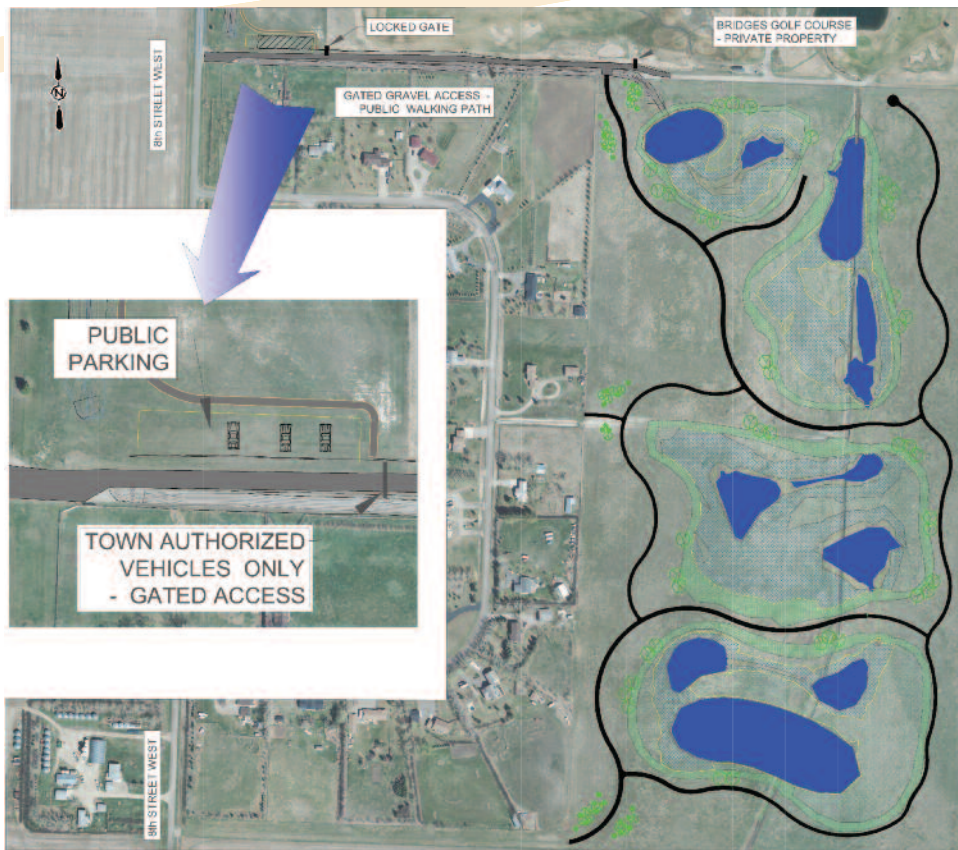


# TOWN NEWS

## STORM WATER MANAGEMENT UPDATE

The Town of Claresholm has now completed the storm water management facility (ponds) portion of phase 1 of the Town's ongoing storm water management plan. This project will significantly improve the Town's ability to control stormwater. This area has been designed and constructed as a wetland area complete with service roads that can be utilized as a pathway system. Rocks have been strategically placed at locations for rest spaces. Currently the grass has been seeded and all the planting around the ponds has concluded. These plants and grass need time to grow, so the Town appreciates everyone remaining on the service roads when walking in the area so as not to disturb the growing process.



At the entrance to the ponds is a parking area that residents can utilize. Please note, the service road into the pond area is for Town authorized vehicles only and no public vehicular traffic or off-road vehicles are permitted past the gates or around the ponds. The public can use these service roads for walking, cycling, winter snowshoeing or cross-country skiing. The ponds will remain a man-made natural area so there are no current plans for any additional public equipment, paved paths, or lighting, nor will snow removal occur. Also keep in mind that this area is not considered an off-leash dog park and picking up after your dog is required.

The service roads surrounding all the ponds are to provide the Town with access to all sides of the ponds for maintenance purposes. These can be utilized as walking trails, however, not all the service roads connect with each other. As the Town continues to investigate signage, we have provided a map (see above) so people are aware of the dead ends throughout the pond area.

As the vegetation in the area continues to grow, the ponds will become an area to view wildlife, create opportunities for walking or cycling recreation, as well as a functioning storm water system. The Town thanks the contractors, engineers, and funding partners for making this project possible.



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Where **Community** Takes Root

### CANNABIS AND CLARESHOLM

*Presented by Claresholm Economic Development and Claresholm & District Chamber of Commerce*

**Tuesday, November 27**

**at the Legion, from 7:00-9:30 p.m.**

Come listen, learn, and ask questions. **Jason Hemmaway and Tara VanDellen** from the Town of Claresholm will offer insight into Claresholm's recent Cannabis related bylaws and how Claresholm has prepared for this business and industry change. **Co-founder and CEO of Custom Cannabis Jeff Nielsen** will talk about the medical cannabis industry and what led him to choose Claresholm. **Lori-Jo Graham- Program Lead, Biomaterials, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry** - will discuss the Hemp Industry in Alberta; Food, Fibre, Feed, Pharma/Natural Health and Environment.

**Everyone Welcome - Free Admission**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON NOVEMBER 2, 2018.

#### APPROVED DEVELOPMENTS:

**File: D2018.095 Applicant/ Owners: 2126942 Alberta Ltd.**  
Address: 304 43 Ave East Legal: Lot 3, Block 8, Plan 5807JK  
Regarding: Discretionary change in use from vacant to warehousing with fence with 3 strand security wire and variances to rear and side yard setback dimensions for as-build building.

**File: D2018.099 Applicant: Johnston Builders Ltd.**  
Owners: Fortis Alberta Inc. Address: 415 43 Ave East  
Legal: Lots 2 & 3, Block 2, Plan 6101JK  
Regarding: Permitted change in use from vacant shop & office to Public Utility (office & yard) with fence with 3 strand security wire.

**File: D2018.100 Applicant/Owner: Cody Gross**  
Address: 217 47 Ave West, Claresholm Legal: Lot 13, Block 10, Plan 147N  
Regarding: Home Occupation – Mobile Heavy-Duty Mechanic

**File: D2018.101 Applicant: Karen Baker Owners: Brad & Karen Baker**  
Address: 102 Derochie Drive Legal: Lot 16, Block 7, Plan 0413176  
Regarding: Home Occupation – Hair studio

The land use bylaw provides that any person affected by the decision(s) of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission made under the land use bylaw may appeal (appeal fee is \$300.00) such decision to the Development Appeal Board. Such an appeal to the Development Appeal Board shall contain a statement of the grounds of the appeal and shall be delivered either personally or by registered mail so as to reach the Development Officer no later than **2:00 PM Thursday, November 22, 2018.**

**Municipal Planning Commission**  
Town of Claresholm [www.claresholm.ca](http://www.claresholm.ca)

#### UPCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

**November 13 & 26**

Town Office Council Chambers 7pm - All Welcome

**Unable to attend or missed a meeting?**

**MEETINGS ARE LIVESTREAMED** at [claresholm.ca](http://claresholm.ca). Plus the recordings are available later in the week for you to watch.



### Recreation PICKLEBALL

**\$2 Drop-in, Thursdays 7-9 P.M.**  
**at West Meadow Elementary**

Equipment provided, wear non-marking shoes.  
Info: Irene 403-625-2100



## CANNABIS LEGALIZATION SUMMARY

- FROM THE BYLAW OFFICER

On October 17th the Federal Government's legislation for the production, distribution, sale and possession of recreational cannabis in Canada came into effect. Each Province and Territory was responsible for further regulating the Federal legislation and addressing additional legislation for the possession and consumption of Cannabis. Each Municipality can also choose to further regulate the production and use of Cannabis.

The Alberta Cannabis Framework has four policies that are the foundation of the framework, those are:

- keeping cannabis out of the hands of children and youth
- protecting safety on roads, in workplaces and in public spaces
- protecting public health
- limiting the illegal market for cannabis

A summary of what this looks like for Alberta and Claresholm starts with the safeguards for sales. Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC) will manage wholesale and distribution. Business owners and staff must undergo extensive background checks. Employees must be "qualified cannabis workers" and be 18.

Privately run cannabis retail stores can sell cannabis and accessories subject to regulations. Minors (under the age of 18) cannot enter a cannabis store even if accompanied by an adult. Retailers must purchase cannabis from AGLC. In Claresholm growers and retailers are subject to certain criteria under the Land Use Bylaw. Two main criteria are Municipal Planning Commission approval and compliance with the limiting distances (proximity) for development. AGLC will operate on-line sales. Online sales and home delivery are only available through a single website. No other on-line sales or delivery is allowed. The advertising and packaging of cannabis must meet Federal restrictions and product advertising will only be allowed inside, cannabis stores.

The minimum age for purchase, possession and consumption is an adult, which is currently the age of 18.

The consumption of cannabis by way of smoking is the only current legal, recreational way to consume. The smoking of cannabis is regulated the same as the smoking of tobacco. Smoking is restricted in areas frequented by children and other public places. The provincial regulation is that you must be 5 meters from a doorway, window or air intake of a public place or workplace.

**Municipalities can choose to add to the regulations. The Claresholm Bylaws adopted on October 22nd added several definitions to create clarity and some increased proximity regulations.** The bylaw clearly defines what smoking is, and that it includes vaping and or any other form of heating a substance for the purpose of inhaling. The proximity distances under designated public spaces are:

- 10 meters** from the entrance or exit of any municipal building
- 10 meters** from any public pathway or sidewalk
- 5 meters** from the entrance or exit of any public building or workplace.

What this simply means is, you must be **5 meters** away from an entrance or exit to a building or a workplace. You must be **10 meters** away from any public area, public place or a Town owned area. The bylaw does however allow for the CAO to designate smoking areas within that space.

Drug-impaired driving has the same penalties as alcohol-impaired driving. The Consumption of cannabis is not allowed in vehicles and police are able to suspend a license and seize the vehicle if impaired by any means.

**THE GROWING OF CANNABIS MUST MEET ALL PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION.**

A change of this magnitude will take time to unfold and time for society to adapt to. There are several resources both Provincially and Federally to answer questions and address concerns. The key to the use of cannabis will be in how the user respectfully uses the cannabis.

### CLARESHOLM ARENA

#### PUBLIC SKATING

\*subject to availability  
Sun., Nov. 116-7:30 p.m.  
Mon. 3:45-5 p.m.  
Fri. 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

**SHINNY HOCKEY**  
Sun., Nov 11  
7:45-9:30pm

**OPEN DAILY**  
Mon-Thur 7:30 am - 3:45pm  
Fri. 7:30 am - 1:30 pm

Parental supervision required.  
Shinny hockey may be shared with public skate during open skate, attendants ask that you be respectful to others on and off the ice.

\*Fri., November 9 Open ice 7:30-2:45 p.m.

**\*CLARESHOLM MINOR HOCKEY ATOM TOURNAMENT**  
Friday, Nov. 9 - Sun., Nov, 2018  
2 minutes of Silence at 11am  
**\*Lomond Lakers home game**  
Sunday, Nov. 11 at 4:30-6 p.m.

### CLARESHOLM AQUATIC CENTRE Ph. 403-625-2172

**ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SHUTDOWN**

November 11-December 10

**Winter Program Guide & Registrations Available**  
**November 27, 2018**

