



News from Planning & Economic Development

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



Planning News

Contractors Meeting

A contractors meeting on November 15th had discussion topics such as this news letter, courses the contractors would like to see happen in town, a home and garden show, and foundation elevations. If you have questions regarding what was discussed, please contact the planning department.



Economic Development News

New Business Licenses

Taber Economic Development would like to welcome the following new business in the town from the month of November:

- Suggestion Therapy Clinic

World Town Planning Day - November 8, 2017

The Taber Planning Department visited two schools on November 8th during World Town Planning Day to discuss what planning is, what planners do and have them participate in planning activities. DA Ferguson grade 6 social studies class participated in planning the Taber Trout Pond Project. St. Mary's grade 9 social studies class participated in planning Taber's Downtown.



Ideas the grade 6 classes had regarding Trout Pond:

- Bridge over the pond to get to the other side quickly
- Tackle/bait shop
- Rental shop for canoes, fishing rods, etc.
- history signs along the walking trail
- Costco (because you can buy canoes and kayaks there)
- sand beach

Pop Up Shop!

'TIS THE SEASON TO #SHOPLOCAL!

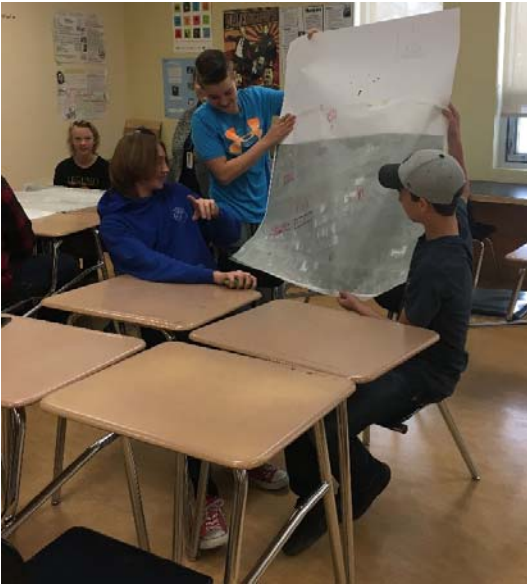
POP UP SHOP
4702 52 Street

Multiple businesses in one building!
Santa Claus visit: Saturday @ 6-8pm with cookies & hot chocolate!

WED. DECEMBER 13 | 4-8PM
THUR. DECEMBER 14 | 11-6:30PM
FRI. DECEMBER 15 | 11-8PM
SAT. DECEMBER 16 | 10-8PM
SUN. DECEMBER 17 | 10-3PM

In the continuation of undertaking initiatives encouraging a vibrant downtown and creating conditions for business success and economic development in the community, Taber Economic Development (TED) has partnered with a student from

- dock
- dirt bike trail
- a swimming area
- change rooms / washrooms
- camping areas for tents and trailers



Ideas the grade 9 classes had regarding the Downtown:

- Corn shaped benches
- Corn shaped light posts
- A shopping mall on the vacant land close to the train tracks along highway 3
- Sport stores like sport chek
- Beautify the existing buildings with new paint / siding
- Roof top patios for the downtown restaurants
- Movie theatre

the University of Lethbridge's Applied Studies Program to complete a study on the impacts of pop up shop style businesses in Taber. Building off this project, TED also partnered in a pilot project with some local home based businesses to open up a week long pop up shop in a vacant downtown store from (4702 52 Street) from December 13th to the 17th. There will be multiple businesses in one building selling anything from home décor, soaps, and signs, to jewelry, clothing and paintings. On Saturday the 16th the pop up shop will host Santa Claus between 6-8pm while serving hot chocolate and cookies. Through an online and paper survey for all shoppers and vendors, TED is looking to gather important insight from the community on the initiative. This year when you're starting or finishing your holiday shopping, please #ShopLocal and #SupportSmallBusiness.

Community Project Funding!

Do you have a community project, but need funding support? The Aviva Community Fund is back, and they have a new category - Community Legacy. [Check it out!](#)

Did you know?



That when doing renovations or demolition on a pre-1990's home there are potential dangers of asbestos exposure? There are 24 different sources of asbestos that could be found in a home. Check out this great interactive tool to find these hazards at <https://www.asbestoshouse.ca/>.

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.

Financial support is available for Alberta's communities, regions and municipalities for initiatives that help promote long-term economic growth. THE CARES program will run from 2016 to 2018 and fund initiatives that create a measurable impact and align with one or more of the following program outcomes:

- improving local business environment and/or regional economic collaboration
- increasing support for entrepreneurs and small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to grow and succeed
- enhancing support for businesses and industries that provide diversification to a community or a region
- increasing investment that drives high-value job creation.

Applications for the third intake will be accepted from October 1 to November 30, 2017. For more information about CARES, go to

<https://www.alberta.ca/community-regional-economic-support-program.aspx>

A number of new programs and services for businesses have been developed as part of the Alberta Jobs Plan.

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!



- [Small Business Incubators](#) – APEX SE Alberta
- [Alberta Investor Tax Credit \(AITC\)](#)
- [Capital Investment Tax Credit \(CITC\)](#)
- [Alberta Export Expansion Package](#)
 - [Export Readiness Micro-Voucher Program](#)
- [ATB Financial and BDC small business loans](#)
- [Alberta Enterprise Corporation \(AEC\) venture capital](#)
- [Alberta Innovates](#)
 - [The Alberta Small Business Innovation and Research Initiative Program](#)
- [Summer Temporary Employment Program \(STEP\)](#)
- [Canada-Alberta Job Grant](#)

Lots For Sale



Residential Lot for Sale (lot 17 as per map)

- Lot size : approximately 40' x 110' (0.11ac)
- Lot price: \$40,937.00
- Notes: lot is un-serviced, a caveat will be registered on title limiting resale ensure land and future development remains targeted to affordable housing. Innovative plans are encouraged including secondary/garage/backyard suites.

Residential lot for sale (lot 18 as per map)

- Lot size: approximately 40' x 110' (0.10ac)
- Lot price: \$37,670.00
- Notes: lot is un-serviced, a caveat will be registered on title limiting resale ensure land and future development remains targeted to affordable housing. Innovative plans are encouraged including secondary/garage/backyard suites.

Residential lot for sale (lot 19 as per map)

- Lot size: 0126ha (0.31ac)
- Lot Price: \$106,277.10
- Notes: lot is un-serviced, a caveat will be registered on title limiting resale ensure land and future development remains targeted to affordable housing. Innovative plans are encouraged including secondary/garage/backyard suites.

For more information: contact Ben Young, Economic Development Officer, 403-223-5500 ext. 5514

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