



# Town of Onoway

## ONOWAVES

MARCH, 2022

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## HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY



### **MESSAGE FROM MAYOR LENARD KWASNY**

With spring around the corner please take extra time and caution when walking outside. With the thaw and freezing and the occasional snow fall and rain, yards, driveways, and roads are extremely icy.

With Covid restrictions being slowly lifted, Council has decided to allow members of the public to once again attend council meetings in person if so desired.

Council is working diligently in completing the 2022 annual operating budget. Again Council is faced with reductions in provincial grants as well as downloading of services to the municipalities. These are challenging times.

I will attempt to keep you informed of any developments within our community in the months to come.

Len

### **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.

### **REPORT A CRIME**

If you witness a crime or suspicious activity within the Town of Onoway, please contact law enforcement:

Emergencies – Call 911

RCMP (Non-Emergency)

– Call 825-220-7267

RCMP (Office Line) – Call 825-220-2000

Peace Officer – Call 1-866-880-5722

Bylaw Officer – Call 1-866-880-5722

### **IMPORTANT: DATE CHANGES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS BEGINNING IN MARCH, 2022**

**ALL** Council meetings are now going to be held on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month. The time remains the same (9:30 A.M.) and meetings are being held at the same location (Council Chambers in the Onoway Civic Centre/Town Office).

March 10 and March 24 – **MARCH 10 MEETING IS AT 2:00 P.M.**

April 14 and April 28

In Person attendance is now permitted, and if you would like to formally address Council during their meeting, you will need to contact the office before noon on the Monday of the week prior to the meeting to schedule your formal appointment

**2022 Utility Rates – you will see the following changes to your monthly utility bill effective February 1<sup>st</sup> consumption:**

**Water – rate is increased from \$5.60/cubic meter to \$5.76/cubic meter, which is directly related to the increase the Town is being charged for water by the West Inter Lake District (WILD) Regional Water Services Commission.**

**Sewer – rate is increased from \$1.64/cubic meter to \$2.19/cubic meter which for the most part is directly related to moving the desludging costs of the lagoon from the capital budget to the operational budget. With this in mind, the disposal fee for a 3,000 gallon sewer truck increased from \$55.00 to \$65.00.**

**WILD Water Debenture payments for Phase III and Phase IV construction of this line are now being collected – for the 2022 year it equates \$12,144.00 (1 payment) and then in 2023 it will double to \$24,288.00 (2 payments). Your combined WILD Water Debenture payment goes up from \$8.50 per customer per month to \$11.92 per customer per month.**

### **COUNCIL TIMESHEETS AND EXPENSE SHEETS**

Council motioned in the January 20 meeting that their time sheets and expense sheets be posted to the Town's website in an effort to promote public confidence in their commitment to transparency and financial accountability, as they stated in all of their electoral platforms, effective January 1, 2022. You can find these on our Website by: Clicking on the MUNICIPAL TAB and scrolling down to COUNCIL TIMESHEETS AND EXPENSE SHEETS (link is below).

<https://www.onoway.ca/about/council-timesheets-and-expense-sheets>

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**ONOWAY FACILITY ENHANCEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWS:** We are planning to start a monthly community lunch, the first to be Friday, March 18th, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the hall. Eat in or take out. We will be offering Soup, Sandwiches, Dessert, Coffee, and bottled water. For more information call 780-718-6952 or email [ofea2021@hotmail.com](mailto:ofea2021@hotmail.com)

Annual General Meeting - Monday, March 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hall. Please consider becoming a member - time commitment is as little or as much as you are able to offer. Bring your great ideas and energy to the meeting and we will all plan events that bring our community together and help raise funds to improve our Community Hall. For more information call 780-718-6952 or email [ofea2021@hotmail.com](mailto:ofea2021@hotmail.com)

Monthly Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 9:00 a.m to 12:00 p.m.

For future events please watch our FaceBook page, Onoway Wall for All, the Town of Onoway Onowaves, and the Community Message Board.

VARIETY NIGHT FUNDRAISER  
FOR THE ONOWAY PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

**Sat. March 19, 2022 – 7PM**

An evening for the whole family. \$10 tickets are available at the Town office

MOTORCYCLE RIDE FOR  
MOM 2022

**Sat. May 7, 2022**

ONOWAY IS A STOP ON

THE RIDE - More info to come

**ONOWAY LEGION**

**FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPERS**

Reservations Required

Please Text or Call:

780-907-6300

Become a member today,  
contact the Legion!

**Council Meetings**  
**March 10, 2022 – 2 PM**  
**March 24, 2022**  
**April 14, 2022**

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 and zoom is available; if you want to address Council you must make an appointment through the Town Office by noon Monday, the **week prior to the meeting.**

***Feel free to contact Council with any comments or concerns!***

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**INSURANCE COVERAGE – FIRES**

The cost of fire suppression by the Fire Department for structure, grass or vehicle fires is payable by the property owner. You will also be invoiced for alarms, including false alarms.

Medical Assistance Responses are a free service provided by your Fire Department.

**Be sure to check your home insurance policy or talk to your insurance agent about what exactly your policy covers and the amount of your coverage.**

**Snow Clearing and Public Works**

During the winter months, Public Works will be doing a combination of pushing the snow onto boulevards and streets and hauling the snow away. Public Works will be putting signage up in areas prior to major snow clearing asking people not to park on the street. Violators will be tagged and towed at their expense. Public Works also ask that you don't shovel your sidewalk snow onto the streets after they have already gone by with the equipment.

**FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY – DO NOT APPROACH TOWN VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT AT ANY TIME WHILE THEY ARE OPERATING IN THE TOWN.** Please contact the office if you have questions or concerns.

**ONOWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

Tuesday to Friday – 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday – 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Contact the Library: 780-967-2445; email:

**onowaylibrary@yrl.ab.ca**; Facebook @onowaypubliclibrary;  
website: **www.onowaylibrary.ab.ca**



In line with the Provincial Government restrictions being lifted, effective March 1, 2022, masks are no longer required to be worn in the Library. **Please be respectful of those who continue to wear one for their own health and safety.**

**TELMATIK -** Town of Onoway has an automated messaging service to help advise all citizens quickly and efficiently in case of emergency and/or public notification (ex. temporary interruption of the water supply, tax payment deadlines, snow removal, election dates, town events etc.). This system allows us to notify residents by landline and/or cellular and/or SMS and/or email of your choice. Please visit our website [www.onoway.ca](http://www.onoway.ca) and following the link provided under the Emergency Services Tab "Alert and Notification System" to assure your contact information is added. **Please note that the Alert and Notification System is secure and resident contact info. will only be used by the Town of Onoway to contact residents regarding important information.**

## ONOWAY FEATURED BUSINESS – COUNTRY FRESH WATER & ICE

### SHOP AND SUPPORT LOCAL

Country Fresh Water & Ice was started in Onoway Bottle Bin which Roy bought in 1983, with Diane becoming a partner shortly after that. A salesman sold us a small distiller in 1989 and guaranteed that if a bigger one was needed he would put the full cost of the first one toward a new one. Finding it hard to believe, soon people were dropping off bottles the day before to be first in line in the morning, making a bigger machine a must. Water sales continued to grow as we had started selling Spring water and producing Reverse Osmosis water as well, so in 2003 we moved into our newly built building where we also added the production of ice in 2013. The business continues to grow and provide good quality water, ice and accessories to our customers.

Our faithful employees Rhoda and Keri, as well as ourselves would like to thank past, current and future customers for their loyalty and look forward to continuing to provide our products.

Roy & Diane Tomlinson



Thank you and congratulations on your business longevity and serving our community proud!!

### IMPORTANT CURBSIDE RECYCLING INFORMATION - **GLASS CANNOT BE RECYCLED**

The Town Office has received a number of inquiries from residents about glass recycling and have confirmed the following information with our service provider.

Standstone Waste and Water Services **do not take glass** due to safety of their workers and because there is no market for it - the recycle facilities are not able to source it out to be reused.



PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.ONOWAY.CA](http://WWW.ONOWAY.CA) TO VIEW UPCOMING REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP's). THIS LINK IS ON OUR MAIN PAGE UNDER TENDERS/JOB OPPORTUNITIES.



# HELP WANTED

## Local Volunteer Firefighter

ONOWAY  
REGIONAL FIRE SERVICES &  
FIRE RESCUE INTERNATIONAL

**Come Join Our Team!**

- Free Training
- No Experience Necessary
- Help Out Your Community
- As little as 2-day per week commitment
- Must be within 30KM of Onoway or Alberta Beach

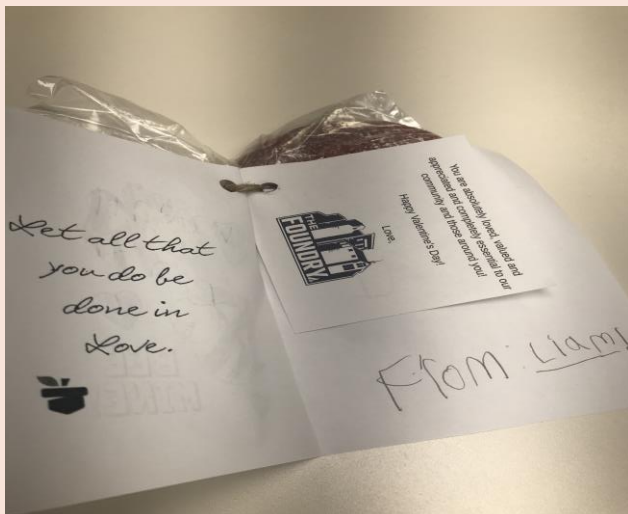
Send Resume to: [recruitment.nwfr@gmail.com](mailto:recruitment.nwfr@gmail.com)



**THE FOUNDRY SPREAD HAPPINESS IN ONOWAY ON VALENTINES DAY BY DISTRIBUTING COOKIES IN TOWN. TOWN STAFF ALSO RECEIVED A COOKIE BAKED BY THE TABLE ALONG WITH A SWEET CARD.**



**THANK YOU FOUNDRY MEMBERS FOR YOUR KIND SPIRIT AND GESTURE**





## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

### **Public Works Labourers – 3 Positions**

### **Public Works Seasonal Lead – 1 Position**

Tentatively May 2 to August 31 (approximately – 1 position) – Seasonal Lead

Tentatively June 27 to August 31 (approximately – 3 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 other 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 - \$19.00/hr. Seasonal Lead position wage range is \$19.00 - \$21.00/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 1, 2022.

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

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4812 – 51 Street  
Box 540  
Onoway, AB T0E 1V0  
Email: [jason@onoway.ca](mailto: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