

VILLAGE OF ELBOW

NEWSLETTER

December 2022

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Now that we are fully into the winter season, we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Please take time to enjoy this slower season.

OCTOBER-DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Bylaws & policies are being reviewed regularly. Any newly adopted bylaws/policies are posted with the meeting minutes.
- Opening day at the Harbor Golf Community Center was October 29th.
- The Library building and Civic Centre have been listed for sale.

UTILITIES

The 4th quarter utility billing will be completed by Dec.23rd in anticipation of the year end. We thank everyone that was able to send in a picture of their water meter; that greatly reduces incorrect billings. **If you have been asked to send a picture in, and have not done so, please see to this as soon as possible. It is imperative that we have a meter picture for every household and/or business to make sure we are recording the readings properly. Please let the office know if you cannot do this yourself or when we can expect a picture.**

Water Rates & Water/Sewer Infrastructure Rates will be increasing by 2% on April 1, 2023. This bylaw has been sent to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for approval.

Waste charges will no longer be charged on your utility billing effective January 1, 2023. This charge will be included in taxes for 2023.

Please move garbage and recycle bins back on to your property after being picked up by Loraas. Leaving them out makes it hard for snow clearing!

TAX PAYMENTS

Tax payments must be **RECEIVED** in the office by December 31,2022 to avoid penalties. The office will be open until **5 pm on Friday, December 30th**. After that, you will have to leave in drop slot at side door. The office does not reopen until Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023. **Anything received in the mail after the 30th will be considered late.**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payments for transfer site invoices, construction bin rentals, mowing charges, utility bills and taxes can be made the following ways: Cash, Cheque, Online Banking (PCCU only)* for now and by E-Transfer. *We are working on accepting bill payments from other banks.*

IMPORTANT - For e-transfers use the email: elbow2@sasktel.net and put in the message section what you are paying for and/or if it needs to be split for various bills.

RECREATION

Our Recreation and Community Development Manager is Jocelyn Martens. Her contact phone # is 306-860-8023 and email is recreationelbow@gmail.com **Regular office hours are: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-12/1-5 pm.** Outside of those hours, please leave Jocelyn a message or contact the office and Karen/Brandy will help you out.

HARBOR GOLF COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

We have successfully moved into the Harbor Golf Community Center five months ahead of schedule! Thank you to the droves of volunteers who made this move go so smoothly. Over the next few months, keep an eye out for the finishing touches to come together. We have the signage, furniture, and donor tree underway and are working with the landscapers on the plans to increase the aesthetics and functionality of the exterior space.

We will be planning for an official grand opening this spring.

If you are interested in booking the Harbor Golf Community Center, please get in touch with Jocelyn at recreationelbow@gmail.com or 306-860-8023.

FITNESS CENTRE FEES

Fitness centre fees can be paid via e-transfer to recreationelbow@gmail.com or by cash, cheque to the Village of Elbow **and** you would also have to fill in / sign a waiver form for each person. Form available at the bottom of the link: https://villageofelbow.com/recreation_attractions/recreation_facilities/schikow_ski_family_farms_fitness_centre.html

Fitness Centre Fees for 2023 (new rates)

Drop In	\$	10.00
1 Month	\$	35.00
6 Months	\$	185.00
1 Year	\$	360.00
Elbow's first responders and firefighters will receive 50% off		

SASKPOWER – SMR (Small Modular Reactor)

<https://www.saskpower.com/nuclear> Follow this link to stay up to date with SaskPower's plans to build a Small Modular Reactor in Saskatchewan.

VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9-12 & 1-5

Tuesday 9-12 & 1-5

Wednesday CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Thursday 9-12 & 1-5

Friday 9-12 & 1-5

The office is closed on weekends and statutory holidays. **There is a drop slot in the door on the ramp side of the building if you wish to drop anything off.**

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S HOURS

Friday, December 23 - 9 am to noon

Monday, December 26 - **CLOSED**

Tuesday, December 27 - 1 to 5 pm

Monday, January 2 - **CLOSED**

