

**ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL**  
**ROUND TABLE MEETING**  
**BEING HELD IN THE ALBERTA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**AND BEING HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

- P. 2-10 1. ATB Bank Closure
- P. 11 2. Connect Mobility – Installation of Equipment in Administration building
- P. 12 3. Joint Trivillage Meeting (Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm) – Agenda Items
- P. 13-14 4. Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation – ANSN Strategic Plan
- 5.
- 6.

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**Alberta Beach Village Office**

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**From:** Kelly Muir <kbmuir@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** February 4, 2025 9:58 AM  
**To:** Alberta Beach Village Office  
**Subject:** Re: ATB Alberta Beach agency to close permanently on March 21, 2025.

Can we write a letter expressing our disappointment in the decision and explaining why we feel it should remain open? Is that within the municipality's scope?

On Tue, Feb 4, 2025 at 9:02 AM Alberta Beach Village Office <[aboffice@albertabeach.com](mailto:aboffice@albertabeach.com)> wrote:

Thanks, Kelly,

Yes, we heard. Very sad to hear.

*Cathy McCartney*

*Assistant CAO*

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**From:** Kelly Muir <[kbmuir@gmail.com](mailto:kbmuir@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** February 3, 2025 10:34 AM

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To: Village of Alberta Beach <[aboffice@albertabeach.com](mailto:aboffice@albertabeach.com)>

Subject: Fwd: ATB Alberta Beach agency to close permanently on March 21, 2025.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Tanya Hulbert** <[thulbert@atb.com](mailto:thulbert@atb.com)>

Date: Mon, Feb 3, 2025 at 9:16 AM

Subject: ATB Alberta Beach agency to close permanently on March 21, 2025.

To: <[kellymuir@albertabeach.com](mailto:kellymuir@albertabeach.com)>

Hello Mayor Muir,

I'm reaching out to let you know that ATB Alberta Beach will **close permanently on Friday, March 21 at 12pm**. The Agent, Heidi, has decided to retire. We thank her for her more than 35 years of service to the community and wish her all the best in the future. The location will maintain regular operating hours and access until closure.

Rest assured, our expert team members at nearby locations, including Onoway (14 minutes) and Stony Plain (26 minutes), are ready to welcome our Alberta Beach clients.

**Please know we did not come to this decision lightly.** After extensive analysis of client impact, we are confident ATB will continue to provide exceptional service and thoughtful financial advice to the Alberta Beach community through our nearby branches, online and mobile banking options, and our Client Care Centre.

The way our Alberta Beach clients complete their day-to-day banking transactions has changed over time, with the majority choosing to visit other ATB locations along their travels or engage with us through digital banking for anytime, anywhere service.

We'll be reaching out directly to our clients in the coming days to ensure the transition is as simple and seamless as possible.

If you have any questions, **please don't hesitate to contact me directly.**

Tanya Hulbert, she/her

**Vice President, Greater Edmonton/ Fort McMurray  
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# Alberta Beach

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February 5, 2024

ATB Financial  
Attn: Tanya Hulbert, Vice President, Greater Edmonton  
ATB Place, 2100 – 10020 100 St NW  
Edmonton, AB  
T5J 0N3  
Sent via email: [thulbert@atb.com](mailto:thulbert@atb.com)

Dear Tanya,

**Re: Urgent Request for Reconsideration of Alberta Beach ATB Financial Branch Closure**

Alberta Beach Council wishes to express our deep concern and disappointment regarding the impending closure of the ATB Financial branch in Alberta Beach. This branch has been a cornerstone of our community, and its presence plays a key role in making Alberta Beach a thriving place to live, work, and visit. The closure will force our community members, businesses, and especially seniors, to travel to Onoway or Stony Plain to access essential banking services. This disruption will create significant hardships for many.

Over the past year alone, the municipality of Alberta Beach has made deposits totalling \$2,178,594.29 at this local branch and paid various bills amounting to \$1,194,626.02. These figures reflect the high volume of business conducted through the branch and our community's trust and reliance in ATB Financial.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Heidi on her well-deserved retirement and express our heartfelt gratitude for her years of dedicated service to our community. Heidi has been an invaluable asset to Alberta Beach, providing unwavering support to our residents, businesses, and visitors. In anticipation of her retirement, we understand that Heidi had engaged in discussions with ATB Financial regarding succession planning, as she is fully aware of the importance of maintaining local access to banking services. We also applaud that Heidi arranged for another individual or team to take over the agency, demonstrating her commitment to the community's needs. This makes this impending closure that much more troubling to understand.

Given the branch's importance to our residents, businesses, and municipal operations, we strongly urge ATB Financial to reconsider the closure. If keeping the branch open full-time is no longer possible, we request that you consider alternate operational models, allowing our community to continue accessing vital banking services from a physical branch in Alberta Beach.

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We request a meeting with ATB Financial representatives to discuss this matter further. Our CAO and I are available to meet with you at the earliest opportunity, or we would welcome you to attend our next Council meeting to engage in further discussions.

If ATB Financial cannot reconsider its decision, the Village will explore alternative banking options for our municipality, a situation we hope to avoid. However, we are committed to finding a solution that best serves our community's needs and are open to further discussions.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. We hope that, together, we can find a path forward that benefits ATB Financial and our community. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Kelly Muir,  
Mayor

Cc: Larry Higdon, ATB Financial, Stony Plain Branch Manager  
Alberta Beach Council  
Lac Ste. Anne County  
Summer Village of Sunset Point  
Summer Village of Val Quentin  
Summer Village of Castle Island

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## Alberta Beach Village Office

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**From:** Cindy Suter <csuter@lsac.ca>  
**Sent:** February 5, 2025 10:39 AM  
**To:** thulbert@atb.com; Lhigdon@atb.com  
**Cc:** 1LSA-COUNTY COUNCIL (Council Only); Mike Primeau; Jon Ethier; Matthew Ferris - Summer Village of Sunset Point; Kathy Dion; Marlene Walsh; Kelly Muir; Kathy Skwarchuk  
**Subject:** Closure of the Alberta Beach ATB Agency  
**Attachments:** ATB Closure 02072025.pdf

Good morning please see the attached letter on behalf of Reeve Joe Blakeman of Lac Ste. Anne County expressing concern over the ATB Agency closing in Alberta Beach.

Thank you.

### Cindy Suter

Legislative & Support Services Supervisor

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## LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY

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February 5, 2025

Tanya Hulbert  
ATB Place, 2100-10020 100 St. NW  
Edmonton, Ab T5J 0N3

Larry Higdon  
Box 3180  
Stony Plain, Ab T7Z 1T2

[thulbert@atb.com](mailto:thulbert@atb.com)

[Lhigdon@atb.com](mailto:Lhigdon@atb.com)

RE: Urgent Concern Regarding the Closure of the Alberta Beach Bank Agency

Dear Tanya,

On behalf of Lac Ste. Anne County, I am writing to express our deep concern regarding the upcoming closure of the Alberta Beach ATB agency on March 21, 2025. This closure will have devastating effects on our residents, particularly seniors, who rely on in-person banking services.

As one of the busiest local bank agencies in Alberta, this branch has long been a cornerstone of our community, providing essential financial services to residents and businesses alike. Many of our seniors do not have access to or trust online banking, and removing this physical banking option will leave them vulnerable and without critical financial support.

Furthermore, Alberta Beach is a growing and vibrant rural community. The decision to close a viable and well-used banking facility disregards the needs of residents, businesses, and visitors. The impact on small businesses, farmers, and those who rely on cash transactions will be significant, as they will now have to travel long distances to access full banking services.

We strongly urge you to reconsider this closure and explore alternative solutions to maintain banking services in Alberta Beach. Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your response and hope for a constructive dialogue to address this pressing issue.

I trust that you will give this matter the careful consideration it deserves. Thank you for your attention to this pressing issue.

Yours truly,

Joe Blakeman  
Reeve, Lac Ste. Anne County

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**LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY**

Box 219, Sangudo AB T0E 2A0

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Cc: Lac Ste. Anne County Council  
Mike Primeau, CAO Lac Ste. Anne County  
Village of Alberta Beach  
Summer Village of Sunset Point  
Summer Village of Val Quentin

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## Alberta Beach Village Office

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**From:** Tanya Hulbert <thulbert@atb.com>  
**Sent:** February 7, 2025 10:22 AM  
**To:** kellymuir@albertabeach.com; jblakeman@lsac.ca  
**Cc:** csuter@lsac.ca; aboffice@albertabeach.com; Amanda Anton; Carson Engele  
**Subject:** Response to Alberta Beach Agency Closure

Hello Mayor Muir and Reeve Blakeman,

Thank you for your letters, and for sharing your concern over ATB's planned closure within the Alberta Beach community. While we recognize that the news of this closure may have been challenging to receive, I want to assure you our commitment to our clients in the Alberta Beach vicinity is unwavering.

As shared with Mayor Muir in my initial correspondence, ATB did not make this decision lightly. A thorough analysis of client behaviours, banking patterns, and our service models were taken into consideration. With that said, I do respect your request Mayor Muir, to meet virtually and am inviting Reeve Blakeman to join should he wish. I have cc'd your respective administration teams in hopes we can find 30 minutes next week to address your concerns.

My EA Amanda, will work with Cindy and the Village Office team to coordinate as soon as possible.

Regards,

**Tanya Hulbert, she/her**  
**Vice President, Greater Edmonton/ Fort McMurray**  
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## Alberta Beach Village Office

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**From:** Merle Isaacson <merle.isaacson@connectmobility.ca>  
**Sent:** February 5, 2025 3:57 PM  
**To:** Alberta Beach Village Office  
**Subject:** Re: Fortis Poles

Hi Kathy,

We just heard that a lot of projects were awarded in the last 2 days from the ABF/UBF fund. If you hear anything near your area, please let me know.

We are talking to Bell Axia now. There are two locations where can access their fiber in your community, your office and the library.

Do you have room for us to install equipment and access the fiber in your building? The equipment size will be two 24 by 36 by 90-inch cabinets. We will also require space for a small UPS.

We would provide the office with free Internet to use the space.

If not, we will need to arrange to move to another location.

Please let me know if this works.

I'm available for a call anytime.

We have 155 users signed up now. We are getting some help from Jay Netter and Chris Power. They are going to push the community on the local Facebook site. It is my understanding that both of these gentlemen influence your area within the technology space. Chris is interested in installing for us as well.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Warm regards,

Merle Isaacson  
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Calgary, Alberta  
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**Joint TriVillage Municipalities Meeting  
Alberta Beach, Sunset Point & Val Quentin  
Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.  
Being held in Alberta Beach Council Chambers and via Zoom**

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Additions
3. Shoreline Management  
Delegation – Lee Lowrie, Environmental Protection Officer, Alberta Environment
4. LSAC Reeve Blakeman – ICF Discussions
5. MLA Shane Getson Golf Cart Pilot Project
6. Elections 2025 – Returning Officers & Staffing (VQ)
7. Joint Municipal Policing Committees (VQ)
8. Traffic Bylaw (VQ)  
Truck Route/Direct Route/Road Bans/Commercial Vehicles using Ste. Anne Trail
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- 10.
- 11.
12. Adjournment

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**aboffice@albertabeach.com**

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**From:** Doug Reti <doug.reti@hillplain.com>  
**Sent:** February 4, 2025 2:14 PM  
**To:** aboffice@albertabeach.com  
**Cc:** Shelby Bourke; Hughie Jones  
**Subject:** Alexis Nakota Souix Nation - Strategic Plain  
**Attachments:** ANSN\_Strategic\_Plan-Skwarchuk\_Kathy.pdf

**Aba Washded (Good Day),**

Dear Ms. Skwarchuk (Kathy),

Please find attached a letter for your review. We appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to the opportunity to engage with you on this important initiative.

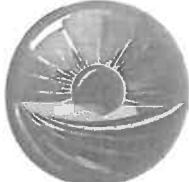
**Ish Nish (Thank you),**  
Doug



**Doug Reti**  
*Manager - Business Development & Partnerships*  
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Lands, Resource Management, & Economic Development  
Strategic Plan

January 25, 2025

Kathy Skwarchuk  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Village of Alberta Beach

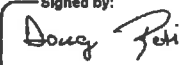
Aba Washded (Good Day) Kathy Skwarchuk,

My name is Doug Reti, I am a part of a team, of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation (ANSN) members and non-members, who are developing an ANSN Lands, Resource Management and Economic Development Strategic Plan. Our goal is to develop a comprehensive strategic plan that aligns the Nation's values, vision, mission, businesses, departments, and assets for the benefit of its Nation and its partners. As part of the ANSN Strategic Plan, we are conducting an external audit of ANSN's relationships with its working partnerships and neighbouring local governments. I am writing to you today to invite you to a meeting to discuss the following topics:

- What is your current relationship with the ANSN and how important is it for your operations to establish a relationship or strengthen it?
- How could a stronger relationship with the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation be developed?
- What benefits do you see in building a collaborative relationship with the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation?
- Where do we go from here?

This letter is written on behalf of Dr. Hughie Jones (ANSN member; ANSN Strategic Plan Project Lead; Director - Wakâ Mne Science Culture Initiative). Dr. Jones and I would like to schedule a meeting with you, either personally or virtually, in the coming weeks Thank you for taking the time to consider this request to meet, and I look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact me by email at [Doug.Reti@HillPlain.com](mailto:Doug.Reti@HillPlain.com) (CC: [Hughie.Jones@HillPlain.com](mailto:Hughie.Jones@HillPlain.com)), or phone at 1-403-826-0901.

Ish Nish (Thank you),

Signed by:  
  
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Doug Reti  
External Audit Lead  
Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation Lands, Resource Management,  
and Economic Development Strategic Plan

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