

Words from Our Mayor

Council's first meeting in April saw the passing of the town's operating and capital budget for 2023. Costs of everything are still rising but we feel that we will be able to live within our means. Having said that, this council has held the mill rate the same as last year. There will be some people paying a bit more and others less due to the way municipal affairs says we have to charge for requisitions. It is to be a percentage of asset value of properties and not divided equally between properties.

On April 25 our audit was presented to council and passed. The town is financially stable and will be in better shape once the province transfers the monies due to the town.

A shout out to both Public Works and administration. Public Works for dealing with two water breaks on the Easter weekend and repairing them on Monday. To administration for preparing the 2022 audit, finalizing the budget and preparing the 2023 tax notices.

When you all receive this newsletter, Alberta will be in a Provincial election. No matter how you vote, please go out and do so. That is what a democracy is all about, giving us all a chance to choose who we feel is the right person to lead this great province.

Till next time, stay safe and healthy.

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- May 9 - Regular Council Meeting
- May 22 - Victoria Day Office Closed
- May 23 - Regular Council Meeting

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*As the citizens of Canada,
we must pay tribute and thank
the wonderful Queen Victoria
on her special day....
Wishing you and your loved ones a very
Happy Victoria Day.*

Submit your Town photos to info@townoftwohills.com for a chance to be seen here!

GET YOUR GARDEN SPRING READY

It's that time of year to pull out your gardening gloves and have your tools at the ready to get your garden all set for Spring. Here are some of our top tips on making your garden bloom now that the frost has settled.

LEAVES BE GONE

Whether it's an old fashioned rake or a powered leaf collector you use, it's time to tidy up any leaves that have made home in our garden. It's the perfect start to see what you're working with this Spring!

TREAT THE GROUND

Whether it's adding compost to your soil, seeding your grass or giving your artificial version a Hoover it's important that you give the ground some TLC ready for the new season.

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SHARPEN YOUR TOOLS

Clean your spades and sharpen your trowels to make the whole process easier. Cleaning them regularly will help them last longer in that garden shed of yours too!

CLEAN THE SEATS

There's nothing worse than a spider-web ridden set of garden chairs now, is there? Wipe them clean and make sure your garden furniture is BBQ ready for when the time arrives.

DON'T FORGET THE PATIO

There's nothing that looks quite as fresh as a jet-washed patio! Get rid of all the dirt and grime and restore your patio back to its original state!

FEED THE BIRDS

Spread some love to the wildlife in your garden this Spring by adding a bird feeder. Our flighty friends will help keep the pests of the garden in check too, ensuring your bulbs bloom without the use of chemicals!

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Due to dry windy conditions Fire Restrictions have been issued across the County of Two Hills.

This means **NO OPEN BURNING; NO FIRE PERMITS OR FIREWORKS ARE PERMITTED.**

Warming/cooking fires in approved fire pits are allowed.

Refer to albertafirebans.ca for more information.

This will stay in place until conditions improve significantly. Thank you for your understanding.

HOW TO TRIM TREES - DIY

WHEN DIY TREE TRIMMING IS OK, AND WHEN IT'S NOT

Want to trim a small tree with lightweight branches and a canopy at eye level? Go for it! However, you should not attempt to prune a tree if you have to climb a ladder to reach the branches.

HOW TO TRIM SMALL TREE BRANCHES YOURSELF

Let's start with the steps to trimming just one branch, then get into pruning a small tree. To trim a branch: Make sure your pruning tool is sharp and clean. Get to know the parts of the branch and tree.

HOW HOMEOWNERS CAN TRIM A SMALL TREE THEMSELVES

When you trim a small tree, the process of removing a branch remains the same, but other factors come into play. Make a plan for the branches you'll cut and the ones you'll keep.

HOW DIY TREE TRIMMING CAN GO WRONG AND KILL THE TREE

One wrong cut won't immediately kill your tree, but pruning incorrectly or too often can. If a tree repeatedly loses too much of its canopy at one time, it can become weak or even die from the stress.

WHY YOU SHOULD AVOID TRYING TO TRIM A LARGE TREE

You may have noticed the theme here is all about trimming small branches and trees. There's a reason for that! Attempting to prune heavy branches or a tall tree is not recommended.

