

# TOWN OF GRAND COULEE

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### Council Highlights

- There will be a Committee of the Whole meeting on November 29, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall to discuss the 2022 Water & Sewer Budget and review the procedures for rescheduling a Council meeting.
- That Administration bring back estimates for a comprehensive drainage plan to 2022 Budget deliberations.

### Check your smoke alarm

When did you last test your smoke alarm? Does it still work? Now is a good time to get up there and press that little test button to ensure your smoke alarm is functioning properly. While you're at it, why not replace the battery too? Below is information to help make sure all types of smoke alarms have working batteries:

- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable 10-year batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.
- Smoke alarms with any other type of battery need a new battery at least once a year. If that alarm chirps, warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.
- When replacing a battery, follow manufacturer's list of batteries on the back of the alarm or manufacturer's instructions. Manufacturer's instructions are specific to the batteries (brand and model) that must be used. The smoke alarm may not work properly if a different kind of battery is used.



## Upcoming Events

**November 29**  
Committee of the Whole meeting  
@ 7:30 pm.

**December 21**  
Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

### TOWN COUNCIL

Council is always interested in hearing your thoughts about our community.

Visit

<https://grandcoulee.ca/council-and-staff/> for our contact form.

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### OFFICE HOURS:

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

If you have a hard wired smoke alarm, be sure to test it out from time to time as well. Only working smoke alarms can save lives!

## Landscaping

While winter is just beginning to set in, now is a time when many people start planning their landscaping and yard beautification projects. Here are a few things to keep in mind when thinking about that spring project:

- Any landscaping done cannot adversely affect the natural or designed drainage of neighbouring land. This includes your neighbours yards, the ditches and roadways that border your property, etc.
- Keep your driveway culvert clear and free of blockages, especially after doing earth work near it.
- Be sure to locate your property pins prior to building a fence.
- Chat with your neighbours before starting any projects that border them so that both parties know what work is planned and how it may affect them.

## Taxes, Utilities & Payments

Property taxes are due December 31<sup>st</sup>. Any amounts outstanding will have an 18% penalty applied on January 1, 2022.

Registered letters will be sent out to residents with outstanding water bills on Friday, November 26, 2021. If arrears are not paid in full by December 30, they will be transferred to and form part of the property taxes as per section 369 of the Municipalities Act.

Water readings will be done in Area #1 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 29<sup>th</sup> of each month. If you would like to receive a monthly email reminder to send in your meter reading, email [grandcoulee.cap@sasktel.net](mailto: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](mailto: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.



## Recreation

Over the years, our Councils have worked hard to ensure residents enjoy a strong, healthy and active lifestyle and a high quality of living. The Town is always exploring new ways to incorporate more recreational and cultural opportunities for our residents. Council is proud that recent recreational additions have been funded entirely through grants and donations.

Most recreational programs are provided by the volunteer-run Grand Coulee and District Recreation Board (GCRB). The GCRB is always open to new ideas, suggestions, and initiatives and is often busy exploring ways to incorporate new programs into our existing spaces and amenities. You don't need to be a member of the board to coordinate a new activity or to volunteer to help. You can submit your ideas, add your name to the list of volunteers, or ask questions by contacting the Board at [grandcouleerecboard@gmail.com](mailto:grandcouleerecboard@gmail.com) or 306-533-5587. In an effort to help keep the public informed, the Town has also published the Rec. Boards Facebook feed to our website. You do not need to be a social media\Facebook user to be able to see this information. Events provided or sponsored by the Recreation Board will be listed there.

Find more helpful "Did You Know's" at <https://grandcoulee.ca/municipal-information/strategic-plan/>.

