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# MACKENZIE MAKES TOP 10 IN BCAA PLAY HERE CONTEST

There is only a couple more weeks to help neighbouring town Mackenzie get their new playground worth up to \$100,000 at John Dahl Park

Mackenzie is the only Northern town to make the top 10. Being that they are a small community, they need all the help they can get to accumulate votes.

BCAA Play Here Initiative has been giving grants for the past few years to deserving towns in the province in need of new play structures. Building these playgrounds brings together communities and can be enjoyed by people of all ages.

Voting ends on June 17th, so vote for our neighbours in Mackenzie by going to the website www.BCAAplayhere.com or through Facebook, Twitter, Google or Email. On June 21st, BCAA will announce the winners of the prize money.

\*\*Kelsey Roberts, reporter Coffee Talk Express\*\*



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5301 44A Ave Chetwynd. 4 Bdrm, 2.5 bath. Corner lot on a quiet dead end road Found: small dog in Hasler flats area. close to Mt. Badly trails. Fully renovated Please call 250-788-2890 to identify. upstairs with an open concept kitchen, dining room and living room. Master bdrm includes a 2pc bath, walk in closet. \$310,000. Call 250-788-5982 to view.

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2658 Clarke Rd mobile home on 5 acres with a few out buildings. Fenced for 2000 GMC 2500 ext cab, short box. horses. \$140,000. Leave message, will 302280 km, runs good, power locks, after organic gardening. Work call back. 250-788-1928

## PETS/LIVESTOCK

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Yellow/green mix Canaries. 2018 hatch. Male \$60, female \$30. Text or call 250-788-6935

Rottweiler pups for sale. Dam is ckc registered, Sire is not registered or the pups. 3 females left, will have first shots and micro-chipped. Asking \$1000 each. Call 250-788-3837 leave message.

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> Wanted: Urgent! Need a live-in exchange mainly for room and board. I can do work as a caregiver, doing housesitting/keeping, cooking, cleaning, yard work, eco-friendly and love children, as I may at later date have a child along with me. I do not work on Saturdays and I don't drive. I am non-smk., nondrk. and kind and reliable in nature, hoping for a long term position. References can be given upon request. Any serious job offers please forward to: j.c331@yahoo.ca

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# DISTRICT OF CHETWYND Zoning Bylaw Amendment

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 465 of the *Local Government Act* RSBC 2015, the Council of the District of Chetwynd gives notice it will hold a Public Hearing:

Date: June 18, 2018 Time: 4:00 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers, District Office

to consider the following proposed amendment to Zoning Bylaw No. 1035, 2018:

Bylaw No. 1075, 2018 (Cannabis)

Location: Community-wide

**Purpose:** To amend Zoning Bylaw No. 1035, 2016 by amending the definition for Agricultural Use, adding definitions for Cannabis Operation, Medical Cannabis Operation, amending Permitted Uses 4.8.1 and 4.8.2 and amending Permitted Principal Uses to include Cannabis Operations and Medical Cannabis Operations in Town Centre Commercial (C1) zone.

All persons who believe their interest in property may be affected by the proposed amendment bylaw and wish to register an opinion may do so by:

1. Appearing before Council at the said Public Hearing; and/or 2. Forwarding written submissions for Council's consideration, prior to 4:00 p.m. June 18, 2018, to District of Chetwynd, P.O. Box 357, Chetwynd, BC, V0C 1J0; Fax: 250-401-4101; or Email: <a href="de-d-chet@gochetwynd.com">d-chet@gochetwynd.com</a>

The bylaw and other written information pertaining to this matter may be viewed at the District of Chetwynd Office located at 5400 Hospital Road, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays.

Any inquiries should be referred to the District of Chetwynd, Telephone: 250-401-4100, Fax: 250-401-4101, Email: d-chet@gochetwynd.com or by mail to P.O. Box 357, Chetwynd, BC, V0C 1J0

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018 Carol Newsom, Corporate Officer



#### DISTRICT OF CHETWYND Proposed Zoning Bylaw No. 1076, 2018, and Proposed Zoning Bylaw No. 1077, 2018 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 465 of the *Local Government Act* RSBC 2015, the Council of the District of Chetwynd gives notice it will hold a Public Hearing to consider the abovenamed bylaws:

Date: June 18, 2018

Date: June 18, 2018 Time: 4:00 p.m. Place: Council Chambers

1) The Proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1076, 2018 will change the zoning from Rural 1 (RU1) to Heavy Industrial (M2) on the subject property known as **Block** C, **DL2142**, **Peace River District Except Plan 32045** (by the CN Rail Station); **AND** 

2) Proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1077, 2018 will change the zoning from Light Industrial (M1) to Heavy Industrial (M2) on the subject property known as Block B, DL 1814, Peace River District (by the CN Rail Station) to facilitate the construction of a new railway loop off the existing railway line; these bylaws and further information can be viewed in their entirety at <a href="www.gochetwynd.com">www.gochetwynd.com</a> All persons who believe their interest in property may be affected by the proposed bylaws and wish to register an opinion may do so by:

1. Appearing before Council at the said Public Hearing; and or 2. Forwarding written submissions for Council's consideration, prior to 4:00 p.m. June 18th, 2018, to District of Chetwynd, P.O. Box 357, Chetwynd, BC, VOC 1J0; Fax: 250-401-4101; or Email: d-chet@gochetwynd.com

The bylaws and other written information pertaining to this matter may be viewed at <a href="https://www.gochetwynd.com">www.gochetwynd.com</a>, or at the District of Chetwynd Office located at 5400 Hospital Road, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, from May 24, 2018 to June 18, 2018.

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Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018 Carol Newsom, Corporate Officer

# **KELSEY'S CHRONICLE**

Although vitamins seem like a great idea to add that little bit of extra nutrients to your diet, I saw something on the news where a study was done to a huge group of people, that concluded that taking daily vitamins do not help you, and can actually do the opposite and hurt your body. I decided to read further into this and this is actually just one of many studies that professionals have done that came to the same conclusion. So what exactly are vitamins doing for and to you?

Studies showed that people taking daily supplements had no less chance of getting heart disease, cardiovascular diseases or cancers. This obviously does not include people who take a specific vitamin that they are deficient of, but those already healthy individuals who take one in the chance of warding off diseases.

Vitamins from a bottle are far different from the vitamins that foods contain. If you're already eating a healthy diet full of fruits and vegetables, chances are you're already getting your daily intake of vitamins. You could be actually harming your body by taking a daily chemical supplement. Taking higher than the daily recommended intake in some cases can cause a lot of unwanted side affects, and has also been linked to antibiotic resistance.

Multivitamins, containing vitamin C, E, selenium, zinc and other supplements showed increased rate of skin cancer. Singular vitamins didn't hold up too well to studies either. Beta-carotene is found in carrots, cantaloupe, kale and spinach, but taking a daily supplement showed no benefit in long-term studies and has actually been linked to lung cancer in smokers. Vitamin b12 can be good if you are vegan, vegetarian or anemic but doesn't boost energy as previous studies concluded. Vitamin E, naturally found in nuts and leafy greens, is great at helping prevent Alzheimers but supplements in higher doses increase risks of stroke. Zinc has always been considered the vitamin to ward off or shorten the length of the common cold or flu, but the studies not only don't match up. They have actually been proven to weaken the immune system.

Now I have no medical degree and am not telling anyone to stop taking their prescribed vitamins, but if you are a healthy individual, you're probably getting what you need out of your food. Supplement your diet with vitamin and nutrient rich food, not from store bought pills.

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    - Rhonda Lasser
    - Friends of the Library
      - Sukunka Group
- The Chetwynd Public Library Board and Staff
- All of the people who came out to support us!

Please accept our apologies if we missed anyone.

**JUNE 1, 2018** 

### **MEET THE MAYOR**

We are still talking caribou. Why, you might wonder? The answer is simple but the solution is bafflingly complex with multiple interest groups pumping their polarized perspectives – real or imagined. From the office of the Mayor I can look directly into the northern extremity of the land base of the Quintette herd of Central Mountain Caribou not five miles distant. Their territory tends to follow the Sukunka River south on the east side and extends to about Hook Lake thence north and east with Tumbler Ridge about in its geographic centre.

East and south of the Quintette territory you will find the Narraway herd land base extending to the Alberta border but the herd, I expect, does not recognize such flimsy political boundaries and will cross at will to follow its food sources.

West of the Sukunka we find the Burnt Pine herd in the territory of the Pine and Burnt Rivers. The Moberly herd is to the west of that beautiful lake; it extends north to the Williston Reservoir, and west to the Kennedy Siding herd that borders the Burnt Pine and the Parsnip River south of Mackenzie. The Scott herd occupies both sides of the Parsnip arm of the Williston Reservoir. A quick review of your physical geography will show you that these herds share the land base with our major forest harvesting and coal mining activities.

Of interest and concern to us is the fact that the Burnt Pine, Quintette, and Narraway herds have been identified by the Federal Minister of Environment as at risk under the Species at Risk Act (SARA) and in need of immediate intervention. The Act requires the Minister to affirm the risk and make recommendations to Cabinet.

I just turned to look again over the green hills and valleys to our still-snowy mountains that we share with the Central Mountain Caribou. Vista magnificent! In glancing at our mountains and valleys (vista magnificent!), of necessity, I had to look over (in contrast to overlook) the homes of hundreds of people whose livelihoods are intimately linked to forest and mountain; a truckload of logs that just now rolled into town on its way to the mill.

These logs are our livelihood. By them we put food on our tables. Indeed, we even buy our tables (another load goes by) with the proceeds of the trees harvested from our forests. I stress the verb, harvest. We are not raping and pillaging our woodlands as some allege (there is more fibre in the forests of our area today than there was 50 years ago). I believe our foresters are taking a sensible and sustainable approach to the harvest, much as a careful farmer does with her fields and crops.

Naturally, it takes longer for a forest to regrow the crop. But regrow, it does! I've seen the evidence wherever I have travelled – North America, Europe, Asia, and right here in our own valleys and mountains. My dad logged and operated a bush sawmill not ten miles from the centre of Chetwynd almost 70 years ago. Today you couldn't find the location without knowing its precise coordinates. I went back probably 20 years ago looking for the site; had to tramp around forth and back but eventually stood in its place only to be astonished at the marvelous regenerative powers designed into our forests by the Creator. But there are people who would shut us down and exclude us from the forests that we love and cherish (not sure how they build their houses and get from

there to over there). One of them vigorously expressed her opinions on the Caribou Recovery teleconference this morning.

Happily, I believe our Provincial Government ultimately will take an approach not quite so radical. Nevertheless, it is caught between the Federal

determination to carry out its perceived obligations under SARA and certain other international treaties to which Canada is signatory, and British Columbia's own interest in protecting a stable revenue stream and economic base with the families such as base supports.

Vigilance is always the price of liberty. Apparently vigilance is also the price of sustaining our rural, agrarian, forest-based, and wilderness-oriented ways of life. And vigilance is a suppositive that the supposition of the price of sustaining our productions.

of life. And vigilance is expensive (but not so expensive as failure to be alert and act)! The Regional District Board will need to secure immediately the services of a competent biologist with experience in caribou management to assist us in crafting the defense we must make to Government. Time is not on our side.

Oh, by the way, here is a marvelous little wisdom from the ancients that seems to be appropriate for our present, precarious circumstances: "The complacency of fools will destroy them." Indeed! My lack of complacency on this topic wakes me up in the night. That also is foolish.

Merlin Nichols, Mayor



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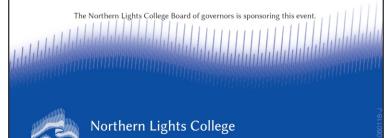
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