

VILLAGE OF CREMONA NEWSLETTER

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Council Meeting Highlights— November 15, 2016

Tax Penalty Bylaw

Council was presented with options for penalties at the October 18, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and the changes are reflected in the new bylaw which received all three readings and will become effective January 2017. These changes are: *8% on current taxes after June 30; and 12% on outstanding balance as of December 3.*

Utility Policy Amendment

Utility Account Policy 1003-01 required an amendment to clause 3.1.3 to read the same as the Water Wastewater Bylaw. These changes are as follows:
Should any combined water and wastewater account or portion thereof remain unpaid for more than sixty (60) days following the date of the billing, the Village of Cremona shall have the right to enforce payment by transfer of the unpaid amount to the property tax account or the right to disconnect the water supply to the property.

Council approved the amendment.

Personnel Policy Amendments

Personnel Policy 1701-01 was approved at the April 19, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Following the meeting some items were brought forward that require amendments to the policy. These amendments were as follows:

On-Call Payment – there exists a policy passed by Council January 19, 2016 On Call Procedure Payment Policy. 1707-01.

Clothing Allowance - \$150.00 per year is listed due to the costs of foot wear it is being recommended to change to \$200.00 per year.

Christmas Office Closure 2016

As per the Personnel Policy, Village of Cremona Staff receive Boxing Day and Christmas Day and January 1st off. Administration is requesting the following dates for the 2016 Christmas Season Office Closure: Closed on December 26 Boxing Day and December 27 in lieu of Christmas Day and January 2 in lieu of New Year's day.

Council approved the closures.

Tax Recovery Services

Administration provided council with information on having the tax recovery process out sourced. TAXervice is a company that specializes in tax recovery for municipalities. There is no cost to the municipality only those who are in tax arrears. Council approved to enter into an agreement with TAXervice.

Agreements – Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission

The Membership Agreement and Waste Services Agreement for the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission require each municipal council in the region to approve and sign the agreements. Council approved both agreements.

Electoral Reform

Mayor Hagen received a letter from MP, Earl Dreeshen regarding Canadian's having a voice for voting on a referendum when it comes to changes in the federal election system. Council directed Mayor Hagen to send a letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the Special Committee on Electoral Reform stating that Canadians should have the right to vote on changes to the election process.

The next Council Meeting is December 20, 2016 at 112 Railway Avenue
Come at 6:30 p.m. and have a coffee and meet with council and staff.



The Village of Cremona Office
will be closed on:
Monday, December 26, 2016,
Tuesday, December 27, 2016; and
Monday, January 2, 2017.
*Mayor, Council and Staff wish you all
a very safe and Merry Christmas.*

**2017 ANIMAL LICENSES ARE DUE
IN JANUARY 2017!**

**The Village of Cremona Offers
FREE renewal for the month of
January only!**

*Beginning February full price for
licenses will be charged.
Make sure you take advantage of
this great service!*



**MIRACLE
ON 34th
STREET**
At Rosebud Theatre

Cremona FCSS is hosting a trip to Rosebud Theatre to see
Miracle on 34th Street
on **Monday, December 19, 2016.**

Tickets are only \$45 per person
(includes lunch, transportation and the show)

The bus departs Cremona Gold & Silver Club at 10:15 a.m.
Tickets are Limited

Call Cremona FCSS 403.510.4521 to book your tickets!

**2017 BUSINESS LICENSES
ARE DUE JANUARY**

- ◆ Business/Retail \$50.00
- ◆ Home Occupation: \$25.00
- ◆ Hawker or Peddler: \$25.00
- ◆ Contractor: \$25.00
- ◆ Agent: \$25.00

Contact Sandi Ryan at the Village
Office 403-637-3762 or by email:
finances@cremona.ca
for more information and details.

**Cremona
Medical Clinic
Hours of Operation**

**Every Thursday in
December**

Hours 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

*To book an appointment please
call Carstairs Medical Clinic
403-337-3121 to book an
appointment for Cremona
or call 403-637-3715
on a Thursday.*



**CREMONA COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS SUPPER**

Hosted by Cremona FCSS

December 10, 2016 at the Cremona Community Hall

Tickets are \$5.00 per person. Kids under 5 are FREE!

Tickets available at: Mountain View Credit Union
Cremona FCSS Office and the Village of Cremona Office.

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Food bank donations would be appreciated.

For more information please call Jen at 403.510.4521