Festival and Waypoints.

By helping the community we help make this a better place to live and raise a family.

In Draper Road and Saprae Creek, our issues are proper water and sewer and roadways. Our roads are some of the worst within the Municipality. I also would like to see a staging area for site busses which would not disturb the residence at all hours of the day. With the busses sitting idling on the side of the road it is a safety issue for vehicles getting around them. I know that the busses sitting outside my house within a year the roadway was damaged to the point where the RMWB laid down gravel.

We need to work with Industry to help lower their tax burden which has been passed to government with Bill-21. By showing we are in this together we should see more community investment. FIFO is a huge issue however we need to understand all the implications before we take a stand. I don't believe we will ever stop it, however if the people are FIFO then they should at least travel through our airport, and not the remote landing strips.

We were supposed to revitalize downtown and through various decisions we end up with very expensive parking lots. Mayor and council need to work collaboratively together in order to bring Business and services back into Fort McMurray. This is about making sound decisions for the community and staying the course.



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Meet Your Local Candidates

Public School Board Trustee

**Linda
Mywaart**



- Community resident for 35 years
- Actively committed to education, devoting time to both local and provincial associations
- Current Trustee since 2010
- Passionate about student success and values the voice of students, staff and parents as partners in education.

**Solange
Maher**



- Grassroots dedication with children in both elementary and high school
- Focused on sustainability
- Advocate for adequate funding
- A voice for families to ensure inclusive education opportunities and support.

VOTE

On October 16th, you will have a chance to go to the polls and cast your vote in the Municipal Election.

In past years there have been 5 seats available on the public school board.

Our current board members have lobbied successfully to add 2 seats to the board table.

In This election you will have the chance to vote for 7 board members

Linda Mywaart and Solange Maher are active members of the Sapræ Creek Community. We are looking forward to being **your voice** at the local and provincial level.

Please Vote Local!



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HALLOWEEN PARTY

SAVE THE DATE

When: Saturday Oct 28th

Where: Vista Ridge

Time and details to follow on
the Facebook Page





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Aerial Adventure Park

AND

Mini Putt Golf

IS NOW CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

Thank you to everyone that came out this year!



Season passes are NOW on sale

**The "Recovery Rate" will be available again
this year as we are recovering from yet a
another terrible winter.**

**Thank you to our season pass holders, your loyalty
over these tough times is greatly appreciated.**

Let the snow making begin!!



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The Sapræe Creek Playscape at Vista

If you have not had a chance, take a trip over to Vista Ridge to check out the **NEW** Playscape. A fantastic addition to Vista Ridge and perfect for all ages.

Thanks to the staff at Planning and Development for allowing Vista Ridge to use the PUL for this purpose. The park is intended to replace the park that was on the municipal reserve (MR) at end of Freestone and is now incorporated into the future golf course.

Landscaping in the area around the skateboard park and Playscape has happened this summer, please ensure that these areas are respected. It is the long term intention is to ask the RMWB to maintain this excellent quality of landscaping set out by the Vista Ridge staff. This was a initiative started by the Residents Society over five years ago and its great to see the final results!





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MACOY

Mayor's Advisory Council on Youth

The Mayor's Advisory Council on Youth (MACOY) is looking for new members!

MACOY members are empowered to become actively engaged citizens who work to improve the quality of life for everyone in Wood Buffalo.

WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?

- To share your ideas with the community
- To discuss the topics you're passionate about
- To build your skills and develop your future self
- To experience fun and free activities

Visit rmwb.ca/MACOY to learn more.



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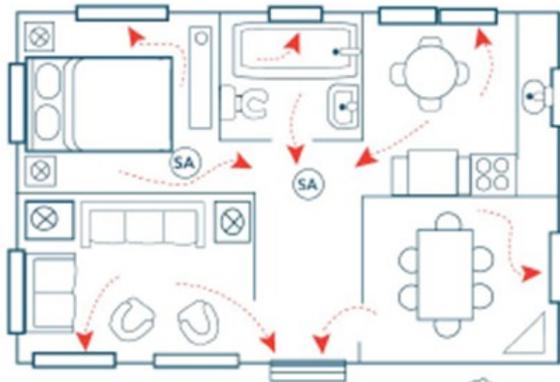
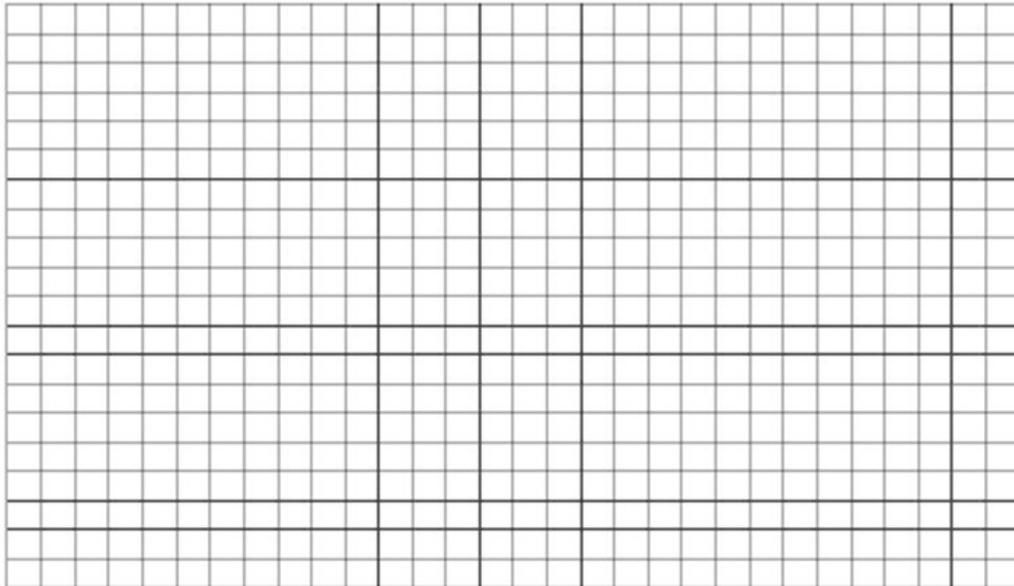


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Every Second Counts: **Plan 2 Ways Out!**

Fire Prevention Week: October 8 - 14, 2017



Meeting Place

- Draw a floor plan or a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
- Mark two ways out of each room.
- Mark all of the smoke alarms with . Smoke alarms should be in each sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
- Pick a family meeting place outside where everyone can meet.
- Remember, practice your plan at least twice a year!

www.rmwb.ca/fireprevention.





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Beacon Hill Public School Holiday Gift Shop and Christmas Market

Presented by: Beacon Hill Parents Plus Advisory Association

Vendor Call Out!

Friday, November 24, 2017 – Holiday Gift Shop from 9:00am – 2:30pm

Saturday, November 25, 2017 – Beacon Hill Public School Christmas Market from 10:00am – 3:00pm

One flat rate of \$40 covers a vendor table and lunch for both days.

Friday, Nov. 24 is our annual Holiday Gift Shop-open to students and families of Beacon Hill School only. Saturday, Nov. 25 is an open market to the community.

Vendors are asked to please commit to both days. Interested vendors are asked to contact Wendy MacMillan at 780-750-2231, or e-mail wendy@hsventures.ca for additional information and registration.

We look forward to the community supporting our Beacon Hill Public School Community!



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Prairie Region TRANSCAER® Event

October 4th and 5th, 2017

Fort McMurray, AB

The Prairie Region TRANSCAER® Committee, in co-operation with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Emergency Services, will be hosting a **Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response** outreach event.

Interactive demonstrations will include:

- CCPX911 Safety Training rail car
- CP's foam fire fighting trailer
- CN's Valve Training Trailer
- Emergency Response equipment
- Road transportation display

When: Wednesday October 4th
Thursday October 5th

07:30 – Check-in

08:00 – 16:00 - Event



Where: Fire Hall # 5 Training Branch

200 Sapræe Creek Trail

Fort McMurray, AB

There is no cost to attend this event, just your time.

Presentations will be the same for each day.



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Registration options (please indicate below) which option you prefer:

Full day 08:00 – 16:00 includes a free lunch:

Wednesday October 4th

Thursday October 5th



Special volunteer firefighter session, should you not be able to attend daytime sessions.

Three hour session with CCPX911 and emergency response equipment

Wednesday October 4th 18:00 – 21:00

Thursday October 5th 18:00 – 21:00

PPE Requirements:

Hard hat

Safety glasses

Steel toed shoes/boots

Reflective vest (high-vis) or coveralls with reflective strips

Work gloves

To register, please complete the information requested and e-mail to:

Martin Kratochvil martin.kratochvil@rmwb.ca

For further information or any questions, please call:

Curtis Myson (RAC) (cell) 780.619.2763

Randy Mak (Dow) (cell) 780.974.6606

Martin Kratochvil (RES) (cell) 587-919-5605



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WATCH FOR THESE SIGNS!

Please be courteous
and respect our seniors.

DESIGNATING PARKING FOR SENIORS IS AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING SITES THROUGHOUT THE REGION:

- J. Howard Pew Park (Waterways)
- Wood Buffalo Spray Park
- Anzac Recreation Centre
- Vista Ridge All Seasons Park
- Dr. K.P. Wong Water Park (Synchrude Athletic Park)
- Casman Centre
- Eagle Ridge Community Centre
- Frank Lacroix Arena
- Haxton Centre / Borealis Park
- Jubilee Centre
- Ron Morgan Park
- Rex Terpening Landing (Snye Park amenities building)
- Shell Place
- MacDonald Island

No permit is required. The designated stalls can be used by anyone age 60 and older on a first come, first served basis.

For more information, visit rmwb.ca/seniors.



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Shape the future of our community!

Want your voice heard in the region? Volunteer on one of Wood Buffalo's Council-appointed boards and committees.

Apply by October 27.



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THE WOOD BUFFALO RURAL COMMUNITY CONNECTION PAGE IS A GO-TO SOURCE OF INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS.

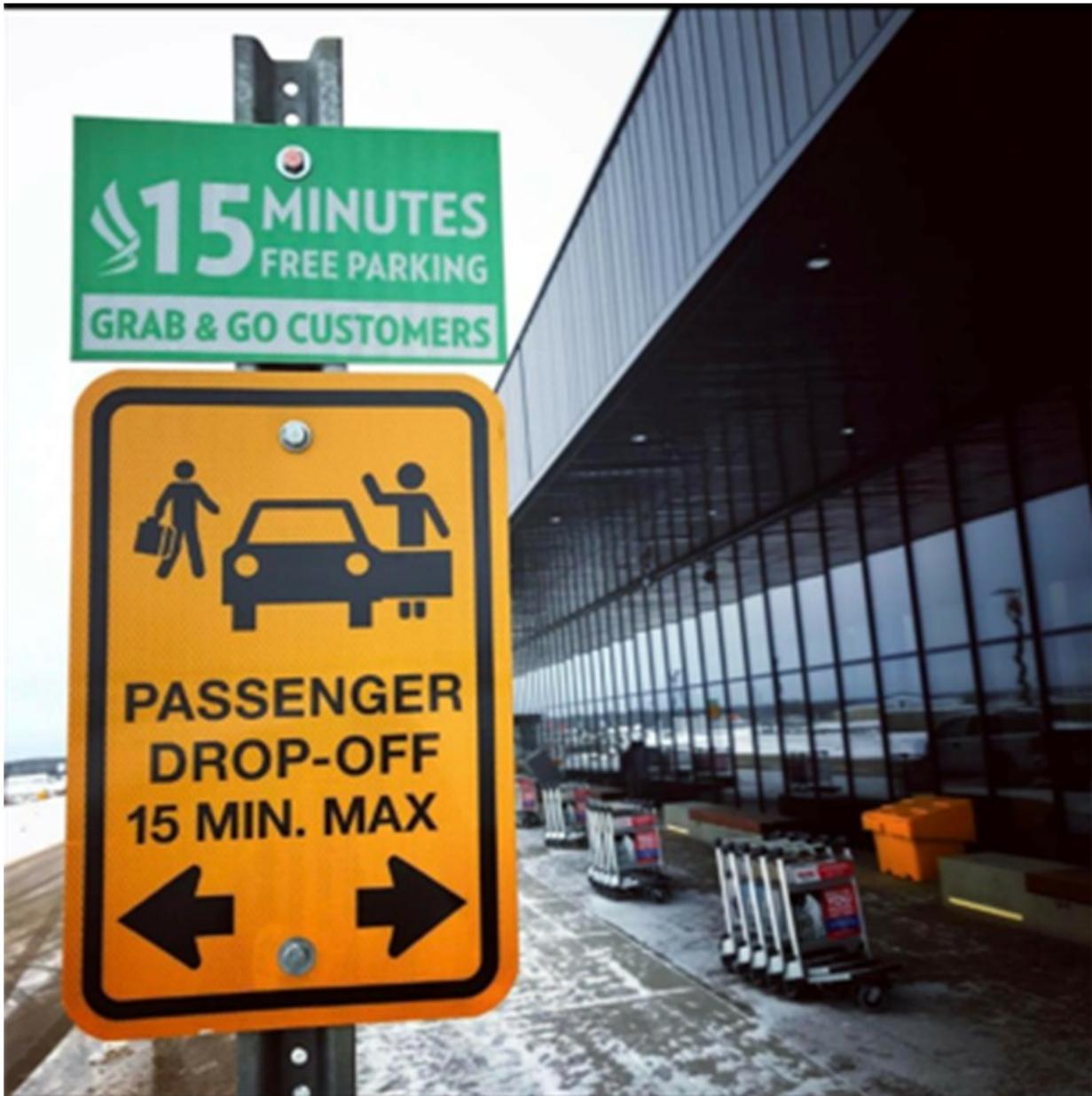
- Rural programming and events
- Public engagement or information sessions
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- Other rural news

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MUNICIPALITY NEWS



OCTOBER GARBAGE AND RECYCLE SCHEDULE



OCTOBER 6th (Light Blue)



OCTOBER 13th (Dark Blue)



OCTOBER 20th (Light Blue)



OCTOBER 27th (Dark Blue)





Community Calendar OCTOBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 HUB	5 RWSS Open House	6 	7
8	9 	10	11 HUB	12	13 	14
15	16 	17	18 HUB	19	20 	21
22	23	24	25 HUB	26	27 	28 
29	30	31				

Schedule of Programs and Events

- Sapræ Creek Volunteer Fire Department Practice Nights: (Mondays)
- HUB Programming: Wednesdays Vista Ridge 10-11:30
- Rural Water Sewer System OPEN HOUSE: Thursday Oct. 5th VISTA RIDGE 6-8pm
- October 9th: Happy Thanksgiving
- RMWB Municipal Election Day: October 16th
- Sapræ Creek Family Halloween Party: October 28th

