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Councillor Report

Saprae September

It's amazing how fast our summer has gone this year. I want to thank everyone for their continued patience with the construction that has been going on. I know it's frustrating to have so much going on at once but that said: Only 60 more construction days for this year!

That said, I do have an update as of today (August 27): the directional drilling will be done by the end of September, and they will be installing the service pipes until the end of November. Paving will continue until the end of October

Freestone Way- directional drilling has started so there are sections where the traffic will be one lane only.

East Community Lane has their new culverts installed, the pressure testing of the water line is done and passed, gravel will be put on the road and the first layer of paving will be started soon. Impact should be one lane traffic flow.

West Community Lane will be having the pressure test soon. Then it will be culverts, gravel and paving. The impact will be a little more than the east side by it should be minimal.

Weiss Drive is next to be done. The directional drilling is almost complete and then the services to be installed.

Spruce Valley Drive is coming along nicely. The lights are set so that the average time waiting at the red is about 6 minutes if it has just turned when you get there. The next section of spruce Valley will be between Weiss and Community and there will be detours in place.

School will be starting soon and I just want to remind parents to remind their young people to be aware of the construction areas and to make sure they stay away from the equipment, etc. Also for our drivers to obey the traffic signs, and flag people and to not pass the school bus when the flashing red lights are active. The plan is to have all of Saprae Creek with the first coat of paving done before the snow flies.

Finally, that I you again for your continued patience and to remember that by October 2019, this will be completely done and we can look forward to paved roads, fire hydrants and best of all, lower insurance rates for our homes.

Until next time
Sheila



Are you passionate about arts and culture? Want to discover new experiences? Come check out Alberta Culture Days in Wood Buffalo September 28 - 30.

During this three-day event, community groups and organizations host free, family-friendly activities that encourage residents to come together to discover arts, culture and heritage in our community.

For more details and a full list of events, please visit rmwb.ca/culturedays or call the Recreation and Culture Branch at 780-743-7966.

Don't forget to follow Wood Buffalo Culture on Facebook!

FALL COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

SEPTEMBER 1 – 30

PICK UP &
PITCH IN!



HELP CREATE A LITTER-FREE WOOD BUFFALO!

Registration is now open for this year's fall campaign.

Residents, friends, schools, businesses and neighbours are encouraged to show their community spirit by volunteering to clean up their favourite park, green space, block, trail or roadway.

Bags, gloves and picker sticks supplied.

PICK AND CLICK CONTEST

Snap a photo of your group, send it to us and you could win a prize from the Wood Buffalo Regional Library!

To register or to submit Pick and Click photos, please visit rmwb.ca/cleanup.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call 780.743.7966 or
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Find us on Facebook:
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Wellness Corner
Brought to you by FCSS Counselling Services

GRIEF: A Misunderstood and Neglected Emotion

Grief is one of the most misunderstood emotions, the assumption being that it is only connected with death. Grief is:

- A normal and natural reaction to a significant emotional loss of any kind.
- Conflicted feelings caused by the end of or a change in familiar patterns of behaviour.
- The feeling of reaching out for someone who has always been there only to find when you need them again, they are no longer there.
- Not a pathological condition.

How to Tell When Grief is Incomplete

- If you are unwilling to think about or talk about someone who has died or any other loss that may signify unresolved grief.
- If fun memories become painful, you may be experiencing unresolved grief.
- If you want to talk only about positive aspects of a relationship, there might be unresolved grief.
- Wanting to only talk about negative aspects of a relationship may be a sign of unresolved grief.
- Unresolved grief may be at the root of any fear associated with thoughts or feelings about a relationship.

Processing Incomplete Grief

- Acceptance and awareness
- Have a different relationship with your Short Term Energy Relieving Behaviours (STERBs)
- Talk with safe people

For more information on grief and loss, please contact **FCSS Counselling Services** at (780) 743-7910.

Stay tuned for the next series on grief and loss.



Did you know there are simple steps you can take at home to help reduce the risk of wildfire damage to your house, your property and your community?

These simple steps include:

- Removing leaves, pine needles and other debris from your roof and gutters
- Mowing grass to 10 centimeters in length or less
- Maintaining a 1.5 metre non-combustible zone around your home and deck
- Moving all combustible items stored under your deck. The area under your deck should be clean and free of debris
- Moving propane tanks 10 metres away from structures and creating a 1.5 metre non-combustible zone around all tanks
- Clearing vegetation and debris along both sides of combustible fence lines

Taking small actions today can go a long way in protecting you from the threat of future wildfires on our landscape.

For more information, visit rmwb.ca/firesmart.

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2018 CITIZEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Do you know an outstanding resident who deserves recognition by Mayor and Regional Council?

Visit rmwb.ca/champions

Nomination forms are available online at **rmwb.ca/CRPnomination** and at your local municipal contact office.

Nominations are due October 1, 2018.

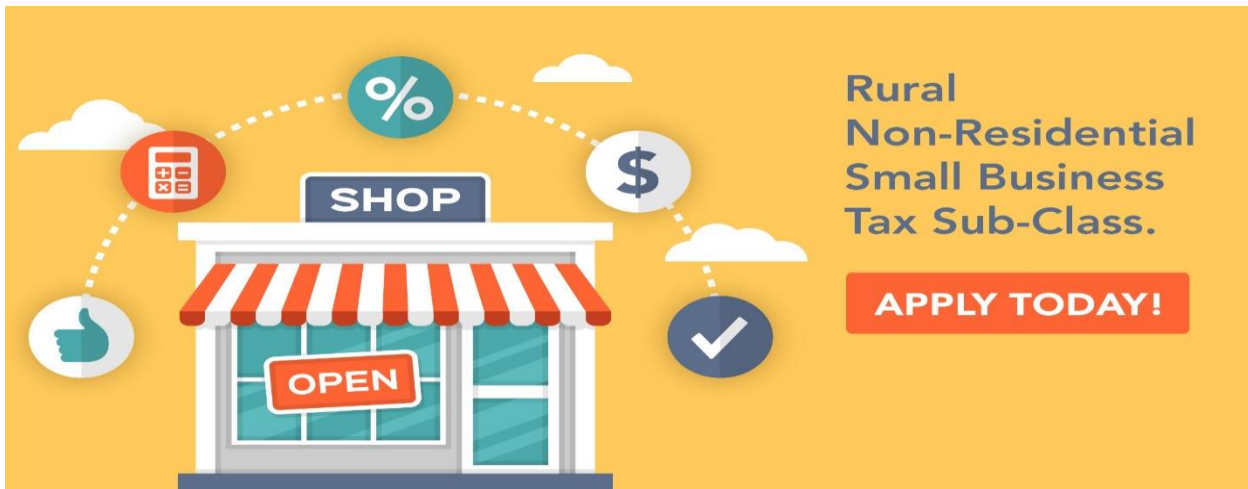
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RMWB News/Notices

RMWB Online Payments NOW AVAILABLE!

You can now pay your RMWB utility (water) bills, ambulance bills and general trade invoices online by credit card. Visit pay.rmwb.ca to learn more or make a payment today.



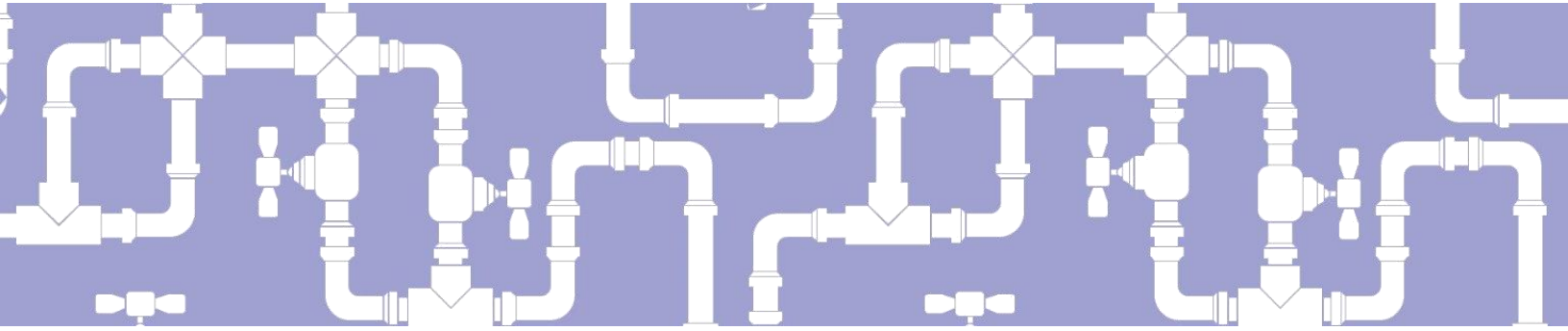
Rural non-residential small businesses can now apply to receive new tax savings. Qualifying rural non-residential small businesses can receive a 25 per cent reduction from the rural non-residential tax rate. To qualify, properties must meet criteria outlined in provincial regulation, specifically:

- Currently taxed as rural non-residential;
- Property must be owned or leased by a business (properties subleased are excluded);
- Business must hold an RMWB Business Licence as of December 31, 2017*;
- Business must have fewer than 50 employees across Canada; and
- Business must not be a designated industrial property as identified by the Provincial Assessor.

**If your business is located within the rural service area and provincial legislation does not require you to hold an RMWB business licence, please contact Philip Schofield, Regional Assessor, at philip.schofield@rmwb.ca.*

For more information or to apply, please visit rmwb.ca/taxes.

RMWB News/Notices



Rural Water & Sewer Servicing (RWSS) Saprae Creek Estate Update

Throughout September, residents will continue to see road construction, grading, and water line installation in their community.

Resident can expect to see road rehabilitation and paving commence on:

- Spruce Valley Drive
- Community Lane
- Freestone Way
- East Freestone Way
- East Community Lane

Project work will continue on:

- Weiss Drive
- Saprae Crescent
- Sol Park
- West Community Lane
- Sommer Way
- West Freestone Way

For the week of August 29, please watch detour signs as West Community Lane and Sol Park intersection is anticipated to be closed for utility installation work.

Project	Start Date	End Date
Contract 1: Sommer Way, Spruce Valley Gate, Evergreen Place, Conifer Way, Spruce Valley Dr., Community Lane, Sol Park Dr., Weiss Dr., Janke Lane, Freestone Way, Saprae Cr.	Oct 2017	July 2019
Contract 2: Force main, gravity main	Oct 2018	July 2019
Contract 3: Lift Station	Oct/Nov 2018	July 2019
Contract 4: Service Connections	Aug 2019	Varies

Do you have a question?

If you have specific questions not answered on the rmwb.ca/RWSS website, please submit your question by visiting rmwb.ca/pulse using Saprae Creek Estates RWSS Resident Question as your subject line. All questions submitted by Sept. 30 will be answered and posted on the RWSS webpage.

We want to thank you for your cooperation and patience during this process as we work to improve our region. If you have any concerns during construction, please contact the RMWB Pulse Line at 780-743-7000 or rmwb.ca/pulse.

RMWB News/Notices



Very important reminder:

Your Garbage & Recycling bins should be placed out by the curb by 7:30am every Friday. (Except for statutory Holidays).

Please remove garbage bins off the road or shoulder after your bins have been emptied, pull them back onto your property.

Household waste (black) will be emptied every week.

Recycling Bins (light blue: paper and cardboard & dark blue: metal, drink containers) will be emptied alternate weeks.

September Dates for Garbage Bins are:



Friday September 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th



Friday September 14th, 28th



Friday September 7th, 21st

Kids/Youth Corner

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- flintlock
- gladius
- glaive
- guisarme
- halberd
- jambiya
- katana
- katar
- khopesh
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- mace
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- rapier
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- shuriken
- scimitar
- voulge
- warhammer



Community News



**SAPRAE
YOUTH
GROUP**

Youth nights will happen weekly, generally on Fridays from 6:30-9:30 pm at various locations within Saprae Creek always free of charge.

Nights vary from sports in the field to bush-games to video game and movie nights and campfires; Wildplay in the summer, and Vista Ridge in the winter. All nights incorporate socializing, laughs, snacks, sharing highlights from our week, and a brief bible-study, and provide your child with a safe, healthy, and encouraging environment to have fun, make friends, and grow in kindness, wisdom, and maturity.

All of our leaders are volunteers with full-time jobs, but already have extensive experience in youth leadership and event planning, and have a real heart for this up-and-coming generation.

We are more than happy to assist with the organization of rides to youth group if requested ahead of time and room permits. We will certainly do our best to accommodate :)

All of our leadership has criminal background checks done as well as Plan-to-Protect documentation for working around minors.

The Saprae Youth Group accomodates youth ages 10 to 17 (or 18 if still in high school).

For more details and to stay in touch 'Like' our page on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SapraeYouthGroup and join our 'Closed Group' at www.facebook.com/groups/SapraeYouthGroup

September Schedule

Friday, August 31 - Movie Night

Friday, September 7 - Frisbee Golf

Saturday, September 15 - Mini-Putt

Friday, September 21 - Sports Night

Friday, September 28 - Movie Night

(subject to change depending on weather)

SCRS SUMMER CAMP 2018: THANK YOU



Thank you to the following people and volunteers for making the 2018 Summer Camp a success.

A big thank you to Katelyn Maher and Melanie Reddy who took on the task of planning our weekly camps.

Kevin Grogan of Vista Ridge for the unlimited use of the facilities and the fantastic staff.

Thank you to the staff at MacDonald Island, Aim High Park, Heritage Village, Heritage Shipyard, Landmark Cinemas, Bowman's Martial Arts and Norfort Gymnastics Club, for hosting camp participants.

Thanks to special guests including the Oil Sands Discovery Centre, Bricks 4 Kidz, Wood Buffalo Regional Library, McMurray Oil Giants, Keyano Men's Volleyball Team, Paws for People, Solange Maher with Elements Society for Environmental Education, Gayle St. Denis with Safe Community Wood Buffalo, Ruth Perry, Laura Pekkola, Shannon Sherk and Miss Kelli, Kaidyn Evtushevski and Alyssa MacKay with MI Dance.

A huge thank you to this years camp counselors: Macaela, Lucy, Clishea, Georgina, Nicola, Sophie, Mark, Ronan and Keira.

Saprae Creek Casino volunteers for helping to fund educational programming and RMWB for funding the various day trips and summer camp supplies throughout the summer.

SCRS board - AnnMarie Hintz, Tracy Unger, Marilyn Rustad, Brittany lanetti and Shannon Sherk



**Don't Forget
Thursday OCTOBER 4th, 2018
&
Friday OCTOBER 5th, 2018**

**is our
CASINO Fundraising Event?**

**If you're interested in Volunteering
Sign up Genius will be posted.
For more information check out our
Saprae Creek Facebook page.**

Thanks Marilyn

Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					Movie Night	1
2	3 LABOUR DAY	4	5	6	7 Frisbee Golf	8
9	10	11	12 The Hub 10-11:30am	13	14	15 Mini Putt
16	17	18	19 The Hub 10-11:30am SCRS MEETING	20	21 Sports Night	22
23	24	25	26 The Hub 10-11:30am	27	28 Movie Night	29
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Saprae Creek’s ON-GOING FUNCTIONS:

Mondays Nights: Saprae Creek Volunteer Fire Department Training

Wednesday Mornings: The HUB 10-11:30pm

Fridays Garbage Days:

Fridays Saprae Youth Group Programs: Subject to Change depending on weather

