

# Town of Imperial Newsletter

June, 2013

## **Grass Clippings, Garden/Yard Refuse, Tree Branches:**

Effective , Monday, June 24, Kelvin will be picking up grass clippings, garden and yard refuse and tree branches every second Monday following his regular garbage collection. The garbage bags must be tied up and there **cannot be any garbage** in these bags as the contents of the bag are emptied into the pit. Remember, there is no charge if you take your own bags of yard and garden waste to the Waste Transfer Station and empty them into the pit and throw the bag into the dumpster.

Also, please break down all cardboard boxes that go into the dumpsters.

## **Watering Days:**

Below is a schedule of the days when you can water your lawns & gardens:  
North side of Royal Street-Wed, Fri, & Sun  
South side of Royal Street-Tues, Thurs & Sat  
There is no watering on Mondays.  
Early morning and evenings are the most efficient watering times.

## **Waterline Flushing:**

The Imperial Fire Department will be flushing water lines, Wednesday, June 26 starting at 7 pm. Some discoloration may occur in the water. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

## **Flowers:**

Thank you to Marj Klenk, Elaine Joa, Betsy Redstone, Maureen Duff and Betty Royan for planting the flowers in the planters on Royal Street. They look beautiful and add so much to the street.

## **Traffic Bylaw:**

Due to the dangerous practice of those who are turning across the street to park and back across the street when leaving, the Town has changed their Traffic Bylaw so that a yellow line will be painted down Royal Street from Railway Avenue to Prairie Avenue. This now allows the RCMP to charge anyone caught crossing this line. Please use the intersections to make a u-turn.

## **Budget Items:**

Below are a few items, which might be of interest, that were included in the 2013 budget:

Trees: A decision was made to return to an annual schedule for tree trimming. 20 towering linden trees were purchased and planted along the town boulevards to replace missing trees. This is something that council plans to do until all empty spots are filled.

Street Sweeping: The Town purchased a street sweeper this spring and has established a schedule where the streets will be swept in early May; by the July 1<sup>st</sup> long weekend; and by the September long weekend.

Streets & Sidewalks: Sometime this summer sand sealant will be applied to the following streets and Avenues: Duchess Street, Princess Street, Prairie and Saskatchewan Avenue from Duchess to Queen Street and Forest Avenue from Prince to Queen Street.

Council also plans to start replacing some of the worst sidewalks this year and continue including an amount in the annual budget

until all sidewalks that require replacing are done.

Sierra Stone has been hired to apply a rubber stone to the surface of the sidewalk from Kelly's General Store to just past the Co-Op Store.

Lot Development: Over the next 3 years council plans to invest in Block 25 so that the lots are sellable. In 2013, Sask Energy will be installing a gas line which will service all 22 lots. In 2014, plans are to install the power to service all of the lots. In 2015, the plan is to install the water and sewer lines to the south lots along Duke Street. The lots along Prince Street already have the water and sewer installed along Prince Street.

Decorative lighting: Over the next 3 years the Town will be replacing the Christmas decorations which are installed on the poles on Royal Street and Railway Avenue.

Doctor & Ambulance Funds: Once again \$30,000 was included in the budget with \$20,000 being earmarked for the Doctor Fund and, new this year, \$10,000 for the Ambulance.

Maintenance items: This year's budget included repairs to some of the town's buildings. We are replacing the Fire Hall's overhead doors; doorsteps at the Town Office; new door for the Library and insulating the Town Shop roof.

### **Community Centre:**

Speaking of repairs, the Community Centre roof needs to be replaced. We have had one quote of \$86,000 to re-tar and gravel the roof. Council has hired an engineer who will come out and give a written report with options that are available to repair or replace the roof.

We need to raise the money to have the roof fixed and we need your ideas and suggestions on how to do this. Does anyone have a good fund raising idea? Would any of our groups/organizations be willing to put on an event to raise money that would be specifically earmarked for the roof.

Do any of our organizations and groups have any extra money which could be donated towards the roof repairs?

The Town will issue tax deductible receipts to any individual or corporation that wishes to make a donation to help fund this project.

The Town will be submitting a grant application to the Community Initiative Fund. This grant, if approved, could provide funding on a matching basis of up to 50% of the eligible costs. The maximum grant is \$50,000 per approved project.

Contact the Town Office at 963-2220 or any councilor if you have any ideas.

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