



The Village office will be closed May 18, 2026 and will reopen at 8:30am May 19, 2026

VILLAGE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETINGS

- May 4, 2026
- May 19, 2026

COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE VILLAGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5015 - 50 STREET STARTING AT 7:00PM. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

DEPUTY MAYOR'S MESSAGE

After a winter of significant snowfall, spring has finally arrived. Village staff will be busy over the coming weeks completing winter cleanup and preparing our community for the warmer months ahead.

The additional moisture we received over the winter is welcome news for local farmers and is greatly appreciated by our fire department as well. As residents begin spending more time outdoors and backyard fire pits are used again, we encourage everyone to remain extra vigilant until the grass greens up and the overall fire risk drops.

As part of our regular engagement with the Kitscoty RCMP, Cpl. Schmidt recently presented the RCMP priorities for 2026, which include:

- Crime reduction
- Community engagement and consultation

Traffic safety

Emergency preparedness remains a priority for the Village. In April, Village staff completed emergency management training and participated in an emergency response exercise to practice our Regional Emergency Management Plan. This plan has been reviewed by the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) to ensure compliance with the Alberta Emergency Management Act and related regulations.

Village Council continues to be actively involved with the Vermilion River Regional Alliance (VRRRA), which includes multiple municipalities, villages, towns, and the City of Lloydminster. This forum provides an opportunity to discuss shared regional challenges and to present a collective voice to the Government of Alberta. Most recently, two letters were sent to the province:

- One addressing the safety risks at the Highway 16 and Highway 897 intersection

Another highlighting the lack of affordable housing for working-age adults, as well as concerns related to funding for housing maintenance and appropriate levels of care for seniors

On behalf of Council and staff, we wish you a safe and enjoyable spring season.

Sincerely,
Deputy Mayor
Kevin Miciak

IMPORTANT NOTICE



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF 2026 COMBINED PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AND TAX NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the Combined Assessment and Property Tax Notices of the Village of Kitscoty, under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, were mailed on May 13, 2026, with a Notice of Assessment date of May 21, 2026. Property taxes will be due on June 30, 2026, by 4:30 PM.

After a property owner receives the Combined Assessment and Tax Notice, they are encouraged to discuss any concerns with the Appointed Assessor (Wainwright Assessment Group - 780.842.5002) for the Village of Kitscoty. The Assessment Roll is open for viewing all year, including the complaint period. The assessment complaint period ends **July 20, 2026**.

All information regarding assessment complaints can be found on the reverse side of the Village of Kitscoty Property and Assessment Notices.

The complaint fee must accompany the Assessment Review Board Complaint Form, which is available at the Village of Kitscoty office at 5011 – 50 Street, Kitscoty, AB or on the Village of Kitscoty website www.vokitscoty.ca. The appropriate filing fee and written complaint must be received at the Village of Kitscoty Office on or before **July 20, 2026, at 4:30 PM**.

TYPE OF COMPLAINT:

Residential 3 or fewer dwellings or farmland
Residential 4 or more dwellings
Non-residential

COMPLAINT FEE:

\$ 50.00
\$650.00
\$200.00

Dated this 9th day of May, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Olson', is written over a faint circular stamp.

Jason Olson CLGM
Chief Administrative Officer

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SUNDAY MAY 10TH



“ A mother is like a flower, each one is beautiful and unique.”

it's BBQ Time!



Celebrate

Seniors' Week 2026

Wednesday June 3rd

Hosted at the Kitscoty Community Hall

5202 – 51 Street Kitscoty

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

EVERYONE WELCOME – Cost \$5.00

Seniors are a vital part of our communities. Join us in this special event as we show our appreciation for all seniors.





Bowling

For Kitscoty Grads 2026

 **Monday May 11, 2026**

\$40 cash only **6:00pm- 9:00pm**

1 hour of bowling & shoes max 6 per lane ***All proceeds from bowling to help offset grad fees**

780-875-6898 to reserve a lane

Kitscoty Grad class is fundraising !!

☀️ All proceeds go to helping Kitscoty grads 2026 off set some costs ❤️

📺 Cash please as it's going directly to the kids at the door !

➡️ Also bring a little cash as they may have a few other things they will be selling.

* Lloyd Lanes kitchen / bar will be open those items can accept debt for payment 🍷

Call 780-875-6898 to reserve a lane.

Collaborative Economic Development Project Launching in January



The County of Vermilion River and our partner Villages will begin a regional collaborative economic development project this January. Local businesses will have opportunities to participate in upcoming engagement sessions and provide input that will help shape future economic growth across our communities. Watch for more details in the new year.



For more information or questions about the project, please contact:
Wendy Wagner, Economic Development Officer, County of Vermilion River
economicdevelopment@county24.com | 780-846-0158

Do you think a public library is an important part of our community? We are looking for people to help guide program and policy decisions at a local level. If you have a passion for libraries and want to help support them, then we need you. We meet in the evening five times a year in the library. If you're interested or have questions, we would love to hear from you!

Kitscoty Legion

Kitscoty Legion offers a \$500 scholarship to a Kitscoty graduating student. This is for anyone going for trades - hairdressing, welding, electrician etc.

Please contact Therese at 780-846-2854 or any Legion member

Thank you to everyone who attended the Easter Bingo.

Our functions are posted on our Facebook.

Kitscoty Days 2026

May 29th to 31st

**Kitscoty Days are coming!!!
We are looking forward to watching some
amazing Baseball and Softball games!
More Details to come!**

Royals
KITSCOTY

SCREEN TEST

Mobile Mammography Screening is coming to:

Kitscoty

May 8 & 9, 2026

Kitscoty Community Hall



Photo courtesy of Katelyn Bellerose

Call toll free to book an appointment:

1-800-667-0604

To learn more visit: screeningforlife.ca/breast

If you're 45 to 74 years of age, have a mammogram every 2 years or as decided by you and your healthcare provider. No referral needed.



Primary Care
Alberta



Post until: May 2, 2026

KITSCOTY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Your Community Centre is up and running for this winter-spring season and we would love to have you join us, to enjoy one of our activities, while having fun and social interaction. The **morning** activities are Cribbage on Thursdays at 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, and Pool for beginners, the same times on Wednesdays. Licensed Foot Care is available on Tuesdays and Chair Yoga on Friday mornings. In the **afternoons** we have Pool on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. and Floor Curling from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. on Mondays & Thursdays. The Centre is always available for family gatherings, with outdoor space for those warm days, complete with seating for 40, a full kitchen, washrooms, BBQ and coming soon. outdoor games. Indoors there is seating for 50-60, a full kitchen, with a dishwasher. There is a baby change station in the washroom. The **evenings** are wide open for other group activities, should there be interest. Just let me know what activity you would enjoy at the Centre and we will do our best to set it up. For further information you can contact me at **780-846-2832** or to johnandshirleyscott@xplornet.ca Love to hear from you.

John Scott

Emergency Preparedness
BUILD A KIT

Preparing an emergency kit can help reduce the impact of emergencies on your family. Fill bins or backpacks with supplies to last several days and store them where they can be grabbed quickly and easily. Below are some items to consider for your kits.

- Home Kit
- Go Bag
- Car Kit

DOCUMENTS
Physical or digital copies of your important documents and a small amount of cash.
Icons: Insurance Policy, Passport, Cash, Home, Car

CLOTHING
Changes of clothes, shoes, and outerwear that are seasonally appropriate.
Icons: Hat, Hoodie, Backpack, Socks, Home, Car

FIRST AID
A well-stocked first aid kit, hand sanitizer, and masks in case of unsafe air quality or illness.
Icons: First Aid Kit, Mask, Sanitizer, Home, Car

PERSONAL CARE
Personal hygiene supplies, prescription medications and glasses, and comfort/distraction items like a deck of cards.
Icons: Cards, Glasses, Medication, Home, Car

ESSENTIALS
Functional items that are critical to safety and communication in any type of emergency.
Icons: Flashlight, Radio, Keys, Home, Car

FOOD & WATER
Enough non-perishable food and bottled water to support each family member for at least 3 days.
Icons: Water, Crackers, Home, Car

For more information visit: alberta.ca/emergency-preparedness or saskpublicsafety.ca/at-home

THE BENEFITS OF GARDENING FOR GRIEF

The spring season brings a time of year when many people startup gardens. Some describe gardening as an art that can feel very therapeutic, particularly so for those navigating grief and loss. In recent years, there has even been research looking into garden-based interventions for mental wellness. Regardless of one's purpose for gardening, there are benefits associated with the process. The Mayo Clinic lists the following examples of the benefits of gardening: increased exercise, improved diet, increased time in nature, reduced stress levels, and increased social connections. It may be helpful to also consider these benefits in relation to grief.

Increased Exercise: Gardening allows for a very tactile experience of exercise. Whether it is raking dirt, planting seeds, or watering, we can think about gardening as a form of exercise. A common experience of grief can be feeling like we have limited amounts of energy to put into exercise. Gardening may be an activity we participate in anyways, so it can be helpful to remember that it is a form of exercise that allows us to get outside and take care of our bodies.

Improved Diet: Gardening increases our ability to control the freshness of the foods we are nourishing our bodies with. Maintaining a healthy diet can be especially difficult during times of grief. Tending to a garden can act as a reminder that we are allowed to enjoy nourishing foods to ensure prioritizing health during our grief journey.

Increased Time in Nature: By starting gardens in the springtime, it can help us to increase our time in nature that may have been decreased during the winter months. We often feel especially cooped up in the wintertime if we are navigating grief. Tending to a garden usually includes a daily commitment to ensure optimal growth. This encourages us to routinely get into nature to nurture the garden, which may have an added benefit of also nurturing our grief with the increased exposure to fresh air and space to think more clearly.

Reduced Stress Levels: It is common to experience increases in cortisol (the stress hormone) while processing grief. When considering gardening, the Mayo Clinic highlighted that gardening can lighten mood and lower levels of stress and anxiety. It feels good to go through the process of tending to a garden, which decreases overall feelings of stress.

Increased Social Connection: Grief often leads us to feeling isolated and gardening has the power of reducing this isolation by bringing people together. Whether if it is through discussions of the shared interest of gardening, working as a family to plant a garden, or finding a community garden plot, gardening can create a sense of belonging and interconnectedness.

If you are someone who has always wondered about starting a garden, perhaps some of these benefits may be especially helpful if you are also navigating grief. A first step can be to become curious about starting a garden by talking with family, friends, or community members who engage in this beneficial activity.

Submitted by: Walking Through Grief Society

Funded by FCSS; City of Lloydminster, Towns of Vermilion and Wainwright, Village of Kitscoty. and County of Vermilion River.

KITSCOTY COMMUNITY CABIN 4 KIDS SOCIETY

WE HAVE SPACE NOW AVAILABLE

Book your spot today!

Address

5016 51st Street Kitscoty

Registration Link

www.cabin4Kids.org

Contact Us

780-846-2228
director@cabin4Kids.org

Activities

Child Lead Play
Outdoor Adventures
STEM Activities

We have full time spaces available
for ages 19 mo to age 3.5
starting March 2026

**Fully Licensed, not for profit daycare
participating in the Affordability Grant
program.**

As the Kitscoty Community Cabin 4 Kids Board of Directors begins planning for summer programming and out of school care for Fall 2026, we invite any families/parents within our community to complete the following survey if you may be interested in either program. These programs are for children in Grades 1 - 6. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and will provide valuable information for our program planning.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1rmE6JlwJ145cdPIQ5MIgpL0fOol9lo2CJgIZVKX9t-zCxg/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

Lea Park Rodeo

Where the North Saskatchewan River & The "Old Vermilion" Meet!

June 5, 6 & 7, 2026

Statistics Canada is hiring for the 2026 Census!

APPLY NOW:

census.gc.ca/jobs

**ISLAY AUXILIARY ANNUAL
COMMUNITY
GARAGE SALE**

**SAT. MAY 2, 2026
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
ISLAY HALL**

FIND A DEAL LUNCH AVAILABLE

**\$15 TABLE RENTAL
CONTACT RUTH 780-581-5096**

DONATIONS ACCEPTED
DROP OFF AT ISLAY HALL
FRI. MAY 1ST 2:00 – 7:00 PM
SAT. MAY 2ND 8:30 AM



Public Works

VILLAGE CONTACTS

WATER & SEWER EMERGENCIES: 780-205-3745
 Phone: 780-846-2221 Box 128, 5011 - 50 St Email: info@vokitscoty.ca

Jason Olson, Chief Administrative Officer cao@vokitscoty.ca
 Simon Bergquist, Public Works Lead pwsuper@vokitscoty.ca
 Joyce Bell, Mayor joyce@vokitscoty.ca

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
 Lunch Hours 12:00pm –1:00pm

WASTE MANAGEMENT

WASTE TRANSFER STATION	SUMMER HOURS: May 1st to October 31st Wednesday 2-7 Thursday 1-5 Saturday 10-4
RECYCLING	Co- mingle recycling bins are located at the WTS for all your recycling activities (except plastic)
INCLEMENT WEATHER	In the event of inclement weather call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Office at 780-853-1070 to get updates on transfer station sites. Automated recording will inform you of any changes