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## TOWN ANNOUNCES GRAND OPENING OF NEW BMX & SKATEBOARD PARK

**Mayerthorpe, Alberta, June 4, 2021** – The Town is pleased to announce the Grand Opening of the new BMX & Skateboard Park for outdoor recreation.

Through the Town of Mayerthorpe's Municipal Sustainability Planning process, consultation with parents and youth identified the need for additional outdoor recreation opportunities. Specifically, a BMX/skateboard facility. The Town collaborated with parents and youth, ultimately selecting Bike Track Ltd. to design and build our park.

The new BMX & Skateboard Park is a Multi-Use Asphalt Pump Track and represents an investment of \$137,500 in Town parks and recreation amenities for residents and visitors. Design and construction were fully funded by the Federal Gas Tax Fund, the Provincial Municipal Sustainability Initiative, and community sponsorship.

In recognition of the federal, provincial, and community support, Mayor Janet Jabush, Member of the Legislative Assembly, Shane Getson, Member of Parliament, Gerald Soroka, a representative from Bike Track Ltd., and community volunteers involved in leading project consultations met for a formal Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony at the BMX & Skateboard Park, north of Dundee Park.

"This is so awesome," an excited Mayor Jabush said. "What a marvelous addition to our town! The list of people to thank is long and includes parents, the community, Town Councillors, our former Mayor and both the federal and provincial governments."

"It took a while to realize the vision, but the results speak for themselves," chuckled Mayor Jabush. "Even before the asphalt went down, kids were using the space and now that the surface is complete, we're seeing lots of smiling, happy faces enjoying some fun in the sun. I love it!"

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