

# Town Newsletter

#### **Snow Clearing/Removal**

To assist with fast and efficient street snow removal, please be sure to remove your garbage and recycling bins from the curb as soon as possible after pick up. Thank you for your cooperation.

NOTE - Any local snow removal contractors are asked to contact the Town Office at 306-272-3359 for direction on where to dump the snow.

#### **Utilities and Taxes**

Utility bills are due April 31, 2022. Payment Options:

- Online Banking through your Financial Institution
- E-transfer to finance@foamlake.com
- Cash/Cheque can be received through the mail, in person at the office or use our NEW AFTER HOURS DROP-BOX.
- Debit payments can be made in person during regular office hours.

Property owners are strongly encouraged to take advantage of pre-authorized monthly payments towards property taxes. Complete the form on our website and return it to the Town Office to sign up for pre-authorized payments in the 2022 tax year.

#### Town of Foam Lake Council Meetings

Town Council meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm at the Town of Foam Lake Office.

#### Town Office Holiday Hours

Friday, April 15 - CLOSED Good Friday Monday, May 23 - CLOSED Victoria Day Friday, July 1 - CLOSED Canada Day

#### **Farewell!**

After 42 years with the Town of Foam Lake, Bob Reynolds has retired as Public Works Foreman. He will be greatly missed at the Town but we wish him all the best as he moves forward in this next stage of his life.

#### Welcome and Congratulations!!

The Town of Foam Lake has undergone some personnel changes. We would like to welcome our new Leisure Services Maintenance Worker, Stefan Olafson to the team!

Also, we would like to congratulate the following staff members on moving into their new positions at the Town of Foam Lake:

Public Works Foreman: Kevin Beatty
Assistant Public Works Foreman: Karen
Holowaty

Public Works Worker: Greg Beaudoin

Town Office: 326 Main Street Phone: 306-272-3359 Hours: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm



#### E-Billing

The Town of Foam Lake now offers E-billing for property taxes and utility bills. Complete the form on our website or stop by the Town Office to sign up!

#### **Tree Trimming:**

Residents are reminded to trim trees overhanging streets, sidewalks, and back alleys. Failure to do so will result in custom work charges. Branches can be taken to the Transfer Station free of charge Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9am to 4:30pm. If this is not possible, please contact the Town Office to discuss alternate arrangements.

### Water Line Flushing:

Water Line Flushing will take place during the first week in May. Lines are being stirred during this time which could cause sediment to enter lines. We ask that that businesses and residents refrain from using water or reduce consumption.

#### **Transfer Station Reminder:**

Anyone entering the Transfer Station must sign in and will receive a receipt for their transaction.

Transfer Station Hours are: Tuesday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

## NEW - Online Water Meter Reading Submissions

Ratepayers can now submit their water meter readings using the online form on our website www.foamlake.com.
Submissions MUST be sent using the online form during the designated times of the year.

#### Handi-Van has a new name!

The Town held a naming contest to re-brand the Handi-Van and the NEW name is FL EXPRESS!

Names were submitted at the end of February and the final name was chosen by Ratepayers voting on a Facebook poll. Thank you to everyone who voted on the new name and congratulations to Debi MacBrason on submitting the winning name.

#### FL Express Hours and Fees

To book the FL Express, please contact 306-272-7122. The regular hours for the FL Express are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Round trip rate is \$5.00.

After hour trips are \$20/Round Trip (Remember you need to book in

Appointments within 100km of town are available at a rate of \$0.80/km. Event bookings are \$80/event.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Town Office at (306) 272-3359 or by emailing reception@foamlake.com

Advance).



#### Covid-19 Update and Rapid Tests

As of Monday, February 28, 2022, the Town of Foam Lake no longer requires masks to be worn at Town of Foam Lake facilities. We remain mask-friendly. This is in alignment with the announcement made on Tuesday, February 8 by the Government of Saskatchewan to remove the Public Health Order.

For the most up-to-date information on Covid-19 in Saskatchewan, please visit www.saskatchewan.ca

Covid-19 Rapid Tests are still available at the Town Office during regular office hours. Each test kit includes 5 tests.



#### **Past Due Notices**

Past due notices are computergenerated reports that are mailed out once the due date for the bill has passed. These are not sorted through manually, so they may occasionally be mailed for small amounts or payments that are made after the report is generated.

#### **Assessment**

The 2022 Assessment Roll is open and available for viewing at the Town Office by appointment only, starting March 30, 2022. The deadline for assessment appeals is April 30, 2022.

#### **Property Tax Discount**

A 3% discount on the Municipal portion of property taxes is available until July 31, 2022. Prepayment and discount amounts will be based on 2021 until taxes are levied in June.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

May 20 (tentative) - Visitor Centre, Campgrounds and Mini Golf opening for the season.

June 1 (tentative) - Foam Lake Water Park opening for the season June 11 - Community Wide Garage Sale. Please watch for more details.

The winner of the Leisure Services
Photo Contest was Kierra Hawerluik.
Congratulations Kierra!

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**Spring/Summer Compost Pick-Up** Weekly Compost Pickup will be starting again in May once the snow melts. Please watch for more details and dates.

#### **Market** in the Park

We are pleased that the Market is returning this summer! Visit Market in the Park - Foam Lake on Facebook for more information.

Food Bank and Cram the Cruiser 2nd Annual Cram the Cruiser will take place on Friday, April 1 from 2 - 6 pm outside the Foam Lake Co-op. Watch for lights!

Foodbank distribution dates: April 14h, 2022 - 12:00-2:30 May 12th, 2022 - 12:00-2:30 June 9th, 2022 - 12:00 - 2:30

New clients need to register by calling Gloria @ 306-272-4677 or messaging @ 306-414-0003 All donations are gratefully received and deeply appreciated: Some items to consider donating: Campbell's Chunky soups, canned fruit, canned meat & fish, toiletries, fruit juice. Please support the RCMP's project

"Cram the Cruiser!" on April 1st

2022 LESSON DATES

Using feedback from our 5 minute survey, the Foam Lake Water Park **Operations Committee is pleased to** offer the following lesson sets for 2022:

SET 1 – 2 week (1x per day) – June 6-17 SET 2 – 2 week (1x per day) – July 4-15 SET 3-1 week (2x per day) - July 25-29 SET 4-1 week (2x per day) - Aug 8-12

Lesson registration starts May 16, 2022 watch for details

#### **EASTER BREAK CAMP**

Registration starts April 4 for our Easter **Break Camp April 18-22** Camp runs 8:30-5:15 each day and includes lunch and snacks, games, crafts, outdoor play and more! 24 kids max per day.

Camp is no cost this year thanks to funding from CIF and donations from Foam Lake Co-op.

Call 306-272-3538 or email foamlakerec@sasktel.net

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