



June/July 2022 Council Corner

In light of the concerns raised over the past months this newsletter begins with another reminder from RCMP Staff Sergeant, Terry Posnikoff, asking everyone to report suspicious activity that you see. Community safety is everyone's concern and RCMP advise that Crime Stoppers is available anytime. If you see something unusual, please don't hesitate to call either the 1-800 crime stopper number OR the local RCMP detachment at 306-862-6270 or 911. Please don't hesitate to call.



Congratulations to the 2022 Graduation Class of L. P. Miller Comprehensive School. The Town of Nipawin sends best wishes for the future to each of the Grads and encourages each of you to "Follow Your Dreams".

Updates:

- At the June 13th meeting of the Council of the Town of Nipawin Bylaw #1145/22 was implemented with a base-tax reduction for Commercial properties. The base tax amount for Commercial properties has been reduced to \$1800. The Council approved a mill rate of 7.06 for 2022. For more information please contact the Chief Financial Officer at (306) 862 9866.
- Check out what's new at the Tourism/Information Centre and the Pool – Croquet, Slack line.
- Over-sized Connect 4 game, Checkers game and Cannon ball drop coming to various park locations for people to enjoy on summer days. **Watch the Parks & Recreation** media pages (Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Town of Nipawin website) for locations and times.

REMINDERS:

- Crack sealing has begun and line painting will be underway shortly. Please be patient and keep a safe distance from crews working on our streets.
- Over the next weeks the Town of Nipawin will begin installation of concrete intersection medians at the following locations in the downtown core: (1) Two stop signs on 1st Avenue E and 2nd St. E. intersections, (2) the two stop signs on 1st Ave W and 2nd St. W and (3) the third single stop sign at Centre Street and 2nd Avenue West.
- **Please do NOT** overfill your recycle and waste carts and ensure the lid of the cart can be closed. Also, please remove your garbage/recycling carts from roadways as soon as possible after pick up. This ensures that crews can clean the roadways as quickly as possible.
- Everyone is invited to once again join in the **Canada Day** celebrations at the Living Forestry Museum on July 1st. Come and celebrate in person.
- **Join the Celebration on July 17th**. Celebrate with the Nipawin Exhibition Association and come and join the parade (Starting at 3:00 p.m.) followed by street fair festivities from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- Remember that if you are planning to build...call the Planning Department for the Town of Nipawin as permits are required prior to beginning.

Looking for waste disposal information? Check out the short video (compliments of the City of Regina) posted on the Town of Nipawin website demonstrating the use of recycle and refuse carts. The video may also be viewed on *YouTube* at: <https://youtube/LoM1KJq3osk>.

To contact the bylaw officer: bylaw@nipawin.com

If you have an **idea, concern or a bouquet** please don't hesitate to arrange an opportunity for a conversation. Call (306) 862 9866 to arrange an appointment or by email to mayorharper@nipawin.com. (**NOTE:** Anonymous concerns, written or by phone, will not receive response so please sign your concern and provide contact information.)

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide requirements are changing and come into force on **July 1, 2022** for every building that contains a residence. The building is required to have smoke alarms installed inside **each bedroom**, in the **bedroom corridor**, and **each storey without a bedroom**. These smoke alarms are permitted to be battery operated. **If** the building was constructed **before** June 6, 1988, then the batteries used for the smoke alarms must be 10-year batteries (see photo attached for example of 10-year battery alarm).

Every building that contains a residential occupancy is required to have a carbon monoxide alarm installed inside **each bedroom OR** within 5 m (16') of **each bedroom door**. These carbon monoxide alarms are permitted to be battery operated. **If** the building was constructed **before** October 1, 2009, then the batteries used for the carbon monoxide alarms must be 10-year batteries (see photo attached for example of 10-year battery alarm).



What does this mean for owners?

If your house/condo/duplex/etc. is missing smoke and/or carbon monoxide alarms in the locations listed above, then as the owner it is your responsibility to install the missing alarms. If any questions please contact the Town Office (306) 862-9866.

Subsidized Spay and Neuter Program for cats and dogs

The Town of Nipawin offers financial resources to assist low income pet owners to have their pets spayed or neutered and vaccinated.

Please come to the Town office to pick up a program overview and application form.

WHY SPAY AND NEUTER?



In 3 years, starting at 4 months old,
1 unspayed female and 1 unneutered male can produce:
512 DOGS
382 CATS