

March 2024 Meetings

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 Council Meetings

Flagstaff County Council Meetings are conducted the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month commencing at 9 a.m. unless otherwise planned.

Council and Committee meeting agendas are available at the County's website at: flagstaff.ab.ca/council/meetings-and-minutes

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Council Highlights



Regular Council Meeting of March 13, 2024

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by Council. Council encourages its residents, businesses and stakeholders to keep in touch with Council news.

Revised — Policy PW 016 — Road Classification and Level of Service

Council approved PW 016 Road Classification and Level of Service Policy as revised. Council rescinded PW 002 Dust Suppressant Policy as guidelines have been integrated into PW 016 Road Classification and Level of Service Policy. Flagstaff County policies are to be reviewed every three years, or sooner if they require revisions due to changes in programming or legislation.

Unauthorized use of Undeveloped Rights-of-Way and Gate Complaint

Council approved to advise two County residents that their submitted concerns regarding unauthorized use of municipal rights-of-way and gates on road allowances do not meet our criteria to take any enforcement action.

Purchase of 2025 Class 8 Highway Tractor

Council accepted the quote provided from Glover International Trucks Ltd. for the purchase of a 2025 International HX620 Class 8 Highway Tractor, totalling \$216,921.25 plus GST.

Bridge File 01459 Replacement

Council approved to replace the existing bridge for Bridge File #01459 with a 6-metre single span SL-510 girder bridge for a total estimated cost of \$944,000 to be funded by MSI Capital. A geotechnical site investigation and preliminary engineering for the bridge, located south of Lougheed, were completed to explore alternative replacement/repair options, including the installation of a large diameter culvert. Following a thorough assessment of the options and associated risks, the favoured recommendation was to replace the current bridge with a 6-meter single span SL-510 girder bridge.

Purchase of 2024 Articulated Compact Wheel Loader

Council accepted the quote provided by Rocky Mountain Equipment for the purchase of a 2024 Case 221F Articulated Compact Wheel Loader, inclusive of a backup camera and an extra 5 Year, 3,500-hour Premier Warranty, totalling \$142,045.00 plus GST.

2024 Revision to the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan

Council approved the 2024 revision to the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan, as presented. The revised plan provides a comprehensive framework that guides the actions, decisions, and priorities of the municipality, while aiding in achieving its vision. The strategic plan is used to develop the operational tactical plan, which assists staff in achieving Council's goals.

Once approved, the full Council Meeting minutes can be found at www.flagstaff.ab.ca under the "Council" tab and in the "Meetings and Minutes" section.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

A special Council meeting has been scheduled for

9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 27

in Council Chambers at the Flagstaff County Administration Building.

This meeting is to review the previous year's programs and services, as part of the 2025-2028 Business Plan and Budget process.



Flagstaff County's Vision and Principles:

Vision: At Flagstaff County, we envision a vibrant and sustainable regional community that preserves our rural essence and enhances the quality of life for all residents.

Principles: Our Council has established three fundamental principles that guide our actions and decision-making **collaboration, Fiscal Leadership & environmental Responsibility.**

Flagstaff County is unwavering in our dedication to these principles, and they form the foundation of our work. Join our team and contribute to the betterment of our community while upholding these core values.

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Interested candidates are encouraged to submit their application and resume by mail, fax or email quoting the position.

Thank you to all applicants for their interest in Flagstaff County; however only those chosen for an interview will be contacted.

Flagstaff County is recruiting for the following seasonal position:

Agricultural Inspector

Responsibilities:

- Inspection of Flagstaff County rights-of-way and private property for noxious and prohibited weeds.
- Maintain inspection records.
- Assist with grasshopper and clubroot surveys.
- Herbicide application with backpack sprayer and small handgun sprayer.
- General maintenance of vehicles and equipment.
- Maintain an organized, tidy and safe work environment.
- Follow all safety guidelines and wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- Responsible for ensuring compliance with Flagstaff County policies, the Healthy and Safety Program and the Human Resources guidelines and procedures.
- Assist with other duties and responsibilities that include shelterbelt, re-vegetation programs and additional assistance with maintenance of county lands as assigned from time to time by the Supervisor.

Qualifications:

- Valid Class 5 Drivers License and clean drivers' abstract.
- Ability to work individually and in a group.
- Ability to communicate with the public.
- Ability to understand/read/navigate rural addresses.
- Able to operate basic computer equipment.
- Physical fitness to endure heavy lifting and extensive walking.
- Experience in weed and plant identification and control methods.
- Excellent record-keeping skills.
- Pesticide Applicator or Authorized Assistant Certificate would be an asset but not required.
- Agricultural background would be an asset.

All candidates are required to undergo and pass a drug and alcohol screening as a condition of employment.

Position Type: One position (May—August)
Rate of Pay: \$27.70 - \$31.19 per hour
Hours of Work: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (some overtime may be required)
Closing Date: Until suitable candidate is found
Contact : Agricultural Services Department (780)-384-4100

Count yourself in!

2024 Municipal Census

Help us to serve you better.



Flagstaff County will be conducting a census starting May 1 to determine population location to set electoral boundaries and help support other municipal services.

Residents will be receiving a code in late April to participate in the census online.

We strongly encourage you to use the online census portal as this will help reduce the cost of the census.

Census enumerators will begin May 22 visiting properties that did not submit online. Stay tuned for further details.

Pollinator Habitat Establishment Program

Back this year!

100% of all costs covered for County residents!

Applications are now being accepted. Please visit: bit.ly/FlagstaffPollinatorProgram for more details.



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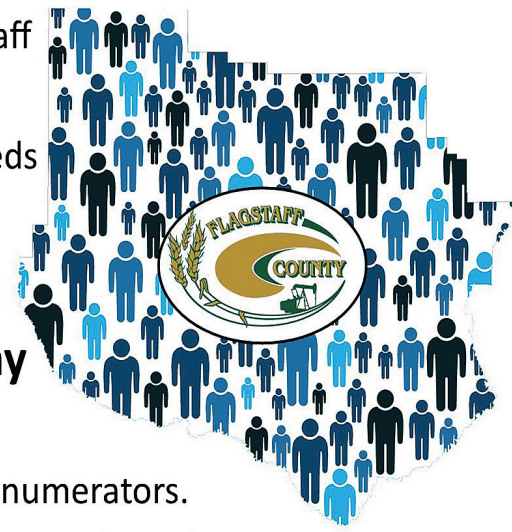
2 to 4 p.m. on April 2, 2024
Flagstaff County Admin. Building

Enumerators wanted

Interested in helping Flagstaff County get the information we need to plan for the needs of our community?

Become a Census Enumerator from May 22 to June 27, 2024.

Training is provided for all enumerators. Compensation will be \$25/hour, plus mileage and a potential bonus. For more information on compensation, skills required, working hours and to apply, please visit: flagstaff.ab.ca/employment for full details.



Complete our 2025 Business Plan Survey and you could win \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks!

As part of the development of our 2025 Business Plan, we are seeking public input on our current programs and levels of service. Please take a few moments to complete this survey and then enter our draw for \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks!

Name: _____

Email address: _____

1 What age category do you belong to?

- Under 18 50-64
 18-29 65+
 30-49

2 What is your connection to Flagstaff County?

- Primary residence
 Reside and own a business
 Reside and own a farm
 Own a business and live elsewhere
 Not a property owner within the Flagstaff County municipality

3 How long have you owned property in Flagstaff County?

- Not applicable 2-10 years
 Less than 2 years Over 10 years

Communications

Electronic Media

Flagstaff County leverages digital platforms and multimedia channels to disseminate information, engage audiences, and enhance brand visibility.

4 Which of the following describes how you view the Electronic Media program?

- Critical Important Desirable

5 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County leverage electronic media channels (website, social media, podcasts) effectively to foster dynamic communication, engagement and outreach?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Print Media

Flagstaff County utilizes traditional print channels to deliver targeted messages, promotional materials, and informative content to specific audiences.

6 Which of the following describes how you view the Print Media program?

- Critical Important Desirable

7 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County produce compelling print materials that effectively inform, educate, and engage residents?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Public Participation

Flagstaff County promotes inclusive decision-making processes by engaging community members, stakeholders, and residents in meaningful dialogue, collaborative workshops, and feedback mechanisms.

8 Which of the following describes how you view the Public Participation program?

- Critical Important Desirable

9 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County enhance communication and community connection by creating compelling print materials that effectively inform, educate, and engage residents?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Economic Development

Small Business Exposure

Flagstaff County offers branding support and features a business from the Flagstaff Region each month with a Flagstaff County produced video and story.

10 Which of the following describes how you view the Small Business Exposure program?

- Critical Important Desirable

11 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County facilitate connections between entrepreneurs and consumers by increasing the visibility and exposure of local businesses?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Business Resources

Flagstaff County offers a suite of support services including mentorship, training,

networking opportunities, and access to resources, designed to empower entrepreneurs and small business owners at every stage of their journey.

12 Which of the following describes how you view the Business Resources program?

- Critical Important Desirable

13 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County support the growth and success of local enterprises by offering a wide range of resources and services tailored to the needs of businesses?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Protective Services

Patrol Services

Flagstaff County's peace officers observe traffic, conduct traffic stops and issue warnings or provincial tickets as necessary to ensure compliance with the Traffic Safety Act. Flagstaff County provides traffic enforcement services for the urban municipalities within the County through agreements.

14 Which of the following describes how you view the Patrol Services program?

- Critical Important Desirable

15 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County create a safe and secure environment for all road users by maintaining a visible presence and diligently patrolling gravel roads and highways?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Agriculture

Vegetation Management on Municipal Lands

Flagstaff County employs proactive strategies to maintain lands under municipal ownership including rights-of-way.

16 Which of the following describes how you view the Vegetation Management program?

- Critical Important Desirable

17 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County sufficiently address overgrowth and invasive species through managing roadside

vegetation?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Water Loading Stations

Flagstaff County provides access to bulk water supply for agricultural use at various locations.

18 Which of the following describes how you view the Water Loading Stations program?

- Critical Important Desirable

19 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County provide easy and reliable access to bulk water that meets the needs of agricultural stakeholders?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Transportation

Gravel Road Maintenance

Flagstaff County maintains the condition of our gravel roads through grading, pothole filling, and drainage improvements across nine (9) maintenance areas with a heightened focus on the arterial road network.

20 Which of the following describes how you view the Gravel Road Maintenance program?

- Critical Important Desirable

21 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County provide well-maintained gravel road infrastructure, promote efficient transportation and elevate the overall quality of our community's road network through the systematic grading of roads that provides a consistent and smooth driving surface in all seasons?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Dust Suppressant

Flagstaff County mitigates dust and stabilizes gravel roads in front of residences on arterial roads and other strategic locations.

22 Which of the following describes how you view the Dust Suppressant program?

- Critical Important Desirable

23 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County create a more comfortable, environmentally friendly, and durable road network by applying a dust suppressant that mitigates dust, stabilizes the road surface, and improves air quality while ensuring a smoother and safer travel experience?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Service Request Management

Flagstaff County processes complaints and service requests through streamlined communication channels and systematic tracking.

24 Which of the following describes how you view the Service Request (complaint) program?

- Critical Important Desirable

25 In your opinion, does Flagstaff County deliver sufficient response to complaints through timely responses and effective solutions?

- 1 2 3
 Not satisfied Satisfied

Thank you!

Your feedback is valued.

Don't forget to please include your name and email address to be eligible for the draw for \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks.

Then drop off or mail your completed survey to:

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There are two more ways you can earn an entry in our draw for \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks!



Brainstorm Board

Submit an innovative idea on our online Brainstorm Board and you will earn another entry in the draw for \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks! Visit: flagstaff.ab.ca for more information.

Coffee with your Councillor

Stop by the Flagstaff County Administration Building between 2 and 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, for Coffee with your Councillor and you will earn yet another entry in the draw for \$500 in Flagstaff Bucks!