



The Prettiest Little Town in Alberta.....
Come Play in Our Backyard!

Town Administration Office
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Open Monday - Friday 8:30am to 4:00pm
We are open during the lunch hour
Website: www.millet.ca Email: admin@millet.ca

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Due to the COVID Pandemic and until further notice, all Council meetings will be held virtually via GoToMeeting. The access code will be placed on www.millet.ca prior to the meeting.

Wednesday March 10th and 24th, 2021
Wednesday April 14th and 28th, 2021

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

DEPARTMENTS

24 HOUR ON-CALL

780-916-6591

PUBLIC WORKS

publicworks@millet.ca

COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER

24 HOUR DISPATCH

780-387-4224

enforcement@millet.ca

FIRE DEPT

milletfire@millet.ca

EMERGENCY - Call 911

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The office will be closed:

April 2nd for Good Friday
and
April 5th for Easter Monday



Mayor: Tony Wadsworth

Councillor's: Doug Peel, Vicki Pyle, Carol Sadoroszney, Pat Garrett, Mike Storey and Robin Brooks

Chief Administrative Officer:
Lisa Schoening

NAME THE OLD SCHOOL CONTEST

The Town of Millet wants to hear from you! We would like to find a name for the Old School building. This building will be the new home to the Administration office, the Millet Library and the Community Hall.

Please submit your entry by sending an email to millet@millet.ca and stating 'OLD SCHOOL NAME CONTEST' in the subject line. We will be choosing a winner in June 2021.

SEASONAL SUMMER EMPLOYEES NEEDED

The Town of Millet is looking for Seasonal Summer employees to perform a variety of tasks related to the operation and maintenance of municipal parks and recreation as well as facilities during the summer months.



Applicants must be able to qualify for the Canada Summer Jobs Grant Program. To view the full job description, please visit www.millet.ca. Interested applicants are

invited to submit their resume along with references to: Box 270, Millet AB T0C 1Z0 c/o Director of Development and Infrastructure or by emailing their resume and references to: infrastructure@millet.ca. We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

A MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC WORKS

During the process of snow clearing, this often results in unwanted sand being pushed up on corners of lots and in front of certain properties. The Public Works department apologizes for this inconvenience and would like to inform residents that if you require assistance removing any sand, please contact the Town office

so that you can be put on a list to have this cleaned up. Time will be of the essence, so residents are encouraged to make arrangements as soon as possible once their yards are visible, as this will need to be completed prior to the sweeping of the streets (which occurs shortly after the snow melts). Please watch for signs indicating upcoming dates for street sweeping.

REMINDER TO RESIDENTS

Please be advised that the Town of Millet has received several complaints regarding animal waste not being picked up on various properties. As per our Animal Bylaw #2018-06, 'no animal shall be a nuisance. A nuisance shall include, but not limited to; (iv) defecating on property other than that of the Owner;... To view our Bylaw in its entirety, you can visit www.millet.ca. Please help keep the Town of Millet clean and help reduce sources of disease transmission by picking up after your pet.

2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Are you interested in running for the Town of Millet Council and shaping the direction of the Town over the next four years? If so, you are encouraged to become a candidate!

Starting immediately, nominations for the next municipal election to be held on October 18th, 2021 will be accepted. Candidate nominations are accepted until noon on September 20th, 2021.

Candidates are encouraged to view the Town of Millet - 2021 Municipal Election Nomination Package on www.millet.ca. This contains valuable information about nomination requirements, Councillor responsibilities, remuneration and recent changes to the Local Authorities Election Act.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME



Don't forget to 'spring forward' one hour on Sunday March 14th by 2:00 a.m.

It's official. Spring is on it's way!

MILLET & DISTRICT MUSEUM & ARCHIVES

Pink Shirt Day - February 24th

We hope everyone joined the Millet & District Museum in saying 'NO' to bullying on Pink Shirt Day. For more information on preventing bullying or on talking with your children about bullying, visit;

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/bullying.html>

Upcoming Museum Programs

Keep your eyes on the Visit Millet Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/VisitMillet/> for upcoming virtual events:

- March 8 - 12: Spot the Leprechaun
- March 29 - April 2: Easter Egg Hunt
- April 22: Earth Day Activities
- Mannequin Murder Mystery with prizes - Date to be announced

Volunteer Appreciation Week - April 18th - 24th

Join us in thanking the volunteers in your life, and consider volunteering yourself.

We want to thank the many Millet & District Historical Society volunteers who have continued volunteering for the Museum and Archives as best they can, even in the midst of COVID-19, putting a collective 2,026 hours in 2020. If you are interested in joining our volunteer team and helping us to promote Millet's past and future, please email us at info@milletmuseum.ca

Millet Summer Staff

The Millet & District Museum, Archives & Visitor Services is looking for summer staff for the 2021 summer season, pending funding. For more information, please visit;

<https://www.milletmuseum.ca/get-involved/employment>

Museum Summer Programs Survey

We're asking everyone who is interested in the Museum's 2021 summer children's programs to take a few moments to fill out this short survey. This survey will help us plan and run the best and safest programs we can.

<https://forms.gle/9nD4bepfzqeWijHaA>

The Millet Museum is proud to accept the 2020 Outstanding In Stewardship (OTIS) Award from the Battle River Watershed Alliance (BRWA). The OTIS Award recognizes the actions taken by businesses, organizations, individuals, and youth to care for our watershed, including the land, air, water, and biodiversity.

MILLET LIBRARY

The Friends of the Millet Library Society are hosting an On-Going Bottle Drive. Simply take your bottles to the Millet Bottle Depot and ask them to donate your money to the Library until May 29th. On May 29th, we will drive around town to collect bottles placed on the curb or the end of your driveway.

Contact the Library for more information at millet@yrl.ab.ca or call 780-387-5222.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

The promise of Spring is just around the corner and with that comes a sense of optimism in looking forward to what is to come in the months ahead. How true this will be this year for those who call Millet home!

Firstly, a new business moves into the Millet Industrial Park this month. SATO Canada will operate their new oilfield transportation training school on site in our Industrial Park where they will specialize in training vacuum truck and water truck haulers.

I am beyond pleased to advise that Council and Administration are working diligently with the developer of the Lakeside Meadows residential development and we hope to see some physical construction of homes start there this Spring! I personally feel this development is a huge asset to our community and will work to ensure that we do all we can to move this project forward as soon as possible.

Later on, at the end of April, our Library is moving into their newly refurbished and expanded space in the old Millet School Building. This move will greatly expand and enhance our library facility and, from what I hear, patrons of all ages are very excited about this and cannot wait to have a look at and enjoy our new facility!

After the library moves out of its current location, the new owners will begin renovating the premises for their Bluebird Daycare and After School Childcare Service. Our Town has been without a major childcare facility for a number of years and this new facility – which will be opening in time for the 2021/22 school year – will fill a huge void for many young families in town.

Other Town projects that will be reaching completion in the summer months are the new Town Administration Office and the new Community Hall facility. These will be opening up in the refurbished old Millet School Building in July. Also, the ice surface at the Agriplex will be ready to go in September. All of these projects are proceeding smoothly and will be completed on schedule.

Lastly, and on a personal note, some of you will know that I underwent some surgery just before Christmas late last year. I am happy to report that all went well and I am now back attending to my mayoral duties on a daily and as-needed basis. I want to say a big Thank You to all of you who extended good wishes to me for a speedy recovery.

"Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush" - D. Larson

***Happy Spring!
The Town of Millet***



ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE SURVEY

The Town of Millet is looking for YOUR feedback! Please complete the following survey and return to the Town of Millet using one of the following options by **March 26th, 2021**.

- Drop off in the drop box by front door to the Town Administration Office located at 5120 50th Street.
- Email completed survey to: admin@millet.ca
- Mail to: Town of Millet, PO Box 270, Millet, AB T0C 1Z0

The Town of Millet wants to hear your ideas about arts, culture and heritage in our community. Think broadly! Arts and crafts, writing, painting, museum, music etc.

*Please circle what is **MOST** applicable or provide answers to the following;*

1. What art services, activities, and/or initiatives do you think could benefit our community?

2. Which programs/projects are you aware of that are currently sponsored/coordinated by Millet in Bloom (Communities in Bloom)?

Not aware of any or _____

3. Do you feel that the Town of Millet offers enough arts and crafts or cultural opportunities? If no, please provide some suggestions you may have of things that should be offered?

Yes No

Suggestions: _____

4. With regard to public art, would you like to see more murals/statues etc. throughout the community?

Yes No

5. How often do you visit the Millet & District Museum and Archives either in person or online?

Never **Sometimes** **Often** **All the time**

6. How often do you visit the Visitor Centre located in the Millet & District Museum either in person or online?

Never **Sometimes** **Often** **All the time**

7. How important would you say arts, culture and heritage in the Town of Millet are to you personally?

Very **Somewhat** **Not very** **Not important at all**

8. Are you currently involved with the arts and/or culture in our community? If so, in which area(s)?

9. Thinking about arts, culture and heritage in the Town of Millet, is there any particular aspect you take most pride in as a resident of the Town? In other words, in your mind, is there one thing that contributes to making your Town culturally vibrant?

- Outdoor recreation* _____
- Nature parks/trails* _____
- Music festivals/concerts* _____
- Special events* _____
- Farmers markets* _____
- Library* _____
- Restaurants* _____
- Millet Agriplex* _____
- Historic and heritage sites* _____
- Millet Museum* _____
- Nothing* _____
- Do not know/no opinion* _____
- Other* _____

Do you have any other comments relating to arts, culture or heritage for the Town of Millet you would like to be considered?

If you are interested in seeing additional community-based arts and culture programming, which age demographic are you interested in, based on the following?

- Children 5 years and younger
- Children ages 6 – 12 years old
- Youth (ages 13 – 17)
- Young adults/young families
- Adults (up to 65)
- Seniors (65+)

The Town of Millet sincerely thanks you for your time in completing this survey. The results of this survey will further assist Council to determine the future direction of the Town's Art, Culture and Heritage needs in conjunction with resident desires.

***Your feedback is greatly appreciated.
Thank you,
Town of Millet***



Millet in Bloom (MiB) March / April 2021



Talk of Spring tells us that it will soon be time to get involved in MiB activities again. Look for details of upcoming MiB Meetings, Clean-up Week, the new MiB Gym and Community Gardens in this Newsletter.

Meeting Dates

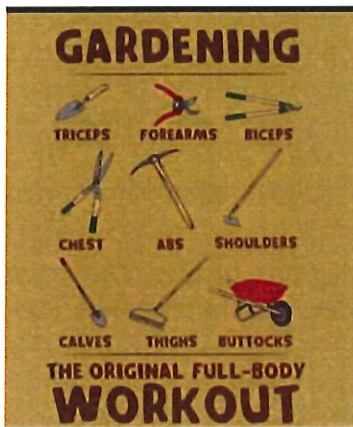
Next Virtual Meeting will be on Tuesday March 9th at 7:00 p.m. Please e-mail malberts@telus.net if you wish to attend. Future dates of spring meetings are Tuesday April 13th and Tuesday May 11th. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month.

Town Clean-up Week

First week in May

Gather your neighbours, grab a garbage bag and go for a walk!
Encourage your children to do their part!

MiB Gym Opens May 6, 2021



Meet at Town Office
at 6:00 p.m.

No gardening skills necessary!

Instructors Available

Come and find out what it's all about!

Starting Plants Indoors?

Right now, people are eager. There's general excitement about the upcoming season. With climate change, some experts have upgraded our zone to 4a, so we may want to be experimenting with new plants; however, it is important to remember that designated zones are just guidelines.

Wondering when to start different plants indoors? The following link is very helpful!
<https://www.johnnyseeds.com/growers-library/seed-planting-schedule-calculator.html>

Community Garden Up-date

We continue to make plans for a Community Garden and would appreciate all feedback! Gardens will be assigned according to first come, first served! If you are interested in a plot, like to build, want to volunteer your help, please text/call 780-984-7980.

Hope is Growing Campaign

CiB and its partners are working together to summon *everyone* across Canada, and beyond, to create **Hope Gardens** for 2021.

"Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all the darkness. Hope whispers that things will get better." Desmond Tutu.

CiB is inviting you to join us in planting the seeds of hope in 2021. Across Canada and beyond, our goal is to see the land awash with everyone's garden featuring yellow, the international colour of hope. Together we can, and we will, make this happen!

Share your photos on Facebook and Instagram by tagging **@CibCef** using the hashtag **#hopeisgrowing** From there you will become eligible for national, and global, recognition for your efforts!