

TOWN OF CASTOR

The Town of Castor was established as a village in 1909. In 2007, it had a population of 931 persons. The population is expected to grow 0.37% per year over the next 16 years to a population of 1,000 persons.

Land Supply, Zoning and Road Network:

In 2006, the total area of the municipality is 273 hectares with 437 dwellings. Within the municipal boundaries, there is a supply of serviced land for residential and commercial development. In addition the community has a supply of readily serviceable land for residential, commercial and industrial development. The supply of land is capable of supporting the Town's growth goals.

The municipality's zoning by-law allows for all types of industrial development, i.e., light, intermediate and heavy industrial.

Municipal Planning and Infrastructure Information:

A Water Resource Study and Master Plan was adopted in 2006. The Town is a member of the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission and receives its water from the regional waterline.

The Town collects sanitary sewage through a gravity collection system. The sewage is then treated in a lagoon prior to discharge. The system has the capacity to treat sewage for the projected 20-year population growth.

Solid waste is collected within the Town and disposed of in a Regional Landfill site.

The Town of Castor also operates their own natural gas cooperative to provide citizens affordable pricing.

High-speed internet is available in Castor with both Telus and Wild Rose Internet.

Economic Development Initiatives:

The Town of Castor belongs to the Paintearth Economic Partnership Society (PEPS). The Society seeks to enhance and promote economic growth within the Paintearth region and in member communities. Its efforts focus on investment attraction, regional marketing and promotion and on identifying economic diversification and opportunity. In 2006 PEPS developed a 3-year Business Plan supported by a formal Action Plan. Castor is also involved with both CAEP and BRAED for economic development initiatives.

A Community Investment Profile is available at AlbertaFirst.com. In addition, the Town offers a website with community information.

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