

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATES from the CAO

The interest generated by the Kraft Hockeyville Competition proved that the Blaine Lake Skating Rink is a critical facility for the region. The Blaine Lake Community Association (BLCA) agrees and has asked the Town and RM of Blaine Lake to participate in a \$ 155,000 project as well as contributing the Kraft Hockeyville proceeds.

There is no question that the investment in the Skating Rink should be made, however is the timing and momentum right to consider a major upgrade to the facility including artificial ice installation, an initial estimate of \$ 500,000, or even an ambitious project by fundraising enough that with grants and fundraising a new facility could be considered for Blaine Lake that would encompass the skating rink and community hall being discussed. There has been some information about a Federal Grant program that could potentially provide a major contribution.

A meeting will be held with the Blaine Lake Community Association and other organizations to determine interest in creating a fundraising campaign to raise funds to refurbish and/or complete a major upgrade including installing artificial ice to the Blaine Lake Skating Rink.

Further information will be provided.

The next meeting with the Muskeg Lake Cree Nation Working Group will be held in early May 2026 to continue planning for growth in our region.

Preparation continues for the 2026 step of the Long-Term Street Upgrade Program with work to start, depending upon weather, June 1, 2026.

The Town of Blaine Lake has enrolled in the Communities in Bloom Program for 2026 and encourages all residents to participate by maintaining a tidy yard, and planting colorful annuals, perennials and/or vegetables.

Lumec Farms met with Council to present a revised proposal for added storage at their location at Railway Avenue North. As the community will recall, the initial proposal required a discretionary use approval for the Grain Drying Equipment.

The request was revised to remove the grain drying equipment and add additional storage - four 30,000 bushel bins - which is a permitted use under Zoning Bylaw, Section 12(1)(f), regarding *buildings, structures and uses accessory to, and located on the same site as, the principal building*. Therefore, adding storage to an existing elevator site is standard and common accessory use and under the Planning & Development Act, 2007. These structures are legally classified as annexes or auxiliary storage. Storage of grain directly supports the principal operation.

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Open Cupboard Days

Thurs. May 14th 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Thurs. May 28th 3:00 -5:00 pm

Pick-up at 109 Railway Ave W.



May 5	Mobile Early Learning with Christin
May 15	Field Trip & Lunch - stay tuned for more info!
May 19	Library Story Time
May 28	TimberNook Tiny Ones - Blaine Lake with Shelley



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Town Council Meeting

TUESDAY MAY 19, 2026 @ 4:00 PM



**2026
SEASON OPENING
BLAINE LAKE
FARMERS MARKET**

Charity BBQ & Vendors

Friday May 15th - 1-7pm

Saturday May 16th - 9-4pm

Vendors

Sunday May 17th - 10-5pm

***These hours in effect all summer**

Saturday May 9, 2026

Pancake Lunch * 11am - 1pm

Trade Show * 10 am - 4pm

DIY Crafts * 2pm

(by registration)

<https://www.alopaint.ca/>



Stafford Communiplex

NEW WEBSITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION



The Town anticipates the launch of our new website summer 2026.

A key feature will be a mass notification system which will allow for real-time updates via text, email and landline.

To Register, visit:

https://blainelake.notify.catalisgov.ca/Pubs_v2/register.aspx

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While not subject to a discretionary use there were some valid public concerns brought forward at the Public Hearing such as noise or dust and LUMEC Farms and agreed to provide the following:

- Noise – emit no noise of industrial production audible beyond the boundary of the lands on which the operation takes place
- Dust or Ash – no process and no dust or particulate matter shall be permitted outside the boundaries of the lands on which the operation takes place.
- External storage must be in a neat and orderly manner and suitably enclosed by a fence or a wall to the satisfaction of Council
- That Lumec Farms pay for dust control installed by the Town on Railway Avenue north from Main Street to and on the roadways on their property as deemed necessary by the Town.
- If any valid concerns are raised by the Town after the expansion is in operation, Lumec Farms will agree to correct the conditions causing concerns at their cost

If there are any questions regarding this or any other items from Council Meetings, please contact: cao@blainelake.ca or call 306-497-2531.



Grand OPENING

Blaine Lake Library

You're invited to celebrate the formal grand opening of the

Library at its new location:

109 Railway Ave E

Saturday May 2, 2026

1:00 - 3:00 pm



May 7, 6:30 - 8:30 @ BLCS

May 14, 6:30 - 8:30 @ BLCS

May 21, 6:30 - 8:30 @ BLCS

May 28, 6:30 - 8:30 @ BLCS

Check out Gateway Youth on Facebook or @yfcgateway on Instagram for any changes or added events and reach out to Brendan at (306) 916-7100 or brendan.schultz@yfc.ca if you have any questions.



TOWN BLOSSOM COLORS: PINK, PURPLE, WHITE



Reminder to keep open-air fires contained, covered and supervised!

Burn charcoal or cut seasoned wood ONLY!

Do NOT burn:

- Garbage
- Leaves/garden refuse
- manure
- animal carcasses
- black soot producing materials (shingles, plastics, rubber, etc)

Blaine Lake Bylaw #04/2006