

Town of Onoway ONOWAVES

MAY, 2024

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 20 2024 TO CELEBRATE VICTORIA DAY

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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

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR LENARD KWASNY

Spring is here and I hope it finds everyone in good health and enjoying the warmer weather.

The extremely dry weather over the past several months has made it necessary to put in place a FIRE BAN, and I urge you to please comply with all the restrictions that have been imposed. Last year over 60% of the wildfires in Alberta were human caused. We can, and need, to do better. The Town of Onoway is following the Lac Ste. Anne County fire ban restrictions.

Our annual Financial Audit is complete, and we are into budget and tax season. Our Auditor for the Town Phil Dirks presented our 2023 Audited Financial Statement at our April $11^{\rm th}$ meeting and advised us that process went well, thanks to our Administration team. The Audited Financial Statements can be viewed on our website and copies are available at the Town Office.

The 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets have been approved by Council and Tax Notices will be sent out soon. I am pleased to say that Administration worked hard and were able to keep our Operating Budget at an increase of only 3.88%. With inflation as high as 8% in 2022, and approximately 3.5% in 2023 and 2024, respectfully, I know it was not an easy task to keep the increase below 4%. As you can see, inflation is the key driver of the increase.

On April 12th the Town hosted its second "Business Breakfast Mixer" which was well attended with over 40 people. We have another breakfast planned for this fall.

The Beautification Committee is looking forward to beautifying the town and have already started planning for just that. I can't wait to see what they have in store for us.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Mothers of every kind a very HAPPY MOTHERS DAY and time to spend with your families!

Until next month, Take Care and stay SAFE.

Len

Council Meetings

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024 **THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024**

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 by noon Monday, the week prior to the meeting.

Feel free to contact Council with comments any concerns!

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Friday, Saturday and

Parade Begins at 10:00 am Saturday

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 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 Public Library News

Do you **BUY** books, eBooks, magazines, that latest movie? Do you know that you can have access to all of these and so much more with your library card. When you purchase your library card you become a member of TRAC. TRAC connects over 180 libraries and hundreds of thousands of Albertans to holdings of nearly three million books, magazines, and movies and eResources, one of the largest consortia collections in Canada.

Our yearly memberships are \$8.00 for student/seniors, \$12.00 for an adult, \$20.00 for a household. An example of the value of a library card is one member of a household of 6, for the year so far has saved \$3,286.06 by borrowing their items. To date this member has saved \$31,155.77. In today's economy we are all looking for the best deal possible, that is your library card!

Drop into the library anytime during open hours, Tuesday to Friday 10:30-4:30 and Saturday 10:30 to 2:30 (closed on long weekends), to purchase your membership. We do require Government issued ID showing your current address and we accept, cash, debit, MC/Visa, and e-transfer for payments.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

ONOWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY -

Tuesday to Friday – 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 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



COMMUNITY EVENTS

ONOWAY HERITAGE DAYS

Sunday June 14, 15, 16, 2024

FARMERS' MARKET SEASON

Starts Thursday May 23



Onoway Community Hall

LEMONADE DAY

Saturday June 15, 2024



SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL FALL **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Saturday, September 21, 2024

ONOWAY MUSEUM GROUNDS



SPRING CLEAN UP

TOWN OF ONOWAY RESIDENTS ONLY- FREE OF CHARGE SHOW ID SUCH AS A UTLITY BILL DROP OFF LARGE ITEMS THAT WOULD NOT NORMALLY BE PICKED UP ON REGULAR WASTE DAYS

METALS: STOVES, REFRIGERATORS, APPLIANCES.
LARGE WASTE ITEMS: MATTRESSES, CHAIRS, OTHER LARGE ITEMS,
ELECTRONICS: TELEVISION, MICROWAVES, ETC...
WIRE: FENCING, ELECTRICAL WIRE, ETC...

HAZARDOUS WASTE: PAINT, OIL, LIGHTBULBS, BATTERIES

WOOD: INCLUDING TREE BRANCHES, CLEAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

GO TO PUBLIC WORKS YARD & YOU WILL BE DIRECTED WHERE TO GO



INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR 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.











How do I qualify?

- Must be currently attending Onoway Jr.Sr. High School,
 Must provide proof of registration & accceptance to a qualified Post Secondary in a Full or Partime program. (If
- Must be attending First Year of Studies.
 Secondary Considerations, must demonstrate good citizenship
- within the community, social participation, volunteer work,



How do I apply?

Click on Residents and Education and you will find the

Bursary



To provide Financial assistance to Onoway High School students who are entering or enrolled in a qualified post-secondary



- . Application deadline is June 1@ 11:59 PM of
- the current year without exception.

 Awards will be dispersed by August 31 annually.



How is the Bursary awarded?

The Bursaries will be awarded by Council resolution. The Identity of the applicants will be concealed to support a fair and

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