



News from Planning & Economic Development

In March the Planning & Economic Development Department had a steady month. For any questions, please contact planning@taber.ca.



Planning News

Building Permit Statistics

We're very pleased with how comparable our [building permit statistics](#) have been compared to last year. Let us know what you think of our stats. We are going to start posting our statistics one month behind. This news letter is showing February, next news letter will show March.

Transportation Survey

The Town did a transportation questionnaire to find out about who travels for work or doctors appointments. It provided us information on how many people who live in Town travel to Lethbridge, or how many people from outside of town travel into Taber. After the survey was online for two weeks, it received a total of 105 participants. To see the results, please follow this link.



Economic Development News

Taber Economic Development is pleased to welcome the following businesses to the town:

- Surreal Float
- Campbell, Rhonda - Massage Technician
- Hyper Tech Ltd.

Wanting to Start a New Business?

The Town of Taber is now partnered with BizPaL to help entrepreneurs start up businesses. The [link](#) can now be found on the Town of Taber website under Planning - [Starting a Business](#).

Taber Economic Development also published a [Local Intel](#) tool that serves as a one-stop-shop for all information regarding Taber's economic climate. Check out the [Growing In Taber](#) website for more information.

Emergency Services Building Relocation

At the March 12, 2018 Council meeting, the Town of Taber Council has accepted the [Open House Feedback Report](#) as information. This report has all questions and answers from both the open house held on February 13th and the online/ paper feedback forms.

The Town has all HIRF / Emergency Services Building reports published to their website including: the [HIRF Report](#), the [Benefits to Administration report](#) and now the [Open House Feedback Report](#).

Volunteer Board / Committee / Commission Vacancies

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

- 2 Residents of the Town of Taber **Municipal Planning Commission** - 1 Residents of the Town of Taber

If you have interest (or know of anyone who would be interested) please follow the [link](#) to download an application form.

Did you know?

At the last Council meeting, Council passed changes to the Nuisance Bylaw 6-2018 regarding water, eavestroughs and downspouts :

1. No owner or occupiers of a Premises shall allow a flow of water from a hose or similar device including sump pump discharge on the Premises to be directed towards an adjacent premises if it is likely that the water from the hose or similar device will enter the adjacent Premises.

Taber Economic Development is pleased to release our Year in Review for 2017. This report highlight's economic development activities in Taber including: building permits and construction values, housing starts, population growth, and an overview of Alberta and Canada's economic performance. You can view the report [here](#).

SouthGrow 2018 Summit

The Taber Economic Development Department attended the 2018 SouthGrow Economic Summit. The keynote speech "Everything is about to Change" was delivered by Doug Griffith and highlighted how changes in technology will impact municipal policies in the future. This was followed by a facilitated workshop hosted by Doug to build the foundations for SouthGrow's upcoming strategic plan. Representatives from almost all of SouthGrow's membership were in attendance and the workshop was very engaging. SouthGrow representatives decided that moving forward SouthGrow will brand itself as the "Technologically - Sophisticated Agricultural Heartland" and develop initiatives to support this stratgic direction.

Partner in Conservation



Town of Taber and MD of Taber Beautification Program by Community Futures

Community Futures is offering the opportunity to receive a beautification loan and grant to enhance the appearance of a business. The program provides an incentive for local business owners to invest in façade renovations and interior upgrades. Businesses may be eligible to receive an interest free loan up to a maximum of \$8,000 along with a grant up to a maximum of \$2,000.

Contact Community Futures Chinook at (403)388-2923 or stop by at 5324-48 Avenue, Taber to apply and receive the complete program guidelines. Grant funds are limited!

Planning Humor



The Town of Taber and Economic Development are excited to announce that the Town has become a Corporate Partner in Conservation with the Alberta Conservation Association.

\$1.4 Billion Climate Innovation Fund

Minister Bilous, Minister Phillips and Minister McQuaig-Boyd announced the [Climate Innovation Fund](#) and in it the \$144.4 million for programs under the Climate Change Innovation and Technology Framework, an overarching guide for the investment of funds for innovation and clean technology (“clean innovation”) from the pricing of carbon emissions. The framework advances Alberta’s innovation agenda to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, while contributing to our economic growth and diversification. The framework and the supporting programs were developed through Science and Innovation in collaboration with other EDT divisions, ministries, agencies, post-secondary institutions and the federal government.

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Taber Economic Development

We are pleased to support our local developers in town by showing you all the progress that has been made in both Westview Estates and Prairie Lake Estates subdivisions. Below you will find a map of Westview, currently on phase 6 in development.



Prairie Lake Estates is currently on phase 2a and 2b working its way to phase 4 construction set to commence in early spring with lots of all sizes available in summer 2018. South Alta Trading Co. has been a strong advocate for affordable housing within Taber over the course of their residential subdivision. Please contact Jon with any inquiries 403-915-8023.



LEGEND

- Phase 2
- Phase 3
- Future Development
- Existing Development
- Green Space
- Phase Boundaries
- Green Space Trees
- Pathway
- Driveway Locations TBD

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