

RM of Elton Newsletter

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Vision Statement: *The vision for the RM of Elton is to provide a desirable and safe community for residents and businesses by enhancing amenities, growing the population, using sustainable practices and being fiscally responsible.*

Municipal Minutes

November 14, 2017 Regular Meeting

Councillors Mitchell, Campbell, Paterson, Bollman, Hales, Reeve Farley attended. The minutes of the Regular and Board of Revision meetings held on October 10, 2017 were approved. Subdivision File No. 4124-17-658 on SW 15-11-19 (Clark) was approved. 2nd & 3rd readings to By-Law No. 1585 (Amend Waterline Debenture BL 1465 and Repeal BL 1583) and By-Law No. 1586 (Deer Ridge Golf Agmt) were given. 1st and 2nd readings were given to By-Law No. 1587 (Water Tanker Agmt). 1st readings were given to By-Law No. 1588 (Pedlow Easment Agmt) & By-Law No. 1589 (Teen Challenge Services Agmt). Appointments for 2017/2018 committees were approved. Approval was given to cancel tax and costs on Lots 23/25-2-234 BLTO on Roll # 93000. Litter cleaning for Douglas Transfer site was awarded to Robert Chambers. Contract services to hire a new foreman were awarded to Way to Go

Consulting Inc. in the amount of \$6,275.00 plus GST. Crop Damage claims from weed spraying in municipal ditches must be submitted by November 30, 2017. A quote was ratified for two new computers from Munisoft at cost of \$3,122.00 plus shipping and tax. Authorization was given to install another approach on east side of SE 33-11-18. Policy No. 3-2017 (Approaches) was amended. Site surveys in the 2018 year were approved for Elton owned property. A quarterly service charge will be implemented for Forrest Bulk Water sales effective January 1, 2018 of \$10.00. Approval was given to purchase 8 new council chairs from Staples at a cost of \$119.92 each plus tax. Accounts were approved in the amount of \$2,396,554.70. The meeting adjourned to Tues., December 12, 2017 at 9:00 am.

Elton Municipal Office Closures

The RM of Elton office will be closed on November 27, 28, & 29, 2017 for the Annual Association of Manitoba Municipalities Conference.

The office will also be closed on December 27, 28 & 29, 2017 for Christmas Break and will reopen for regular business hours on January 2, 2018.

Approaches

Policy No. 3-2017

Guideline for New Approach to Municipal Roadway:

- In general, one (1) approach per half mile will be permitted.
- Approved approaches should be within the following guidelines:
 - Residential (Villages) – minimum 20 feet and maximum 30 feet.
 - Agricultural (Rural Residential & Ag) – minimum 40 feet and maximum 60 feet
 - Commercial – minimum 30 feet and maximum 60 feet
- Exceptions to the above may be made by the Ward Councilor and one other member of Council where there are isolated parcels of land, where new parcels are created by legal subdivision, or in other circumstances deemed warranted by the Ward Councilor.
- Permitted approaches (and approach extensions where requested) will be installed at the expense of the land owner, including construction, culverts and permits if required.
- Existing approaches that now require a culvert to be installed will be a 50% cost share between land owner and Elton.
- Approaches must be constructed to Elton specifications & meet the Manitoba Water Stewardship drainage license specifications (see reverse of page).
- All approaches, once installed, existing or installed in the future, will be maintained by Elton except for the following:
 - Elton will not supply any gravel or do any leveling, grading, or plowing etc., unless the Ward Councilor and one other member of Council deems it necessary.
 - Culverts will not be steamed or cleaned unless the blockage is threatening buildings, or causing the flooding of agricultural land for an unreasonable length of time.

MUNICIPAL NEWS

Evergreen Environmental Technologies

Location Intersection Road 97 West & 80 North
Phone: 204-867-7161 www.evergreentech.ca

Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday (winter)

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday (May 18 – August 31)

8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Saturday

8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Closed:

December 25 & 26, 2017

Burning

Please call before controlled burns.

Please be sure to call the appropriate fire department before & after burning to ensure no unnecessary response fees are charged to Elton.

Brandon Fire Dep't Area (204) 729-2400 or (204) 729-2413

(All other lands not listed in CFB Shilo & Rapid City areas below)

CFB Shilo Fire Dep't Area (204) 765-3845

(Douglas & lands south of No. 1 Highway (Sections 1, 2, 3-11-17)

Oakview Fire Dep't Area (204) 826-2679

(Sections 18, 19, 30 & 31-12-18 & Sections 13 to 36-12-19)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Church News

Forrest United Church is hosting a "Deck the Halls" event on Sunday, November 26. Worship is at 11:15 a.m. and there is Sunday School for the kids. After worship, we will enjoy a hot dog lunch and then get busy and prepare the church for Advent. Anyone is welcome to join us!

The United Churches in Douglas and Forrest will be coordinating the annual Christmas Cheer drive. We will be gathering items for hampers from now until December 17. We will be packing hampers after church on December 17. There will be lunch and everyone is invited. If you want to help with this effort, or you would be willing to deliver hampers, please contact Monique Dufresne at 204-761-1425 (Forrest) or Karen Sheppard at 763-8885 (Douglas).

Christmas pies are available from Douglas United Church. Contact Edna Wells at 204-763-4445

There will be special Advent worship services all through December at the regular times of worship:

Douglas - 9:30 a.m., Forrest - 11:15 a.m.

Come and enjoy the Spirit of Christmas.

A special Candlelight service of worship will be held at Douglas United Church at 7:30 p.m. on CHRISTMAS EVE. This will be the last Christmas Eve service in Douglas Church, as the church is closing in June 2018. Forrest congregation will join Douglas for worship this day, so THERE WILL BE NO WORSHIP at FORREST on DEC. 24.

The Christmas Choir will be in attendance as usual, and this promises to be a service you won't want to miss. See you there.

There will be no worship at Douglas and Forrest United Churches on Dec. 31. See you again on January 7, 2018!

Justice Christmas Tradeshaw

A Justice Christmas Tradeshaw with 10 vendors will be held on Sunday, December 3, 2017 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm. Come join us at "Ye Olde Justice School".

Justice Community Choir

The Justice Community Choir Christmas program will be held on Sunday, December 3rd at 7:30 pm at the Justice Mennonite Brethren Church.

Humesville Cemetery

The Humesville Cemetery board would like to thank those that were able to come and lend a hand at our workday in July. It didn't take long for us to get the painting done and dirt spread with everyone pitching in! Special thanks to Phil Shelvey, Norm and Lorraine Hodgson, Gord Olesuk and Lori Phillips, and Karen Phillips for the snacks!

This fall we procured the services of B&B Memorial Restoration of Brookdale to straighten and reposition some of the monuments in the cemetery. There are more that need to be done and we will continue to monitor those on an annual basis. Thank you to B&B for an excellent job and Brian Evenson for graciously donating the gravel needed.

The Humesville Cemetery has been so grateful for the annual financial support from present and former residents in the past. The financial donations have provided us funds to hire a groundskeeper and maintain the condition of the cemetery. If you are so inclined, please forward your donation to: Humesville Cemetery, Box 113, Forrest, MB R0K 0W0. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Elton Community Center

For all ECC inquiries to include rentals, please contact Teresa at 204-573-1921 or via email at eltoncommunitycenter@gmail.com.

Please visit our website at www.eltoncommunity.com or our Facebook page (Elton Community Center) for latest programs and community center updates.