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"Healthy communities are the threads weaving the tapestry of a prosperous Canada, where the well-being of individuals and families shapes our collective success." — Margaret Atwood, Canadian author and environmental advocate

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

The Town of Lemberg expresses its utmost appreciation for the commendable efforts of the Lemberg Fire Department in addressing the recent fire incident on Main Street in December. The exemplary response exhibited by each member of the department merits sincere recognition. Without the dedication and swift actions demonstrated by the entire team, the potential outcome of the events could have been significantly more catastrophic.

It is essential to acknowledge the collaborative efforts extended by the Neudorf and Abernethy Fire Departments, whose invaluable assistance played a pivotal role in mitigating the situation. The seamless coordination among these fire departments exemplifies the importance of interagency cooperation in emergency response scenarios.

The Town of Lemberg wishes to express gratitude to all involved parties for their collective commitment, professionalism, and dedication to ensuring the safety and well-being of the community. Your decisive actions have undoubtedly averted a more disastrous outcome, reflecting the high level of expertise and preparedness within our local emergency response teams.

In light of the recent events, the Town of Lemberg underscores its continued support for the Lemberg Fire Department and its collaborative partners. The community stands united in appreciation of your unwavering commitment to safeguarding lives and property.

Municipal By-Election

In accordance with the Town of Lembergs Election Bylaw No. 2020-10 An Advanced Poll is scheduled for Saturday, January 20th from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and the Election Date is set for January 25, 2024.

Voters can place their vote on those dates at 332 Main Street (Town Office Building).

PLEASE remember to bring a <u>valid</u> form of photo ID to vote, if you do not have a valid photo ID then two pieces of valid identification shall be accepted in accordance with Bylaw No. 2020-10.

TOWN OFFICE PAYMENT REMINDER

We have noticed that there are still a few online payments and etransfers that are being received by the Office with incorrect roll and bill numbers on them or missing.

To guarantee that your payment is accurately attributed to the intended account, we kindly request that, when sending an eTransfer to the Town Office, you include the following essential information:

- **1.** <u>Roll Number</u> or <u>Bill Number</u>: This unique identifier ensures your payment is directed to the correct account.
- **2.** Civic Address: Your civic address provides an additional layer of clarity, helping us match your payment to the right account.

By including these details, you not only expedite the processing of your payment but also assist our auditors in ensuring that each payment is receipted correctly. Your cooperation plays a crucial role in maintaining the accuracy and integrity of our financial records.

We appreciate your attention to detail and your commitment to a seamless payment process.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership in keeping our financial operations in top shape.

2023 Property Tax Year End Penalty

All outstanding property tax amounts have incurred an automatic penalty applied on January 1, 2024, of 12%.

The outstanding properties are now subject to tax enforcement and all costs associated with the process. Please be aware that these penalties and costs will not be subject to any exemptions or waivers.

To facilitate the tax payment process, the Town provides a range of payment methods, including cash, cheques, etransfers, post-dated cheques, pre-authorized payments (PAP), and online payment options for your convenience. We encourage you to utilize these payment channels to ensure a timely and compliant settlement of your taxes.

2024 UTILITY RATES

lust a reminder to residents that in accordance with the Town of Lemberg's Utility Rate Bylaw No. 2022-01 passed on March 15, 2022, the rates and usage for water and sewer will change on January 1st as follows:

Monthly Water Rates:

Residential/Commercial Minimum:

2,500 gallons or less: \$36.00

2,501 gallons or over: \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons

Monthly Sewer Rates:

Banks, Credit Unions: \$45.00

Cafes: \$48.00 Churches: \$45.00 Garages: \$45.00 Offices: \$45.00 Residents: \$45.00 Schools-High: \$65.00 Post Office: \$45.00

Monthly Infastructure Fee: \$36.00

Late Fee/Penalty: 5% monthly on arrears

FIRE SAFETY AWARENESS

The Town of Lemberg and the Lemberg Fire Department emphasize the importance of safety awareness in the event of a fire. Residents are urged to exercise caution by refraining from driving their vehicles through areas and over fire hoses where the Fire Department is actively engaged in emergency response. The Fire Department's primary focus during such situations is to efficiently address and control the emergency at hand. Your cooperation in avoiding the immediate work area is crucial, as it helps prevent potential hazards such as damage to fire hoses or inadvertent incidents involving Department members. We extend our appreciation to those who adhere to these guidelines, recognizing that their cooperation plays a vital role in maintaining a safe and effective emergency response environment.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend.

LORAAS SCHEDULE **Recycling Pick Up**

Garbage Pick Up

Friday - January 5th Friday - January 19th Friday - February 2nd Friday - January 12th Friday - January 26th Friday - February 9th

Transfer Station Days

The Transfer Station will be operating on an appointment-only basis every Wednesday during the winter months.

To secure an appointment, kindly contact the Office no later than the Tuesday preceding the desired date. If no appointments are confirmed by 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before, the Transfer Station will remain closed on the subsequent Wednesday. Your cooperation in scheduling appointments in advance is appreciated.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Are you passionate about creating memorable moments for your community? The Town of Lemberg and Council are thrilled to extend an exclusive invitation to dedicated individuals like you.

We're on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteers to join our dynamic committee, where we'll collaborate to plan an unforgettable, fun-filled day for residents of all ages in the upcoming 2024 calendar year!

As a valued committee member, you'll have the opportunity

to make a significant impact, bring your creative ideas to life, and be a part of something truly special. Imagine the joy and satisfaction of contributing to a day that will leave lasting memories for your neighbours, friends, and family. Don't miss out on this exciting chance to be an essential part of our community's success. Reach out to the Town Office today to express your interest and embark on this incredible journey with us. Let's come together and make 2024 a year of pure, community-driven magic!

Upcoming Events

Let us know about your event to have it added to our newsletter and online community calendar!

Call 306-335-2244 or email: lemberg@sasktel.net

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