



Village of Alix

Overview 2024

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Playground Improvements

Thank you to our new Playground volunteers!! The new society is up and running and working on picking new play structures, making a budget and finding grants. Each playground that's re-done is likely to cost approx. \$200,000. The group will try to get as much grant funding as possible, but tax dollars will likely be needed to top them up. Interested in joining the team? Call Janene at 403-747-2495.



Village of Alix Fire Department

We're so happy to see the new Rescue and Utility trucks for the Fire Department this year! The Utility Truck is already onsite. These units were provided by Lacombe County under our shared fire services agreement. We also expect the Department to be upgraded to the new Alberta First Responders Radio Communications System this year. The Village portion of radio upgrades will cost \$52,190 from tax dollars.

There are currently 24 Alix Fire Department members. We sincerely thank them for all they do for our community and surrounding area. To become a Fire Fighter or Medical First Responder please call 403-505-3215.

Volunteers Needed - to keep this essential service in our community, we need volunteers. Call 403-505-3215 for more information on becoming a volunteer Fire Fighter or Medical First Responder.

To our current members, THANK YOU! We appreciate all that you do for Alix and the surrounding area.



Strategic Planning is coming and Council wants to hear from you!

Watch for our survey asking all ALIX RESIDENTS to rate budget and planning priorities for the upcoming year (s).

To help in your decision making, here is an overview of what's been happening so far in 2024.



Lagoon Capital Project

The lagoon (municipal wastewater treatment facility) is looking great and working even better! Two of the big holding cells now have a synthetic liner in them to stop any leaks or vegetation growth. Many of the valves and manholes between the holding cells are new and two of our small primary cells have been de-sludged so the system will work properly. There is a new fence around the new big cells to keep wildlife out. We would like to put synthetic liner in our small primary cells as well but are waiting to see if we get a grant to cover the cost.

This project cost approx. \$4.2 million to get to this stage. \$3,184,095 of that was grant funding, the remaining \$1 million came from tax dollars.

Lake Dredging

Phase 1 of lake dredging was completed this spring. The boat launch and swim area had all the vegetation and sludge removed back down to the sandy/rocky lake bottom. The swim area was also deepened a bit and about 10 feet past the buoys was done to help keep the vegetation back. Phase 1 cost \$90,719 and was funded from tax dollars. If Council goes ahead with phase 2 of the project, a large area in the middle of the lake would be deepened. The cost of phase 2 is approx. \$300,000. We would look for partnerships and grants to help with the cost, but it is likely that at least half would be funded by tax dollars.



Residential Tax Mill Rate Reduced by 6% and Commercial & Industrial unchanged since 2017!



TIPPS Information

We currently have **98** residents on TIPPS (Tax Installment Payment Plan). Please contact the Village Office at 403-747-2495 if you would like more details on the program.

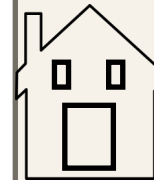


52 Business Licenses were sold this year!

71 Dog Licences Sold



9 New Development Permits Approved as of August including 3 New Homes!



Community under 24/7 surveillance with 14 cameras throughout the Village

Subdivision Lift Station Capital Project

The existing building was used to save costs, but everything inside and underground was replaced. This project is budgeted for \$885,000 with \$488,000 of that coming from grants. The remaining \$397,000 came from tax dollars. Completing this project means there is only one lift station in Alix left to replace/upgrade – all the rest are considered “new” and working great!

Strategic Planning 2022-2025

Vision—Vibrant Village by the lake.

Mission—We foster an open, cooperative government that encourages public participation and ensures levels of service our citizens expect and deserve.

Goals—1. Strategically complete infrastructure improvements and services in the community. 2. Actively investigate what personal services would benefit the community and support recruitment efforts. 3. Make community safety and security a priority. 4. Develop collaborative relationships with external organizations, neighbouring communities, and other levels of government.