TOWN OF MILLET BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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

Town Administration Office

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Phone 780-387-4554 Fax 780-387-4459 Open Monday - Friday 8:30am to 4:00pm

Website: www.millet.ca Email: admin@millet.ca

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Millet Civic Centre at 4:00pm Wednesday May 8 & 22, 2024 Wednesday June 12 & 26, 2024

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

DEPARTMENTS 24 HOUR ON-CALL

825-303-0095

PUBLIC WORKS

publicworks@millet.ca

COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER & BYLAW ENFORCEMENT 24 HOUR DISPATCH

780-387-4224 enforcement@millet.ca

FIRE DEPT

milletfire@millet.ca

EMERGENCY - Call 911

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE The office will be closed:

May 20, 2024 for Victoria Day



Mayor: Doug Peel

Councillors:

Mike Bennett
Rebecca Frost
Gerdie Hogstead
Susie Petrisor
Mathew Starky
Charlene Van de Kraats

Chief Administrative Officer:

Lisa Schoening

TAX DEADLINE

The 2024 Tax and Assessment notices are scheduled to go out at the end of May/beginning of June. Remember that the deadline for tax payment, without penalty, is July 15, 2024. Unpaid tax penalty dates and amounts are as follows: July 16, 2024 (8%), October 16, 2024 (6%) and January 16, 2025 (16%), Anyone that is on the pre-authorized payment plan last year does not need to reapply. If you would like to sign up for the 2025 plan, you must do so prior to April 15, 2025.

LOOKING FOR SUBSIDIZED CLEANING SERVICES?



Available for seniors and people with permanent or temporary disabilities.

For more information or to fill out an application, please contact the Town of Millet or e-mail Annette at Finance@millet.ca

ORGANICS WEEKLY PICKUP

From May-October, Organics will be collected weekly.

GARBAGE/RECYCLING/ORGANIC CONCERNS

If you have questions or concerns about garbage, recycling or organics (wasn't collected, cart was damaged, etc.), please contact **Integrity Waste Solutions**Inc directly at 780-437-5000. For missed collections, they have asked that residents allow them the FULL scheduled day for collection (in case of late in the day collections) and to phone in the following day.

WATER RATIONING

From May to September of each year, all residents are required to practice water conservation for outdoor watering. Properties ending with an odd number may water on odd numbered days only & properties ending with an even number may water on even numbered days only.

MILLET IN BLOOM'S COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE



Millet in Bloom will be hosting their Community Garage Sale on Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 9am - 4pm. Visit the Town Office after June 3rd to register and collect your balloons & stake (\$10 registration fee).

NEWSLETTER OPTIONS

Electronic copies can be found on the Town of Millet Website. Printed copies of the newsletter are now available at the Town Office, Millet Public Library and Agriplex. If you wish to receive an emailed copy of the newsletter, please email admin@millet.ca to be added to the bimonthly distribution list.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY

Visit www.millet.ca to view the Event Calendar. Email admin@millet.ca if you have a not-for-profit event you would like added to the event calendar.

LAGOON SCHEDULE



The Lagoon will be open select Saturday's starting May 11th through to September 21st from 8am to 12pm (for trees and branches only). Please visit our website to view the Waste Collection & Lagoon Schedule.

ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

May & June will be focused on nuisance properties. This includes alleys and boulevards, trees, shrubs, and hedges—overgrowth that is interfering with surrounding properties or causing interference with sight of roadways and signs.

Talking about signs, make sure you're parking 5m away from crosswalks and following the signage around town.

Do you have questions about the Bylaws in town? Reach out to our Town Bylaw Officer by email at enforcement@millet.ca. She can help answer any of your questions regarding town bylaws.

Subject to change. For the most current & up to date information, please visit www.millet.ca or contact the Town Office.



Message from Millet's Fire Department

Anyone who follows MFD's official social feeds knows we have concerns over the extremely dry conditions province wide. Little precipitation in 2023, followed by a mostly dry winter, leaves much of the province in a dangerous fire threat as we move into Spring 2024. Even when we're all at high alert and practice the best fire safety we can, the risk of wildfire is high - the smallest unintentional spark can have catastrophic consequence. We remind everyone of May 6, 2018, when a large grassfire on the west side of town created a very chaotic, tense several hours, and put virtually the entire Town at risk – fully extinguishing that fire took 4 days.

A few things to consider:

- Stay abreast of fire bans. Bookmark www.albertafirebans.ca, and know what does and doesn't apply to you. Where you reside determines which municipality's rules and regulations to follow and a reminder that while "Town of Millet" is within "County of Wetaskiwin", the County's regulations do not apply in Town.
- Fire bans/advisories/restrictions change quickly.
- If you smoke, please do not toss butts out the window of your vehicle. At home or the office, do not use planters to extinguish them either most planters have peat moss in them, which can lead to a smolder that spreads quickly to fire.
- Do not rely on comments on Social Media posts as "fact". Go to the source if you want information, research the answer from the applicable jurisdiction, and stop sharing misinformation!
- Whether a ban, advisory, or restriction is in place, burning *anything* on a windy day is not smart. When the wind comes up, extinguish all fires. Soak, stir, soak again.
- If you live on a rural property: when's the last time you cleaned out your burn barrel, or soaked and stirred it, let alone fully extinguished it? Too many preventable grassfires start in burn barrels. Does your burn barrel have a screen over it? Even on calm days, sparks get past the screen and can quickly lead to fire.
- If you have a fire permit and plan to have a controlled burn, know the rules and requirements before you light the match. It could save you thousands of dollars....

Rest assured, though, Millet Fire Department's 100% volunteer firefighters are ready for whatever comes our way this spring. We love what we do for our community, and we hope that by being fire smart, we all can avoid unnecessary loss this fire season!

Questions, as always, can be sent to milletfire@millet.ca, or we encourage people to follow us on Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, X, LinkedIn).