



Municipal Newsletter

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MUNICIPAL OFFICE

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Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday
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MAYOR FOR THE DAY

Congratulations to **Avery Baker** (Golden Learning Centre), **Julia Mesto** (St. John's Catholic School) and **Connor Smith** (Red Lake-Madsen Public School) who were chosen at their respective schools to be "Mayor for the Day".

Avery, Julia and Connor attended the Regular Council Meeting on December 2nd, 2008, and Mayor Phil Vinet proclaimed each of them "Mayor for the Day".

MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Please be advised that the Municipal Office in Balmertown will be closed from December 24th, 2008, and will reopen for regular hours on Monday, January 5th, 2009.

DON'T FORGET THE SANTA CLAUS PARADE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5th, 2008

STARTING AT 6:30 P.M.

FROM THE BUFFALO
TURNAROUND

Council Meeting

In-Camera (Closed) Meeting
Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 16th, 2008
Thursday, January 8th, 2009

In-Camera (Start @ 5:00 p.m.)
Regular (Start @ 6:00 p.m.)

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

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.



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF RED LAKE REQUIRES A YOUTH INTERN - WALKABLE TRAILS COORDINATOR

Who is eligible? Unemployed youth (under the age of 29) who has recently graduated with a degree or diploma from a credited post-secondary institution and the applicant must be a Northern Ontario Secondary School graduate.

Salary: This one-year term, full time position is partially funded by the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund, Youth Internship Program. The rate of pay is \$30,600.00 per annum and consists of a 35-hour work week. The successful candidate will also be enrolled in the Municipal Benefit Program.

The Successful candidate will be a highly motivated, innovative team player with excellent interpersonal skills, as well as being a good communicator. The Intern will be completing the following:

1. Work with the Municipal GIS and other office software
2. Assist the Walkable Trails Committee
3. Assist with the development of a Walkable Trails System throughout the Municipality

Please submit your resume by fax, e-mail, or mail to the following address. Resumes must be received at the Municipal Office not later than 12:00 noon, Thursday, December 11th, 2008.

If you require further information please contact Brian Anderson at:
1-807-735-2096 ext. 229, e-mail: municipality@red-lake.com,
or check our web site at: www.red-lake.com

Attention: Brian Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer
Municipality of Red Lake
P.O. Box 1000, Balmertown, Ontario, P0V 1C0

Phil Vinet, Mayor

Brian Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer

“COST OF DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE”

By-Law No. 883-07 states that no person shall own a dog without obtaining an annual license. If a dog is seized and does not have a current license it is not always easy to identify the owner. If a dog is impounded the costs to the owner and to you the taxpayer are as follows:

Cost to Owner (if identified/known):

- Impound Fee
\$75.00 – 1st time offence
\$150.00 – 2nd time offence
\$200.00 – 3rd time offence
- Maintenance Fee (Room & Board) \$10.00/day

Cost to Municipality (if owner not identified):

- Maintenance Fee during regular hours up to a maximum of 3 days. \$73.00/day
(Wages, Hydro, Food, etc.)
- Maintenance Fee during call out hours up to a maximum of 2 days. \$238.86/day
(Wages, Hydro, Food, etc.)
- Cost to Destroy a dog if not claimed. \$100.00

For the purposes of the By-Law, a dog shall be deemed to be running at large when found in any place other than the premises of the owner of the dog and not under the direct control of a competent person. There is no time exemption on running at large.

Each time the owner of a dog is not identified, it is an expense to all residents of the Municipality of Red Lake. When filing a complaint regarding a dog running at large, please contact the By-Law Enforcement Officer, Teresa VanDusen, at 735-2096 ext. 225, and provide as much information as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**A SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT****HOLIDAY DECORATIONS – LIGHT-UP SAFELY**

It is the time when we are preparing to celebrate the holiday season with friends and family. In the hustle and bustle the Municipality of Red Lake Fire Department reminds consumers to “Light-Up Safely” when using electrical decorations.

Before you start to decorate you should:

- Check electrical cords and products that have been stored – if these are damaged they should be replaced.
- Carefully read manufacturer’s instructions - in most cases no more than 3 light strings can be safely connected together.
- Never remove the third-prong from any electrical product – this is a “grounding pin” that works to prevent electric shock in the event of electrical equipment failure.
- Avoid overloading circuits with plugs and extension cords – this can create overheating that could result in a fire. (fuses that frequently blow, or circuits that frequently trip, can be a sign of overloading)
- Plug your outdoor decorations into a receptacle that is protected by a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) – these are designed to cut off the flow of electricity to avoid shock hazards if a ground fault occurs. Portable GFCIs can now be purchased by homeowners and are recommended for outdoor decorating.
- Look Up, identify, and stay clear of overhead powerlines when decorating.

If you are purchasing new electrical holiday decorations ensure that these are:

- Properly rated for the installation you are planning - decorations are designed for either indoor or outdoor applications.
- Bear the mark of an accredited certification agency – these are listed at www.easafe.com. ESA encourages consumers to purchase decorations from well known and established retail outlets.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC – SURPLUS PROPERTY

The Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake hereby declares the Part 1 of Plan 23R-11595 as surplus to Municipal requirements as per Resolution No. 651-08 and available for sale to Amy Jaarsma and Jim Lipton.

This notice is being made Public in order to fulfill the requirements of By-Law No. 890-07 regarding Procedures and Notices governing the Sale of Land.

Phil T. Vinet
Mayor

Brian Anderson
CAO



TAXI CAB VEHICLE LICENSE

The Municipality of Red Lake wishes to advise of the vacancy of one Taxi Cab Vehicle License. Applications are available at the Municipal Office. Please contact the By-Law Enforcement Officer at 735-2096 ext. 225, if interested.

ADOPT A CHILD OR FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS

There are still Ontario Works recipients in our area who struggle on a regular basis to provide for their families and are not able to provide the extras that would bring happiness and excitement to their families at this time of year. If you would like to help by adopting a family or child this Christmas, please contact Gail at 735-2096 ext. 224, to obtain more information.

SKATE WITH SANTA

Wednesday, December 24th, 2008

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Cochenour Arena

Giveaways available while supplies last.



WINTER MAINTENANCE & PARKING RESTRICTIONS

To facilitate winter maintenance on all Municipal roads, parking is restricted between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m., from November 1st to April 30th. Any vehicles, boats, campers or trailers parked on the streets during this time period will be ticketed or towed and stored at the expense of the owner.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



GARBAGE CONTAINERS



During the winter months, please keep a clear pathway to your garbage container at all times and remove snow from the lid for garbage collection. If the garbage collectors are unable to reach your garbage container your garbage may not be picked up.

Thank You!

RESIDENTS SURVEY

The Municipality of Red Lake Requests Your Input!

We are seeking your opinion about the potential of Downtown Revitalization, current shopping and services. Results of the survey will be available through the Red Lake Municipal Newsletter and on the Municipality of Red Lake's website once the survey has been completed.

To complete the survey go to our website: <http://www.red-lake.com> and click the link to the "RESIDENTS SURVEY" fill it in and submit. This survey is confidential and the results will be used to identify improvements, you as a resident, would like to see to your downtown area.

Thank you for taking time to complete the survey!

From the Red Lake Public Library



"FOOD FOR FINES"

For the month of December, library patrons can have all their overdue fines erased as the Red Lake Library holds the

4th Annual Food for Fines

benefitting the Red Lake Homeless Shelter.

Library patrons may bring non-perishable food items (or gently used adult winter wear) to the Library and all fines will be erased. The only exceptions are lost or damaged materials, as they are not covered for the fine free month.

Guidelines:

- ❖ Only non-perishable, undamaged, unexpired labeled items can be accepted.
- ❖ All food must carry their original packaging/label.
- ❖ Home-canned or home-prepared foods cannot be accepted.



The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake

NOTICE**MOTORIZED SNOW VEHICLE ROUTES**

The following named municipal highways shall only be used as access highways for motorized snow vehicles to leave and return to the town sites:

RED LAKE

BIRKS DR.
GOLDSHORE RD.
HAMMELL RD.
LAVERTY RD.

COCHENOUR

ARENA RD.
LAKEVIEW AVE
COCHENOUR CRES.
COCHENOUR BEACH RD.

MADSEN

ACCESS RD.
LAKE RD.
MINE RD.

BALMERTOWN

DETTA RD.
MINE RD.
MCNEELY RD.

MADSEN

ACCESS RD.
LAKE RD.
MINE RD.

MCKENZIE ISLAND

HEAD FRAME ST.
ORE ZONE AVE.
GOLD EAGLE AVE.
GRIZZLY ST.
LITTLE LONG LAC
JACKLEG AVE.
LAKESHORE DRIVE

As per By-Law No. 5-01, no person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle upon any highway and/or area under the jurisdiction of the Municipality, except for the above noted highways. These highways are to be used as access roads to the trails only. You must use the shortest route to the access roads from your home. While traveling these routes a motorized snow vehicle must not reach speeds greater than 20 km/hr.

By-Law No. 5-01 (which includes maps) is available for inspection at the Municipal Office located on the corner of Fifth Street and Lassie Road in Balmertown.

If there are any questions, please contact the By-Law Enforcement Officer at 735-2096.

Municipality of Red Lake Photo Contest

This contest is open to all residents within the Municipality of Red Lake. Children 14 years of age and under entering the "Kids Only" category must have the consent of a parent or guardian.

All photos must reflect life in the Municipality of Red Lake

Adults:

1. Nature: Images showcasing fish, plants, animals, and landscapes
2. Events: Images from local festivals, events, and group activities
3. People: Images of friends, family and pets at work or play in Red Lake



Children: (14 years of age & under): This is an open category that is open to all entries from children residing in the Municipality of Red Lake

The Red Lake Municipal Photo Contest closes 11:59 p.m., Central Standard Time, Friday, February 27th, 2009. By submitting an entry, each entrant agrees to the Official Rules and warrants that his or her entry complies with all requirements set out in the Official Rules.

A complete set of Official Rules and the Entry Form are available online at www.redlake.ca/photocontest/ or may be obtained at the Municipal Office in Balmertown during regular business hours or at the Red Lake Community Centre.

Contest Prizes

- The First Place winner in each Category will each receive a Kodak ZI6 HD Digital Video Camera.
- The Children's Category winner will each receive an Apple iPod Touch.
- The Grand Prize winner will receive a Nikon DSLR Camera with two (2) lenses and a carrying case.

All prizes are nontransferable, and no cash alternative is available. For more information please read through the rules governing the Photography Contest.