

**M.D. OF PROVOST NO. 52
NEWSLETTER 2009**

PENALTIES ON TAXES

2009 penalty dates are Nov. 2/2009 – 5% on current
Feb. 1/2010 – 15% on arrears

GENERAL ASSESSMENT

The 2009 Assessment and Tax Notices will be sent together. **Please watch for them in June or early July.** Assessments are now updated annually based on changes to market conditions, etc. within the municipality.

TAX NOTICES

Tax Notices are sent to the owner of the land that is stated on the registered title at the time of preparation of notices. A tax notice is deemed to have been received 7 days after it is sent. If your mailing address has changed, it is up to you to notify the MD office. **If you do not receive a tax notice for your property, it is your responsibility to contact the MD office.** Non payment of taxes will result in penalties added and eventually sale of land under the Municipal Government Act.

BUILDING, ELECTRICAL, GAS AND PLUMBING PERMITS

The MD of Provost No. 52 administers the Safety Codes Act of Alberta in the disciplines of Building, Electrical, Gas and Plumbing. Permits may be obtained from the Municipal Administration Office.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

Control of Development

No development shall be undertaken within the municipality, other than that designated in Section 7 of the MD's Land Use Bylaw, unless an application for it has been approved and a development permit has been issued. For the designations in Section 7 please contact the MD office.

Application for a Development Permit

An application for development permit shall be made to the Development Officer in writing, and shall be accompanied by:

- (a) a site plan showing the legal description and the front, rear and side yards if any, and any provision for off-street vehicle parking, and entry and exit points to and from the site;
- (b) floor plans and elevations and sections of any proposed buildings;
- (c) any other reasonable information that the Development Officer/Municipal Planning Commission deems is necessary to render a decision on the application;
- (d) a development permit fee as established by resolution of Council.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF ROAD ALLOWANCES

The M.D. of Provost No. 52 would like to remind its residents that the title to all road allowances within the M.D., **whether presently in use as a roadway or not**, is vested in the Crown in Right of Alberta and that the M.D. has the direction, control and management of all roadways within the M.D. except provincial highways. Any unauthorized use presently being made of road allowances within the M.D. by anyone does not give the user any right to continued use or to compensation in the event that a decision is made to develop the road allowance as a roadway.

GRAVELLING

Effective March 26, 2009 the Gravel Approach Policy is no longer in effect.

SNOWPLOW POLICY

Please remember if you wish to have your lane snowplowed this winter pick up a "Custom Work" agreement at the M.D. office or from your grader operator as soon as possible. The agreements are valid for 3 years. **For those renting, both yourself and the owner are required to sign the agreement.**

If you plow your own lane, please do not leave any ridges or piles on the M.D. road as it creates a hazard to the travelling public.

The MD has the right to refuse the snowplowing and lane maintenance agreement if so deemed unfeasible after inspection of the site.

SNOWPLOWING

Do you think we forgot you? It may take three or four days to get your roads open after a snowstorm. School bus routes and main roads will be done first. If you have a lane maintenance agreement, the lane may be done later.

ROAD SIGNS

Traffic signs are erected to maintain safety on our roads. Please notify the M.D. office immediately if you see any signs down, missing or in need of repair. We need your help to assist us in keeping an accurate record of the signs and keep them in good condition. It is illegal to erect signs of any kind on the road allowance without receiving consent from the Municipal District.

DON'T LITTER

Dumping of garbage on road allowances, in road ditches and along unused road allowances is prohibited. This includes ROCKS. Help keep our M.D. clean. All loads to transfer sites and the landfill are to be tarped and secure.

DUST CONTROL

To assist those wanting dust control on the municipal road used by the general public which runs past their house.

- (1) It is the policy to offer applied calcium chloride or oil as a means of dust control to resident ratepayers at 25% of product cost for the initial application (deadline date of May 15 of each year). Late requests will not be accepted, no exceptions. Applications will be accepted for a minimum distance of 500 feet and up to a maximum of 1000 feet per site.

The applicant recognizes roadways are subject to seasonal weather changes, traffic volume and vehicle weight. Dust controls will be maintained as required at the discretion of the MD of Provost. This impacts the effectiveness and life expectancy of the dust suppressant. Applicants may apply for a second application (of calcium chloride) at the same rate as the initial application (25% of product cost) to be received by July 31 of the same year. Late requests will not be accepted, no exceptions. Note: All calcium dust controls will be bladed in the spring.

The MD will guarantee the dust control will be done in the current year, if the initial application for dust control is received before the deadline of May 15 of each year. The MD also has the right to refuse the application of dust control if so deemed unfeasible after inspection of the site.

The ratepayers acknowledge and agree that the MD makes no guarantee as to the life expectancy of the material process.

Please call the MD Administration Office if you would like your name on the list for # (1).

- (2) Ratepayers will be allowed to apply sweet sales oil for dust control providing there is no cost to the M.D. All work will be under the supervision of the Director of Public Works and requests must be in writing. The M.D. reserves the right to maintain all dust control areas as deemed necessary. No municipal machinery shall be used to spread this oil for ratepayers.

PROPERTY ACCESS BRUSHING POLICY

Property Access on Brushed-In 66 ½' Right-of-Ways

- If the landowner requests access that would provide a through road on a brushed-in 66 ½' right-of-way, the M.D. at its discretion may provide it, if all adjacent landowners agree in writing to accept and stockpile the brush beyond the 66 ½' right-of-way.
- No fencing compensation will be paid.
- Scheduling will be done at the M.D.'s convenience.

** Any variation to the above are subject to the approval of the M.D. of Provost Council.

USED OIL

Used oil can be disposed of at the Hughenden Transfer Site and the Landfill. Used oil filters and plastic oil containers can be disposed of at the Landfill or any Transfer Site. There is a small amount of Revenue for the Waste Management Authority for these items.

AMBULANCE

Provost and District Ambulance are currently seeking donations to assist with upgrading ambulance equipment. For more information or to make a donation contact Pat Perkins, Ambulance Coordinator at 753-3314. All donations are tax deductible.

PROVOST NEWS CIRCULATION

It is the policy of the M.D. of Provost No. 52, under Bylaw 764, to circulate the Provost News in which the M.D. reports to all **ratepayers** who do not already subscribe.

Those wishing to receive the Provost News must contact the M.D. office. It is not necessary to contact the M.D. office if you already receive a regular subscription.

BURNING BRUSH

Please notify the local Fire Chief and if burning along a roadway erect "Smoke" signs. Signs are available from the MD Director of Public Works.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

The MD will supply a certificate on special occasions if requested by the family. Call the MD office to make your requests.

DUGOUTS

Dugouts are considered as development and therefore must comply with setback regulations. As stated in the Land Use Bylaw, there is to be no development within 40 metres of the center line of any municipal road allowance. Any excavation or stockpiles within the 40 metre setback are considered non-conforming and are not permitted.

Please contact the MD office if unsure as to policy regarding development.

MOVING CATTLE

Cattle Moving Signs are now available at both the Provost and Hughenden Shops. Call the Director of Public Works (209-1717) to make sure they are available. The Peace Officer may also be available to help notify traffic that a move is in process. He can be reached at 753-1981.

A SLOW DOWN REMINDER - 30 Km/hr.

School Zone Times (School Days Only)

8:00 am – 9:30 am

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Playground Zones (Everyday)

8:30 am to 1 hour after sunset

In rural and urban areas:

Red flashing lights on a school bus means **STOP** (this means traffic from both directions)

Amber flashing lights on a school bus means **SLOW DOWN AND BE PREPARED TO STOP**

Failure to follow this legislation can result in a fine plus demerits

The bus driver may take the license plate number and the registered owner can be charged

***FOR MORE INFO. CHECK OUT THE MD OF PROVOST'S WEBSITE AT
www.mdprovost.ca***

**M.D. OF PROVOST NO. 52
FIRE PERMITS
2008 – 2009
(Updated October 27, 2008)**

Fire permits are required year round.

Fire permits are available from the Fire Chiefs, Deputy Fire Chiefs
and the Fire Marshall.

Fire Chiefs, Deputy Fire Chiefs and Fire Marshall

Provost Fire Chief	Barry Johnstone	Bus. 753-2018 Res. 753-2830 Cell: 753-1454
Provost Deputy Fire Chief	Neil Whiting	Bus. 753-4900 Res. 753-2795
Provost Fire Marshall	Wilf Nett	Res. 753-2751
Czar Fire Chief	Jacqueline Manning	Res. 857-2286 Cell 209-0732
Czar Deputy Fire Chief	Chuck Higgins	Bus. 857-3766 Res. 857-2069
Czar Deputy Fire Chief	Mark Almberg	Res. 857-2258
Amisk Fire Chief	Rick Damberger	Bus. 753-6888 Res. 856-3799
Amisk Deputy Fire Chief	Roger Waring	Cell 209-2158
Hughenden Fire Chief	Brian Cooper	Res. 856-2057
Hughenden Deputy Fire Chief	Cory Lefebvre	Res. 856-2009

Fire permit holders must:

Notify the Fire Chief or Deputy Fire Chief in the appropriate area when burning (year round) in order to alleviate any unnecessary fire calls.

Notify the Fire Chief or Deputy Fire Chief before starting and extinguishing a fire.

MD #52 PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS

CADOGAN 780-753-6933	Tuesday Thursday	1:00 pm – 4:30 pm 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
BODO 780-753-6079	Tuesday Thursday Friday	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm 9:00 am – 3:00 pm 8:00 am – 4:00 pm or request a key for access @753-6323
HUGHENDEN 780-856-2435	1 st Tuesday 3 rd Tuesday Other Tuesdays Thursday	11:00 am – 1:00 pm and 1:30 pm – 6:30 pm 11:00 am – 1:00 pm and 1:30 pm – 6:30 pm 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm 9:00 am – 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm
CZAR 780-857-2223	Wednesday	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
AMISK 780-628-5457	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	9:30 am – 4:30 pm (closed 12 – 1 pm) 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm 9:30 am – 4:30 pm (closed 12 – 1 pm)
PROVOST 780-753-2801	Monday to Thurs. Friday & Sat.	1:00 pm – 8:00 pm 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Free internet accessibility: Cadogan, Bodo, Hughenden, Amisk, Czar & Provost

