

Town of Duck Lake

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Ensuring Community Safety in Duck Lake

The Town of Duck Lake is committed to keeping our community safe. We're excited to announce a new partnership with Twin River Partners through our Community Safety Program. This initiative introduces a Community Safety Officer (CSO) to our area.

CSOs are appointed as special constables, which allows them to provide essential safety services within our jurisdiction. Their role includes unarmed enforcement of provincial laws, statutes, and local bylaws, focusing on low-risk situations.

This collaboration not only enhances our safety but also offers significant cost savings for the Town of Duck Lake. We believe this partnership will greatly benefit our community by improving safety while managing expenses effectively.

The total start-up cost is divided evenly among the five participating communities, which is a fair approach for shared project. For the Town of Duck Lake, the initial estimate is \$25,000. The initial costs projected have since gone down and if any additional communities join the project our cost will be reduced further. The potential increase of revenue generation is forecasted at 50%.

Road Repairs

The Town of Duck Lake is actively seeking permanent solutions to improve the condition of our roads. Like many small towns, we are addressing issues such as potholes, damaged asphalt, and drainage concerns.

We are currently in the consultation phase and are working towards developing a comprehensive action plan.

The current year budget is sufficient, and we are exploring options to make better use of those funds.

Animal Control Agreement

The Town of Duck Lake has just finalized an Animal Control Agreement to address the increase in animal-related complaints we've received over the past year. This agreement will enable the town to enforce its bylaws more effectively concerning animal matters.

With the new agreement, the Town of Duck Lake's bylaws will be actively applied to manage and resolve issues related to animal control. We are committed to ensuring a safer and more harmonious environment for all residents and their pets.



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Doctor Residence

The Town of Duck Lake was approached by Twin Rivers regarding funding for renovations to a doctor's residence in Rosthern. After careful consideration, the Town had decided not to participate in this project.

This decision was influenced by our current commitment to assisting the George Gauthier Foundation with upgrading the Duck Lake Clinic, as we work towards reopening the clinic with a new doctor. We believe that focusing our resources on this critical local project is in the best interests of our community.

Rosthern Hospital

The Town of Duck Lake is actively involved in the Rosthern Hospital Project, working alongside neighboring communities and various foundations. We are pleased to report that commitments to the project (Memorandum of Understanding – dated January 25, 2017) are progressing as planned.

Recently, the future site for the new hospital was announced, which is a significant milestone. Having accessible healthcare close to our community is an asset, and we are excited about the benefits this new facility will bring.

Landfill Closure Update

The Town of Duck Lake is actively advancing its Landfill Closure project. This undertaking is divided into two phases:

Landfill Closure and Decommissioning Planning Project (Phase One)
Landfill Closure and Decommissioning (Phase Two)

We are currently in the first phase, focused on planning and preparing for the full closure and decommissioning of the landfill. The project is progressing as scheduled, and we are pleased to report that the Town has applied for grant funds to support this important work.

Cost-Sharing

We endeavour to cost share with other Twin River communities and beyond whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Arena/Skating Rink

This summer's windstorm significantly impacted our community arena, causing considerable damage. Thankfully, the structure has been stabilized, and we are currently working with engineers to determine the best course of action for repairs. Unfortunately, it appears that the arena will not be operational for the 2024/2025 season. We appreciate the community's patience and support during this challenging time as we work towards restoring this important facility.