



## UPCOMING DATES

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears  
*Sunday, July 1*

Admin Office Closed  
*Monday, July 2*

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

Call for Nominations – By-Election  
*Tuesday, July 17*

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

Last Day for 5% Tax Discount  
*Tuesday, July 31*

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears  
*Monday, August 1*

Nomination Day for By-Election  
*Wednesday, August 1 8:30-4:00*

Admin Office Closed  
*Monday, August 6*

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

3rd Quarter Water Bills Due  
*Wednesday, August 15*

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

Advance Poll  
*Wednesday, August 29 4:00 – 7:00*

Last Day for 4% Tax Discount  
*Friday, August 31*

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears  
*Saturday, Sept 1*

Admin Office Closed  
*Monday, Sept 6*

By-Election  
*Wednesday, Sept 5 9:00 - 8:00*

Town Council Meeting – **DATE CHANGE**  
*Wednesday, Sept 19 @ 7:00 p.m.*

Last Day for 3% Tax Discount  
*Sunday, September 30*

# TOWN OF STRASBOURG NEWSLETTER



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## FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

**DIRECT SELLERS** – Every spring and summer there are an increasing number of door-to-door salespeople making their rounds in the community. While we do require a business license from them to operate in Town, this **does not validate their business or their business practices**. If direct sellers have a valid provincial direct seller's license, we are obligated to sell them a Town business license. It's important to ask if they purchased a business license from the Town, but it's even more important to scrutinize the salespeople on their goods and services, as well as general business demeanor. If you ever feel uncomfortable, ill-at-ease, or even threatened by the individuals representing these companies, please do not hesitate to call the RCMP and report them.

**BACK FLOW PREVENTION VALVES** – Even though it is a bit of cost, the Town highly recommends that every home have a back flow prevention valve installed on their sewer line. Not only will this protect you from sewer backups caused by blockages, but will also protect you from water filling your basement from heavy rains and floods where the water cannot vacate the sewer system fast enough.

**GRASS & TREE CUTTING** – Please refrain from blowing grass clippings on the street after cutting the grass. The grass plugs up the curbs and storm drains, which creates drainage issues when it rains. We also ask that you cut the grass in the alley behind your property, as well as trim trees and shrubs that hang over sidewalks.

**REGIONAL LANDFILL** – Beginning July 1, 2018, the Last Mountain Regional Landfill will be implementing a Non-Member fee of \$20.00 per load, on top of the costs of dumping. You will also be required to show ID when you go.

*Jenn Josephson*  
Administrator

## 2018 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

This year, the Town Council renamed their annual scholarship the "Town of Strasbourg Lance Cornwell Memorial Scholarship," in honour of Lance's contributions to the community. Council was very pleased to present this year's scholarship to Alyson Edwards, who will be attending the University of Regina in the fall for Police Studies. Congratulations Alyson, and best of luck in your studies!

## AGE-FRIENDLY STRASBOURG UPDATE

Age friendly is the name of the worldwide movement developed by the World Health Organization with the goals of creating safe, respectful, barrier-free, intergenerational communities. In January 2016, Strasbourg Age-Friendly was formed under the sponsorship of the Town Council who passed the Age Friendly Resolution. Since this time, we have completed the four milestones in order to have the Town of Strasbourg receive the designation of an "Age Friendly Community." In September 2017, we submitted our application to Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism for Age-Friendly recognition. We are expecting to hear the results of our application this summer.

To date, some of our projects have included: distribution of 10 benches around the Town (2016-current), development of a Senior's Pen Pal Project between 23 seniors living in Strasbourg and students at Bulyea Elementary School (2016-2017), creation of a Residential Guide & Resource List for newcomers to the community (2017), and, in conjunction with the Recreation Board, sponsored a Community Volunteer Organization Information Day (2017).

In 2018, Age Friendly Strasbourg reorganized, and we are in the process of developing new projects for the Fall. If you have any ideas or would like to join this committee, please speak to Co-Chairs Jennelle Hubick or Barbara Hayes. No ideas are too big or too small. For example, recently someone mentioned to one of us that there are no benches at the Strasbourg Cemetery, and we passed this comment onto the Town Administrator who is currently addressing this issue. Also you are welcome to attend our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at the Town of Strasbourg Council Chambers.

--Jane Grieve, Board Member



## FROM THE FIRE CHIEF'S DESK

The Strasbourg & RM 220 Fire Department is encouraged by the number of residents having home alarm systems installed. Remember: alarm systems save lives. However, we would also like to encourage you to have a reputable installer perform the work required so that you have someone to maintain and repair your system if it does not perform properly. This would help prevent false alarms which could become costly to the home owner.

Also remember, when the Fire Department gets called out to a false alarm, you are taking our members away from their own employment and families needlessly, and they would not be available for a legitimate callout.

Thanks for your co-operation and have a safe and enjoyable summer.

--Ron Griffin, Fire Chief

### NOTE:

The Town Council will be passing a False Alarm bylaw shortly to help remedy this situation, whereby costs of false alarms will fall onto the homeowner or business owner, which can be added to taxes later if unpaid.

## MUNICIPAL BY-ELECTION – SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

Due to the passing away of Councillor Lance Cornwell, a by-election will take place for **one** council seat. The term will expire October 2020.

Check out the Town's website for a nomination form (or stop in at the Town Office). As well as the nomination form, there is a **Council Election Policy** that outlines the expectations of being on the Town of Strasbourg Council.

### Qualifications of Candidates:

- 18 years of age on Election Day
- Canadian citizen
- Saskatchewan resident for the past 6 months
- A resident of the Town for the past 3 months ("residency" defined as the place one calls "home")



### Don't want to run? VOTE! Exercise your civic duty!

#### Qualifications of Voters:

- 18 years of age on Election Day
- Canadian citizen
- Saskatchewan resident for the past 6 months
- A resident of the Town or owner of assessed land in Town for the past 3 months ("**owner**" must have **Land Title in personal name**)

**JULY 17** – Call for Nominations begins

**AUG 1** – Nomination Day - 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**AUG 29** – Advance Poll – 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**SEPT 5** – Election Day - 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**SEPT 19** – First Council Meeting after Election