



# *Rural Municipality of Woodlands*

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## **News Release**

After careful consideration and in consultation with our Municipal Lawyer, Council of the RM of Woodlands made the difficult decision to make major changes to the Rural Municipality of Woodlands Community Development Corporation (CDC).

The working relationship between the two organizations has been strained over the past years. Council was advised by our lawyer that there were illegalities within the existing by-law for CDC. The articles of incorporation were also identified as not using typical wording. Council will be working with our Municipal lawyer to establish new by-laws and amend articles of incorporation. This corporation represents thousands of dollars of investment on behalf of the rate payers of Woodlands RM.

The first step was taken on January 22, 2019 to remove the existing board of directors. The RM of Woodlands Council members have been appointed as the new CDC board of directors. Once the new by-law(s) and articles are in place, Council will be reevaluating existing projects and programs and will reach out to various stakeholders, including businesses that have entered into agreements with CDC. Council wants to explore all available options to continue these agreements and relationships.

Council values the effort of the many people who have been actively involved in the many projects and programs that were initiated by the CDC in the past. We look forward to the day CDC can once again be aided by a volunteer board.

Sincerely,

Reeve Lori Schellekens  
RM of Woodlands