



# *The Wood Buffalo Monthly*

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## **COMMITTEE NEWS**

The **Builders/Trade Committee** have now expounded on the streamlined permit process to include the payment and process of all permits at one time. You need to fill out the **Subtrade Form** attached to the Streamlined Permit Process found on the website under resources, and fax back to permit pro. You must complete one for each project, any changes must be sent in to Permit Pro.

**Jobsite Cleanliness** is another item the Builders/Trade Committee is working on. The job sites are generally a disaster and do nothing for our industry's image. We would ask all members to set an example and practice good housekeeping on your sites.

The **Land Developers Committee** have had their first official meeting and are working on land release initiatives. They will be coordinating another shallow utilities meeting for Aug 1, 2007.

### **Welcome our newest members**

- ATCO Gas – Graham Goldfinch
- Janes Brothers Contracting Ltd.– Dwayne Janes
- Keyano College—Steve Cook
- MaxWell Realty Fort McMurray - Ken Shebib
- Rona Home Centre—Rick Gaboury

### **IN THE NEWS**

Beginning June 27 the Current Planning and Development Division will be closed on Wednesdays until further notice. This is to help address the high level of permit applications and to get caught up with the administrative side of the application process. Office hours remain 8:30-4:30 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

The new President of the Chamber of Commerce is Jack Bonville.

Our last event at the Sawridge on June 14th was CMHC, Nicole Church gave this presentation, if you want a copy just call the office. The new forecast will be out soon and can be downloaded from their website at [www.cmhc.ca](http://www.cmhc.ca)

### **From your President**

We have sent in our first Chapter report to UDI Alberta. Dave Marshall, director, attended the UDI Alberta's AGM on June 21. Dave is also assisting Cold Lake in establishing a UDI Chapter.

I recently met with Mayor Melissa Blake and Bill Newell to give an update on UDI-Wood Buffalo and to discuss general items such as land release, current lot supply, economic development and the lower town site sewer capacities. We had a good meeting and will meet again in one month's time.

UDI-Wood Buffalo has been invited to review the recent off-site levy update and to provide input. I would ask all developer members to get involved and provide input. Please contact the office for more information.

**The Golf tournament was attended by 142 golfers!!** at the Miskanaw Golf Course. Thanks to all the sponsors, participants and volunteers. The rain was kept away and the caterpillars were not too bad. Great dinner, prizes and fun was had by all. Thanks to our partners the Fort McMurray Construction Association and the Wood Buffalo ACSA Regional Safety Committee for making this event another successful one.

### **Quote of the Month:**

Knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens.  
*Jimi Hendrix*

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