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COMMITTEE NEWS

- The **Builders/Trade** committee of UDI-Wood Buffalo and Alberta Permit Pro have jointly agreed with a process to help the builder streamline and expedite the permit process. First you must apply on line at www.albertapermitpro.com for your permit tracker ID. Once that is completed you can then print off the Streamlined Permit Process from our website and fax it in to our office. I will register your information and then instruct Permit Pro that you are taking part in this program.
- The **Land Developers Committee** met with the Shallow Utilities on May 8th to inform them of the upcoming projects to help them prepare for the scheduling. It was determined that we will have another meeting in late July to see if all projects are still on track, and to address more concerns.
- The **Government & Bylaw Committee** has been opposing an amendment to the land use bylaw that changed all uses to discretionary, based on the sewage capacity. This affects all property in the downtown core, south of the river and McKenzie and Gregoire, that has not been approved for development permits yet. Unfortunately we were not successful in our opposition despite some very influential speakers. If this affects you in any way please call the office.

Welcome our newest members

- Byron and Company—Mila Byron
- Coldwell Banker—Colin Hartigan
- Focus Corporation—Tony Brown
- Fort McMurray Real Estate Board—Chris Moskalyk
- IBI Group—Peter Moore
- Parsons Creek Development—Tim Walsh
- Surebrook Developments Ltd—George Cantalini
- Vinni & Jakeman Law—Allan Vinni
- Winchester Homes—Paul Bergman

Upcoming Events

June 14th, 2007 Luncheon 12:00 Noon at the Sawridge Inn & Conference Centre

Special Guest Speaker Bernadette Majdell and Nicole Church of CMHC (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp)

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From your Executive Director

My name is Debbie McGlenen and I am your new Executive Director. I have been with UDI-Wood Buffalo since the middle of February. My background has been in the construction and manufacturing industry as well as in the financial sector.

I am pleased to announce that UDI-Wood Buffalo now has it's own office complete with a Board Room. Our website www.udiwoodbuffalo.com is now up and running, and this is our first newsletter I hope you find both to be informative. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or suggestions.

I look forward to working for all of you.

June 15th, 2007 (Friday) Golf Classic, Shot Gun Start at 7:30am Miskanaw Golf Club, in conjunction with the Fort McMurray Construction Assoc. and Wood Buffalo ACSA Regional Safety Committee and UDI-Wood Buffalo. Please support us by attending or becoming a sponsor.