



Upcoming

Council Meetings

Wednesdays, September 3 & 17
Regular Council Meetings

Wednesday, September 10
Committee of the Whole

Wednesdays, October 1 & 15
Regular Council Meetings

*The public portion of all
meetings begins at 6:00pm.*

View Agendas and Minutes as
well as the link to watch live at
DiamondValley.town/Council

**Frontenac Wastewater
Main Replacement
Project Underway
September 2-October 31**

Construction on Frontenac Avenue between Main Street and George Street begins September 2 and is expected to continue until October 31, 2025. The project will replace aging wastewater infrastructure and repave the roadway. Frontenac Avenue will be closed to through traffic during this time, with a detour in place. Questions may be directed to UG Excavating at 403-807-7732 or jissa@ugexcavating.com






2025 Municipal Election

Key Dates

- Nomination Period: January 6 – September 22, 2025
- Nomination Day: September 22, 2025 (closes at noon)
- Advance Voting:
 - Tuesday, October 14 | 1–7 pm | Griffiths Centre
 - Thursday, October 16 | 1–7 pm | Griffiths Centre
- Election Day:
 - Monday, October 20 | 10 am–8 pm | Flare n' Derrick Community Hall
- Results: Unofficial results posted election night; official results October 25, 2025

Voters

- Eligibility: 18+, Canadian citizen, resident of Diamond Valley on Election Day
- Register in advance with Elections Alberta (Voterlink)
- Identification (ID) is required to vote (must prove identity and residence)
- If registered: one piece of government-issued photo ID
- If not registered: one piece of government-issued photo ID plus another approved document showing proof of residence (see website for details)

Candidates

- *Notice of Intent to Run* required before accepting contributions or incurring expenses
- Nomination papers accepted January 6 – September 22, 2025 (noon)
- Handbooks and training resources available at: DiamondValley.town/Election

Election Workers

- Paid positions (\$22/hr plus \$40 training)
- Must attend training and work full shift
- Apply online at DiamondValley.town/ElectionWorkers by September 23, 2025

Full details, forms, ID requirements, and updates, visit:
DiamondValley.town/Election

NEW! Register to Vote by joining the Permanent Electors Register

To vote in the 2025 general municipal election, you must first go to the Elections Alberta website and register in advance. If you are not registered before Election Day, you can still vote, but you will be required to provide identification proving both your identity and your place of residence. If your driver's licence shows a P.O. Box address, you must bring an additional approved form of ID that confirms your residence in the Town of Diamond Valley. Please note that the voter registration site will be closing down in advance of the municipal election, so don't delay. Register now to simplify your visit to the voting station. Link found at DiamondValley.town/RegisterToVote

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Barry Crane

TOWN OF
**DIAMOND
VALLEY**



Backpacks are out, lunch kits are packed, and the crosswalks are busy again - back-to-school season has arrived in Diamond Valley. Be sure to slow down on our residential streets to ensure everyone has a safe return to classes. After a summer of abundant rain that freshened up the fields and helped bring the water table back up after several dry years, we now get to enjoy the crisp mornings and sunny afternoons of early fall.

Election season is also here, and it's your chance to shape the future of our community. Nomination Day is September 22 for anyone considering a run for Council. If you've ever thought about the changes you'd like to see, or how you could help move Diamond Valley forward, this is the opportunity to step up. My own time on Council has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, and I can tell you that serving your neighbours in this way is a chance to make a real difference. Election workers are also needed to help keep the voting process running smoothly, and applications are open until September 23. Advance voting takes place October 14 and 16, and Election Day is Monday, October 20. Not everyone will run, and not everyone will work the polls, but everyone can vote - and your vote matters!

August also brought the official grand opening of the new Diamond Valley Disc Golf Course, held on August 17. A huge thank you goes to course designer and project founder, Ian Penhalagan, as well as his family and friends for the countless volunteer hours they poured into bringing this project to life. Thanks also to the many sponsors who contributed over \$21,000 plus in-kind sponsorships toward the course construction, especially the Foothills Lions Club, who donated \$10,000! Hole signage is available as an annually renewable sponsorship—a great way for local businesses to get their logo out on the course while helping support ongoing maintenance and improvements to the course. Our Public Works department also deserves major recognition for the hours they invested to help prepare the site and keep it looking great. The event itself was a lot of fun, and for those who couldn't make it, official high-quality Diamond Valley discs are available for purchase at the Town Office, and the course remains open year-round for those who want to sharpen their skills and get out for a fun day of disc golf in a beautiful setting near the river.

A big thank you goes out to our pool and recreation staff for keeping the Dr. Lander Memorial Pool running smoothly all summer long - what a gift to have such a great outdoor amenity right here at home. The Scott Seaman Sports Rink (SSSR) was buzzing with pickleball players this summer, and it's great to see this sport take hold in town. The SSSR will remain open daily for pickleball through the end of September. At the Oilfields Regional Arena, the new ice plant is being installed and the rink will be operational soon, so watch our website for updates on ice times at both the arena and the SSSR. One event to mark on the calendar is the weekly Sunday Public Skate happening from 11:15 to 12:15 starting October 5, proudly sponsored by Pharmasave / Spicer's Apothecary. Helmets are required, but sticks and pucks are not allowed during this weekly free skate. Starting in November, skating, hockey and shinny can be played for free any time the SSSR is not booked.

The Municipal Development Plan is coming to completion, and I want to thank the MDP Steering Committee members, the staff and consultants, and most importantly the many residents who called, stopped in, and participated in the community engagement sessions - sharing their vision for the future of Diamond Valley. This document will guide how our community grows for years to come, and it's stronger because of your involvement.

We are also celebrating important provincial funding that has supported both the completion of the Westend Lagoon upgrade and the next steps for our flood berm project - critical infrastructure improvements that will help protect Diamond Valley into the future. Alberta government representatives will be visiting in September to celebrate these funding accomplishments.

And as October approaches, Fire Prevention Week reminds us to "Charge into Fire Safety" by learning how to safely use lithium-ion batteries in the home, from cell phones to e-bikes and electric vehicles. The key message is to charge devices with the right equipment, store batteries properly, and replace them if they are damaged or overheating to reduce the risk of fire. And as part of Fire Prevention Week, remember to check the batteries in your smoke detectors each spring and fall.

Autumn is a season of transition, and it reminds us that patience and steady effort always bring results, whether in a household project or in a community. Remember to get out and vote in October, and as always, be safe, be kind, and be courteous.

Barry Crane