

VILLAGE OF ELBOW

NEWSLETTER

September 2023

BEING THANKFUL

As we move into Fall, we treasure the slower pace and the warm days we've been given. We are thankful to the Friends of the Elbow Trail committee that have spent a lot of time in August/September preparing our new path that runs along South Elbow Drive from Saskatchewan St all the way to Putters Lane. It is a great addition to our community and promotes activity and pedestrian safety!

JULY-SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- **Staff Updates:** Welcome to Marnie Forsberg - our new Recreation and Community Development Manager & thank you to Connor Griffin and Paul Ganes for their work this summer.
- Did you know? Our Mayor & Councillors attend many community & committee meetings and work hard to make Elbow a wonderful place to live. When you see them, thank them!
- **Annual Ratepayers Meeting is Thursday, October 26th at 7 pm at the Harbor Golf Community Center.**
- A Fire Ban Bylaw, Golf Cart Bylaw and Boulevard Policy were all passed this summer with updates to the Sewer Regulations. These can be found on our website.
- Bylaws & policies are being reviewed regularly. Our bylaw specific meeting is Tuesday November 14th, 2023 at 10 am at the Village Office in chambers. Limited seating available.
- The water is being installed in the Industrial Subdivision. The next step is SaskPower for power & streetlight installation.
- The Village of Elbow has purchased a new to us grader. It will be here in time for snow season.
- We are also thankful for the rest of our regular staff: James Llewellyn, Karen Joel, Brandy Losie, Margo Maxwell and Kathryn Garnes. We are fortunate to have such a great group.

YARD WASTE CLEANUP/TRANSFER STATION CLOSING

Fall pickup of branches and leaves (incl yard waste) is scheduled for the week of October 2nd to 6th. Please place all items for collection in your back alley. If you don't have a back alley - place in your front yard. Poster is at the back of the newsletter.

The Transfer Station last day of operation is **Saturday, October 7th - 10 am to 2 pm.** After that, we are closed for the season.

TAXES

Current years taxes are due in full December 31st, 2023. After that, a penalty of 2.0833% applies each month. There are no discounts left available for this year. December 31st is a Sunday this year. The office will be open on Friday, December 29th to accept payments. Cheques/cash must be received in the office by 9 am Tuesday, January 2, 2024 and e-transfers should be sent no later than December 29th to ensure they are received by the Village in time.

SEASONAL RESIDENTS

Please make seasonal water disconnect arrangements through the Village Office. Once your meter is removed, you will still be invoiced every quarter for the fixed water rate, water and sewer infrastructure charges. Please remember - if you do not remove your water meter and the meter breaks over the winter, you are responsible for replacing at your cost.

REMEMBER there is NO option for garbage/recycle cart removal any longer for residents. If you are away for the winter, please place them in a safe space on your property.

HARBOR GOLF COMMUNITY CENTER

Our facility is almost 1 year old! We are getting close to warranty time so there are trades in and out completing the last few details.

The building has been used for so many functions now its hard to name them all but I'll try! Elbow Sanctioned Events - volleyball, basketball, floor hockey and pickleball drop in nights, Pickleball Club, Showcase Elbow, 19ers Halloween Dance & Golf Cabaret, Canada Day festivities (pancake breakfast-sold out and fish fry-over 700 eaters!), Yoga, volleyball practices and a tournament, New Years Dance, Grand Opening weekly cards and shuffleboard, daily walking, birthday parties, meetings and weddings.

We also have seen a huge increase in fitness centre members. This has already allowed for the purchase of a new piece of equipment, a rowing machine! Some of the fees collected are allocated back to upgrade equipment, so we thank you all for being members and caring about our facility!

Many thanks to Broderick Gardens for the creation of the "Backyard" which is a lovely green space that will enhance any booking. Many trees have been planted in the vicinity and next year we will see more growth and beauty emerge.

*Please remember: **ALL** bookings and fitness centre memberships are done through the Recreation Office.*

RECREATION IN ELBOW

Rec Office Hours for the Fall/Winter, starting October 2nd are:

Mondays	12 - 6 pm	
Thursdays	12 - 7 pm	*Elbow Sanctioned Events start again
Fridays	10 am - 12 pm	October 2 nd . Watch for details!
Saturdays	9 am - 3 pm	

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.

Elbow and Estevan are the 2 possible locations for the build. Site selection is taking place in late 2024.

ELBOW FIRE DEPARTMENT & FIRST RESPONDERS

The annual Mistusinne fundraising golf tournament recently donated \$1,900 to both the Elbow Volunteer Fire Department & the Elbow First Responders group. This is an annual fundraiser that has been put on by the great folks of Mistusinne for many, many years supporting our fire department and first responders. This has assisted in equipment purchases and training opportunities for our EMS volunteers. The Mistusinne fundraising golf tournament and pot luck supper (with a crazy amount of raffle prizes) is open to everyone - consider joining in for the fun day next summer!

WANT TO BE A VOLUNTEER?

Do you want to volunteer in Elbow and are not sure where to start? Please talk to us at the office, there are many opportunities in Elbow and we can help you find the right committee for you!

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, NEW Scotiabank & Telpay) and by E-Transfer.

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.

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.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular meetings of Council will be held at 201 Saskatchewan Street, at the Elbow Village Office in Council Chambers at 1 pm. These are the dates of the remaining meetings for 2023:

Tuesday, October 10, 2023
 Monday, November 13, 2023
 Monday, December 11, 2023



FALL PICKUP OF BRANCHES AND LEAVES

DATES OCTOBER 2-6th

WHAT WILL BE PICKED UP:

SMALL BRANCHES

- **CUT into 4-6 ft lengths; NO bigger than 6 inches in diameter**

LEAVES, GRASS CLIPPINGS

- **bagged in OPEN clear plastic or paper bags**

Your waste will NOT be picked up if:

- Branches were NOT in an orderly pile
- Branches were placed in garbage bags
- Branches were longer than 6ft or wider than 6" in diameter
- Household waste was found in your yard waste
- Animal waste was found in your yard waste
- Leaves and/or grass clippings were not placed in an OPEN clear garbage or paper bag
- The bag or collection containers were heavier than 25 lbs

We DO NOT pick up the following:

- Treated or Painted Wood
- Landscape Timbers or Railway Ties
- Flowerpots or Yard Decorations
- Mulch
- Dirt or Gravel

PLACEMENT

- **place items in back alley making sure they do not obstruct traffic**
- **if you don't have a back alley, place in front yard**