



NEWSLETTER

October, 2017

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Upgrades to Village Water & Sewer Infrastructure

As you all are aware, the Village has had a busy summer with construction. Starting last fall, we have upgraded our Sewage Force Main out to the Lagoon, and this spring we had a backup generator building added to the Lift Station. We will now have backup power supplies at both the lift station and water plant in the event of any power disruptions. We are fortunate to receive a government grant for this project which covers 2/3 of the total cost.

Currently we are in the midst of a project at the Water Treatment Plant which is adding a new cell to our Water Storage Reservoir along with some new alarm technology. We again are receiving a government grant for this project which will cover 3/4 of the cost of that project.

So, both of these upgrades will ensure our water and sewer facilities will function during power outages or any service disruptions from SaskWater. The Village will also be well equipped for future population growth.

Summer Road Work

Earlier in the summer, we did another major repair project to some of the streets in the Village. We've tried to target some of the spots that

have been continual problems areas. Advice from our engineers has assured us that this new process will provide a more stable base and reduce surface breakdown.

Trees Abutting Alleys

With the good growing conditions that we had this summer, the Village wants to remind everyone to keep the trees in their back yards trimmed back from overhanging the alley so that vehicles - including the fire truck and also the garbage truck can have easy access to the lanes.

By doing the trimming yourself, you can manage how your trees are trimmed – rather than being left to either SaskPower or the Village doing the trimming.

Recycling Changes

You may have already noticed, but there has been a change to the recycling guidelines. REACT is asking that any glass be separated out from other recyclable items. There is now a separate bin for "GLASS ONLY". Please adhere to the directions on the bins.

Summer Fun Camp

Muenster Summer Fun Camp is looking for interested individuals to join our 2018 executive. The mandate of Muenster Summer Fun Camp is to provide safe, educational and affordable childcare for rural working families. The Muenster Summer Fun Camp is looking ahead to its sixth year of operation. Our camp accommodates on average 40 campers per year ranging in age from five to twelve years old. In the summer of 2017 our organization employed 18 local students. We not only focus on safe and engaging activities for our campers but we also strive to teach leadership skills within camp volunteers and leaders in paid positions. Assistance from executive members typically occurs

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in May and June. If you are a parent of a camper, a community member that enjoys working with youth or just interested in finding out more about the Muenster Summer Fun Camp, please forward your name and contact information to jsylvestre@sasktel.net. Thankyou

SaskTel Tower

I'm sure many of you have already heard – SaskTel is planning to install a new 35m. tower to improve 4G & LTE wireless services. I think everyone looks forward to Muenster having better cell coverage.

Humboldt Fire Equipment Rates

The Humboldt & District Fire Protection has advised of their new rates. If they are called to respond to a fire in the Village, their equipment rates are as follows:

Fire Truck - \$900/hour
Tanker - \$900/hour
Rescue Unit - \$300/hour

You may want to consider having extra coverage when you are renewing your annual property insurance.

Utility Bills by Email

The Village now has the ability to send out the water and sewer bills to your email address.

The Village is offering a one-time \$5.00 discount off your first bill for signing up for this option.

Please contact the Village Office if you want to sign up for this service.

Bill Payment Options

The Village of Muenster offers a few different options for paying your monthly utility bill.

Auto Debit is available for all banking institutions to pay your Village of Muenster utility bill.

Internet Banking – if you bank with the following financial

institutions (Credit Unions, BMO and CIBC), the Village of Muenster has made arrangements to allow residents to pay their bills through internet banking.

Personally – You can pay by cash or cheque in the Village Office, or drop your payment into the mail slot on the front of the Office at any time when the Office is not open. We do not have the option for payments by debit card or charge cards.

Animal Bylaws

The Village has bylaws in place to manage animals. Some of the bylaw guidelines are as follows:

- ❖ All dogs and cats must be licensed every year.
- ❖ No animals (either dogs or cats) should be allowed to run at large.
- ❖ Animals must be constrained from creating a noise disturbance.
- ❖ Owners are required to “pick up” after their pets (which means everywhere!).
- ❖ Certain breeds of dogs are restricted from the Village.
- ❖ A limit of 2 animals per residence.

Violation of any of these issues can result in penalties being issued. Please be considerate of other residents in the village.

2017 Taxes Due December 31st

A reminder to those residents that have not yet paid their 2017 taxes. Taxes are due by December 31st. In order to avoid incurring a 10% penalty, please either stop by the village office during regular office hours or drop your payment in the drop slot on the front of the village office prior to December 31st. Post-dated cheques are accepted.

Also, for those who are interested in paying taxes on a monthly basis for 2018, we will again accept a bundle of monthly-dated cheques

which we can automatically apply to your tax account. For further information regarding this, please contact the village office.

Walking After Dark

As the days shorten and we find ourselves out and about in the dark either during the evening or early morning. This is just a reminder to wear something reflective when walking so you are easily seen by vehicle traffic.

Muenster Website

Check out the website at www.villageofmuenster.ca.

If you have any events or information that you would like posted, please email the Village Office at muenster@sasktel.net with your information.