

THE LEMBERG STAR

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TOWN OF LEMBERG, SASKATCHEWAN

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STARS OF THE MONTH - VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

In an effort to show our sincere appreciation for the many volunteers in our community who often go unrecognized, future newsletters will include special thanks to our *“Stars of the Month”*. If you know of someone who has gone above and beyond in beautification of, or making our community a safer place, please let the office staff know. We encourage residents to bring their names forward for their good deeds.

This month’s *STARS* are:

Bev Lange – Thank you Bev for removing ice from the walkway south of the Hall. Caring efforts as this make our community a safer place for all!

Pattison Liquid Systems – Thank you for once again assisting in the beautification of our community with the use of the zoom boom and **Cal Baran** for his skillful equipment operation to hang Christmas decorations on the light poles.

NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

Residents of Lemberg have created a support system for the community. Their mission is simple, enhance community awareness and provide a network of support and friendship. Do you need a hand shoveling, changing a burnt-out light you can't reach, plumbing issues, or simply need an ear? Contact one of the resident members today! Cindy @ 306-335-7454, Joyce @ 306-335-2436, and Kristen @ 306-519-3601. Thank you to those providing this creative and thoughtful initiative!

COST SAVING EFFORTS

Effective immediately, any non-urgent correspondence with residents generated in the last two weeks of the month will now be included in the mailing with the monthly utility bill and newsletter. Please ensure these “extras” aren’t overlooked.

MONTHLY RESIDENT METER READINGS

Effective this month, we are asking residents for self-read meter readings by submitting the enclosed card or emailing us. Twice annually Public Works will perform on-site meter reads unless a photo of your meter with the enclosed read card is submitted to the Town office. This eliminates the inconvenience for you to have Public Works enter your home during onsite months, as well as saving time and costs.

Why are we doing this? Over the past few months we’ve found many residents have not submitted readings when requested sometimes resulting in a large, unexpected bill. Monthly readings will ensure billing aligns with consumption. Public Works will perform two onsite readings annually for those without the ability to provide photos.

TREE REMOVAL AND TRIMMING

Whispering Jake’s has been busy around town the past few weeks doing some much needed tree removal and trimming of branches hanging over the sidewalks and streets. Many residents have taken advantage of them being in town to have their own trees manicured as well. We anticipate they’ll be back at some time next year to do more removals.

2021 TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The Town office will be closed on December 24, 27 and 28 in order for our staff to enjoy time with their families. Thank you in advance for your understanding!

REMINDERS:

TRANSFER STATION HRS HAVE CHANGED

Effective December 1, 2021, the transfer station hours changed to the 1st and 3rd Saturday, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 9:00 to 12:00 noon.

SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITIES ROUTE

A plan is in place to prioritize the removal of snow during a weather event. While Lemberg doesn't have the miles of streets that other larger centers have, we are so fortunate that our Public Works is able to efficiently clear the roads quickly after a weather event. How can you help? Keeping streets clear of vehicles will enable our grader operator to clear the snow in the most efficient and cost-effective manner. Remove your vehicles and find alternate parking for RV's and campers. Main Street, Railway Avenue, the heavy haul routes and bus routes are priorities. Once the residential streets have been cleared, priority back lanes will be cleared, then sidewalks - time permitting. Residents and businesses are encouraged to clear snow and ice from their sidewalks, walkways and driveways. Please shovel snow only onto your own property, **NOT** onto the street or neighbouring properties. We saw a lot of 'Snow Angels' last year...people helping themselves and we encourage all residents to do the same. Also, for the safety of our staff and residents, please **DO NOT** run your extension cords across sidewalks, alleys, or streets. This puts users at risk for tripping and possible electrocution if contact is made with snow removal equipment. Cords will be removed. Weather events can be a stressful time for everyone. We ask for your patience and understanding with snow removal.

AFTER HOURS MUNICIPAL EMERGENCIES

If you need to contact Town personnel for an emergency after hours, such as reporting a water or sewer line break, etc., please call the Town Office at 306-335-2244. Leave a message stating your name, contact number and details of the emergency. Our messaging system will forward the message to staff/council who will assess the situation and take the appropriate action.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND GOODBYE 2021!

Thank you to the residents of Lemberg for welcoming our new CAO Andrea Goebel with open arms. While there are still many challenges and issues that need to be addressed, administration is hard at work. The Town hopes with the new year comes a new outlook!

Council and staff wish each and every one health, happiness, hope and prosperity in the year to come!

WEBSITE CHANGES ARE COMING!

Keep your eyes peeled for an updated and improved Town of Lemberg website. We are currently working on our vision of a more inclusive, user friendly website for residents. We plan to have all Bylaws, Policies, Minutes of Council posted for your viewing and reference. Some may have already noticed that our Agenda for upcoming Council Meetings are posted well in advance of the meeting and include supporting documentation that was previously only available to council. We trust you will enjoy these changes!



PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS & PAPERLESS BILLS

Residents are encouraged to sign up for Pre-Authorized Payments so you may focus on more important things. Simply stop at the Town Office with a void cheque (or account info from your financial institution) or to sign up for e-billing and we'll get you started. The amount of your utility bill or tax installment will be withdrawn from your bank account on the recurring date of your choice.

Regular Council Meetings

Chambers - Town Office, 7:00 pm
Tuesday, December 14

Residents are Always Welcome to Attend!

Garbage Pick Up

Friday – Dec 10 & 24

Recycling Pick Up

Friday – Dec 3, 17 & 31

Transfer Station Days – 9 a.m. to noon

First and Third Saturday,
Second and Fourth Tuesday

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

Your Municipal Officials are:

Mayor Murray Clarke

Councillor Gerry Kohlert

Councillor Bob Peace

Councillor MaryAnn Carswell

Councillor Greg McKenzie

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

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