

THE LEMBERG STAR

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“Real change, enduring change, happens one step at a time”

— Ruth Bader Ginsburg

MARCH 14 TOWN HALL RECAP

Thank you to all 43 members in attendance at our first Town Hall Meeting of 2023. Council is hard at work preparing for the next meeting and would love to hear from you! What information would you like shared?

The following is a list of topics that were brought forward:

Supporting the Fire Brigade and their efforts

- In 2022, The Town committed an additional \$10,000 towards the Fire Brigade and again in 2023.

Landfill closure

- The Town is awaiting a response from the Ministry on our proposed decommissioning and reclamation plan submitted in November 2022.

Rate increase to water

- Rate increases were considered as our plant does not self-sustain.
- Upon a plant upgrade, residents will see a reduction in household costs, such as household fixture longevity, and the elimination of water softeners, salts, and personal RO systems, reducing water consumption.

Water and sewer to all residents

- The Town is researching costs and processes to determine its viability.

Council meetings during the day

- This option was presented at a council meeting and was defeated.

Lack of improvements to the Town

- Paving completed in 2019 and 2020
- Yearly sidewalk repairs
- Yearly tree removal and trimming
- Ongoing infrastructure preventative maintenance

Justification for the office assistant position

- Workloads continue to increase, with senior levels of government continuing to push regulations to the municipal level.
- Council understands financial concerns regarding staffing. However, the position holds high value in our municipality.

Five-Year Capital Plan

- Lagoon upgrade - complete
- Water treatment plant upgrade - awaiting funding
- Road/street surfacing - ongoing
- Tree removal/replacement - ongoing
- Preventative maintenance - ongoing

MARCH 14 TOWN HALL RECAP...CONTINUED

- Street light on the north side of Rose Street
 - 2021 a quote was received for \$7,000.
 - Council is reviewing options.
- Business promotion and supporting local
 - The Town has a sign corridor in place, and Council is reviewing how to engage businesses to use this service.
 - Council also encourages residents and clubs to support locals whenever possible.
- Getting youth involved
 - Council is open to hearing suggestions on involving our youth throughout the community!
- Staying vibrant, proactive, and progressive
 - Adopt A Planter brings life to Main Street Lemberg! The program also promotes community involvement and pride.
 - Last year was the first year of applying to Communities in Full Colour to receive paint to revitalize business fronts.

Stay tuned for the next Town Hall meeting date and plan to attend. Council values everyone's input. For more information, please get in touch with the Town Office!

BOWLING TOURNAMENT

The Lemberg Hall Board is hosting a bowling tournament on Saturday, April 29, starting at 10:00 a.m. The entry fee is \$15 per person, with cash payouts and a 3 game guarantee! Pre-register by April 26. No experience is necessary. Everyone is welcome!

For more information, please contact Sheri Petrychyn at 306-728-1069 or Linda Krupski at 306-335-7801. The bowling lanes will need rejuvenation and proceeds from this event will kickstart saving for those future costs!

APRIL 15 SHIFTY MORGAN

About The Music presents in concert, Shifty Morgan with special guest Lachlan Neville. The show is for all ages, and bar services are provided.

Tickets are \$20 and available at Wolf Equipment.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE - SAVE THE DATE

This year's Community Garage Sale is on May 20 and 21, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

BUDGET AND TAXES

Due to budget restrictions, Council made the tough decision to repeal the early payment tax incentive bylaw. The mill rates bylaw and 2023 budget can be reviewed on our website, townoflemborg.weebly.com, under Government, or at the Town Office.

CANADA WINTER GAMES REPRESENTATIVE

A young short-track speed skater from Lemberg also qualified to represent Saskatchewan at the Canada Winter Games.

Matthew Engel's skill and love for speed skating landed him 5th place at the 2022 Canadian Youth Short Track West. He has also been to different competitions, such as the 2022 CanAM International and the 14-15 Junior Canadian Open.

Congratulations Matthew, and good luck!

UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURES

The Town office will be closed on April 4 at 1:00 p.m., Friday, April 7, 2023, and April 14, 2023.

Please call the office and leave a message if you have an urgent matter. The message is converted to text and reviewed. Account payments can still be made online, through your financial institution, or by mail.

MAIL-IN BALLOT BYLAW

Council heard the first reading on a mail-in ballot bylaw for elections. Due to the complexity of providing this option to residents, Council requests feedback from those interested in participating.

For ballots to be considered valid, documents must be witnessed by either the returning officer, deputy returning officer, commissioner of oaths, notary, postmaster, or lawyer. Voters must also apply to vote by mail 30 days before an election. The ballot kit consists of a copy of the bylaw, ballot(s), security envelope, voter confirmation envelope, directions to voters, and a list of candidates. For full details, please review the draft bylaw on our website and inform office staff if you favour this bylaw implementation.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING OF COUNCIL

April 25, 2023

Residents are encouraged to attend.

The agenda, attachments, and minutes can be found on our website at www.townoflemborg.weebly.com/council-meetings.html

TRANSFER STATION TOKEN

This year Council is providing each household with one Transfer Station token of \$20.00. This may be redeemed with the Landfill Attendant.

Residents that receive e-billing will need to come to the office to receive their token.

WELCOME FOREMAN IN TRAINING

The Town is pleased to welcome our future Foreman, Josh LeBlanc. Josh starts his employment on April 3, 2023. Our current Foreman, Peter, is set to retire in November. From April 3 to November, Josh will receive training and information to ensure a smooth transition.

If you see Josh around Town, introduce yourself!

NORTH VALLEY YOUTH SOCCER

Registration night is April 4 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the North Valley High School. Registration closes on April 11. If you are unable to attend registration night, you can still register online! The registration link is lemborg.rampregistrations.com. Cash or cheques made payable to North Valley Minor Soccer are accepted. Please contact Jill at 306-335-7555 for U5 registration.

The soccer season will run from May through June.

CULTURE SHOCK PRESENTS

"Unnecessary Farce" an act written by Paul Slade Smith. Shows will be performed on April 20, 21, and 22. Tickets are \$40 each and are available at Nutrien, or you can call/text 306-335-7649.

ASSESSMENT ROLL OPEN

The assessment roll is open and can be viewed at the Town Office from April 7, 2023 to May 9, 2023. All appeals must be sent to the Board of Revision Secretary PO BOX 149, MEOTA SK S0M 1X0 by May 9, 2023. Assessment appeal costs are based on the board of revision fees and are payable upon invoice.

LORAAS SCHEDULE

Garbage Pick Up

Friday - April 14 & 28

Friday - May 12

Recycling Pick Up

Friday - April 8(SAT) & 21

Friday - May 5

Transfer Station Days - 9 a.m. to noon

Saturday, April 1, 15, & May 6

Tuesday, April 11, 25, & May 9

Please make sure you have the correct change for the attendant.

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The Town of Lemberg Municipal Office is open to the public Tuesday through Friday,
8:00 to noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

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