

TOWN OF STRASBOURG NEWSLETTER



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**2017
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ARE NOW DUE!**

UPCOMING DATES

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 11 @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 25 @ 7:00 p.m.

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears
Wednesday, February 1

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 8 @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

Admin Office Closed
Monday, February 20

1st Quarter Water Bills Due
Wednesday, February 15

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears
Wednesday, March 1

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 8 @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Happy New Year from the Administration and Council! I would formally like to recognize groups and individuals who volunteered their time and money specifically for Town facilities and Town-related projects in 2016:

Lions' Club

- Donated two toilets, two vanities, and the plumbing for the vanities in the Lions' Den at the Strasbourg Memorial Hall.
- Donated six plastic tubs for use in the kitchen at the Hall.

RBC – Strasbourg Branch

- Donated money for Hall bathroom renovations and to the Museum.

Last Mountain Theatre Company

- Donated money for Hall bathroom renovations.

Regimental Ball Committee

- Donated money from their fundraiser on December 3 to Hall repairs and upgrades.

Special Thank You To:

- Barb Lazarenko - Donated four Children at Play signs for use around the community, a Remembrance Day cross for the gazebo, and a Santa decoration for the gazebo.
- Lorne Gottselig – Donated his time to hang lights on the gazebo for Christmas.
- Linda & Dennis Jarrett – Donated a light for the gazebo.
- Guhyung Lee – Ongoing donations for Town special projects.
- Anonymous Donor – Donated a shed to the Museum.
- Everyone who purchased a bench within the community.

To all the members of the Museum Board, Hall Board, Fire Department, and Rec Board who volunteer on behalf of the Town of Strasbourg Council, thank you for your commitment to the community!

Jenn Josephson, Administrator

NEW

E-NOTICES FOR TAX & UTILITY

In an effort to save money on printing costs and postage, the Town is now offering the ability to email tax and utility notices to ratepayers. If you wish to sign up, you can fill out the consent form included with this water bill, or you can print one off from the Town website at www.townofstrasbourg.ca.



SNOW REMOVAL REMINDERS

- This is just a reminder to refrain from blowing your property's snow onto the street or alley, especially after the streets have been cleaned.
- If you are concerned about your driveway being accidentally blocked with snow from the grader, please put up visible stakes at the end of your driveway so that the grader operator knows to lower the driveway wing and clear the snow.
- Please keep your paths to your residence clear so that any emergency personnel (ambulance, fire, police, EMO volunteers) are able to reach you in your home.
- Lastly, after a snowfall, please remove vehicles from the street so that the grader can clean the area effectively. Otherwise, the vehicles will become blocked with snow, and the Town will not be held responsible for this inconvenience.

WATER RATES 2017

Beginning January 1, 2017, residential quarterly water rates will increase to \$90.00. Quarterly sewer rates will remain at \$39.00 and the infrastructure levy will remain at \$45.00 per quarter.



CHANGES TO WATER & SEWER BILLING

- **Beginning January 1, 2017, carry-over of any unpaid water bills from previous three-month water cycles will cease.** By March 31, 2017, all accounts will need to be brought to a zero balance, otherwise, the water will be shut-off at the property as per Water and Sewer Management Bylaw No. 368/16. If you find that your water account is frequently in arrears, it is within your best interest to ensure that your water account is paid in full **prior to March 31, 2017.**
- If your water is shut off for non-payment of account, **a fee of \$150.00 will be charged to turn the water back on** plus all outstanding water amounts, as per Water and Sewer Management Bylaw No. 368/16.
- A ten-day shut off notice will now be sent during the middle of the third month in the water cycle and payment will need to be made by the end of the cycle.

ASSESSMENT REVALUATION 2017

This spring, every property owner in the Town of Strasbourg will be receiving an assessment notice (see sample below) to correspond with the 2017 Assessment Revaluation done by the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA).

More than likely, every property will see an increase in assessment due to market valuation standards that SAMA uses. However, this DOES NOT necessarily mean that taxes will increase. You will have the chance to appeal your assessment if you feel that you have been wrongly assessed, but you cannot appeal based on the potential of higher taxes. Assessment notices will be sent out early spring with further information.

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ASSESSMENT NOTICE FOR THE YEAR 2016

LEGAL ADDRESS	CIVIC ADDRESS	ALTERNATE NUMBER	ROLL NUMBER
		505025650-01	00001000 000
		FRONTAGE	SCHOOL SUPPORT
		50,000 Feet	Public
		MAILING DATE OF NOTICE	FINAL DATE FOR APPEAL

PROPERTY CLASS	ASSESSED VALUE	PROPERTY CLASS %	TAXABLE ASSESSMENT	ASSESSMENT EXEMPTIONS	POLLING DIVISION:	
					NET TAXABLE ASSESSMENT	LAST YEAR
Land-RES	2,600	70%	1,820	0	1,820	1,820
Impr-RES	78,000	70%	54,600	0	54,600	54,600
TOTAL	80,600		56,420	0	56,420	56,420

If you should consider yourself wrongly assessed you may lodge an appeal with the assessor using the form below within 30 days after the date of this notice. The Assessment Roll is open for inspection from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday, APPEAL FEE: \$100.00 PER PARCEL

Jennifer Josephson, BA (Hons), RMA, Assessor