

# COUNCILLOR DWIGHT DAVIDSON PASSES AWAY AT AGE 70

## Colleagues bid fond farewell to dedicated economic development champion.



**Sangudo, Alberta, Thursday October 27, 2016** – A prominent figure in the stewardship of Lac Ste. Anne County, Councillor Dwight Davidson passed away on Tuesday, October 25 at the age of 70. Councillor Davidson represented Division 4 on County Council for two consecutive terms, serving from 2010 to his recent passing. He was a respected member of Lac Ste. Anne County Council, and was passionate and participatory in the County's growth and economic development initiatives. Notably, Councillor Davidson promoted cooperation through intermunicipal agreements with Mayerthorpe, Onoway and Alberta Beach.

"On behalf of the staff and Councillors at the County, I wish to pay my heartfelt condolences to Councillor Davidson's family," said Mayor Bill Hegy. "We're all the better for his contributions during his time with us on Council, and we are appreciative of the vital role he played to ensure the County's growth and stability."

A local resident since 2005, Councillor Davidson was passionately involved in driving municipal initiatives that would benefit of the County and its ratepayers. He worked diligently to strengthen communications between administration and ratepayers, and to encourage the County to become more active in promoting new businesses and development across the region. One of his most recent accomplishments was helping establish and grow broadband communications infrastructure across many parts of Lac Ste. Anne County.

"I can recall many great discussions with Dwight," continued Mayor Hegy. "Being very much a law-and-order guy, his approach was always very direct and honest. He will be greatly missed by us all."

Councillor Davidson was known to volunteer his time and considerable energies wherever and whenever he was able. He was also an active member of the Sangudo Golden Age Club. An avid outdoorsman, he could often be found hunting, fishing, gardening and enjoying his leisure time in the County with family and friends. Prior to his career in municipal politics, Councillor Davidson served as a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for nearly three decades, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant before retiring from the force in 1994.

Councillor Davidson is survived by his wife Val, his two children and four grandchildren. His funeral will be held Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2:00 pm at the Park Memorial Funeral Home at 9709-111 Avenue in Edmonton. His family has requested that in lieu of flowers (Mrs. Davidson is highly allergic), donations be made to the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation. Please visit [stollerykids.com](http://stollerykids.com) for more information.

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