

COMMUNITY PAGE

VILLAGE INFO

Office Hours

M-F 8:00-4:00

Closed for lunch 12:00-12:30

Office 403-876-2269

Fax 403-876-2223

Public Works- 403-741-7989

Fire Chief: Jeff 403-323-0298

ADMINISTRATION EMAILS:

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info@villageofbigvalley.ca

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info@villageofbigvalley.ca

COUNCIL EMAILS:

german@villageofbigvalley.ca

gknudson@villageofbigvalley.ca

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Waste Pickup

April 15
April 29

Waste Transfer Site
Tuesday & Saturday
10 am - 4pm

Big Valley United Church

Next BY Church Service

Everyone Welcome

April 19 9:00

April 26 11:00

Services at the Drop in Center

Food Bank

Allan Clark @ 403-740-6540
Christine Dahlen@ 604-870-4884

Big Valley E Free Community Church

157 3rd Avenue South

Pastor Alan Clark: 403-740-6540

Sunday Service: 10:30 am

Monday Prayer Night 7:00pm

Saturday Sabbath Service 10:30am

New (free) Seed bank (veggies/flowers) - Lyne 403-876-2250 Landline (no texting)

Radio Broadcast in Church parking lot on station 88.1FM during Sunday services.,

Everyone Welcome!

Big Valley

Whistle

April 15, 2026 Issue 15



2026 Big Valley Street Festival
Save the Date: July 11, 2026

Get Ready for a fun-filled day of community!

Live music, Beer Gardens, Car Show, Games &

Prizes

Starts at 2:00PM

Bring a chair.



Your Invitation to Big Valley Elks

100th



SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2026

REFRESHMENTS: 5pm

SUPPER: 6pm

DOOR PRIZE

ELKS



ENTERTAINMENT

Kent & Josh Nixon

\$50/per person

60

60

Tickets available from members

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Next Council Meeting

May 13 5:00

Committee of the Whole

April 22 @ 5:00

Both meetings @ Village Office



Council Meeting Highlights

Council held the regular meeting on April 8, 2026 in the Village Office.

Council approved the 2026 Operating Budget which reflects a 2% increase to property taxes. How this affects each property will depend on the assessment of the property. Water and sewer rates will also increase by 2%.

BIG VALLEY DROP IN

50+ are invited to join

Coffee Each Week- Mon-Fri @ 9 am

(with the exception of Holidays

Upcoming Events;

Chair Yoga Tuesday @ 11:00

Cards Wednesday @ 6:00

Pool Wednesday @ 2:00

Floor Curling Wednesday @2:00

Next Meeting April 16—Potluck and meeting to follow

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ADVERTISING

Position for hire: Library Manager

Location: Big Valley, Alberta

The Big Valley Municipal Library is actively seeking an energetic, community-focused librarian with excellent management, organizational, and communication skills to fill the part-time, permanent position of Library Manager.

Nestled in the picturesque Village of Big Valley, our library operates under the Alberta Libraries Act and is governed by an independently appointed Board of Directors. It is jointly funded by the Village of Big Valley, the County of Stettler, and the Province of Alberta. While the Village of Big Valley has just over 300 residents, the library serves a broader surrounding area. Located near Stettler, it is home to several museums and an active passenger train station, offering a unique blend of rural charm and local heritage.

As the Library Manager, reporting directly to the Board of Directors, you will oversee the day-to-day operations of the library, with responsibilities including:

- Assisting patrons with information, reference questions, and reading recommendations.
- Developing and maintaining a diverse, community-focused library collection.
- Organizing and leading programs, such as storytimes, book clubs, or workshops.
- Promoting library services through community advocacy, public relations, and outreach.
- Creating a welcoming, inclusive environment for all patrons.
- Implementing the Library's Plan of Service.
- Managing library systems, including cataloging, circulation, and online resources.
- Hiring and supervising summer student(s).
- Assisting in developing and administering the budget.

A Library Technician Diploma or equivalent post-secondary education is an asset, but is not required for our small library. We value: experience in library services or administrative roles; a passion for books; and strong skills in using technology; providing leadership; and, above all, building connections through outstanding communication.

This part-time position currently offers up to 21 hours per week with an annual salary of about \$16,800. The current schedule is Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Wednesday from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM. We are open to adjusting hours for the right candidate.

To apply, please submit a resume and cover letter, outlining your qualifications and interest in the role to bigvalleylibrarybd@gmail.com, by **April 24th**. Applications will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Interviews will likely be scheduled for Apr. 29th. Start date to be decided with successful candidates, but the goal is to start training and transitioning into the new role early to mid-May.

ADVERTISING

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Call, text, or email Justin Funk for inquiries
403-740-6903
anchoredbuilderscorp@gmail.com

Big Valley Historical Society

Are you looking for summer employment?

Willing to work weekends?

Like working with people?

Do you Like history?

We are looking for someone between the ages of 15-30 to work 35 hours a week. Start date July 1, 2026.

Drop off your resume at the museum on Wednesday or email to ttplante@telusplanet.net

Deadline May 30, 2026

ADVERTISING

Big Valley Ag Society presents:

2026 Spring & Summer Markets

May 23, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
1st Market of the Year at the Big Valley Arena

Agriplex

July 11, 2:00 - 7:00 pm
Street Festival Market

August 22, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
End of Summer Market at the Big Valley

Arena Agriplex

For information or to book a table, please
contact Andrea at 403-741-5045 or
bigvalleymarkets@gmail.com



Employment Opportunity

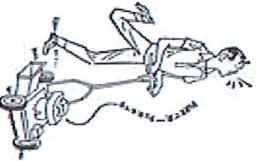
Part Time

Village of Big Valley is seeking a temporary part-time public works labourer. This position can be physically demanding and requires someone that can keep up with the busy seasons.

Required attributes:

- MUST be able to drive a standard transmission
- Be physically capable of manual labour
- Possess some mechanical inclination
- Attention to detail
- Be comfortable with the use of a variety of small tools and equipment
- Be comfortable working in all weather conditions
- Be willing to work additional hours if required
- Have a valid driver's license – driver's abstract to be shown at applicant's cost if selected
- Be able to work independently

This position is 3 days a week, with additional hours possible during peak season. Starting wage is \$20/hour. Must be a team player and be able to change focus as issues emerge.



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ADVERTISING

Hiring a Summer Student!



We are looking for someone creative, enthusiastic, and organized to deliver this year's Summer Reading Program, as well as help with day-to-day tasks at the library.

Employment dates: July 6- August 20, 2026

Qualifications

Applicants must be enrolled in school for Fall 2026 and:

- be at least 15 years old
- be able to comfortably lift 25 pounds
- enjoy working with the public (especially children)
- be able to work independently
- be pleasant and friendly
- possess attention to detail

Summer Student - Job Description

15 hours/week

\$15/hour

Responsibilities, working under the supervision of the Library Manager:

- Working at the circulation desk, assisting patrons, checking books in and out
- Recommending books
- Answering the phone, taking messages/writing notes
- Shelving books, organizing shelves
- Processing incoming and outgoing materials
- Assisting patrons with basic computer use
- Taking care of the Library Wi-Fi Park (weeding, watering flowers, etc.)
- Other jobs as assigned by the Library Manager
- Deliver the Summer Reading Program
 - Arts and crafts following this year's theme: Around the World
 - Preparing outdoor and other learning activities
 - Storytime
 - Reporting and keeping track of statistics related to the program

If you are interested, please drop off, email, or mail your resume
by May 11, 2026.

Interviews will run May 13th, 2026.

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