



Council Highlights

April 15, 2025

2024 Audited Financial Statements: MNP, the Town's auditing firm, presented the 2024 Audited Financial Statements. Council adopted the statements, and they will be posted on the Town's website shortly.

2025 Operating and Capital Budgets Approved: Council approved the 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets, which maintain current service levels with **no increase to the Municipal Tax Rate**. Notably, the Town has kept the Tax Rate steady since 2013, with reductions in 2016 (5%) and 2020 (1.5%).

- Education Tax Increase: The Education portion, set by the province, will increase by approximately 7%. The municipality is required to collect this on the province's behalf.
- 2025 Operating Budget:
 - Operational budget revenue: \$8,656,291
 - Operating Expenses: \$7,815,691
 - Reserves: \$700,600
 - Future Capital Projects: \$150,000
- 2025 Capital budget: \$3,497,150

And on that note, Major Infrastructure Project Awarded: council awarded the contractor Firma Contracting Inc. for the almost \$2 million dollar project which includes a water line replacement on 102 Avenue (108 St to 110 St), a new storm sewer manhole, and a new sewer line on 103 Avenue (109 St to 111 St).

2025 Tax Rate Bylaw: The 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw will be presented at the May 6 council meeting. Once passed, Property Tax Notices will be prepared and sent to residents.

Kennel Survey Results: The public survey on Breeder and Hobby Kennels showed overwhelming opposition. Council will not move forward with a bylaw allowing such kennels. This is a great example of democracy in action—residents were consulted, and their voices guided the decision. Council appreciates respectful civic engagement and participation.

Nuclear Energy Planning Update: Energy Alberta shared early-stage plans for a nuclear power plant north of Peace River. For details and to provide feedback, visit the Nuclear Plant Planning Info and Comment Portal:

<https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/161290?culture=en-CA>

2025 Municipal Election – Key Dates

- If you're considering running for local council sign up to attend an informative webinar to learn about the experience of serving on council. The next upcoming session is May 5.

<https://www.abmunis.ca/events/municipal-election-webinar-small-mid-size-municipalities>

- September 9: Information session for prospective council candidates. More details [HERE](#).

<https://open.alberta.ca/publications/candidates-guide-running-for-local-elected-office-in-alberta>

General Information:

- More information on running for council can be found [HERE](#) or call the town office at 780-835-5461.

<https://www.fairview.ca/government/fairview-votes/>

Next Council Meeting: The next council meeting will be held on May 6, 2025.

Let's keep building our community together! Stay involved and stay informed!