



The Insider, June 1

Find out what's new at the RMWB on June 1, 2026

June is Recreation & Parks Month (JRPM)!

Each June, communities across Alberta celebrate **June is Recreation & Parks Month (JRPM)**, recognizing the important role recreation and parks play in supporting healthy people, vibrant communities, and quality of life.

This year's theme, **Recreation and Parks Matter** highlights the spaces, experiences, and connections that help us play, move, gather, recharge, and belong.

As part of JRPM, staff are encouraged to take part in the [75 Hour Recreation & Parks Challenge](#), an initiative from the [Alberta Recreation & Parks Association \(ARPA\)](#), which invites participants to spend 75 hours during the month of June enjoying recreation and park activities. **Join the challenge for a chance to win a \$500 Recreation & Parks Adventure Pack from ARPA!**

There are so many ways to enjoy recreation and park activities throughout the region! Log your hours while:

- Walking or hiking trails
- Cycling

- Outdoor adventures
- Playing sports
- Spending time in parks
- Arts and cultural activities
- Family recreation
- Wellness and active living activities

Throughout June, we'll also be highlighting **RMWB staff and the ways they recreate outside of work, showing how Recreation and Parks matter to them** in the Insider!

Stay tuned, get inspired, and let's see how many hours we can log together this month!

Want to know more about your pension plan?

Join us on Thursday, June 18 for a general overview of LAPP. We'll chat about contributions, buy backs, and retirement.

Date: Thursday, June 18

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Location: Training Room 206 & 207, Jubilee Centre.

Register through [Learn](#).

2026 property tax notices are in the mail

The **deadline** to pay property taxes without a late payment penalty is **Tuesday, June 30**.

Paying your 2026 property tax

Apart from mail, there are a variety of ways to pay your property taxes:

- At a bank/financial institution
- Through internet banking
- Online
- In-person at a municipal office

If you wish to pay monthly and do not have property taxes included in your mortgage, the RMWB also offers the Tax Installment Payment Plan (TIPP).

For the full list of options and payment details, visit rmwb.ca/taxes. If you do not receive your notice by June 7, please contact Pulse at 780-743-7000.

Helpful reminders

- Register online at taxassessment.rmwb.ca to access a copy of the property tax notice.
- If you recently moved / purchased a home, update your information with the Municipality by submitting a [Change of Address form](#).

June Jamboree + baseball? June 11 is shaping up to be a great day!

Now that it's June, we can really start counting down to **June Jamboree!**

Join us on **June 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at **Legacy Dodge Field, SMS Equipment Place.**

Get a sneak peek of the June Jamboree menu

BBQ Ranch Pasta Salad (GF)

- Farfalle pasta, black beans, red onions, bell peppers, cheese, ranch bbq sauce, cilantro

Fresh Garden Salad (V/GF)

- Mixed lettuce, seasonal fresh vegetables, assorted dressings

Spinach Cannelloni (V)

- Rose sauce, fresh basil Baked Potato (V/GF) Sour cream, green onion

Maple Baked Beans (V/GF)

- Slow cooked with maple and savory seasonings

BBQ Smoked Chicken Leg (GF)

- Peach BBQ Sauce
- Halal Chicken Legs available

BBQ Hamburgers & Veggie Burgers BBQ Hot Dogs

- Lettuce, cheddar cheese, onion, tomato, pickles, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, jalapeno
- Halal Beef Burgers available

Desserts

- Fresh fruit salad (V/GF)
- Individual ice cream cups (assorted flavors)

Cheer on the Fort McMurray Giants

Watch the Fort McMurray Giants play the Lethbridge Bulls - **for free** - at 7:05 p.m. on June 11.

Simply show your staff identification at the gate and you'll be admitted. Play ball!

Fort Chipewyan June Jamboree

Fort Chipewyan staff, please join us on June 12 from 12 to 3 p.m. at The Beach!

Meet the Community Cleanup Kickoff winners

Thank you again to all who took time out of their day last week to participate in the Community Cleanup Kickoff event!

Everyone who entered a cleanup selfie was entered to win 1 of 3 exciting prizes, which includes the choice of **a yeti mug, a hand-made mug, or a candle.**

Drum roll please...

The winners are:

- **Shoaib Syed!**
- **Matthew Harrison!**
- **Margo Firman!**

The winners will be contacted this morning to claim their prize!

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's Community Cleanup Kickoff and submitted photos!

What's new with People Changes?

Check out some of the moves and new hires we spotted in People Changes over the last few weeks!

Danielle Lo Bianco

Please join us in congratulating **Danielle Lo Bianco** on officially stepping into the role of **supervisor, Strategic Communications**, where she will lead the department's public engagement function.

Danielle brings years of experience supporting meaningful engagement work across the organization.

We are excited to see her continue growing in this leadership role. Congratulations, Danielle!

Nikki Hobbs

We are pleased to announce that **Nikki Hobbs** will be joining our team as the **Water Treatment Plant Supervisor** on May 29.

Many of you may already know Nikki through her work with UGS, where she has built strong relationships across the department and gained extensive operational experience. Nikki also brings a strong understanding of our distribution system, and her knowledge and background will be a great addition to the team as we continue enhancing our operations and services.

In addition to supporting day-to-day operations, Nikki will play an important role in sharing her experience and collaborating with the team to support continued growth and improvement within Water Treatment operations.

Please join us in welcoming Nikki to the team. We are excited to have her on board and look forward to the contributions she will bring in her new role.

Simplifying the People Changes process

We've streamlined the People Changes process!

- When you submit a post to People Changes, it will be posted **automatically**. No more waiting for approvals!
- We have created [templated messaging](#) for you in the updated guidelines to simplify the message writing process.

You can continue to use the [People Changes portal](#) on My RMWB. It will remain beside the Announcements tab on the intranet homepage.

Staff snapshots: Where we are & what we're up to

RES celebrates Paramedic Cadet graduation

On Friday, May 30, Regional Emergency Services celebrated the graduation of its first Paramedic Cadet class of 2026. The cadet program is a unique fully-funded opportunity that allows paramedics to earn their firefighting certifications while working.

RES leadership and training officers joined the class for a short ceremony and heard some heartfelt words from the class valedictorian **Aubra Cameron**. The graduates will now join the Fort McMurray Fire Department as probationary firefighter-paramedics.

Congratulations to all!

Bringing fresh insights from SocialWest

Strategic Communications staff, **Emily Smith**, **Dylan Corbett**, and **Caileigh Rhind**, attended the 10th annual SocialWest conference in Calgary last week, gaining valuable insights and inspiration.

"We're excited to bring these new ideas back to the Strat Comms team and put them into action!"

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