



February 2026

# Community Newsletter



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## MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT AND SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY

### MEMBER AT LARGE VACANCY

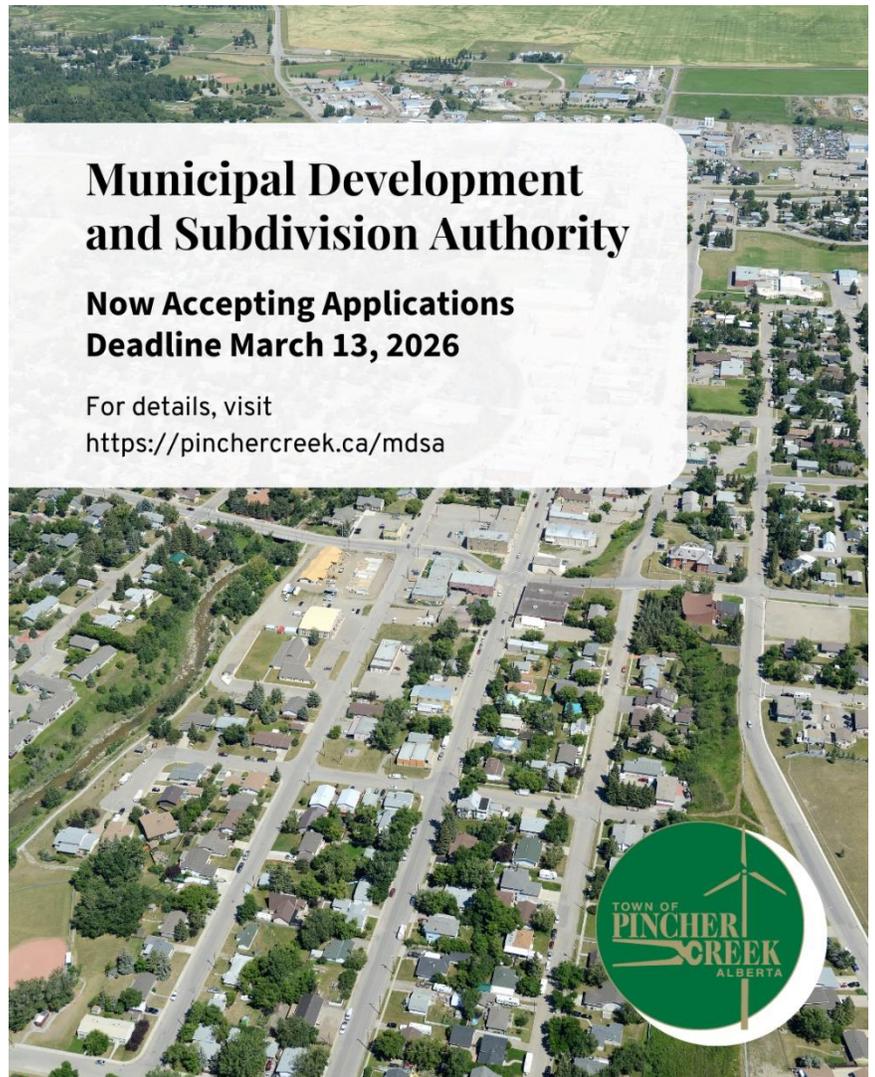
The Town of Pincher Creek Municipal Development and Subdivision Authority (MDSA) is seeking 1 member-at-large to serve on the Authority. Applicants must be 18 years of age or over and a resident in the Town of Pincher Creek. Appointments to the MDSA shall be made by resolution of Council.

The MDSA is authorized to make decisions on applications for development approval in accordance with the administrative procedures, land uses and schedules established in the Municipal Land Use Bylaw and is authorized to make decisions on applications for subdivision approval in accordance with Provincial land use policies, subdivision development regulations, the Town of Pincher Creek Land Use Bylaw and Statutory Plans.

For questions regarding this appointment, please contact Lisa Goss, Manager of Legislative Services at 403-627-3156 or [legislative@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:legislative@pinchercreek.ca)

For more information, visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/content.php?p=168>

Application deadline is March 13, 2026



# COMMUNITY HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## MEMBER AT LARGE VACANCY

Join the Conversation on Housing & Community Growth!



The Town of Pincher Creek is seeking members at large for the Community Housing and Economic Development Committee.

This committee provides advice to Council on housing trends, policies, land use, grants, and community economic development initiatives that shape the future of our town.

If you're passionate about housing, growth, and the well-being of our community, we'd love to hear from you! For more information and to submit your application, contact Lindsey Johnson, FCSS Coordinator at [fcss@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:fcss@pinchercreek.ca) or 403-627-4406.

Application deadline is March 13, 2026.

👉 Learn more and apply today at <https://pinchercreek.ca/housing-committee>.

## PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS COMING SOON

The Assessment Roll for the Town of Pincher Creek will be prepared and mailed in February for the 2026 taxation year. Please note, the Assessment Notice is NOT the Property Tax Notice. The Property Tax Notice will be prepared and mailed in May 2026.

Once you receive your Assessment Notice, review the details and assessment. If you disagree with your assessment, you are encouraged to fill out the assessor's inquiry form at <http://kcl-consulting.com/inquiry-form> or contact the Town at 403-627-3156, no later than the assessment appeal deadline listed on the assessment notice, to request that the designated assessor review your property assessment.

If your assessment contains incorrect information, please contact the office at 403-627-3156 or [utilities@pinchercree.ca](mailto:utilities@pinchercree.ca).



## Community Housing and Economic Development Committee

**Now Accepting Applications**  
**Deadline September 19, 2025**

For details, visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/housing-committee>

# LIONS CLUB OF PINCHER CREEK



THE LIONS CLUB  
OF  
PINCHER CREEK

# VALENTINE'S DAY FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON

*FASHIONS  
by  
Prairie Post Outlet  
Womens/Mens/Childrens*

**\$25 per ticket**  
**INCLUDES**  
Luncheon  
Raffle & Door Prize

Proceeds will benefit  
St. Michael's  
Sewing Club  
&  
Drama Program

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2026</b> <b>12-2 PM</b> Doors open at 11:30am
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**Vertical Church**  
1200 Ken Thorton Blvd  
Pincher Creek AB



# KOOTENAI BROWN PIONEER VILLAGE GALENTINE'S DAY

*a night for the*  
**the gals**

FEBRUARY 12 AT 6:30 PM

**Galentine's Day**

Dinner & Wine Tasting at  
Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village

\$60/person or \$200/group of 4  
purchase online or at the museum!  
[www.kootenaibrown.ca/buy-tickets](http://www.kootenaibrown.ca/buy-tickets)

# OLDMAN ROSE SOCIETY

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Oldman Rose Society invites you to their annual general meeting. Pincher Creek and area residents are all welcome!

GUEST SPEAKER: Caitlin Kerr, Blue Mouse Greenhouse

March 11, 2026 | 7:00pm

Town of Pincher Creek West Wing Meeting Room

Please use the Southwest door on Schofield Street

# ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF PINCHER CREEK

## GIFT SHOP & GALLERY HOURS

Wednesday – Friday | 10:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday | 12:00pm – 4:00pm

[www.thelebel.ca](http://www.thelebel.ca)

## CREATIVES MEETUP

Wednesdays | 1:00pm – 4:00pm | 18 and under must be accompanied by an adult

Free weekly artist drop in afternoons. Bring your current works and supplies and create with company

## LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

### Mallory Chipman Live @ The Lebel

Saturday, February 7 | 7:30pm

Tickets \$20.00

All ages welcome Award winning folk musician

### Old Man Luedecke Live @ The Lebel

Juno award winning musician from the east coast.

Friday, March 6 | 7:30pm

Tickets \$25 tickets

All ages welcome



## EXHIBITION

Hidden Terrains gallery exhibition by April Matisz | January 10 - February 21  
Artist reception on Saturday, February 21, 2026 | 1:00pm - 4:00pm

## FRIDAY ART CLASSES

February 6, 13, 27 | \$5.00 each  
After School Program | Ages 6 - 9 | 1:45pm - 2:45pm  
Artists @ Heart | Ages 9+ | 3:00pm - 4:30pm

**FREE** Friday art day on Friday, February 20th for family week, visit [www.thelebel.ca](http://www.thelebel.ca) for details.

## WORKSHOPS

### **Mud Makers**

\$145 per person  
Six week pottery workshop for kids 9+  
Next session begins Tuesday, April 21  
3:45pm - 5:15pm

### **Jr. Ceramics Guild**

\$150 per person plus the cost of clay  
10 week pottery workshop for kids 9+ with clay experience  
Next session begins Thursday, April 16  
3:45 - 5:30pm

### **Heritage Broom Workshop with David Campbell**

\$175 per person  
Two dates offered: Saturday, March 21 OR Sunday March 22  
10:00am - 4:00pm  
Ages 18+

### **Breathe, Balance and Bloom with artist and Therapeutic Art Practitioner Carla Beres**

\$75 per person  
Ages 18+  
Saturday, April 18  
1:00pm - 4:00pm

# PINCHER CREEK & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## JOIN THE BOARD!

Do you love supporting local businesses and being part of something bigger in our community? The Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce is on the lookout for enthusiastic, community-minded individuals to join the Chamber Board of Directors, and it might be you!

Applications close March 6

Who can apply?

- You're 18+
- You're a Chamber member in good standing
- You're not holding a local, provincial, or federal government position

What's the commitment?

- One monthly board meeting (about 1.5 hours)
- Join one sub-committee (roughly 1–3 hours a month)
- Voluntarily attend Chamber events, activities, or webinars when you can (1–3 hours monthly)

If you're ready to share ideas, make connections, and help shape the future of our local business community, we'd love to hear from you. Step up, get involved, and make a difference!

<https://www.pincherchamber.ca/our-board>

## CHAMBER CHAT & CHEERS!

February 24 | 5:30pm

Join the annual Chamber Chat & Cheers, a free networking event designed for local business owners and professionals to connect, collaborate, and celebrate our vibrant business community!

This open-house style evening lets you come and go as you please, stop by, mingle with fellow business associates, meet the Chamber board, and learn more about what how they serve the business community. You'll also get a sneak peek at upcoming events, including the Chamber's AGM.

Enjoy great conversation and opportunities to grow your network in a relaxed setting. More details to come!

**JOIN THE BOARD!**

The Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce will be accepting applications for board positions for this March! If you are interested in sharing your passion for business through leadership, networking, and collaboration, please consider applying.

**Are you eligible?**

- Must be 18 years or older
- A chamber member in good standing
- You do not hold a local, provincial, or federal position in government

**Do you have time?**

- Monthly board meetings (approx 1.5 hrs a month)
- Volunteer to participate on one sub-committee (approx 1-3 hrs per month)
- Voluntarily attend Chamber events, activities, and webinars etc. (approx 1 -3 hrs monthly)

[Click here for more info](#)



## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE COMING UP!



<https://pincherchamber.ca/login>

## CLEAN ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

As temperatures drop and heating systems work harder, energy bills can rise—but they don't have to. Energyefficient upgrades like improved insulation or highperformance windows can make a big difference in comfort and cost.

If you're thinking about upgrading, now's a great time submit your pre-qualification to see if you're eligible, and take advantage of rebates up to \$450 towards your project.

Visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/CEIP> for more information.



# PINCHER CREEK FAMILY CENTRE



**WINTER 2026**

**Program Schedule**

**JANUARY 5- JUNE 26, 2026**

All Programs are FREE and Targeted for Children 0-6 years of age.

**Monday- Let's Play 9:00-11:30 am & 1:00-3:30 pm**

**Tuesday- Let's Play 9:00-11:30 am & 1:00-3:30 pm**

**New Moms Group 1:30-3:00 pm**

**Wednesday- Let's Play 9:00-11:30 am & 1:00-3:30 pm**

**Thursday- Gymnastics @ Town Hall 10:00-11:15 am**

**Parenting Tips- 9:00-3:30 pm (call for appointment)**

**Indigenous Programming- call for details**

**Friday- Let's Play 9:00-11:30 am & 1:00-3:30 pm**

**Forest Adventures (Pre-registration required)**

**Let's Play** join us in our ever changing giant play room where you can create your own fun play and adventures.

**Parenting Tips** parenting doesn't come with a manual so let us help you get through the ups and downs.

**New Moms Group** is a great program for moms to connect with other new or expecting mothers.

**Forest Adventures** is a 8 week non parented program where the children spend time learning about nature's wonders.

**Indigenous Programming** join us while we learn about the Indigenous Culture through storytelling, arts & crafts and knowledge. Call the centre for the schedule.

**Gymnastics** is a fun program where children can run, jump and play.

Watch our Facebook page for pop up programs!

Call us at (403) 627-5569, [pcfamilycentre.ca](http://pcfamilycentre.ca) & Facebook



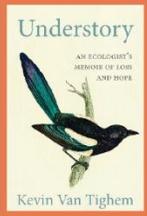
# PINCHER CREEK MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

## WINTER SPEAKER SERIES



The poster features a background of a snowy forest with trees and a path. At the top, a dark brown rounded rectangle contains the text "2026" in white, followed by "Winter Speaker Series" in a large, light-colored serif font. Below this, four rounded rectangular boxes are arranged in a 2x2 grid, each containing event details. The bottom of the poster has a dark brown rounded rectangle with white text and logos.

**2026**  
**Winter Speaker Series**

February 19 from 6:30pm-7:30pm  
**Understory, Other Stories**  
Speaker:  
Kevin Van Tighem  


February 26 from 6:30pm-7:30pm  
**Kainai Iinii Rematriation**  
  
Speaker:  
Charles  
Mistaken Chief

March 5 from 6:00pm-7:30pm  
**How Plant Communities in Waterton Change Along Trails with Use and Wildfire**  
Speaker:  
Heather Davis  
(Uplift Adventures)  


March 12 from 6:30pm-7:30pm  
**Cultural Teachings and Stories**  
  
Speaker:  
Jaron  
Weasel Bear

Presented By:   
Registration is required.  
403-627-3813  
help@pinchercreeklibrary.ca  
Join us live, or via Zoom.

## FREE TAX SERVICES

Beginning on Saturday March 7, the Pincher Creek Municipal Library is offering a free tax service, as part of the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program with the CRA, for eligible individuals within our community.

Every Saturday from March 7 - April 25, those who qualify can access free tax services by appointment between the hours of 12:00pm and 4:00pm.

Call the Library at 403-627-3813 for more information, and to book your appointment today!

Eligible individuals must have a modest income and a simple tax situation and may include the following:

- adults 65 years and older
- housing-insecure individuals
- Indigenous Peoples
- modest-income individuals
- newcomers
- persons with disabilities
- students and youth

\*We are unable to help individuals who make over the recommended modest income levels on the CRA Community Volunteer Tax Program website. Please check the CRA website to see if you are eligible to participate.

Get your taxes done at a free tax clinic - <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/taxes.html>

There will be a \$25 no show fee that must be paid before a second appointment can be booked.

## PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

### Winter Reading Club

February 17, 18, 19

Ages 5-12 | Call the library at 403-627-3813 for more details

### Story Time

Wednesdays | 10:30am

### Home School Lego Club

Tuesdays | 12:30pm - 2:00pm

### Lego League

Fridays | 1:30pm - 3:00pm

### Student Dungeons & Dragons

February 13, 27, March 13, 27, April 10, 27

2:00pm - 5:00pm | Ages 10-17

### Adult Dungeons & Dragons

February 14, 28, March 14, 28, April 11, 28

4:00pm - 8:00pm | Ages 18+



# BUSINESS LICENSES DUE



**2026** **BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS**

**Invoices due February 28, 2026**

**Payment methods**

Cash Debit Cheque Credit (online only)

pinchercreek.ca | reception@pinchercreek.ca | 403-627-3156

The graphic features a large '2026' in black, 'BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS' in green, and 'Invoices due February 28, 2026' in black. Below this is a brown envelope icon with a green circular logo for the Town of Pincher Creek, Alberta. To the right, under 'Payment methods', are icons for cash, debit, cheque, and credit (online only). The bottom of the graphic is a green bar with contact information.

Business License Renewals have been mailed and are due February 28, 2026. Once payment has been received, your license will be provided to you. All invoices that have not been paid in full on February 28 will receive a \$25.00 late payment penalty.

Payments can be made: In office with cash, debit, or cheque; By cheque mailed or dropped in the office drop-box; or By credit online at <http://pinchercreek.ca/residents/payment.php>

As per Business Licensing Bylaw 1550-11, no person shall carry on any trade, occupation, calling or business without first being the holder of a Town of Pincher Creek business license. A business license must be paid in full in order to be considered valid.

## UPDATED BUSINESS DETAILS?

If you have changed any of your business details such as location, mailing address, phone number, email, website, etc., please let us know in writing. If you are no longer operating your business, please notify the Town in writing at [reception@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:reception@pinchercreek.ca).

For more information, visit <http://pinchercreek.ca/town/licences.php>

# DOG LICENSE RENEWALS



## 2026 DOG LICENSES

Now available at  
the Town office



2026 Dog licenses are now available for renewal/purchase at the Town office.

In accordance with the Animal Control Bylaw, every person who owns, keeps or harbours any dog shall register the dog and obtain a dog license from the Town. Such license shall be renewed each calendar year, unless a lifetime license is obtained. The license tag shall be attached to the collar worn by such animals at all times.

License fees:

Spayed or Neutered | \$15.00 annually | \$150.00 lifetime

Others | \$30.00 annually | \$300.00 lifetime

Replacement tag | \$10.00

Information Update | \$10.00

Service Dogs | No charge

Dangerous Dog | \$500.00 annually

Guard Dog | \$25.00 annually



# RECREATION & PARKS

For information, registration, or any other inquiries, please contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322 or [rec@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:rec@pinchercreek.ca).

## FREE OPEN SWIM – SPONSORED BY NAPI FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION



**FREE Open Swim**  
Sponsored by Napi Friendship Association  
Monday, February 23,  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Everyone Welcome



895 Main Street 403 627 2565  
Pincher Creek



## COMMUNITY REGISTRATION NIGHT



**COMMUNITY REGISTRATION NIGHT**  
One Night  
One Place  
Register for your favorite activity



Groups and Organizations register now to be part of this event

March 5  
6 PM - 8 PM  
PINCHER CREEK POOL LOBBY  
895 MAIN STREET

[rec@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:rec@pinchercreek.ca)  
403 627 4322



## WINTER WALK & JERSEY DAY



Don your jerseys and head out for Winter Walk Day on February 4, 2026! Join the recreation department at the Pool Lobby. Stay for hot chocolate and treats after the walk 🍫

## STEPPING IN WINTER

Thursdays | 10:00am  
First Walk January 8 | Meet in the Pool Lobby

Everyone is welcome to participate in this one-hour easy to moderate walk on trails and through Pincher Creek neighborhoods. We recommend you wear winter cleats and bring walking poles. The meet-up location changes each week.

## PINCHER CREEK KIDSPORT

Supporting local families, keeping kids in sports! For information, contact KidSport at [pinchercreek@kidsport.ab.ca](mailto:pinchercreek@kidsport.ab.ca), <https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/pincher-creek>, or contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322.

## SNOWSHOE AND CROSS COUNTRY SKI LOANING PROGRAM

Did you know that the Pincher Creek & District Library has snowshoes and cross country skis available to borrow for no cost? Contact the library at 403-627-3813 for more information.



## TOWN HALL GYM FITNESS PROGRAMS

962 St. John Ave

**Gym Walk** | Drop-in | Free

Tuesdays & Fridays | 11:00am – 12:00pm

Unorganized independent walking.

**Pickleball** | \$3.00 drop-in

Mon, Wed, Fri | 1:00pm – 3:00pm

New participants are welcome. Instruction and equipment provided by members

**Afternoon Fitness Break** | \$7.00 | punch pass available at Recreation Office

Total body workout includes strength training, cardio, and flexibility

Mon, Thurs | 4:00pm – 5:00pm

**Community Keep Fit** | Free

Low impact program designed for people new to fitness, and those who have health conditions or an inactive lifestyle

Mon, Wed | 10:00am – 11:00am

**Legends Keep Fit**

Tues, Fri | 10:00am – 11:00am

Register with Jill Bruder

## ARENA PROGRAMMING

This schedule is subject to change

To book a private rental, call the Recreation office at 403-627-4322

**Public Skate**

Wednesdays | 7:15pm – 8:15pm

Fridays | 4:00 – 5:00pm

Free

**Parent & Tot, Senior Skate**

Wednesdays | 10:30am – 11:30am

Free

**Family Skate**

Sundays | 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Free

**Noon-hour Shinny**

Mondays, Wednesdays | 11:30am – 1:00pm

Fridays | 11:30am – 12:45pm

\$10 drop-in fee

Youth Shinny | Ages 6-12

Mondays | 7:15pm – 8:15pm

\$5 drop-in fee

## SYNCLINE CASTLE TRAIL ORGANIZATION



Winter  
**SYNCLINE CASTLE  
FAMILY DAY  
FEBRUARY 21**

Guided Snowshoe \$20/Person  
Register at [synclinecastletrails.org](https://synclinecastletrails.org) or  
[https://upliftadventures.checkfront.com/reserve/?preview=1&item\\_id=212](https://upliftadventures.checkfront.com/reserve/?preview=1&item_id=212)  
Start at 1:00 pm  
Displays and Demos  
FIRE - Hot Dogs - Hot Chocolate  
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

For more information  
[www.synclinecastletrails.org](http://www.synclinecastletrails.org)  
[synclinescat@gmail.com](mailto:synclinescat@gmail.com) or 403 627 4322

Syncline South Staging Area  
HWY 774  
Castle Provincial Park



The poster features a winter-themed background with snowflakes and evergreen trees. It includes a QR code for registration and logos for the Syncline Castle Trails Association, the province of Alberta, Alpenland, and Uplift Adventures.

## PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT PLANS

### TAX INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PROGRAM (TIPP) OR DIRECT ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (DEFT)

TIPP is an optional monthly tax installment payment plan by which taxpayers may authorize monthly direct withdrawal from your bank account rather than paying the full amount in one payment.



Provided regular monthly payments are made, penalties for late payment of taxes will not apply to any tax account under TIPP.

DEFT is an optional bi-monthly automatic withdrawal for the amount of bi-monthly utility billing. Never forget to pay and avoid penalties for late payments.

For information, please call the town Office at 403-627-3156, email [utilities@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:utilities@pinchercreek.ca) or stop by 962 St. John Avenue, we will give you all the information that you need.

## HUDDLESTUN SENIOR CENTRE

867 Main Street | Pincher Creek

**Mondays\*** | Fibre Friends | 1:00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month

**Tuesdays** | Coffee Time | 10:00am – 12:00pm

**Wednesday** | Duplicate Bridge | 1:00pm

**Thursdays** | Cribbage | 1:00pm

Want to run a program or event for seniors at the Huddlestun Senior Centre?  
Contact Marie Suchla at (403) 627-2500.

Follow Fred Huddlestun Senior Centre on Facebook for more information and community activities.

## DEVELOPMENT CORNER

### SHORT TERM RENTALS VS BED & BREAKFASTS IN PINCHER CREEK

In Pincher Creek, both Short-Term Rentals (STRs) and Bed & Breakfasts (B&Bs) require Development Permit approval.

While both provide visitor accommodation, they are regulated differently under Town bylaws. Recreational vehicles (RVs) are not permitted to be used as guest accommodation, and a property cannot operate as both an STR and a B&B at the same time.

A short-term rental is a home or self-contained unit that is rented for short stays, most often booked through online platforms. STR operators must hold a current Town business licence, meet parking and property standards, and comply with land use and nuisance bylaws.

A bed & breakfast is a hosted accommodation located within the owner's primary residence. Guests rent individual rooms, the owner lives on site, and breakfast is provided. B&Bs have specific land use and parking requirements and offer a more personal, hosted experience.

Understanding the distinction between the two helps ensure bylaw compliance and supports a positive experience for hosts, guests, and neighbours.

If you are interested in opening your home as a B&B or operating an STR, please contact Kim Kozak, Development Officer at 403-627-3156 or [development@pinchercreek.ca](mailto:development@pinchercreek.ca).

## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

These highlights do not form the full Council minutes. To view the full Council minutes, please visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/council>

### DECEMBER 8, 2025 - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- Council authorized the application for a Development Permit to install an Atco trailer at the Multi-purpose Facility to be used as a dressing room for the arena

### JANUARY 12, 2026 - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- Bylaws
  - Land Use Bylaw Amendments 1639-25-A and 1639-25-B received third and final reading and are now in effect. These bylaw amendments are to update the districts in the Inspiration Area Structure Plan.
  - Disposition of Municipal Reserve received third and final reading and is now in effect. This is a small portion of Municipal Reserve to be rezoned for the Inspiration Area Structure Plan.
  - Establishing a Fee Structure Bylaw 1584-26 received third and final reading. Changes include increases to the utility rates and fees established for area structure plan applications.

### UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Committee of the Whole Meeting | February 4 | 8:30am  
Council Meeting | February 9 | 6:00pm  
Council Meeting | February 23 | 6:00pm

Council Meetings are held in Council Chambers at 962 St. John Avenue and are available virtually via MS Teams. These meetings are open to the public except on some occasions where all or part of a meeting is closed to the public (Closed Session) to prevent the disclosure of information that is protected under the Protection of Privacy Act.

