



**TOWN OF  
RAINBOW LAKE**

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## Municipal Election

Nomination day was held on Monday September 20th, 2021 for the Town of Rainbow Lake's Municipal Council. We received 5 nominations that filled the 5 Town Councillor positions that we had open. With the passing of Nomination Day, we are excited to welcome the following 5 individuals to be part of the 2021-2025 Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Council!!

**Michelle Farris**

**Chris Mitchell**

**Julie Melville**

**Don Werner**

**Koral D'Aoust**

These five members will be sworn in on October 18th, 2021  
Congratulations to all of you!!



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# Referendum and Senate Voting



**A:** A referendum is a question put to electors by the government for response. Your vote provides the government with direction on how to proceed.

## Referendum Questions

Albertans are being asked two questions in the referendum vote on October 18, 2021. Both referendum questions allow for a 'yes' vote or a 'no' vote and are binding on the provincial government, based on the majority of votes cast.

THE TWO QUESTIONS ARE:

### Question 1: Equalization

- Should section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 – Parliament and the government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments – be removed from the constitution?

### Question 2: Daylight Saving Time

Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

Equalization

**Referendum Question 1 states:**

Should Section 36(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982* –Parliament and the government of Canada’s commitment to the principle of making equalization payments – be removed from the Constitution?

**You may vote “Yes” or “No”**

- A **“YES”** vote means that you support **the removal** of Section 36(2) from the *Constitution Act, 1982*, ending the practice of equalization payments.
- A **“NO”** vote means that you support **keeping** Section 36(2) in the *Constitution Act, 1982*, continuing the practice of equalization payments.

**What is Section 36(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*?**

The *Constitution Act, 1982* applies to all of Canada. It contains sections such as the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* and outlines the jurisdiction of federal, provincial and territorial governments. Section 36(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982* states:

(2) Parliament and the government of Canada are committed to the principle of making equalization payments to ensure that provincial governments have sufficient revenues to provide reasonably comparable levels of public services at reasonably comparable levels of taxation.

**What are equalization payments and who receives them?**

Section 36(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*, commits the federal government to providing equalization payments. Equalization payments make sure each province can provide a reasonably comparable level of public services to its residents. To determine which provinces receive an equalization payment, the federal government measures each province’s ability to raise tax revenues and compares that ability to other provinces. If a province’s ability to raise tax revenues does not allow it to provide a reasonably comparable level of public service to other provinces, the provincial government will receive an equalization payment from the federal government.

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## Daylight Saving Time

### Referendum Question 2 states:

Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

### You may vote “Yes” or “No”

- A **“YES”** vote means you support a permanent change to summer hours and no longer turning clocks forward in March and backward in November.
- A **“NO”** vote means you support continuing the current practice of turning the clocks forward in March and backward in November.

### What do we do now?

Currently, Alberta changes clocks twice a year. We “spring forward” one hour on the second Sunday in March and “fall back” one hour on the first Sunday in November. This changes the time we experience sunrise and sunset.

### What change is being proposed?

The referendum question asks if you would like to remain on “summer hours”, no longer changing our clocks in March and November. This will change the time we experience sunrise and sunset in fall and winter. Our summer hours will stay the same.

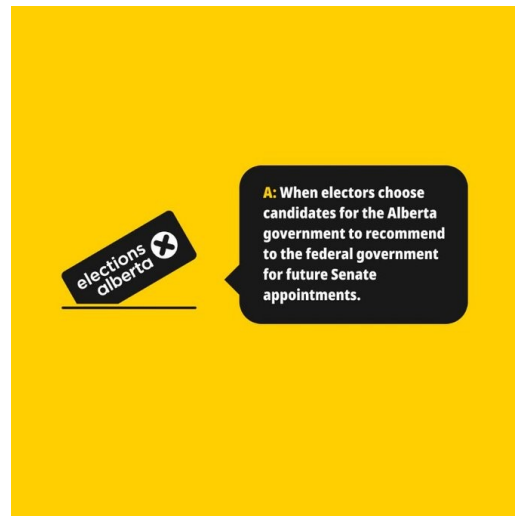
### Can you give me an example?

The following table provides examples of sunrise and sunset times for different areas of Alberta. It shows the current practice of changing clocks twice a year and the proposed practice of remaining on summer hours.

Location	Summer Hours <sup>1</sup>		Winter Hours <sup>2</sup>		Winter Hours <sup>2</sup>	
	These hours are the same in both scenarios		(Current)		(Proposed)	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
Northern Alberta (e.g., High Level)	4:46 AM	10:58 PM	9:12 AM	4:02 PM	10:12 AM	5:02 PM
Edmonton	5:09 AM	10:05 PM	8:27 AM	4:18 PM	9:27 AM	5:18 PM
Calgary	5:26 AM	9:53 PM	8:18 AM	4:32 PM	9:18 AM	5:32 PM
Southern Alberta (e.g., Lethbridge)	5:28 AM	9:42 PM	8:07 AM	4:33 PM	9:07 AM	5:33 PM

<sup>1</sup> 1 July 1, 2021, is the reference date for the summer hours.

<sup>2</sup> 2 December 1, 2021, is the reference date for the winter hours.



The Order in Council and Writ of Election for the 2021 Alberta Senate Election was issued on June 23, 2021, to hold an election to select 3 Senate nominees who may be summoned to the Senate of Canada, to fill a vacancy or vacancies relating to Alberta. The Senate Election will take place on October 18, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 Alberta Municipal Elections and [Referendum Vote](#).

### Who are the Senate Candidates?

#### The candidates nominated in the 2021 Alberta Senate Election are:

- ERIKA BAROOTES- CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA
- RICK BONNETT- INDEPENDENT
- PAM DAVIDSON- CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA
- DOUG A. HORNER- INDEPENDENT
- DUNCAN KINNEY- INDEPENDENT
- KELLY LORENCZ- PEOPLE'S PARTY OF CANADA
- MYKHAILO MARTYNIUK- CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA
- ANN McCORMACK- PEOPLE'S PARTY OF CANADA
- JEFF NIELSEN- INDEPENDENT
- KARINA PILLAY- INDEPENDENT
- CHAD JETT THUNDERS SAUNDERS- INDEPENDENT
- SUNIL SOOKRAM- INDEPENDENT
- NADINE R. WELLWOOD- PEOPLE'S PARTY OF CANADA

For more information, please visit <https://www.elections.ab.ca/senate-and-referendum/>

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# Public Hearing



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### PROPOSED MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN BYLAW No. 2021-05

Pursuant to Section 692 of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta, Sections 230 and 606, notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Rainbow Lake will hold a public hearing prior to the Second Reading of Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 2021-05, to repeal the Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 2012-01, and enact the new Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Development Plan.

A Municipal Development Plan is a long-term planning document which provides the vision for the future development of the Town. It contains broad goals for different land uses and developments, accompanied by objectives and policies that aim to achieve these long-term goals.

The Public Hearing is to be held on October 4, 2021, starting at 7:30pm in the Council Chambers at the Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Office. The Municipal Development Plan may be viewed at the Town of Rainbow Lake Municipal Office during regular office hours. Please forward written submissions to the Chief Administrative Officer prior to September 30, 2021, 3:00 pm. If you have any questions regarding the hearing or the by-law, please contact the Town Office at 780-956-3934



# Community Night

On Wednesday September 22nd, 2021, the town hosted its annual Community Night. We would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to Nikki Standing and Steamblowers for hosting and organizing the event. It was great to see so many people out having a great time and getting a chance to see what our community has to offer. Even with the rainy weather, you couldn't wipe the smiles off of everyone's faces. We look forward to hosting the event again next year!!









OCTOBER 1  
**Friday October 1st, 2021**

**5:00 pm-7:00 pm**

*Celebrating International Day of Older Persons in Rainbow Lake*

*We invite our 50+ year old residents to Bingo & snacks.*

***LOTS OF PRIZES TO WIN!!!***

***Doors will open from 4:45pm***

***Due to COVID-19, restrictions and guidelines will be followed.***

COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines

- If you are sick or have symptoms related to COVID-19, please stay at home
- One dose of vaccine within the last weeks or two dose of vaccine is encouraged.
- Physical distance of 2M or 6ft apart to be observed
- Use personal or provided non medical masks
- Wash and sanitize your hands frequently and avoid touching your face
- Follow all facility restrictions and directions given by facility staff

*"You can only perceive real beauty in a person as they get older"*

**OLDER PERSONS**



# Steamblowers

We are excited to announce that Steamblowers has started up again for the season!! Steamblowers will be held every Tuesday & Thursday, from 9:00am -11:00am at the Rec Plex. This is a great place for parents to visit, and kids to blow off some energy and play.

\$5 monthly per family



## Halloween Virtual Pumpkin Contest

With the COVID Restrictions still in place, we are unable to have an in person Halloween Fun Day again this year. We are going to host another virtual online Halloween Pumpkin Carving Contest!! Pumpkins will be available for pickup at the Rec Plex starting around October 19th, 2021. You can either email your photos to [recreation@rainbowlake.ca](mailto:recreation@rainbowlake.ca) or you can post your pumpkins on the Rainbow Lake Community Board. The contest will close at midnight on Sunday October 31, 2021 and the winners will be announced Monday November 1st, 2021. We can't wait to see all the pumpkins!!!



# Arena/Free Skate

It's that exciting time of year again when our recreation department starts to put the ice in!! If everything goes as planned, the ice should be ready for use by October 12th, 2021. We will be hosting a free skate as well on Friday October 15, 2021 from 5:00pm-7:00pm.

All residents are welcome!!

Please follow facility restrictions and mask protocol.

We hope everyone has a great skating season!!



# Curling Club AGM

The Rainbow Lake Curling Club will be hosting their annual AGM meeting on October 13th, 2021 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held in the Curling Lounge. If you have any questions please contact Penny Murray at 780-956-4360.

We hope everyone has a great curling season!!



# Library

We would like to welcome Terra Ukrainetz as the new Librarian for the Rainbow Lake Municipal Library!! The Library is once again open from Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-4:00pm. Stop on by and check out the new books that are in stock or to use the computers.

You can also stop by anytime and purchase a membership.



# Christmas Craft Fair

The Rainbow Lake School will be hosting this years Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, November 27th at the school gym from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. All crafters and home based businesses are invited to attend. Table rentals will be \$25. Contact Shelley Dawe at the school by calling 780 956 3851 for more information and to register.





# Town Office Closed

The Town Office will be closed on Monday October 11th, 2021 for Thanksgiving Day. We will reopen on Tuesday October 12th, 2021 normal business hours.

From all of us here at the Town of Rainbow Lake, we hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving!!



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Recreation Complex  
Rec Plex  
1 Atco Road

Enforcement Services  
65 Imperial Drive

Town Shop (Public Works)  
58 Imperial Drive

Fire Hall  
58 Imperial Drive

