

## **ON THE COWBOY TRAIL**

News from Councillor Barb Castell

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In the short 3 ½ months since being elected, I have been kept very busy with council, committees and resident-related meetings. It has been and still is, a huge learning curve with plenty of reading. I am sure I have read the equivalent of the complete works of Shakespeare and that is just this month!

Some upcoming information that may be of interest to you as residents of Division 3 include:

- 1) Public Works has scheduled Plummer's Road and Parkin's Road for work in 2008.
- 2) A 9-1-1 address will be assigned for each property that has a residence or commercial building. It will enable better routing of emergency vehicles because the address identifies the precise location of the driveway that accesses your property. You will be receiving a letter informing you of your new address soon. The MD office in High River will have a brochure available as well. All the addressing information will also be on the M.D. web site:  
  
<http://www.mdfoothills.com>
- 3) Council has committed to a Municipal Development Plan Review with a Steering Committee consisting of 14 residents – two from each of the seven divisions in the MD of Foothills 31.
- 4) The Community Standards Bylaw Review will be presented in a public meeting to be held at the MD – date yet to be decided.
- 5) The Mapping department informs me that the second edition of the 2007 MD map is available for purchase at the MD office in High River.

For those of you with access to the internet, you can find news, links to sites that may be of interest, and upcoming conferences that I will be attending by going to my web site:

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Here is a list of the Boards and Committees that I am on for 2007-2008:

- Accounts Review Committee  
(February, March, April, August, September & October 2008)
- Bow River Basin Council (Alternate)
- Calgary Inter-Municipal Negotiating Committee
- Cross Conservancy
- Development Appeal Board
- Environment Committee
- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
- Historical Review Committee
- Longview Inter-Municipal Negotiating Committee
- Marigold Library Board (Alternate)
- Millarville Recreation Board
- Okotoks Inter-Municipal Negotiating Committee (Alternate)
- Priddis/Red Deer Lake Recreation Board (Alternate)
- Recycling Advisory Committee
- Regional Protective Services Committee
- Turner Valley & Black Diamond Inter-Municipal Negotiating Committee

Over the past months, it has been a pleasure meeting and talking to so many of you either with concerns, new plans both formally or informally out and about. I have been privileged to judge the 4H Public Speaking for the Okotoks Outriders as well as the Millarville-Stockland 4H Beef Club.

Everyone has been so welcoming and I look forward to a very productive 2008.

Barb Castell