

DRAPER ROAD NEWS



November 2024



MDP approved by Council

The Municipal Development Plan (MDP) was approved by Council on Sept. 10, 2024.

The MDP touches the lives of everyone in the region, this document is designed to ensure that as the region grows and evolves, it becomes even more sustainable, inclusive and thriving.

Planning for the future is important, and the RMWB's MDP lays out the Municipality's goals and vision for the Wood Buffalo region for the next 20 years. The MDP is a guide for future development and economic growth.

The plan is centered around six key goals, each with specific action items:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home and belonging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Enhancing Wood Buffalo's livability ○ Creating a safe and secure region ○ Creating caring communities that support health and wellness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrating community and culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Taking Pride in Wood Buffalo's History ○ Promoting Vibrant Arts ○ Celebrating Multiculturalism ○ Building regional pride ○ Building relationships and communicating meaningfully
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic growth and innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Empowering regional economic development ○ Supporting skills and knowledge development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Growing as a region responsibly ○ Growing the Urban Service Area ○ Responsibly developing rural communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecting to nature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Protecting healthy ecosystems ○ Accessing the wilderness ○ Activating parks and recreation ○ Acting on climate change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truth and Reconciliation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Answering the Calls to Action ○ Building Relationships and creating meaningful opportunity ○ Honouring Cree, Dene and Métis cultures

For more information about the MDP and to read the approved version, please visit our website at rmwb.ca/MDP.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the plan in more detail, you can reach out to the Municipal Planning and Development team through Pulse at 780-743-7000 or online at rmwb.ca/pulse.

Community Policing - presentations available

The Wood Buffalo Community Policing Unit has a great list of presentations they can bring to communities when requested.

Available presentations

- A Career in the RCMP - Gr 7-Adult
- ATV Safety - Gr 10-Adult
- Being a Good Citizen - ECDP-Gr 6
- Being a Mountie - ECDP-Gr 6
- Bicycle Safety - ECDP-Gr 6
- Bullying (includes Cyberbullying) - ECDP-Gr 9
- Consent - Gr 7-Adult
- Crime Scene Investigations - ECDP-Adult
- Drug Awareness
 - For Teens (cannabis, alcohol, vaping and opioid awareness) - Gr 7-12
 - For Adults (includes clandestine drug labs, methamphetamines, opioids)
- Fraud & Identity Theft - Adult
- Halloween Safety - ECDP-Gr 6
- History of the Force - Gr 4-Adult
- Online Safety (includes Cyberbullying) - ECDP-Gr 6
- Online Safety (include Cyberbullying, Social Media & the Law) - Gr 7-Adult
- Personal Safety - ECDP-Adult
- Police & Canadian Law (for New Canadians) - Gr 10-Adult
- Property Crime Prevention - Adult
- Restorative Justice - Gr 9-Adult
- Senior Safety - Adult
- Sexting - Gr 7-Adult
- Traffic
 - Impaired Driving (Alcohol & Drugs) - Gr 9-Adult
 - Distracted Driving - Gr 9-Adult
 - Winter Driving - Gr 9-Adult
- Unhealthy Relationships/Dating Violence - Gr 7-Adult
- Youth Criminal Justice Act - Gr 7-Adult



Want a presentation?

Contact us if you'd like a presentation for your group, class or community at communitypolicing@rmwb.ca or call 780-788-4040 and ask for the Community Policing Coordinator.



WOOD BUFFALO

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

What is it?

- A voluntary program that offers a safe, respectful way to promote healing after harm has occurred.
- Allows offenders to take responsibility for their actions and allows the community to see its role in contributing to reconciliation.
- Provides an opportunity for everyone involved to have a voice and determine actions and outcomes to ensure accountability.
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Learn more:

Restorative Justice Contact Information:

- Phone: 780-788-4253
- Toll Free: 1-888-788-4250
- Email: restorative.justice@rmwb.ca

Get involved.

We need committed volunteers to help! Please contact us.

Join the Volunteer Fire Department

We need paid on-call members!



What we do:

We respond to fire emergencies, helping people and protecting property.

What you have:

- Valid Class 5 license. (Q endorsement is even better)
 - Time for weekly training and ability to respond

Interested?

Contact: Regional Emergency Services: 780-792-5500

Register a float for the Santa Claus Parade on Dec. 7!

Santa and his helpers are busy getting ready for these festive celebrations in Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo – and are looking for help from you!



Local businesses, social profits and community groups are encouraged to show their holiday spirit by registering a float or walking group for the Santa Claus Parade on Dec. 7.

More than 5,000 people are expected to visit downtown Fort McMurray for Council’s Starry Night holiday party and Santa Claus Parade.

Here’s your chance to showcase your organization, connect with community members and help spread holiday cheer.

Register your float by Nov. 25 at rmwb.ca/santa.

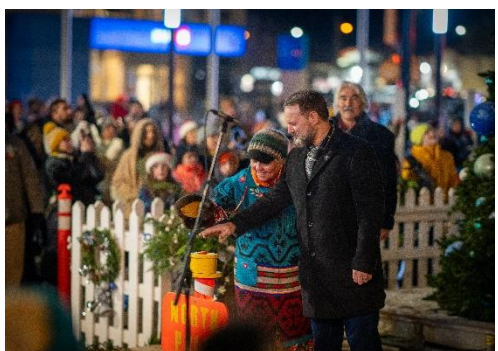
Help spread holiday cheer while fundraising

The parade and holiday party are offering multiple opportunities to raise funds for local non-profit community organizations and groups.

Fundraising opportunities are available for groups of 10 to 20 people.

Apply by Nov. 25 at rmwb.ca/santa.

Join Council for a hot chocolate before finding a spot to enjoy the parade



Start your holiday celebrations with Council’s Starry Night holiday party at 5 p.m. in kiyām Community Park. Connect with members of Council, grab a hot chocolate and watch live performances and the tipi and tree lighting.

Find a spot downtown and enjoy the Santa Claus Parade at 6 p.m. The parade will travel down Franklin Ave., beginning on Main St. and ending on Riedel St.

For community members seeking a sensory-friendly parade experience, line the sidewalk along Main St. from 6 to 6:15 p.m.

Transportation will be available for Conklin, Janvier and Fort McKay.

Learn more at rmwb.ca/santa.

Step up in an emergency

Volunteer with the Emergency Social Services team

Join a team that helps residents during an emergency or disaster.

- Build your knowledge, confidence, and experience.
- No experience required. Training will be provided.

Apply online today

For more information call:

- [780-743-7000](tel:780-743-7000)
- Toll Free [1-800-973-9663](tel:1-800-973-9663)



What we do:

Emergency Social Services provides basic supports for residents displaced by large emergencies or incidents in the Municipality.

Who we are:

Volunteers, community partners, and municipal employees who work together under the guidance of the Emergency Management Branch of Regional Emergency Services.





RMWB Budget meetings begin December 3, 2024

Starting December 3, RMWB Council will review and finalize the 2025 Budget.

Budget 2025 meeting schedule:

Operating Budget	December 3, 2024
Capital Budget	December 4, 2024

The special meetings are held in Council Chambers and will be livestreamed on the RMWB You Tube channel. Residents are also invited to watch the budget meetings at their local municipal office.

Office Hours: 8:30am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-4:30pm

Learn more about the budget process and how to participate at rwm.ca/budget.



Winter Maintenance season begins!

Planning to visit Fort McMurray this winter? Now is the perfect time to plan ahead for winter maintenance parking restrictions. All Winter Maintenance Subzones (WMZ) are relaxed until further notice as the program officially begins Oct. 15.

On-street parking restrictions are not in effect when subzones are relaxed but you can still [sign up for alerts](#) that will go straight to your inbox!

Subzones will typically be activated on a bi-weekly basis, meaning residents need to move their vehicles off their street once every two weeks. Windrows (snowbanks) created by a plow that are higher than 15 cm will be removed from the end of driveways in active subzones.

Keep up to date on the status of WMZs

- [Sign up for WMZ Alerts.](#)
- Watch for updates on the orange electronic signage at the entrance of each neighborhood
- Follow the RMWB on Facebook and Twitter @RMWoodBuffalo
- Check [rmwb.ca](#)
- Contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or [rmwb.ca/pulse](#)

Seniors and Elders invited to Council's Holiday Luncheon



Mayor and Councillors are inviting Elders and community members who are 65 or older to join them for good food, great company and holiday cheer on Nov. 25 at the Quality Hotel & Conference Centre.

Event registration opens Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. Tickets are free but expected to go quickly, so don't wait to sign up once registration opens.

Location: Quality Hotel & Conference Centre

Date: Monday, Nov. 25, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Council's Holiday Luncheon will celebrate the contributions that seniors and Elders make to Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo.

Registration is required and easy to complete

There are multiple options for registration, and help is available for those requiring assistance:

- Register online for Council's Holiday Luncheon at maccalendar.ca
- If you need help registering, contact;
- Your local municipal rural office.
- Pulse at (780) 743-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663.

Transportation available for most rural attendees

Free transportation to the event is available from Anzac, Conklin, Fort McKay, Gregoire Lake Estates and Janvier. Any rural attendees needing transportation to the venue should declare this during registration, and transportation will be arranged.

For questions, please contact Pulse at 780-743-7000, or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663.



SAVE THE DATE!

Draper

WINTER SOCIAL

Join us for a Christmas celebration!
The night will be filled with music by
Winlock entertainment, a photobooth
by Moccasin Media, and dinner by the
Armoury Grill!




DECEMBER **12** 5:30 PM

LOCATION: ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
REGISTRATION OPENS NOVEMBER 1ST

TO REGISTER CALL: 780-838-6947

REGISTRATION CLOSES: DECEMBER 1ST





WOOD BUFFALO SENIOR'S SOCIAL

DECEMBER 3RD
12-3 PM

CONKLIN MULTIPLEX
TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE

**Come join us on December 3rd for a free holiday dinner
and bingo!**

To register:

Fort McMurray/Fort McKay: 780-792-1892

Janvier: 780-559-2230

Conklin: 780-559-2235

Anzac/468/GLE: 780-334-2298

REGISTRATION CLOSSES: NOVEMBER 25TH





IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

PULSE (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
COMMUNITY CONTACTS:		SOCIAL MEDIA:	
RCMP	780-788-4000	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION  @RMWOODBUFFALO  @RMWOODBUFFALO	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200		
HEALTH LINK	811		
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

To submit information to the newsletter please email:

ruralnewsletters@rmwb.ca

Deadline for December Newsletter submissions: **November 25, 2024**



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Call. Submit online.
 Real answers every time, all the time.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Perogy And Sausage Dinner Lady of the Rivers School 7-10 PM 	2 Pregnancy Health Information Fair AHS 10-4 PM
3  FALL	4	5 Abba Revisited Keyano Theater 7:30 PM	6	7	8 Cinema Cloud Session 9 PM 	9 Micisowin Farmers Market Holy Trinity 11-4 PM
10	11 Remembrance Day Municipal Office Closed 	12 Taylor Swift Tribute Keyano Theater 7:30 PM	13 Classified Welcome to the Maritimes Tour Keyano Theater 8 PM	14 Municipal Business License 101 Startup YMM 2-3 PM	15 	16 Festival of Trees Gala Mac Island 7 PM
17 Super Mom Hero Son Ball 2-4PM Daddy Daughter Sugar Plum Fairy Ball 6-8PM Mac Island	18	19	20	21	22 Christmas 2024 Trade show and Artisan Market Mac Island 	23 Christmas 2024 Trade show and Artisan Market Mac Island
24 Grinchmas Party Quality Inn 11-4 PM	25 Councils Senior/Elder Holiday Luncheon (Quality Inn)	26	27	28	29 Beaconhill Public School Christmas Market 10-3 PM 	30 Father Beaugard Christmas Market 10-3 PM