### Mayors Column

It's that time of year again. Budget!! The province basks in larger and larger surpluses. There is no extra money though for municipalities in 2024. The town has been made aware by different groups that their requisitions are going up in 2024. This is not a surprise for everything has gone up in price. As we grapple with the higher cost of providing the services, I wonder when we will have to start cutting them.

The county has lowered its' contribution for helping from \$150,000 to \$75,000 in 2023. Who knows how much lower their contribution will be in 2024. I would caution all groups not to depend on the town for increases. Ways must be found to run their individual agencies to reflect today's lack of extra cash. Cost efficiency to cost recovery will be at the forefront of our deliberations.

Our restructuring study is continuing and should be complete in the spring of 2024. This study is completely covered by a government grant. Everyone will have ample opportunity to express their thoughts on this subject.

It is with some sadness that we bid farewell to or new RCMP sergeant. Thank you, Dave Henry.

Remember during this festive season to give the people who you love an extra hug and greeting. The time may come when you can't. On behalf of administration, public works, council and all our families, "Merry Christmas."

Thank you everyone for your condolences on the passing of my dearest mother. Your thoughtfulness has made my family's journey through these challenging times, easier to bear.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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- December 8 Make Canada Laugh Again
- December 9 FCSS Festival of Trees
- December 10 Two Hills Emergency Services
  Santa Food Drive 6 PM
- December 12 Regular Council Meeting
- December 25 to 27 OFFICE CLOSED



# December







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

### TO ENSURE YOUR PAYMENT IS APPLIED TO YOUR ACCOUNT CORRECTLY

When paying Town bills via online banking please be sure to use "<u>Town of</u> <u>Two Hills</u>" as the payee and use your account number as shown

For <u>Water Bills</u> use the account code without the first zeros or the decimal point:

	Utility Bill	
Invoice Date :	2023-06-01	
Account # :	00001234.00	
Amount Due :	273.10	

# For <u>Tax Bills</u> please use the roll number as the account number:

d Taxation Notice	2023 Property Assessment and
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TOWNO019	Customer # :
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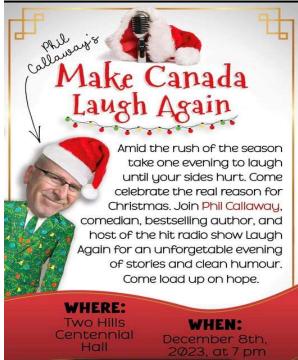


<u>Two Hills FCSS Festival of Trees -</u> Saturday December 9th from 1-4pm at the Two Hills Centennial Hall. Come check out the numerous Christmas Trees decorated by local businesses and organizations, Christmas goodies, music, crafts, pictures with Santa and more. Admission to the event is donation of non-perishable food item(s), unwrapped toy or monetary donation.

#### Two Hills Emergency Services Santa Food

<u>Drive -</u> Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> begins at the fire hall at 6 PM

Check out the Two Hills FCSS Facebook page, website and posters in the community for other upcoming community





## PLEASE NOTE

We have updated our preauthorized monthly payment programs for both utility and tax prepayments. You must fill out a new application form (pictured below) to remain on the monthly payment programs



Pre-Authorized Utility Payment Application and Authorization

Current Uti	lities must be paid in full prior to applying.
Account Name(s):	Phone Number:
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Account Number:	
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	a month dependent on your consumption. Confirmation of the variable Post no later than the 10 <sup>th</sup> of every month.
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