



Municipal Newsletter

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Hours of Operation

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After Hour Trouble Calls

Please call 727-2597

STAFF CHANGES AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF RED LAKE

Two departments of the Municipality of Red Lake have recently experienced staff changes.

Day Care Supervisor Sandi Thompson, who has been employed with the Municipality of Red Lake and the former Township of Red Lake, will be relocating to Campbell River, B.C. after 14 years of service. Effective July 24th, 2006, she will be replaced by Maureen St. Vincent, who has been employed with the Municipality of Red Lake and the former Township of Red Lake for 11 years.

Bryson Bates, who has been employed with the Municipality of Red Lake as Treasurer for 2 years will be leaving us and he will be replaced by Mike Morton our Deputy Treasurer, who has been employed by the Municipality for 1.5 years. Replacing Mike in the Deputy Treasurer position will be Jean McNamee who has been employed by the Municipality of Red Lake and the former Township of Golden for 20 years.

Mayor and Council would like to thank Sandi and Bryson for their dedicated service and would like to welcome Jean, Maureen and Mike to their new positions.

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT - TIPS FOR WATER CONSERVATION

The hot dry weather we have been experiencing this summer has caused the water usage in the Municipality to increase significantly from the yearly average water consumption of 500 litres per day per person. While producing these quantities of water is not a problem, the chemicals and pumping are expensive.

The Operations Department is requesting that residents help reduce non-essential water use (lawn watering, car washing, etc.) to reduce the costs of operating the system. To do this, we recommend that residents with even numbered houses water lawns, etc. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and those with odd numbered houses water lawns etc. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. This will assist in balancing usage throughout the week.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Municipal Building Department will no longer require building permits for the following:

1. rreshingling roofs
2. residing dwellings
3. replacing dwelling windows with the same size window

It is important to note that if you are going to do any of the above renovations, although no building permit will be required, the Building Department must still be notified of the project. To contact the Building Department, phone 735-2096 ext. 226.

Russell D Power
Chief Building Official

VANDALISM COSTS YOU MONEY

The Municipality of Red Lake is experiencing increasing incidents of vandalism to Municipal property. Are you aware that the cost in 2005 to taxpayers to repair/replace the results of vandalism was over \$15,000.00? This cost could very well be higher for 2006.

This summer we have experienced removal/destruction of signs on an ongoing basis, concrete picnic tables and garbage cans moved from their places (some actually moved into the water) and repeated destruction of washroom facilities at the public beaches. Can you understand why somebody would actually fill the toilets with sand, while flushing them until the sewer lines were full?

Please help stop these senseless acts of property destruction. If you see a person or persons committing acts of vandalism, please contact the local O.P.P. @ 1-888-310-1122, 727-2418, or Crimestoppers @ 1-800-222-8477.



Council Meeting (Summer Schedule)

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday August 1st, 2006
(start @ 6:00 p.m.)

Tuesday August 22nd, 2006
(start 12:00 noon)

All meetings are open to the Public. The Meetings will commence at the times noted above.

Delegations will not be permitted at a Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Individuals or groups wishing to appear as a Delegation at a Regular Council Meeting shall submit a request, in writing, to the Clerk not later than 4:30 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the meeting. The individual or group shall state the nature of the business to be discussed and to which the said person shall confine their remarks.

Agendas can be picked up at the Municipal Office after 3:00 p.m. on the Friday before the Meeting.

DOGS IN PUBLIC PLACES

Section 7 of By-Law No. 29-98 provides for Dogs in Public Places.

No person shall suffer, allow or permit any dog of which he/she is the owner, whether on a leash or not, to be in any place designated as a municipally controlled public beach or playground.

There are penalties for failing to license dogs, allowing dogs to run at large, defecate on private/public property and being in designated public property.

Please be advised that signs are posted at municipal beaches and playgrounds, which state 'No Pets Allowed'. This includes all 'pets'.

There has been some vandalism at the public beaches, in which the signs have been stolen or destroyed. Please be advised that removal of the signs is considered a theft. The cost to replace the signs is an added burden to all taxpayers of the Municipality of Red Lake. (see page 1 – Vandalism Costs You Money)

A RECYCLING HINT

from the Red Lake Green Committee

Do you regularly throw cardboard boxes into the garbage? Most grocery stores in the area have an ongoing use for grocery boxes. Why not ask your grocer if you could bring to the store any clean, dry mid-sized boxes that you do not need. This would be an excellent way to re-cycle these boxes instead of sending them to the landfill site.

Red Lake re-cycles – in small, but significant ways!



THE JUDGES ARE COMING!

The Communities in Bloom (CIB) Judges will be visiting the Municipality of Red Lake on August 18th, 19th, and 20th, 2006. The CIB Committee is asking for the community's help by sprucing up their yards, businesses and keeping the Municipality tidy.

Thank you for your assistance.



**RED LAKE REGIONAL HERITAGE CENTRE
GRAND OPENING**

and

**OPEN HOUSE OF THE RESIDENT GEOLOGIST OFFICE
(relocated at the Heritage Centre since June 3rd, 2006)**

Saturday, July 22nd, 2006 – 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



A learning centre for our youth, an interesting destination for visitors, and a source of community pride.

Door prizes, refreshments, special tours, children's activities, local geology displays and fascinating history

Heritage Centre & Tourist Bureau Hours of Operation - Norseman Festival Weekend

Friday, July 21st – 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 22nd – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 23rd - 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the Heritage Centre @ 727-3006, E-mail: rlhc@goredlake.com.

Website: www.redlakemuseum.com