



Town of Imperial

The Mayor, Council & staff of the Town of Imperial would like to extend Season's Greetings to all of the residents of Imperial and the surrounding community. At this time they would like to thank the volunteer fire fighters and all other volunteers who give their time to the numerous boards, committees and organizations in our community.

Welcome to Pat Joa who stepped forward to fill the vacancy on council due to the resignation of Anna Lewis. Thank you to Anna for her active role on council over the past four years.

2013 was a very busy year for the Town of Imperial. Sand sealant applied to several streets; new sidewalks constructed; sidewalks repaired with rubber stone; trees planted; street sweeper purchased; new doorsteps installed at the Town Office; trees trimmed; gas line installed in the new development in Block 25; Christmas decorations purchased for Royal Street; overhead doors installed at the Fire Hall; new signs at the Community Centre and the Long Lake Valley Court. Council anticipates that 2014 will be another busy year with the hopes that more street and sidewalk work can be completed. The tree trimmers have already been booked for some time in January or early February.

The biggest project for 2014 is the re-roofing of the Community Centre. The Town has entered into a contract with JR & Co. Construction from Saskatoon to install a 50 mil PVC Duro-Last roofing system over the entire existing roof. They will also be installing two layers of 1½" polyisocynurate insulation to the roof. These layers of insulation will increase our existing R-value from R-5 to R-24 which should help significantly with the heating costs. The total cost of the project with the additional 3" of insulation is \$94,473. The Town submitted an application to the Community Initiatives Fund and recently received confirmation that

we have been approved to receive \$30,000 for our re-roofing project. The Town is also accepting donations for this project and as of this date we have received over \$20,000. A tax deductible receipt will be issued by the Town for any donations made.

The Imperial Service Club will be hosting a "Brad Johner & the Johner Boys" concert on April 5, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. All funds raised from this event will be used for the Community Centre roof. Tickets are \$40/person. Watch for posters for more details and please come out and support this event.

The Town also applied and received \$5,000 under the Community Rink Affordability Grant program through Saskatchewan Parks & Recreation. This money will help to support the operation of the rink.

The Town has received approval from the Saskatchewan Municipal Board to increase the water and sewer rates over the next three years. These increases are necessary so that we can get to a point where these utilities are self-sustaining. Listed below are the new quarterly rates for water and sewer:

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>
Effective January 1, 2014	\$83.00	\$26.00
Effective January 1, 2015	\$86.50	\$27.00
Effective January 1, 2016	\$90.00	\$28.00

Effective, January 1, 2014 the cable system will be incorporated into the Town's accounting system. Cable subscribers will receive a monthly billing. It will be called a "Utility Billing" and look the same as your water and sewer bill but will list your cable charges. Please remember your cable is due monthly and no later than the 15th of the month.

Permits are required for all building, demolition or moving. Permits can be obtained at the Town Office for \$25 and must be submitted to council for approval prior to any work being undertaken.

The Town has a bylaw which permits the operation of snowmobiles between the hours of 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. on all streets and lanes with the exception of Royal Street, between Railway Avenue and Prairie Avenue (from the Hotel to the Catholic Church). The bylaw prohibits the use of snowmobiles, at any time, within the park areas (around the tennis court and the park and RV campground at the west end of Royal Street). All-terrain vehicles are prohibited on any municipal land. New "No Motor Vehicles" signs displaying a motor bike, ATV & a snowmobile will be installed at the parks. Please stay out of the parks and off private land with your snowmobile, ATV or motor bikes. They are noisy and they also destroy the trees.

We'd also like to remind everyone that, just because it snowed and you can't see it, there is a double yellow line on the first two blocks of Royal Street (from the Hotel to the Catholic Church) and it is

illegal to turn across the middle of the street or back out across the street when leaving. This is a very dangerous practice so please use the intersections to make a u-turn.

Kerry Hecker and a group of volunteers have organized a "Welcome Wagon" to visit and welcome any newcomers to Imperial and area. They have put together a small package for the newcomers and will take them on a short tour of the community. The purpose of the tour is to introduce the new people to what services are offered in Imperial and for them to get to know the faces of the people who work there. Please call Kerry at 306-836-4466 or e-mail her at kerry.hecker@gmail.com if you know of someone new to the community.

Any businesses that have hand sanitizers which were installed by the town, please remember that we still have refill sanitizer available at the Town Office.

*Mayor Ronald Klenk
Councillors Ted Abrey, Brent Ingram,
Pat Joa, Ryan Kelly,
Susan Parish & Bill Tighe
Administrator Sheila Newlove
Foreman Kelvin Klenk*

Holiday Store Hours

Note - All businesses are closed December 25 & 26 and January 1 unless otherwise noted

Town Office – closed December 24

Imperial Garage – closed Dec 24 at noon & 31 at 3:30 pm

Kelly's Store – closed Dec 24 at 3 pm

Imperial Family Restaurant – see poster at restaurant

Long Lake Insurance – closed Dec 24 at noon; Dec 31 at 2 pm

Lewis Agencies – closed Dec 24; Dec 31 at 3

Georgie's Place – closed Dec 23 – 30 inclusive

Imperial Library – closed Dec 20-Jan 2 inclusive

Imperial Hotel – Dec 24 at 7, open Dec 26 & 31 regular hours

No Doctor – Dec 24 – 26 inclusive

Royal Bank – closed Dec 24 & 31 at 3 pm

Post Office – closed Dec 24 at 4 pm

Imperial Co-Op(Store/Bulk)-closed Dec 24 & 31 at 3 pm

One-On-One Hair Salon – closed Dec 24 & 31 at noon

Bourassa & Associates – closed Dec 23-27 inclusive; Dec 31 at 3

Imperial Pharmacy – Open Mon, Dec 23-9:30-5:30

Tues, Dec 24-9:30-4:30; Tues, Dec 31-9:30-5:30; Thurs,

Jan 2-9:30-5:30

