



On The Cowboy Trail

News from Councillor Barb Castell

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I am happy to serve as your councillor for Division 3 for another term. To see the new committees and boards I have been appointed to, visit my web site: www.thecowboytrail.ca

This has been a busy, exciting year in Division 3. The Millarville Racing and Agricultural Society's events pulled the community together to get things done and make this another successful year. Of course, the Board and volunteers are already planning 2011. Be sure to attend the AGM on Monday, December 13th at the Racetrack. For more info visit the MRAS web site, www.millarvilleracetrack.com

Plans for a new North West Recreation Centre have moved forward. This is our opportunity to have an indoor recreation facility for our area. Council will adopt the Bylaws soon. The committee will include three MD councillors in addition to residents representing Divisions 3, 4 and 5. This committee will operate under the MD of Foothills and our staff will be working closely with them. The first task will be to acquire land for the facility through purchase, donation or land swap. Watch for updates and future meetings on the MD's web site: www.mdfoothills.com

Council attended the annual Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) conference from November 14th to 16th. We were encouraged by the fact that Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) funds would continue and may increase this coming year. These MSI funds help to pay for roads, recreation facilities and other projects in the MD.

Councillor Suzanne Oel and I had occasion to talk to Frank Oberle, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security addressing concerns by residents and council regarding RCMP coverage in our area. We encouraged him to increase manpower at the Turner Valley detachment to help cover the huge area constables are dealing with at this time. We look forward to a solution from him soon.

If you are interested in being on an MD Board or Committee, go to the MD's web site: www.mdfoothills.com

On the right under PUBLIC NOTICES, click on Board & Committee Vacancies.

I wish you a wonderful and safe holiday season and a happy 2011!

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