



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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Reeve Barry Kalinski
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Dear Reeve Kalinski,

I hope this letter finds you well.

I wanted to take a moment to highlight an exciting development in our region that underscores the value of strong collaboration between local governments and the province: the recent approval in February of a \$1 million Community Facility Enhancement Program—Large (CFEP-Large) grant to the Glendon Agricultural Society for the revitalization of the Glendon Ice Arena.

This substantial investment by the Government of Alberta will help ensure that the Glendon Arena is fully modernized to serve not only its local community, but also the broader Lakeland region. Planned upgrades include a new refrigerated floor, dasher boards, bleachers, dressing rooms, player and penalty boxes, and other critical infrastructure.

This funding would not have come to fruition without the direct engagement and support of Minister Tanya Fir, who visited the Glendon Arena personally earlier this year. Her tour of the facility and her conversations with local stakeholders helped to emphasize the importance of this project in the context of the 2026 Alberta Winter Games, and I commend her for taking the time to see firsthand the needs of rural Alberta.

As you are aware, the Glendon Arena will play a central role in the upcoming 2026 Games—an event that brings together athletes, families, and volunteers from across the province, and shines a spotlight on our region. Its success will reflect the strength of our partnerships and the foresight of our local leadership.

I have long supported the Glendon Agricultural Society's efforts to upgrade this facility, not only because of its role in the Winter Games, but because it is a hub of community activity year-round including those from the MD. With arena shortages across northeastern Alberta—especially during the spring and summer months—this investment responds to regional demand and opens up opportunities for youth, recreation, and economic development.

With this significant contribution from the Province now confirmed, I believe there is a timely opportunity for other stakeholders to consider how they might also assist in strengthening this vital piece of community infrastructure.

As always, I remain committed to supporting projects that build stronger, healthier communities across our constituency, and I would welcome any opportunity to work alongside the MD of Bonnyville in advancing this shared goal.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott Cyr".

Scott Cyr, MLA
Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul

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