

**THREE HILLS RCMP**

# ***POLICE BEAT***



**719 2 STREET N, THREE HILLS, ALBERTA**  
**NON-EMERGENCY: 403-443-5539 OR 310-RCMP (7267)**

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From February 1, 2026, to February 28, 2026, Three Hills RCMP responded to 181 events/calls for service. These included various levels of criminal, traffic and public assistance related files. Below are a variety of calls for service received and investigations conducted by the Three Hills RCMP:

## **Assault and Threats**

On February 6, 2026, at approximately 10:12 PM, Three Hills RCMP received a report of a combative male patient being assessed by paramedics at the Three Hills Health Centre. The male had been found by paramedics in need of medical aid; however, he was actively hostile and aggressive. He spit blood at paramedics; attempted to strike them and threatened to kill them. He also deliberately spit blood all over the back interior of the ambulance.

Police attended the scene; arrested the male, and helped paramedics restrain him so proper medical treatment could be completed. The male was released from custody on an Appearance Notice into the care of medical professionals.

Charges for assault and uttering threats against a 39-year-old male from Three Hills will be forwarded to the Crown for approval.

## **Domestic Assault**

On February 9, 2026, at approximately 12:08 PM, Three Hills RCMP received a report of an assault on a street in Three Hills. A witness had observed a male pull a female along then slap her in the face. Police attended the scene and located the male suspect with the female victim. Both appeared intoxicated, and the male was arrested then later released on an Undertaking with conditions. Police determined the male and female were involved in an intimate relationship.

A charge for assault against a 45-year-old male from Three Hills will be forwarded to the Crown for approval.

### **Domestic Assault & Taking Motor Vehicle without Consent**

On February 14, 2026, at approximately 6:34 PM, Three Hills RCMP received a report of assault at a residence in Trochu. The victim reported she had been assaulted by her ex-boyfriend, who then fled the scene in her vehicle. Police located the male suspect at his residence and he was arrested. The vehicle was also located and recovered.

A 63-year-old male from Trochu has been charged with assault and taking a motor vehicle without consent. He is scheduled to appear at the Drumheller Court of Justice on April 17, 2026.

### **Domestic Assault & Impaired Driving**

On February 19, 2026, at approximately 5:37 AM, Three Hills RCMP received a report of an assault and impaired driver at a rural property in Kneehill County. The victim reported his girlfriend had assaulted him and left the scene drunk in her vehicle. Police attended the scene and found the female's vehicle parked back at the residence. She was located inside with the victim and was subsequently arrested.

Police detected signs of alcohol consumption; however, the female refused to provide samples of her breath into a roadside screening device. She was issued an Administrative Penalty, including a 90-day license suspension. Her vehicle was also impounded. Police also learned the female held an already suspended driver's license. She was later released from custody on an Undertaking with conditions.

A 58-year-old female from Kneehill County has been charged with assault, drive while unauthorized, and drive an uninsured motor vehicle. She is scheduled to appear at the Drumheller Court of Justice on April 17, 2026.

### **Impaired Driver**

On February 21, 2026, at approximately 2:00 AM, Three Hills RCMP observed a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed in Three Hills. Police located the vehicle a short time later

in the ditch, and the driver exited the vehicle through the rear passenger door. Police noted signs of alcohol consumption by the male driver, and he provided a sample of his breath into a Roadside Screening Device. The result was a Fail. During the investigation, police located a pack of unstamped cigarettes in the vehicle along with a BB gun that replicated a Glock 19.

An 18-year-old male from Three Hills was issued an Immediate Roadside Sanction, including a 90-day license suspension. His vehicle was also seized and impounded. In addition, the male was charged with possessing less than or equal to 400 cigarettes not marked for tax paid sale.

### **Hit & Run Impaired Driving**

On February 22, 2026, at approximately 12:21 PM, Three Hills RCMP assisted the Blackfalds and Red Deer RCMP detachments with an erratic driver involved in a hit and run collision. Three Hills RCMP located the suspect vehicle on Highway 21 in Red Deer County, and it continued to drive in an erratic manner. Police conducted a traffic stop and detected signs of alcohol impairment for the driver. He was subsequently arrested and transported to the Three Hills RCMP detachment where he provided samples of his breath that were nearly twice the legal limit.

Charges for impaired operation and impaired operation over 80 mg% against a 33-year-old male from Kneehill County will be submitted to the Crown for approval.

The male was also issued an Immediate Roadside Sanction, including a 90-day license suspension. His vehicle was also seized and impounded.

### **Uttering Threats**

On February 27, 2026, at approximately 3:07 PM, Three Hills RCMP received a report from a female of a male who had uttered threats in Delburne. The victim reported the male had threatened to kill another male and had attended her residence unannounced and unwelcomed. The male kicked the front door repeatedly before leaving.

Police located the male intoxicated in a vehicle in Delburne and he was subsequently arrested. Police located open liquor and an open container of cannabis in the vehicle. The male was later remanded into custody following a bail hearing.

A 33-year-old male from Calgary has been charged with the following:

- Uttering threats against a person
- Mischief – obstruct enjoyment of property
- Fail to comply with conditions
- Public intoxication

- Transport liquor in vehicle when liquor is within easy access of occupant
- Transport cannabis in an open package within reach of the driver/occupant
- Transport liquor in an open container
- Drive motor vehicle without license plate securely attached

## Public Education and Awareness

### **Contraband Tobacco**

Three Hills RCMP has seen an increase in the possession of contraband tobacco; namely unstamped cigarettes. Contraband tobacco is often used and trafficked by Organized Crime groups. The RCMP estimates there are 175 criminal gangs involved in the contraband tobacco network., and this network can lead to other illegal activities including weapons, drugs and other violent crimes.

In the Province of Alberta, the Tobacco Tax Regulation require each package, carton and case of cigarettes to have Alberta Tobacco markings. In addition, Canada became the first country in the world to put warning labels on individual cigarettes. Contraband cigarettes will not have such labeling.



Contraband cigarette brands include BB, Canadian Charcoal, Canadian Classics, Rolled Gold, PlayFare's. This is not a comprehensive list, and there are other brands in circulation.

There are both Federal and Provincial offences for possessing and selling contraband tobacco.

### ***Excise Act***

- Section 32(1) – Sell, offer for sale, or have in possession contraband tobacco

### ***Criminal Code***

- Section 121.1 - Trafficking in Contraband Tobacco
- Section 380 - Fraud Over/Under (for Tax Avoidance)
- Section 462 - Proceeds of Crime

### ***Tobacco Tax Act (Alberta)***

- Section 4(1) Possess Less Than 400 cigarettes - \$300 fine
- Section 4(1) Consumer/Non-Consumer sell less than 1000 cigarettes - \$1200 fine
- Section 4(4) Possess More Than 1000 Cigarettes Not Marked for Tax Paid Sale – Mandatory Court Appearance

As mentioned above, the sale and trafficking of contraband tobacco often involve those within Organized Crime groups. Gangs threaten the safety of our communities and create a safety concern for all citizens. Three Hills RCMP encourages everyone to educate themselves on the dangers associated with contraband tobacco and to report any information they may have on incidents involving such.

### **Community Connection**

#### **Emergency Services Event**

On February 26, 2026, Three Hills RCMP members and other emergency services personnel hosted an Emergency Services Event in Elnora. The event gave people the chance to meet local police officers, peace officers, firefighters and paramedics. They were able to learn more about the important work these dedicated professionals do within the communities.

Three Hills RCMP would like to thank all those who attended. It is a privilege to work with such dedicated individuals who work tirelessly to ensure the safety and security of our communities.