

# TOWN OF STRASBOURG NEWSLETTER



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## FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

**DEVELOPMENT PRESS RELEASE** - The Council has issued a press release regarding development within the community. Due to the length of the document, it is not included with this newsletter, but it is available on the Town's website and Facebook page, or by printed copy in the Town Office.

**GRANT FROM AFFINITY CREDIT UNION** - Many thanks to Affinity Credit Union for the grant of \$10,000.00 to go towards sustainability upgrades for the Strasbourg Memorial Hall. The Council has chosen to upgrade two aging furnaces to energy-efficient ones within the facility which will significantly cut down on the power consumption during the winter months.

**SUMMER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS** - It was an extremely busy summer for the Town Public Works staff. Over the last four months, the Town replaced 13 water valves, two of which were located by the water treatment plant and extremely critical. Because of that replacement we had a Town-wide water shut off, but repairing this valve ensures that we have the ability to section off portions of Town if a water break occurs and not need to shut the whole Town down again.

The Town Public Works also replaced the entire utility infrastructure on the 200 Block of Blackstock Street, including a brand new water main, a new hydrant, two water valves, and 16 new connections to residences, including new curbstops. Funds and time permitting, the Town is working towards a street replacement plan annually, which will align with the Town's asset management plan.

**DRIVING AROUND BARRICADES** - There have been many notable instances in Town of people either walking or driving through barricaded areas, which have been set up by either the Town Public Works or the Fire Department. Sites are barricaded for your protection and we are asking that you please find another route. Scenarios such as open excavations, and accessing of hydrants for training or firefighting is extremely dangerous for everyone. While a barricaded street or intersection may seem like an annoyance, please remember that we live in Strasbourg (not Regina), so detouring to a different street will not cost you much time. Be thankful that we have a Public Works Department willing to fix our infrastructure and Fire Department willing to protect our property.

Jenn Josephson, Administrator

## UPCOMING DATES

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears  
*Tuesday, October 1*

Town Landfill Open – Branches, Leaves  
*Saturday, October 5, 12, 19, 26*  
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting  
*Wednesday, October 9 @ 7:00 p.m.*

Admin Office Closed  
*Monday, October 14*

Town Council Meeting  
*Wednesday, October 23 @ 7:00 p.m.*

Last day for 2% Tax Discount  
*Thursday, October 31*

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears  
*Friday, November 1*

Admin Office Closed  
*Monday, November 11*

Town Council Meeting  
*Wednesday, November 13 @ 7:00 p.m.*

4th Quarter Water Bills Due  
*Friday, November 15*

Town Council Meeting  
*Wednesday, November 27 @ 7:00 p.m.*

Last day for 1% Tax Discount  
*Saturday, November 30*

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

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

Admin Office Closed  
*December 25 - January 1*

## ANNUAL SNOW REMOVAL REMINDERS



Below are just a few reminders for the upcoming winter regarding snow removal:

- Please 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.

## UTILITY RATES 2020

Beginning January 1, 2020, residential quarterly water rates will increase to \$99.00 (from \$96.00). Quarterly sewer rates will remain at \$39.00 and the quarterly infrastructure levy will remain at \$45.00.

## REMINDER: CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE

Just a reminder that the Town Office will be closed from December 25, 2019 to January 1, 2020. Taxes are due by December 31, 2019

If you wish to make a payment during that time, several options exist for you:

- 1) Leave a post-dated cheque at the Office or mail a post-dated cheque for us to process when we are back.
- 2) Leave us a credit card number and we will process the payment when we are back.
- 3) Pay through online banking with your various financial institutions. Please contact us prior to closure if you need your account number.



## FALL 2019 TOWN TRANSFER STATION WEEKENDS

Town of Strasbourg Residents Only

Town Transfer Station located 1 mile north of Golf Course

## Yard Waste Weekends

Saturday, October 5: 9-12

Saturday, October 12: 9-12

Saturday, October 19: 9-12

Saturday, October 26: 9-12

### IMPORTANT NOTES!

- Only BRANCHES, LEAVES, & GRASS CLIPPINGS accepted.
- Bagged leaves and grass will have to be opened and emptied into pit, as plastic cannot be burned.
- Transfer Station will be manned during the times listed above, and all loads will be inspected.

Questions? Call the Town Office (306) 725-3707