



Happy Summer everyone and Happy Belated Canada Day! Our summer festivities kicked off with celebrations at the Museum on Canada Day beginning at 10:00 with the Flag Raising and O Canada and ending with birthday cake at 3:30. Numerous other celebrations will be held in Nipawin over next several weeks as well, including: the July 16th Canada 150 celebration and annual Parade, the Nipawin Exhibition, the Voyageurs on July 18th, and Nipawin Region Health Foundation Annual Panhandler golf tournament are just a few examples. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at these events.

Our fabulous new Pool was scheduled to open July 1st for everyone to enjoy. At the June 26th Council meeting, Council along with the public in the gallery approved a new logo for The Pool @ Central Park. A sincere thank you goes out to the Parks & Recreation Committee and to all of the volunteers along the way for all your hard work on this project. An official opening will be held in mid-August, so watch for dates and times.

Are you thinking about building a float for the Parade? I hope you are. The Town has not had a float in the parade for a long time and we plan to create one this year. If you have ideas and/or want to help, let us know. Let's see if we can make this year's parade the biggest ever. Please contact the Nipawin & District Chamber of Commerce to enter your Float in this year's parade.

Council approved an increase in fine rates within the new Traffic Bylaw currently being drafted. These increased rates reflect the importance of the safety measures identified in the bylaws. For example, the fine for parking in a "Handicapped" parking spot will increase to \$150. These spots are reserved for citizens who have a valid "Blue" handicapped card. Other traffic violation fines will increase to \$75. To discuss your concerns, please contact Bylaw officer Luc Morin, by calling (306) 862-9866. These new rates will become effective with the adoption of the new Traffic Bylaw.

Nipawin's water treatment plant is progressing nicely, with the super structure nearing completion. Contract #3— building floor and building plumbing has commenced and contract #4—process mechanical pressure filters tender has been awarded. The pressure filters will take approximately 6 months to manufacture offsite and will be installed when complete.

Council sends sincere congratulations to the Grads of 2017. The Town of Nipawin is proud of you and sends you on the next step of your journey with our support and good thoughts. Dream big, follow those dreams and always remember where your roots are ... this is your community always. Congratulations Grads!

A good news story: Several days ago I learned of a group of individuals from Saskatoon & Regina who were in Nipawin for two days of meetings, one of whom had seen a post that a local acquaintance had shared about the Salvation Army's need to stock their shelves with food items. As a result, these individuals went to local grocery stores and purchased items and took them to the Salvation Army. They also encouraged their peers at the meetings to do the same. What a wonderful gesture by people who are guests visiting in our community. Let's all try to pick up on their example. At Monday's Council meeting all members of Council also brought items to contribute to restocking the shelves.

Important reminder about recycling: This week I had the opportunity to see how our **blue bins** are handled at the MTN recycling depot. This was an eye-opener for me. Being diligent and deliberate about recycling is very important to our Town and to the future. Recently more and more items that do not qualify as recycling have been found in our **blue bins**... weekly they have found old appliances (such as coffee pots), items in black garbage bags (automatically end up in landfill), styrofoam, and sharps containers to name a few. Sharps (i.e. needles) and sharps containers must be turned in at the Hospital. **DO NOT** put sharps containers into recycling or garbage. Sharps and other hazardous materials have also been found in the green compost bins. Please do NOT put your compost in black garbage bags...compost must be in clear plastic bags. If you need a new pamphlet about what qualifies for recycling, stop by or call the Town Office, or check the website.

Speaking of sharps (i.e. needles), if you find a needle, please call 911 and the 911 operator will contact the Nipawin Fire Department to pick up and dispose of the needle properly.

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Our website: We are still looking for input and feedback about how well the Town's new website works for YOU. All feedback is appreciated and will help us to continue to improve that site to meet everyone's needs. Visit us at www.nipawin.com.

I'm at the Town Office regularly and am pleased to meet and discuss your ideas and/or concerns with you. To arrange an opportunity to speak with the Mayor, please contact the Town Office at **(306) 862-9866** to arrange for an appointment. I am also available by e-mail at mayorharper@nipawin.com.

A REMINDER: Your letters concerning issues or bouquets are **very** welcome. However, in order that you receive a reply and follow up I would ask that **all letters be signed** and that you provide your contact information.

*As many of you travel and holiday over the summer months,
we wish you safe travels and a wonderful holiday!*



REMINDER

Bylaw Enforcement Officer Luc Morin would like to remind everyone to please make sure you keep your grass cut ... and don't forget along fence lines and back alleys!

We have also noticed a number of items still being stored along the alleys. These piles make wonderful havens for rodents such as mice and rats, so please make sure you make arrangements to take them to the landfill. If you would like to speak to Mr. Morin, please call the Town Office at 306-862-9866.



Pool Schedule July 1 - Aug 25, 2017 (approx.)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
6:00-8:00	Early Bird Lane Swimming Club						
8:00-9:00	Aquasize						
9:00-12:00	Swimming Lessons					Little Guppies Swim 10:30-12:00	
12:00-12:55	Noon Swim/Therapeutic Swim						
1:00-5:00	Public Swim					Public Swim	Family Swim
5:00-7:30	Speed Club Swimming				Swimming Lessons (1 week sets - Preschool, Level 1&2 additional lesson)		
7:30-9:00	Public Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim	Public Swim	Rentals & Special Events	Public Swim
9:00-10:00		Staff Training	Maintenance				