



# Town of Imperial

## Spring Newsletter 2024

### SPRING: The Time of Plans & Projects!

#### 2024 Budget

Spring is the time of planting flowers, growing gardens, planning summer vacations and ALL the projects! The 2024 budget was passed at the April Council Meeting. The budget is full of plans and projects and even some flowers. Here is a listing of the budget items slated for 2024.

- Calcium chloride for dust control.
- \$5,000 allotted for Tree Trimming.
- RO water filter replacement.
- Safety – Fire Suit
- Metric Greenhouse has been contracted to plant the flowers around town.
- Purchase Pallet Forks and Snow Bucket for the skid steer.
- Annual sewer line cleaning.
- Remodel the Bathrooms at the Arena.
- Replace the Curling Rink Roof
- The LLVC loan expires in July of this year and the skid steer will be paid off in October of this year. The council has decided to get a debenture (loan at a cheaper interest rate) from the Government of Saskatchewan.

#### Taxes

Taxes notices will be sent out by the end of April. With planning and projects come expense. The base tax will be increasing by \$100 this year with no mill rate change. When broken down monthly your taxes will be increasing by \$8.33 per month. Improvements are continuing to be made to the community infrastructure. The 2024 Provincial Education Property tax mill rate will remain unchanged from 2023. You receive a 5% discount on your taxes if paid before June 30, taxes are due by December 31 to avoid a 15% penalty.

#### Waste Transfer Station

#### **Change of opening Hours**

**April 1 – October 31**

**Tuesday & Thursday 10 – 3**

**Saturdays 9 – 3**

**Did you know?** That the Town of Imperials insurance for 2024 is \$70,956.

**Did you know?** It's election year! Provincial and Municipal.

**Did you know?** That the carbon tax alone on the arena and the hall is over \$1300 in the winter months.

## Watering Days

Below is a schedule of the days when you can water your lawns and 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.

## Permits

Permits are required for all new building construction; garages, carports, decks, mobile home; relocation of an existing building; demolition of an existing building; fireplaces, wood stoves & heaters; retaining walls; temporary buildings; renovations, alterations & additions to an existing building; & basement development in a dwelling unit **prior** to any work being undertaken. **A stop work order will be issued if permits are not in place before construction or renovations begin.** Please understand that even though it is an added cost to your renovation or addition however for your safety and insurance purposes a permit is a cheap precaution to take. And down the road if you are selling your home people interested in buying them are now asking to see the permits used when considering a sale. We would also like to let you know that the town does not make much money off the permit fees. They are \$70 which is just for the administrative work to submit the permits. Permits are **Not** required for fences; driveways & parking lots; sidewalks; painting, decorating, laying carpet & general maintenance; replacement using the same materials & not affecting the structural, electrical or mechanical systems (roofing, siding, windows not including required egress windows); accessory buildings (garden

sheds, tool sheds) not greater than **10m<sup>2</sup>** in area; & swimming pools & hot tubs less than 600 mm in depth. Permit application forms can be obtained at the Town Office. If you are unsure just call and ask. We are happy to assist you.

## Reminders

- ❖ **Garbage and Recycling are now both on Thursdays alternating weeks as of April 1, 2024**
- ❖ Campground reservations are now booking online at Lets Camp!
- ❖ **Please clean up after your pets.**
- ❖ **Please check your trees and trim them back from the sidewalk & back alleys. It is your responsibility to not let your trees grow over the town's property.**



**Upcoming Community Events:**

**Pickle Ball Clinic Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>.  
Contact Sara Gullacher 306-963-7484  
by April 17 to register. Ages 12 & up  
Cost \$25.00.**

**May 9, 2024 12:30 –3:30 pm Imperial  
Library Mother's Day Tea & Bake  
Sale.**

**May 31, 2024 Imperial School  
Graduation.**

**Imperial Library Kick off to Summer  
Raffle Tickets available library Draw  
Date June 22, 2024.**

**June 22, 2024 Rock'n the Rink Event  
Slow-pitch tournament, beer gardens,  
progressive 50/50, bake sale, bouncy  
castle, Pickle ball, car/bike/tractor  
show and cabaret. Enter teams to  
Joslin at the Town office.  
306-963-2220**

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