

VILLAGE OF ELBOW

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024

HELLO WINTER

Thank you to our residents. Many hands may light work! And work it has been to usher in this winter and the snow/rain that we've received. Please remember to remove your waste/recycle bins to your yard after pickup so the grader can get down the streets easily.

GENERAL ELECTION

Welcome to our new councillors Larry Herscovitch and Kyle Solie, to our returning councillors Joanne Brochu, Brian Ford, Mayor Glen Gardner & farewell to our past councillors Russ Stevenson and Rhett Bokitch.

COUNCIL NOTES

Highlights from the October, November and December Council Meetings

- The following bylaws were passed:
 - Fire Bylaw - updated mutual aid agreements
 - Building Bylaw - redone for Ministry recommended changes
 - Committee Bylaw - updated to add the healthcare committee
- Council made a donation to our local Loreburn/Elbow legion for Remembrance Day
- Sport lines were repainted in the auditorium
- Industrial Subdivision lots that are for sale now have 1-year tax-free no matter when sold
- Trees were planted at the Harbor Golf Community Center thanks to Bill & Merilee Boyle for the trees and Greg Cox/Rhett Bokitch of Harbor Golf for planning and planting
- Council discussed results of Ratepayers Meet, summary is on website and plans for implementation are being discussed
- We purchased a laptop for use in council chambers
- Council remuneration was updated and meeting days/times were left the same
- 3 councillors attended a Governance conference in Outlook, Dec 4/5
- Council is looking into traffic restrictions for both alleys at the Boatique and Mini Golf.
- Council appointments were updated (see website)

RECREATION in ELBOW

HARBOR GOLF COMMUNITY CENTER

Within the Harbor Golf Community Center, we offer the following:

- ✓ Beautiful entryway with plant wall & John/Anne Wilson Coatroom
- ✓ Large meeting room with a patio area (seating for 46) & outdoor furniture/bbq incl 2 TV's/WIFI
- ✓ JGL Cookhouse state of the art kitchen with Andy/May Wong Servery

- ✓ Ector Family Farms boardroom (seating for 8) with TV/WIFI
- ✓ Letts Family Auditorium (seating for 400) with PCCU Stage ***NEW court rental**
- ✓ Backyard grass & trees/fenced area
- ✓ Separate access to:
 - o Elbow Palliser Library
 - o Schikowski Farms Fitness Centre

These rooms (except *fitness center*) can be rented - find the details on our website at www.villageofelbow.com and follow the drop-down menus.

You can also find us on *Facebook* at *Harbor Golf Community Center*. Email recreationelbow@gmail.com for more information or to book your next event!

HGCC EVENTS

Head over to the Calendar on the Village of Elbow website:

https://villageofelbow.com/recreation_attractions/calendar_of_events.html to see all the goings on.

We have regular *OPEN GYM* times, weekly volleyball, shuffleboard, pickleball and walking in the Letts Family Auditorium, available for use with a *Fun & Fitness Pass*.



Follow Harbor Golf Community Center on Facebook to see rec office hours, programs, schedule, events and changes to those.

WELLNESS CLINIC is held in the Ector Family Farms Boardroom. Schedule is posted at Elbow Library and on the Village calendar.

LINE 19 KIDS LEGO CLUB

This FREE after school kids LEGO program runs from September 18th to June 4, 2025 on Wednesdays. Runs from 3:30-5 pm. No cost. 5+, snack provided, email recreationelbow@gmail.com to register your child.

GAMES NIGHT

Next one is Friday, December 20th - 7-10 pm - bring a game - large meeting room! Snacks provided and drinks available. \$5 drop-in fee.

FOREVER-IN-MOTION starting **January 2024**, Forever-In-Motion will be offered as a part of the Community Walking and Well-being program. Watch for confirmed days/times.

TREE FESTIVAL voting begins **Sunday, December 15th**. Still room for more! Come on down to HGCC for some caroling and Christmas treats and vote for your favorite tree!

SCHIKOWSKI FARMS FITNESS CENTER

We welcome long and short-term users to the center. Fees and online application forms are on the Village of Elbow website at www.villageofelbow.com. Need a gym membership or just to renew? Drop by the rec office, send a text 306-860-8023 or email Marnie @ recreationelbow@gmail.com.

The Fitness Center is not available 12 pm (midnight) to 4 am each day. The fob will not let you in during this time. Ages 12 & under not permitted, ages 13-15 permitted with adult supervision (18+) and Ages 16 & up permitted with no supervision. Please be aware that the entire premises is camera monitored. We appreciate that you put away what you use! **Fitness Centre rates will remain the same for 2025.**

ELBOW LIBRARY

Hours: Wednesdays 12:30-5:30, Thurs 2-7 pm & Fridays 2-7 pm

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FLIP THE SWITCH

This evening event is Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 6 pm. Held at the Harbor Golf Course. Get your hot chocolate at the 'drive-thru' & visit with Santa, be entered to win prizes, drive around and see all the lights and stop by the Hotel for fireworks!

LINE 19 COMMUNITY DINNER THEATRE at HGCC on April 11 & 12th, 2025. Watch for updates early in the new year!

CPR/FIRST AID

The Village of Elbow is offering a full blended learning course in January for Standard First Aid, CPR C, and AED. This course provides comprehensive Red Cross certification. If you've completed your training more than 3 years ago or have yet to take the course before, then this is for you! The course includes the latest First Aid and CPR guidelines and meets federal and provincial Standard First Aid and CPR requirements. The blended learning course is delivered in two parts: a self-paced online component (focusing on theory) and an 8-hour in-class component focusing on skill development. (Sunday, January 19, 2025 - 8:30 am - 4:00 pm at Harbor Golf Community Center) The online component must be completed before attending the classroom session.

CERTIFICATION:

CDN Red Cross Standard First Aid/CPR C/AED Certification is valid for 3 years.

COST:\$160.00/participant

TO REGISTER: Email: First/last name and email address to recreationelbow@gmail.com

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Attention: Business/Organizations! Our Welcoming Committee is compiling welcome bags for distribution to those new to Elbow. What a great way to welcome people to our great community! If you have items to contribute, please contact Donna at 306-854-4445. Our FREE directory will also be updated. Please inform Donna of any changes. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

ELBOW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

We are so thankful! We were a recent recipient of \$25,000 from Pembina. These donations go a long way towards helping our department stay up to date!

MUNICIPAL OFFICE INFORMATION

POWER OUTAGES IN ELBOW

As you know by now, we have a generator! Thank you to SaskWater & Cory Ganes for all the assistance in getting this project completed. Luckily, we have not experienced any power outages since installation.

WATER METER DISCONNECTIONS

We have begun a water meter replacement plan. If you are on this year's list, we will contact you to have your meter replaced. We plan to replace approximately 30 meters this year so that all of our meters read in cubic meters and replace any that are quite old. At the end of this program, we will have all meters changed/upgraded so that all meter reads will automatically be sent directly to the office. No more in person meter reads!

GARBAGE & RECYCLING

There is no longer the option for residents to turn these back in for storage while away. If you are away for an extended period of time, please store in a safe place on your property. We will send out the 2025 Loraas schedule once we have it.

The **TRANSFER STATION** is now closed for the season.

VILLAGE MESSAGING SYSTEM

In order to receive notices from the village office, please whitelist (below) in your email accounts through your browser **not** your desktop or phone.

Every email carrier is different so we cannot provide instructions for each but it is usually found in settings.

In Sasktel.net email addresses, for example: go to your SaskTel email on your web browser, click settings, then spam and add to trusted senders. Will be similar for other email accounts.

Whitelist = Add the following to trusted senders:

Telmatik.com (this is where the automated messages for boiled water etc. comes from)

elbow@sasktel.net

elbow2@sasktel.net

TAX NOTICES

Tax payments must be **RECEIVED** in the office by December 31, 2024 to avoid penalties. The office will be open until **5 pm on Tuesday, December 31st**. After 5pm, you will have to leave in drop slot at side door. Items received by 9 am Jan.2 in side door, will be considered received on time.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payments for transfer site invoices, construction bin rentals, seacan charges, mowing charges, utility bills and taxes can be made the following ways: Cash, Cheque, Online Banking and by E-Transfer.

IMPORTANT - if you are making a payment by e-transfer, use elbow2@sasktel.net and please put in the message section what you are paying for and/or if it needs to be split for various bills.

DURING CHRISTMAS THE OFFICE HOURS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

OPEN THURSDAY, DEC 19 1-5 PM

OPEN FRIDAY DEC 20 & MONDAY DEC 23 9-12/1-5 PM

OPEN TUESDAY DEC 24 9-12 PM

CLOSED DEC 25 & 26

OPEN FRIDAY DEC 27 & MONDAY, DEC 30 9-12 PM

OPEN TUESDAY, DEC 31ST 9-12/1-5 PM

CLOSED WEDNESDAY, JAN 1, 2025

