November Newsletter

Village Office Hours, Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Phone: (306)468-2016 Fax: (306)468-2805

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Remembrance Day Service

Saturday, November 11, 2017 10:45 a.m.

Canwood Legion Hall
Potluck Lunch to Follow
Everyone Welcome

Lest We Forget

Leaf & Grass Pick-up

Please be advised that there will be no more set days for leaf & grass collection in 2017. However, if weather allows and you have more bags, please set out on the curb and we will pick-up throughout the week.

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Snow Removal Policy

Snow fall season is once again upon us and Council would like to remind property owners about snow removal. It is against Village Policy to clear snow from your yard(s) and add it to the streets, any municipal property or another property that is not owned by you.

We would request that residents be considerate with where your snow is going when clearing, and whenever possible, keep the snow on your property. If you find that this is not possible, please contact the Village office for permitted locations.

Please also note that if utilizing an ATV or UTV to clear snow from driveways or sidewalks, please be very cautious. We appreciate the efforts of residents to use these types of methods to keep sidewalks and driveways cleared. However, vehicles such as these tend to leave ridges when clearing and may make the surface uneven resulting in difficulty for municipal equipment to snow blow or clear/remove ridges from that portion of the sidewalk.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at (306)468-2016.



Water Sewer Rate Increase

Please be advised that Bylaw 2017 – 03 was approved by Village Council and Saskatchewan Municipal Board for a rate increase. The new rates will be effective as of January 1, 2018, and are as follows:

Residential Properties

Water \$27.50 /month*
Sewer \$27.50 /month*
Lift Station Upgrade Fee \$8.00 /month
Infrastructure Renewal Fee Monthly total \$78.00/month*
Bi-monthly billing total \$156.00*

*Metered customers will maintain at the current monthly minimum charge plus surcharge rate for both water and sewer. For more information please contact the office.

Monthly water sewer rates were carefully considered as Council did not want to have a drastic increase so these were left the same.

The introduction of the Lift Station Renewal Fee is to offset the upcoming cost of the Lift Station Renewal Project. The Village had applied under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF) for a lift station renewal. We are happy to report that the project was approved and will provide funding from the Federal Government for 50% share of eligible expenditures, Government of Saskatchewan 25% share, and Villages share will be 25%. Construction should commence in the spring of 2018.

The Infrastructure Renewal Fee was adjusted as the current condition of our ageing infrastructure in correlation with the Villages 10 Year Capital Plan requires an increase in capital funding. Council is working towards being pro-active as opposed to reactive with water sewer issues. With the rate increase we will work towards an increase in reserved monies that will be utilized for larger infrastructure projects.

Please note that these rates will be in effect as of January 1, 2018, and will be reflective in the January & February bi-monthly billing that will occur in March 2018.

CAFT Pre-Authorized Payments

The Village offers pre-authorized payment options for your taxes and/or water sewer utility payments. If you have concerns you will forget to pay your utilities or want to pay or pre-pay your taxes in monthly installments, please stop by the Village Office and bring a void cheque

Garbage Pick-up

Please be advised that their will be no garbage pick-up on Monday, November 13, and instead will occur on Tuesday, November 14, 2017.

Curling Rink News

The Canwood Curling Rink is 50 years young!

To celebrate they are hosting "5 Decades of Curling Bonspiel" November 17 & 18. To enter a team, please contact Grant Person at (306)893-8085. There will also be a Saturday night supper and dance. Tickets available at Affinity Credit Union, Canwood branch, or ask any curling club board members for tickets.

Also, be advised that the rink is available for rent. For bookings please contact Marie-Anne Grimard at (306)468-4447. For any other inquiries about the curling rink, feel free to contact Dyan Nordquist at (306)714-0000

Annual Craft Sale

Canwood Royal Purple is hosting their annual craft sale on Saturday, November 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Canwood Elks Community Hall. There is no charge for admission and lunch will be sold.

Contact Information

I am once again asking that residents to ensure that they update their, or renters, phone numbers with the Village office. More people are turning to cell phones or an unlisted phone numbers for their only method of contact. This makes it harder to contact residents about things such as Precautionary Drinking Water Advisories or water