# VILLAGE OF ELBOW NEWSLETTER

# September 2022

#### BEING THANKFUL

As we move into Fall, we celebrated "Welcoming Week", the following groups have had a tremendous impact & we are glad they are here!

- Elbow Palliser Library
- Elbow Farmer's Market
- Friends of the Elbow Trail
- Elbow Fire Department
- Line 19 Multiplex Committee
- Elbow Welcoming Committee
- Lakeshore Stampede Rodeo Club
- Elbow & District Museum
- Shuffleboard Club
- Elbow Pickleball Club

We also want to thank Lucy, Allan and Tim for all their work at Tuft's Bay Campground and we look forward to Summer 2023! Details on the site lottery will be in the spring newsletter.

# JULY-SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Welcome to our new staff: Karen Joel Assistant Administrator & Jocelyn Veikle - our new Recreation and Community Development Manager
- Bylaws & policies are being reviewed regularly. Any newly adopted bylaws/policies are posted with the meeting minutes.
- Thank you to Shea Boyle & Vanessa Johnson for taking over looking after the Elbow Family Fitness Centre when Maria moved.
- The Elbow Palliser Library has installed a Storywalk at the Community Park/Orchard.
- Annual Ratepayers Meeting is Tuesday, October 25th at 7 pm at the Civic Centre.
- Kandis Miller of Archer & King Collective is spearheading the transformation of the Community Business sign at the corner of Aiktow and Sask.
- The Civic Centre and Rink tables and chairs can be rented as long as the use is indoors.

# YARD WASTE CLEANUP/TRANSFER STATION CLOSING

Fall pickup of branches and leaves (incl yard waste) is scheduled for the weeks of October 11-14th &  $17-21^{st}$ . 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 is still open regular hours. Last day of operation is Saturday, October  $29^{\rm th}$  10 am to 2 pm. After that, we are closed for the season.

#### WATER BILLING

The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter utility billing was finished on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. You will have received already if it is emailed to you, otherwise, they will be mailed out Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. We worked diligently to ensure the water meter readings are correct as we have noticed a lot of issues going back to January 2022. If you have an issue with your bill, please call Karen or Brandy. We appreciate your patience this year with staff changes and wrong bills! We thank everyone that was able to send in a picture of their water meter, that greatly reduces wrong billings. If you have been asked to send a picture in, please do. Thank you!

#### 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.

#### MULTIPLEX NEWS

Things are shaping up in the new Harbor Golf Community Center. Quorex is getting close to finishing up their scope of work. The Village will take possession of the building in October! After that, keep an eye out for other contractors to come in and add additions such as the murals, donor tree and signage all to be completed soon, with the landscaping wrapping up this spring.

There will be a public walk through of the Harbor Golf Community Center at 7 pm on Wednesday, October  $26^{\rm th}$ . Please come and see this fantastic facility before its in full swing!

We are excited to get using the building and with that, planning the move over from our existing buildings. We are looking for volunteers to help out with the move from the Civic Centre and Rink by the end of October. We are planning for packing on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 am and moving on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. Council will host a BBQ on the 28<sup>th</sup> at noon at the new building as a thank you to all of our excellent volunteers. If you can help out, please use the link below or from our Facebook page to let us know: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/movingvolunteers">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/movingvolunteers</a>

# 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. A list of webinar dates are at the end of this newsletter & posted on the Notice Board outside office.

#### EMERGENCY PLAN

The Village of Elbow commissioned an Emergency Plan from Datasafe Systems in coordination with communities in the WaterWolf Planning District a couple of years ago. Since then we have trained some staff and volunteer on the use of the plan. We plan to update any training necessary and fill the remaining positions identified in the Emergency Plan this Fall/Winter to ensure we can handle what life throws at us!

#### COMMISSIONAIRES

The Commissionaires have been hired by the Village of Elbow to help us educate about our bylaws, specifically nuisance properties. We will be contacting those property owners as necessary in the next few weeks if a remedy is required.

#### NOTICES

- The Village of Elbow 2021 Financial Synopsis is available at the office and will be sent to all residents with the September utility notices.
- Early payment municipal tax discount of 3% is available until October 31st, and 2% by the end of November. Check the bottom of your tax notice for the discounted amounts. Payments must be RECEIVED by the end of the month to receive the corresponding discount.

#### 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.

Tax Notices were sent at the end of May. The discounted amounts for early payment are noted on the bottom of your tax notice. Payments must be received by the Village Office by the last day of each month in order to receive the respective discount.

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 is you wish to drop anything off.



# FALL PICKUP OF BRANCHES AND LEAVES

DATES OCTOBER 11-14th and 17th - 21st, 2022

# 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





### JOIN US ONLINE

We get lots of questions about power in Saskatchewan. We're offering a series of webinars so you can learn from anywhere.

#### Learn about:

Our Power is Changing	September 28, 12:00 pm – 1:00pm
How Our Power Flows	October 5, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
How Small-Scale Technology is Evolving	October 18, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Why Nuclear?	November 8, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
How Nuclear Power Works	November 23, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm



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