

VILLAGE OF COUTTS NEWSLETTER



**AUGUST
2022**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TAXES

Property taxes are due on August 31, 2022. A penalty of 12% will be applied on Sept 1, 2022 on the current outstanding. January 1, 2023 another 12% penalty will be added to the total outstanding. We do accept monthly payments, however the penalties will still apply. Please call the office to have arrangements made.

PUBLIC HEARING

August 9th at 6:30 pm, there will be a public hearing to address some zoning changes (commercial to residential). Notices are attached in this newsletter for town residents. Attachments not included in the rural newsletters.

SKUNKS

There have been quite a few skunks wondering through town. They are in search of easy food. Residents that are leaving cat food out are to blame. Please do not leave any cat food out.

TRAIN NOISE

We have once again noticed increased noise from train engines. We have had a meeting with the superintendent of CP Rail for our area to try and come up with a solution. We realize that the noise is very disturbing when you are trying to enjoy your yards. We will continue to work together with CP to come up with solutions, such as leaving the engines as far north as possible.

NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

The book club meeting/get together is scheduled for Thursday, August 11th at 2:00 pm. Remember this is a very informal discussion of books and authors and we have a nice little group attending but would always love to see some new faces and get more ideas for a 'good read'.

The Together We Read Canada Digital Book Club pick will be available on Libby/OverDrive from August 18 to September 1. This means that the book is available to borrow simultaneously for library users, making it an excellent choice for book clubs! This year's book is The Prairie Chicken Dance Tour by Dawn Dumont. More information can be found here: <https://togetherweweread.com/CA/>

Did you know that August 8 is Sneak Some Zucchini Onto Your Neighbor's Porch Day! If you grew more than you can handle you might think about participating.

Have you made the switch to the Libby app? It offers the best reading experience for all ages and has the same great content you love in the OverDrive app! Get in-app support with any questions you may have. Download it and see for yourself. <https://www.chinookarch.ca/elibrary/eservices/overdrive>

Remember that we are closed on Wednesday for the months of July and August.

HERITAGE HANDIBUS ASSOCIATION AUG 2022 NEWSLETTER

The Toyota Handibus is scheduled to travel to Lethbridge on Aug 3, 2022. The cost is \$40.00 per person with a minimum of 3 riders prepaid. Riders are required to book their ride 24 hours in advance with payment due at that time. If 3 riders are not prepaid, the bus does not travel.

The large and small buses are available for charters.

Please call the Town of Milk River Office Staff to arrange booking, payment and more information.

The next meeting of the Heritage Handibus Association is Aug 10, 2022 at the Town Hall. Everyone is welcome, we need more community participation please.

Have a wonderful rest of the summer!

PRAIRIE ROSE LODGE BIT'S AND PIECES-AUG. 2022

Husband & I had occasion to head east out to our mountain stomping grounds last week. We were totally amazed in the difference 5 inches of rain makes, not only to grain crops, but also grazing pastures. Sadly it was too late for the hay fields. Also amazing are the smiles 5 inches of rain can put on the faces of the local people. Farmer's lively hood is dependent on Mother Nature and God. Life is good.

Such exciting times! We were finally able to have a lovely birthday party on July 7th open to the public under the large trees by the patio. A lovely party honoring our first resident to celebrate her 100th birthday at the lodge was enjoyed by a number of the public and auxiliary members attending. Having that experience, we are planning the Aug. 10th birthday party honoring 5 residents- Bonnie Taylor-Aug. 18th; Jim Ostby- 20th; Ken McCoy- 21st; Marlene Furlong- 27th; and Verna Taylor- 31st. We will have entertainment by Barry and will have the tasty cupcakes made by Joyce Blackmer (thank you Joyce) and ice cream. As of the end of July, we are still unable to have gatherings inside the lodge. Individuals are welcome (with masks) to visit in the rooms of residents.

Last week, I saw a number of golf carts taking residents for an outing to see the gardens and new homes being built. Thank you to the people lending the carts for this venture and appreciation to those of authority being busy somewhere else. This outing was really enjoyed by the residents after being locked up for 2 years.

Tara has a number of interesting events coming up. There will be a resident barbecue on Aug 17th. There are planned outings to Gold Spring Park and the Cheese Factory in Lethbridge (dates not set). There are plans to go golfing-everyone on the 9th hole to chip on and putt in. This will be something new to most people. There are Patio parties with drinks and ice tea. There are the usual weekly games with Thursdays always reserved for doing nails.

Ladies-mark your calendar. Personal Touch Fashions will be at the lodge on Aug. 31st. Keep in mind the shoe lady (If The Shoe Fits) will be at the lodge on Sept. 15th.

Life is meaningless only if we allow it to be. Each of us has the power to give life meaning, to our time and our bodies and our words into instruments of love and hope.

God bless all. Emma Hulit.

Milk River Historical Society

We had our AGM meeting on July 16, 2022, and the following were elected to positions:

President: William King, Vice President: Linda Robotka, Treasurer: Brian Young,

Secretary: Christa Reich Directors: Herb Joyce, Colynn Kerr and George Russell.

The museum is open on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from noon to 4:00 pm for the months of July and August. Everyone is welcome to stop in and have a look around or have William King give you the tour. William is available at other times for tours, give him a call at 403-647-3428 to arrange.

Our next meeting will be August 18, 2022, at 7pm at the museum, everyone welcome to attend.

Milk River and District Agricultural Society

will host a FUNDRAISER

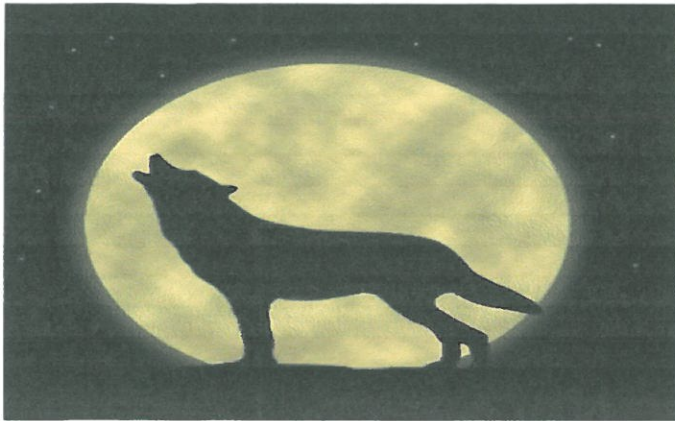


AG Society Style

Saturday, September 24, 2022

*Family Fun Event, Games, Festive Food, Pumpkin
Growing Contest, Petting Zoo, Silent Auction,
Beer Garden, Cabaret and more*

Everyone Welcome, more details in upcoming months



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CELL: 403-635-2013

WE HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

As of August 1st, 2022 Coutts ATB Financial will be expanding our business to include the Warner Agency location!

We look forward to connecting with and serving all our current and future customers within our tri-community area.

While nothing much will change at our Coutts location, you may see a few new faces as we merge into collaborating as a team and increasing our proficiencies to better serve our communities. We thank you for your patience during this transition and look forward to working with you all!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

VILLAGE OF COUTTS
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 587

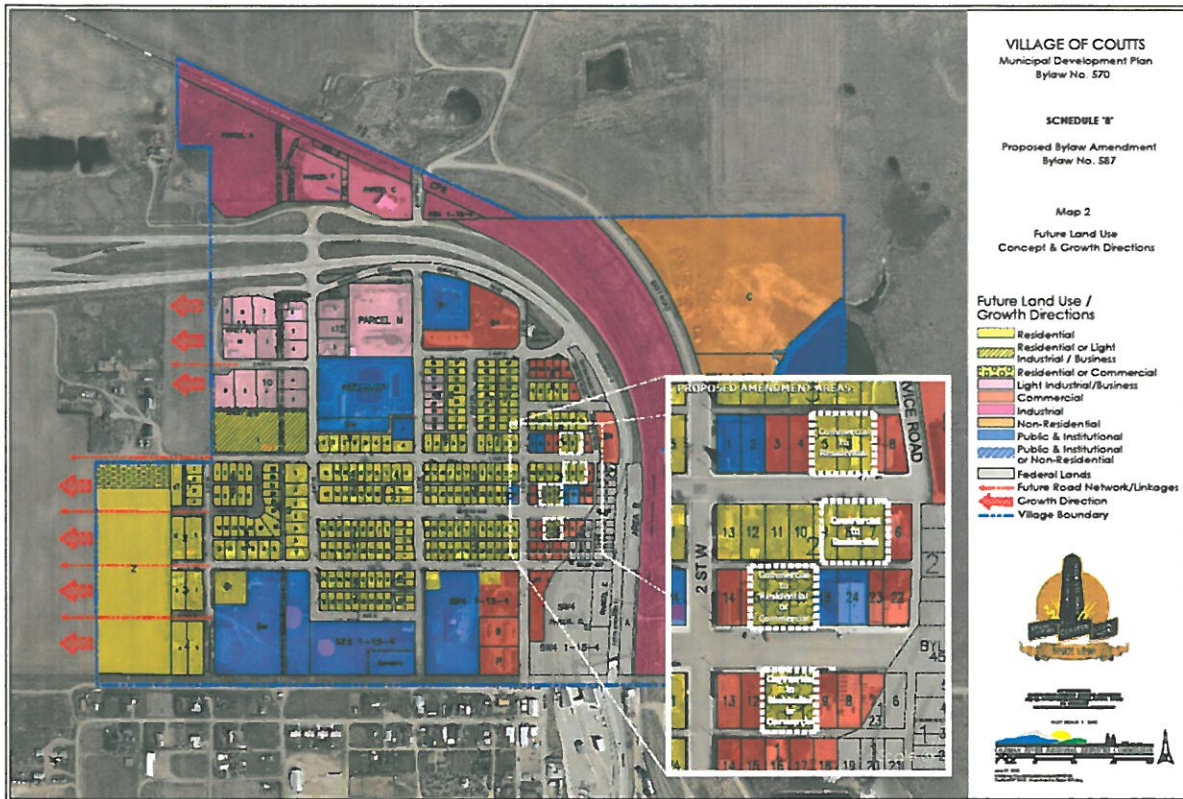
Municipal Development Plan Amendment

To be held at 6:30 p.m., August 9, 2022
Village of Coutts Council Chambers
105 Centre Avenue

PURSUANT to sections 230, 606 and 692 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, the Council of the Village of Coutts in the Province of Alberta hereby gives notice of its intention to consider Bylaw No. 587 being an amendment to Municipal Development Plan No. 570.

THE PURPOSE of proposed **Bylaw No. 587** is to amend Map 1 Existing Land Use to remove the 300 metre sewage buffer from the map legend AND amend the Future Land Use Concept & Growth Directions Map 2 for the following locations:

Location	Map 2 Future Land Use Concept & Growth Directions	
	From:	To:
Plan 36EG Block 5 The East Half of Lot 6 and that Portion of Lot 7 which Lies to the West of the Easterly 25 Feet Throughout the Said Lot 7 (105 1 st Ave)	Commercial	Residential
Plan 36EG Block 5 Lot 5 and the West Half of Lot 6 (107 1 st Ave N)	Commercial	Residential
Plan 204BD Block 2 Lot 7 (104 1 st Ave N)	Commercial	Residential
Plan 204BD Block 2 Lot 8 (106 1 st Ave N)	Commercial	Residential
Plan 204BD Block 2 East Portion of Lot 9 (108 1 st Ave N)	Commercial	Residential
Plan 204BD Block 2 The East Half of Lot 15 and All of Lot 16 (111 Centre Ave)	Commercial	Residential or Commercial
Plan 204BD Block 2 Lot 17 (109 Centre Ave)	Commercial	Residential or Commercial
Plan 204BD Block 1 Lot 10 (110 Centre Ave)	Commercial	Residential or Commercial
Plan 204BD Block 1 Lot 11 (112 Centre Ave)	Commercial	Residential or Commercial



THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE THAT a public hearing to consider the proposed Bylaw No. 587 will be held in the Village of Coutts Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. on August 9, 2022.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT anyone wishing to make a presentation regarding the proposed bylaw should, in writing, notify the Chief Administrative Officer of their intention prior to 1:00 p.m. on August 8, 2022.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT both written and verbal presentations may be made to council at the public hearing.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT a copy of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the Village of Coutts office during normal business hours.

DATED at the Village of Coutts in the Province of Alberta this 22nd day of July, 2022.

*Lori Rolfe
 Chief Administrative Officer
 Village of Coutts
 Box 236, Coutts, Alberta T0K 0N0*

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

VILLAGE OF COUTTS
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 588

Land Use Bylaw Amendment Rezoning

To be held at 6:30 p.m., August 9, 2022
Village of Coutts Council Chambers
105 Centre Avenue

PURSUANT to sections 230, 606 and 692 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, the Council of the Village of Coutts in the Province of Alberta hereby gives notice of its intention to consider Bylaw No. 588, being an amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 523.

THE PURPOSE of proposed **Bylaw No. 588** is to redesignate the following lands described as:

**Plan 36EG
Block 5
The East Half of Lot 6 and that Portion of Lot 7 which Lies to the West of the Easterly 25 Feet Throughout the Said Lot 7 (105 1st Ave N)**

**Plan 36EG
Block 5
Lot 5 and the West Half of Lot 6 (107 1st Ave N)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 2
Lot 7 (104 1st Ave N)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 2
Lot 8 (106 1st Ave N)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 2
Lot 9 (108 1st Ave N)**

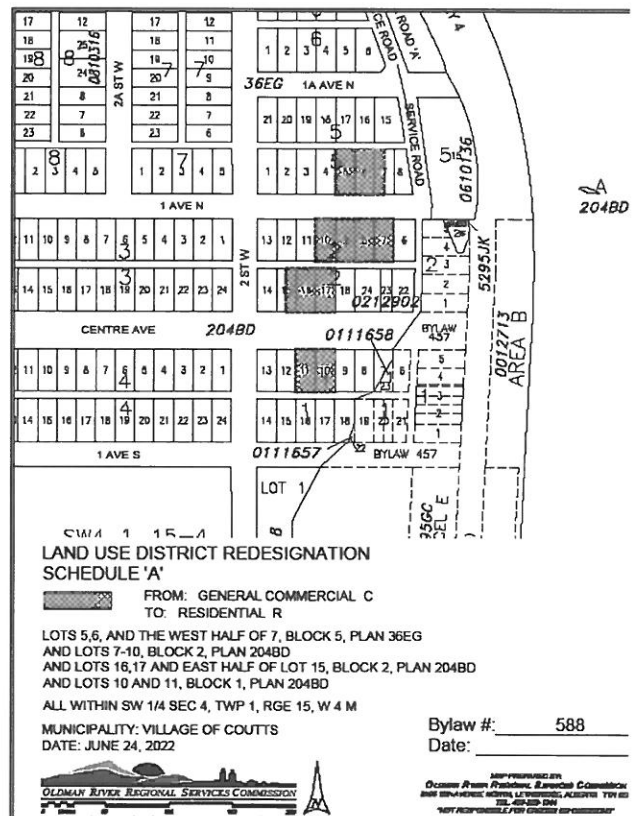
**Plan 204BD
Block 2
Lot 17 (109 Centre Ave)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 2
Lot 10 (110 1st Ave N)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 1
Lot 10 (110 Centre Ave)**

**Plan 204BD
Block 2
The East Half of Lot 15 and All of Lot 16 (111 Centre Ave)**

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from General Commercial - C to Residential – R as shown on the attached Schedule A.

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DATED at the Village of Coutts in the Province of Alberta this 26 day of July, 2022.

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