

APRIL 2020

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Town of Onoway Administrative Office will be closed on Friday April 10 & April 13 for Easter Holidays

PRE-AUTHORIZED TAX PAYMENT PLAN

If you wish to pay your municipal taxes in monthly installments, please contact the Town Office to enroll in the PAT Plan.

PRE-AUTHORIZED UTILITY PAYMENTS

If you wish to pay utility bills through automatic withdrawal from your bank account, please contact the office to enroll.

<u>REPORT CRIME</u>

If you see a crime in the Onoway area please contact the RCMP: **EMERGENCY – 911** NON-EMERGENCY 825-220-7267 ADMIN LINE DURING OFFICE HOURS 825-220-2000

PEACE OFFICER/ BYLAW OFFICER 1-866-880-5722

TOWN OF ONOWAY



The Town Administration Office remains closed to the public however staff are continuing to work.



At the April 2nd, 2020 Council meeting, a motion was passed that the Town will not be applying a May 1, June 1 and July 1 penalty charge to current utility accounts, aligning the municipality with similar Federal and Provincial direction. Monthly utility invoices will still be issued, and we urge those who are able to continue with regular monthly payments do so as that assists the Town with its own cash flow requirements. For those who are unable to pay, accounts will not be charged a penalty on outstanding utility balances until August 1st, 2020.

Please be aware the balance outstanding on all utility accounts on August 1, 2020 will be subject to a penalty. We encourage all utility account holders to continue to pay as you can during this period, as this is intended as a temporary relief program only.

Town Council and Administration continue to discuss options with respect to extending tax relief to property owners. Various options for temporary tax relief are being considered, including extending the date of the 2020 tax payment deadline and/or adjusting the tax penalty schedule for outstanding balances. We will advise you further once a decision has been made.



"Let's Get Spiffy" Update

Due to COVID-19, the "Let's get Spiffy" weekend has not been set and may not take place in May of this year. Please watch our website at www.onoway.ca and upcoming Onowaves for further information on this annual event. <u>Council Meetings</u> April 16 May 7 May 21

Meetings start at 9:30 A.M. and are held at the Town Office. Any date or time change will be posted on the website. Meetings are open to the public; if you want to address Council you must make an appointment through the Town Office a week prior to the meeting.

Due to COVID-19 public wishing to participate or observe the meeting please contact the Town office prior to attending. Thank you.

Feel free to contact Council with any comments or concerns!

MAYOR

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For your own safety DO NOT approach Town vehicles/equipment or any other commercial vehicles/equipment at any time while operating in the Town! Please respect workers space and stay back!



TOWN OF ONOWAY BUSINESS LICENSE MANDATORY STARTING 2020

In 2019 the Town of Onoway implemented a business license requirement which included a \$50.00 business license fee. This fee was waived for the 2019 year. To date, we have had 34 businesses who registered during our 2019 campaign. As 2020 is upon us, it is time now for all businesses operating within the Town of Onoway to register for their 2020 license. We are asking all businesses, including non profits, to register so we can maintain a current list of businesses and non profit groups operating within our Town. An important consideration of this list is that it will enable the Town to maintain an up to date contact list for emergent and/or urgent purposes, or may be referred to by Town personnel while carrying out regular Town business.

For 2020, your business license will serve as a regional business license and will be valid both within Lac Ste. Anne County and the Town of Onoway. As part of our regional economic partnership initiative with the County, a business directory will be maintained and promoted within our region. Other exciting regional economic initiatives are being developed with the County, and we look forward to their roll out as we move forward in 2020.

If you received a Business License in 2019 the Town will be forwarding you a renewal notice. If you did not receive a Business License in 2019 please forward a completed application along with your \$50.00 fee to the Town office. Business License application forms are available on our website at www.onoway.ca.

A Business License Certificate will be issued annually to be displayed within your business.

Business Licenses will be renewed on an annual basis.



ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

The Town of Onoway has received the 2020 Assessment Information from the Assessor. The Assessment Roll is open for public viewing on our website or at the office (contact us prior to make arrangements). THIS IS PROPERTY ASSESSMENT INFORMATION ONLY.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Public Works Seasonal Lead – 1 Position Public Works Labourers – 2 Positions

May 4 to August 31 (approximately – 1 position) – Seasonal Lead July 2 to August 31 (approximately – 2 positions) - Labourer

The Town of Onoway is currently accepting applications for seasonal summer employment within the Public Works department. These positions will assist in performing a variety of tasks (mowing, trimming, parks maintenance, road maintenance, and other duties as assigned).

The Public Works Seasonal Lead position will be responsible for ensuring the maintenance of flower beds, flower pots and planters. This will include weeding, watering, trimming and pruning. As well as duties as assigned by the Public Works Manager.

Hours of work are Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 4:00 pm, 40 hrs per week. Successful candidates must be willing to work in various weather conditions. Labourer Wage range is 15.00 - 17.00/hr. Seasonal Lead position wage range is 17.00 - 19.00/hr.

The successful candidate must have:

- Valid driver's license (min class 5)
- CSA approved steel toed boots
- Preference will be given to those returning to school in the fall.
- These positions may be funded in part through the Canada Summer Jobs program.
- The ideal candidate for the Seasonal Lead position will have a strong interest in flowers and gardening. They will be willing to work with, mentor and train summer staff.

Application deadline is 12:00 noon on Friday, April 17, 2020.

Please submit your resume, as well as 3 references to:

Town of Onoway 4812 – 51 Street Box 540 Onoway, AB T0E 1V0 Email: jason@onoway.ca Fax: 780-967-0685

The Town of Onoway thanks all applicants; however only those selected for interviews will be contacted. A drivers' abstract may be requested prior to, or during the term of, employment. Some or all positions may not be filled due to budget and funding restrictions

> **UPCOMING EVENTS** Compost Starts Tuesday, May 5, 2020



FireSmart Canada and its partners are committed to safety from wildfire, but they are also concerned about your personal, family and community health and safety. Below are some recommendations to FireSmart audiences via web or social media, the following are do-at-home activities.

- Downloading the FireSmart Begins at Home app and undertaking a structure ignition-zone assessment.
- Raking and removing pine needles and dry leaves within a minimum of 1.5 metres of a home's foundation. As time permits, continue up to a 10-metre distance around the home. Dispose of collected debris in appropriate trash receptacles.
- Cleaning pine needles from roof and gutters.
- Getting out your measuring tape and seeing how close wood piles are located to the home. If closer than 10 metres, relocating and moving the pile at least 10 metres from structures.
- Sweeping porches and decks to clear them of leaves and pine needles. Raking under decks, porches, sheds and play structures.
- Mowing grass to a height of 10 centimetres or less.
- Removing items stored under decks and porches and relocating them to a storage shed, garage, or basement. Gasoline cans and portable propane tanks should never be stored indoors and should be located away from the home.

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The following roads in Town will have road restrictions from **April 1**st to **June 1**st, Lac Ste Anne Trail, Industrial Avenue, 52nd Street, and 47th Avenue. **Please watch for signs**.