

TOWN OF GRAND COULEE

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Council Highlights

- Council approved the Rideshare Bylaw, which was developed in partnership with a number of our neighbouring municipalities. This progressive and forward-thinking initiative is an excellent opportunity to develop Regional cooperation and promote sustainable transportation options throughout the region. The bylaw allows for a wider variety of transportation options for our residents.
- Council gave second and third readings to the Zoning Bylaw (ZB) Amendments and Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendments. The newly approved amendments are considered a hygienic update and will be available on our website along with a consolidated versions of the OCP and ZB. The consolidated documents simply amalgamate all amendments into the original document for easier reading. The amendments will be posted to the Town's website once Ministerial approval has been received.
- Council approved the Youth Member of Council Policy which grants a \$500 bursary to the Youth Council Member for every term served.

Changes to Utility Bills Increase Transparency

Starting October 1st, residents will notice a small change to the information on their Utility Bills.

Previously, residents saw a line on their Utility Bills called "Sewer base fee" with a cost of \$35.00. This line represented the cost of the long term debt for the sewer upgrades as well as the base infrastructure fee. Going forward, this item will be broken into two.



Upcoming Events

September 15
Office Closed at 3pm

September 22
Office Closed

October 7
Close of Call for Nominations for
2020 Municipal Elections

October 12
Thanksgiving Day

TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Wally Botkin –
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Residents will now see a “Long Term Debt Repayment” with a cost of \$25.00, and a “W & S Infrastructure Fee” with a cost of \$10.00.

While there is no change to the total sewer fees, the intent of this alteration is to increase transparency and show our customers where their fees are going.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Municipal Elections

The 2020 Municipal Elections are fast approaching! Watch our website, Facebook page, and the Leader Post for the Call for Nominations announcement on September 15th. For details visit <https://grandcoulee.ca/council-and-staff/election-information/>.

Clean Up Bins

As we have done in past years, the Town will be bringing in four large Loraas bins to coincide with the Community Garage Sale Day on September 12th. The bins will be available from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Two bins will be located at the mailboxes, one near the skate shack, and one at the shop.

Please respect the bins.

- Please do not put any tires in the bins. The Town will be fined for any tires placed in these bins.
- If the bin is full, please find an empty bin. Any refuse dumped on the ground will be return to its owner.
- The bins are to be used by Town residents only.

Grant Funding for Emergency Services

The Town and Grand Coulee Emergency Services want to extend a huge THANK YOU to Enbridge Pipelines and TC Energy for their recent grant funding to improve our rapid response rescue unit.

Thanks to their generous donations, we were able to purchase and get trained on new hand held rescue jaws, replace our aging fire pump with a compact high pressure unit, replace the old leaky fire foam slip tank with a new space-saving one, purchase much needed First Responders medical supplies, and much more! All of these new tools and upgraded equipment improves our volunteer department's response time and increases the lifesaving capabilities of our dedicated volunteers.



Animals at Large

A reminder to all animal owners, that the Town's Animal Control Bylaw includes provisions that owners shall not allow his or her animal to be at large and shall have complete control of their animal at all times. This bylaw is applicable to all dogs, cats, etc.

Rec. Board Updates

Due to the COVID-19 situation, the Rec. Board has cancelled the annual Harvest Hoe Down for 2020. This was not an easy decision for them to make. In lieu of the Hoe Down though, they are coordinating a Community Garage Sale Day for Saturday, September 12, 2020. Contact the Rec. Board for more information.

COVID-19 Updates

Based on the recommendations and guidelines from the Saskatchewan Health Authority and Public Health Officials, the skate shack is now closed to the public. The facility can be made available for planned events provided the user agrees to clean the area after use. The Rec Board or Town Staff can unlock the facility as needed.

We remind all residents to follow COVID-19 provincial guidelines. As the situation evolves, you are encouraged to seek out the accurate and most up-to-date information by visiting <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/>

Without the support of businesses like theirs, small towns like ours would continue to experience challenges in funding our ability to save lives and keep our community and neighbouring communities safe.



Pictured Left to Right
Back Row: Firefighter, Scott Robinson; Fire Chief, Jim Pratt; First Responder, Courtney Tollestrup;
Firefighter, Alex Kostiuik; Firefighter, Bob Darroch.
Front Row: Firefighter, Chris Bell; Firefighter, Carole Boechler; Firefighter, Brent Shepperd;
Firefighter, Dustin Pike.

Utilities & Payments

A reminder to all residents that the monthly interest of 2% resumes on all outstanding utility bill amounts as of October 1, 2020.

Water readings will be done in Area #2 this month (see map below). Should you prefer to have an actual reading each month, it is your responsibility to either phone or email your reading to us by the 29th of each month. If you would like to receive a monthly email reminder to send in your meter reading, email grandcoulee.cap@sasktel.net asking to be added to the list.


Did you know you can receive your utility bills and tax notice via email? If you would like to sign up, send us an email at grandcoulee.cap@sasktel.net.

Any payments to the Town can be made by electronic banking (online bill payment), e-transfers, cheques or cash. Please do not put cash in the drop slot.



SENIORS' CENTRE WITHOUT WALLS

Seniors' Centre Without Walls (SCWW) Moose Jaw

 A **FREE** interactive telephone program for Saskatchewan people affected by the social isolation of **COVID-19**

 **On Your Phone from Your Home.**

 **Speakers on educational and social topics.**

- **Calls are 30 to 60 minutes.**
- **10-20 people on each call.**

 **Choice of topics and times.**

 **For more info & to register:**

Ronda: **306 - 690 - 4957**

Email: scwwmoosejaw@sasktel.net

Website: scwwmoosejaw.com

Facebook.com/scwwmoosejaw

 **We'll send you a schedule, supplies, handouts and information on joining a call.**

The Seniors' Centre Without Walls is funded by The Canadian Red Cross

Connect, visit, learn & have fun together,

ALL FREE!



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RED CROSS**

POSSIBLE TOPICS:

Quizzes

- Fact or Fiction
- Name that Tune
- Brain Teasers & Trivia
- Spelling Bee

Entertainment

- Request Line
- Old Time Radio
- Country Music
- Classical Music

Creativity

- Sharing short stories and poems
- Talent show
- Making music

Learning

- Law and Order
- Health & Wellness
- Seeing Art
- Did You Know?

Visiting

- Coffee Chats
- Good News
- Remembering
- Across the Miles
- Book Club

YOUR IDEAS