



COUNTY CONNECTION

COUNTY OF LETHBRIDGE NEWSLETTER ★ SPRING 2013

A message from the Reeve

Weather keeps us on our toes

Hello everyone, and welcome to the spring edition of the County Connection newsletter. The typical southern Alberta spring has allowed us to experience everything from summer like temperatures to chilly reminders of winter. The weather changes keeps us on our toes as we forge ahead into the summer months, and foremost on our mind, is maintaining our infrastructure to the best of our ability for all members of our community.

At the March 7 County Council meeting, By-Law #1394 Traffic Control By-Law was introduced. The bylaw proposes an amendment from Eighty (80) kilometres per hour on County of Lethbridge gravel surfaces to 60km per hour. It is important to state that this bylaw has only received first reading and is not law; for the bylaw to proceed to law it does require



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three readings.

We have received much feedback from interested ratepayers and businesses and that feedback has sparked a desire to begin a consultation process. Before any other readings of the bylaw are

considered we will endeavour to choose an independent, non-partisan facilitator to spearhead a discussion between a fair representation of County ratepayers, school board representatives, Council and administration. This consultation process may result in a different approach to the issues facing our infrastructure.

The intent of this entire process is a) safety and b) the preservation of the County's infrastructure.

There will be no further action until the consultation process with these community representatives is completed.

On March 25th Council held an information session at the Readymade Community Hall regarding the Etzikom to Picture Butte power line route proposals.

We believe that agriculture is a key component to the County and no matter what route is chosen, it will have impacts upon the

residents (see article on page 4).

Finally, please be aware that road bans are in place now. You can get updates on our website at www.lethcounty.ca, Twitter and Facebook.

Thank you to all of our County residents for continuing to keep us informed of what is important to them. It is our pleasure and honour to serve the community in this capacity as we move forward in these exciting times.

Wishing all of you a great spring! We hope the weather continues to cooperate so we can all seed on time and send our livestock to green pastures!

Thank you.

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a new website. Visit us at:

<http://lethbridgeairport.ca/>



ANNUAL INFORMATION MEETING OPEN HOUSE

The public is invited to attend the Annual Information Meeting
Open House for the County of Lethbridge

Presentation of the 2012 Audited Financial Statements
by the County's Auditor will take place at 6:00 p.m.

Question and Answer Session to follow

Also on hand will be the new Economic Development Officer
for the County of Lethbridge, Martin Ebel.

DATE: Thursday, May 2, 2013 ■ TIME: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: County Administration Building