

July 2026

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YOUR LOCAL NEWSLETTER



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF **WOOD BUFFALO**

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Monday to Friday

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Closed:

Saturday/Sunday & Stat Holidays

Fitness Room Hours:

Monday to Sunday

9:00am-10:00pm

Stat Holidays: CLOSED

Regional Municipality of Wood
Buffalo
PO Box 343
Fort Chipewyan, AB
TOP 1B0

Youth Centre Hours

Summer Hours

Monday to Friday

9:00am-4:00pm

Saturday 1:00 -9:00pm

CLOSED Sunday & Stat Holidays

Ph: (780) 697-3829

Aquatic Centre Hours:

Monday & Tuesday: CLOSED

Wednesday-Saturday:

1:00pm-8:00pm

Sunday:

9:00am-4:00pm

Stat Holidays: CLOSED

Ph: 780-697-0196

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Wood Buffalo RURAL Community Connection!



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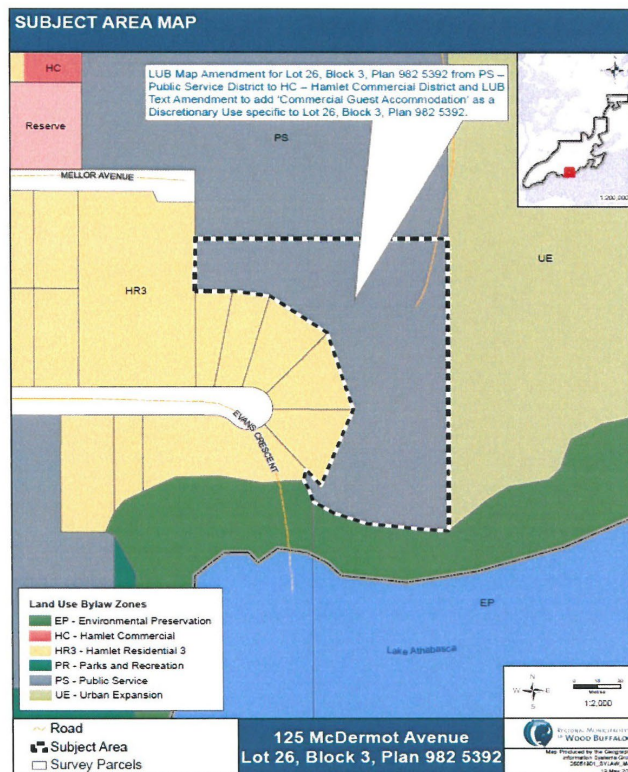


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo is expected to hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Jubilee Centre Council Chamber located on the 1st Floor at 9909 Franklin Avenue, Fort McMurray, Alberta, regarding the following matter:

Bylaw No. 26/021 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment to Redesignate Lot 26, Block 3, Plan 9825392 from PS – Public Service District to HC – Hamlet Commercial District and to include ‘Commercial Guest Accommodation’ as a Site-Specific Discretionary Use – Fort Chipewyan

Planning and Development Services has received an application to amend the Land Use Bylaw No. 26/001 to redesignate a portion of land described as Lot 26, Block 3, Plan 982 5392 (the “Subject Property”), known as 125 McDermont Avenue, located in Fort Chipewyan, from *PS-Public Service District* to *HC – Hamlet Commercial District* and to include a site-specific LUB amendment to add the use of “Commercial Guest Accommodation” as a discretionary use in the *HC – Hamlet Commercial District*. The proposed LUB amendment would allow for commercial guest accommodation on the site, alongside retail suitable for the hamlet area.



A copy of all related documents may be inspected between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday by contacting:

- Planning and Development Services
(1st Floor, Jubilee Centre, Fort McMurray)
permit.inquiries@rmwb.ca
780-743-7000
- Legislative Services
(7th Floor, Jubilee Centre, Fort McMurray)
legislative.assistants@rmwb.ca
780-743-7001
- Viewing on the Municipality’s website at
rmwb.ca/publicnotices.



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Participating in the Public Hearing:

- **If you would like to appear in-person before Council during the Public Hearing:**
 - You may register with Legislative Services prior to **12:00 noon, Monday, July 6, 2026** or prior to the start of the **Public Hearing in the Council Chamber**:
 - Register on-line at <https://forms.rmwb.ca/Mayor-and-Council/Public-Hearing>; or
 - Email Legislative.Assistants@rmwb.ca; or
 - Call Legislative Services at 780-743-7001.
 - Your registration must include your full name, organization name (if required), address, telephone number, email address and clearly indicate support or opposition to the bylaw.

- **If you would like to make a written submission for Council's consideration at the Public Hearing:**
 - You must submit any written materials to the Chief Legislative Officer prior to **12:00 noon, Monday, July 6 2025**.
 - Submit on-line at <https://forms.rmwb.ca/Mayor-and-Council/Public-Hearing>;
 - Email Legislative.Assistants@rmwb.ca.
 - Your submission must include your full name, organization name (if required), address, telephone number, email address and clearly indicate support or opposition to the bylaw.
 - It is at Council's discretion to accept submissions from those who have not submitted a request prior to the above noted timeline. Subject to Council's consent to speak at the Public Hearing, anyone who wishes to also distribute written material at the time of their presentation should bring 15 copies of their material for distribution.

We strive to host inclusive, accessible events that enable all individuals to engage fully. If you require an accommodation to participate, please include the details in your request to participate. Advanced notice is required as some accommodations can take time to arrange.

Please note written submissions are considered public documents, any information and materials you submit to Council for their consideration at the Public Hearing is added in its entirety to the agenda package, which is made available to the public and posted on the Municipality's website. Verbal submissions will have a maximum of 5 minutes to address Council. All submissions to the Public Hearing must be received prior to, or during, the Public Hearing. Submissions cannot be made following the conclusion of the Public Hearing.

DATED at Fort McMurray, Alberta this 18 day of June, 2026.

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2026 Annual Acquisition Program



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The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo invites professional artists with a regional connection to submit existing artwork for consideration for purchase.

Selected artworks will be placed into the Public Art Collection and displayed in municipal and public spaces throughout the region.

Submit artwork by July 30, 2026.

Learn more and submit artwork to rmwb.ca/BuyMyArt





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CAREER EXPLORATION DAYS

We will be hosting our annual Career Exploration Days for Indigenous summer students from all over the RMWB. Summer students from the RMWB's First Nations and Métis communities will be exposed to various careers in the trades, health, environment, and more through hands-on activities and visits with people from the field. These exciting events will occur on various days throughout July and August:

- **July 13:** Summer Students from Janvier
- **July 28:** Summer Students from Fort McKay
- **August 5:** Summer Students from Anzac
- **August 7:** Summer Students from Fort McMurray
- **August 12:** Summer Students from Fort Chipewyan
- **August 18:** Summer Students from Fort McKay
- **August 20:** Summer Students from Anzac
- **TBD:** Summer Students from Conklin

Please reach out to Michelle Oke (Career Coach) at moke@nextgen.org for any questions.

SUMMER INTERNSHIP UPDATES

We're excited to announce that beginning this fall, our high school internship program will expand to include opportunities throughout the school year. These placements will be designed to accommodate students' schedules, with opportunities available after school, on weekends, and during school breaks. We look forward to helping more students gain valuable workplace experience while balancing their academic commitments.

RAP UPDATES

Congratulations to the 96 students who successfully passed their RAP interviews in April. RAP is a very competitive program, and their hard work and commitment has truly paid off. With both returning and new participants, the program now includes 152 students preparing to gain valuable hands-on experience in their chosen fields for the upcoming 2026-2027 year. We also want to wish all local youth across the region the best of luck as they head into their summer placements. From Skilled Trades and Health to ICT, Forestry, and more, these internship opportunities are an exciting step toward building future careers.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

YOUNG WOMEN IN TRADES (YWITT) SUMMER CAMP

REGISTRATION IS FULL

June 29 - July 3 - Wood Buffalo
Must be entering grade 10-12 to attend

This free camp will expose young women to the skilled trades and technologies where they will experience hands-on activities and hear from other women.

PLEASE REACH OUT ANYTIME
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

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Free Library Cards & Delivery

Check out the latest books, movies, video games, and more with your free library card! Place hold requests online and we'll deliver your items weekly to your community. Free library cards also give you access to fantastic resources for language learning, studying, digital materials, and so much more! Visit wbrl.ca for more information.

Summer Reading Competition

Read to win this summer with Beanstack! Download the app, set up your account, and track each day you read this summer – it's that easy!

Readers 12 and under can choose to track their reading in a printed logbook! Logbooks are available at the Youth Centre or www.wbrl.ca/summer-at-wbrl.





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Aquatic Centre...

aquafit

with Jonny

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:00PM

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

AGES 16+



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July 2026 – Summer Fun

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Canada Day No Programming	2 Drop-in Programming	3 Drop-in Programming	
5	6 9:00 –10:00 Morning Crafts 10-11 Reading & Playtime 11-12 Gym Activity 1-2 Field Trip 2-4 Outdoor Activity	7 9-10 am Story Telling 10-11 Crafts 11-12 Gym Activity 1-2 Cultural Time 2-3 Outdoor Activity 3-4 Free Time	8 9-10 Show & Tell Hour 10-11 Reading & Play 11-12 Indoor Craft 1-3 Cooking Classes 3-4 Outdoor Chalk Fun	9 9-10 Circle Time 10-11 Crafts 11-12 Gym Fun 1-2 Baseball 2-4 Outdoor Activity	10 9:00—9:45 Story Time 9:45—Snack Time 10-11 Gym Activity 11-3 Dore Lake Day	11
12	13 9:00 –10:00 Morning Crafts 10-11 Reading & Playtime 11-12 Gym Activity 1-2 Field Trip 2-4 Outdoor Activity	14 9-10 am Story Telling 10-11 Crafts 11-12 Gym Activity 1-2 Cultural Time 2-3 Outdoor Activity 3-4 Free Time	15 9-10 Show & Tell Hour 10-11 Reading & Play 11-12 Indoor Craft 1-3 Cooking Classes 3-4 Outdoor Chalk Fun	16 9-10 Circle Time 10-11 Crafts 11-12 Gym Fun 1-2 Baseball 2-4 Outdoor Activity	17 9:00—9:45 Story Time 9:45—Snack Time 10-11 Gym Activity 11-3 Dore Lake Day	18
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Colouring Fun...





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Word Search Fun...

CANADA DAY

WORD SEARCH

FIND AND CIRCLE EACH WORD!




P	A	T	R	I	O	T	I	C
M	A	P	L	E	A	M	T	A
G	A	R	E	D	O	B	R	N
J	U	P	T	D	N	E	A	A
U	L	A	E	Y	T	A	K	D
L	U	E	R	S	F	V	N	A
Y	R	C	I	D	C	E	H	E
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| July | Beaver | White | Canada |
| Patriotic | Guard | Party | Free |
| Fireworks | Red | Maple | Fun |



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Canada Day 	2	3	4
5	6 Summer Fun Program Begins/Drop In Pickleball 6pm @ Youth Centre	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Wellness Wednesday	16	17 Metis Jamboree	18 Metis Jamboree
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

HAVE CHIP CHAT NEWS? CONTACT INFO...

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