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## News Release

### Kneehill County holds the line on municipal taxes.

Kneehill County Council is pleased to announce that there will be no increase to municipal taxes in 2018. Although Kneehill County has lost significant assessment, particularly in the oil and natural gas sector, through solid management of our revenue over expenses we remain in a good financial position. Kneehill County has been able to maintain its high level of service to our ratepayers while controlling expenses in areas that have no or minimal impact on our residents.

The County continues to have an excellent road network and there are significant road construction and upgrades planned through this year's construction season. Many of our residents enjoy the convenience of our rural water lines and Council has dedicated almost \$5 million dollars to an upgrade to the Churchill Water System which will improve the service for current users, and allow for expansion to those in the area who have not had the opportunity to connect to a County water line. In 2018 we have been able to expand the Peace Officer Department to provide greater enforcement visibility in our rural areas. Our new Kneehill County Fire Chief will be creating a long term strategy for fire protection for Kneehill County rural and hamlet residents.

2018 will continue to be a great year for Kneehill County and we look forward to hearing from our residents to gain feedback on the services we provide and on our overall direction.

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