

Words from Our Mayor

Another month has come and gone as I prepare to write the December Mayor's column. November has been a very busy month for council members.

After the election everyone is mandated to take a Municipalities 101 course. It helps new and old councillors to understand what they can and cannot do. We were obligated to go to Edmonton to take the course and got there just before our first winter storm. The ride home was interesting but everyone that attended made it home safely.

As we end 2021, we as a council and administration will have prepared a budget. Here are some of the highlights that your council has to deal with.

- The province will be charging us \$50,000 for policing. This is double last year's amount.
- Our MSI capital grant is being cut by 60%. This grant is what we receive to do infrastructure projects. We will be receiving only 160,000 instead of 400,000.
- Inflation is also having an impact on both the 2021 and 2022 budget. We are not different than any other household where higher costs for fuel and other items must be paid.
- The offloading of Provincial responsibilities to municipalities without compensation. That is giving what was funded by governments to municipalities and saying that the municipalities can fund it by raising the taxes.

With the 60 % cut in MSI funding, you will definitely see less infrastructure work in 2022. There will be some projects but it will be limited to what we can afford due to the funding cuts.

From my family to yours, I wish you all a joyous and Merry Christmas. May 2022 be prosperous for all. Till next time, please enjoy the season with family and friends. Remember to treat everyone like you would like to be treated.

DECEMBER 2021

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26	27	28	29	30	31	

- December 24 – Christmas Eve
- December 27 & 28 – Office Closed
- December 31 – Taxes Due, office closed at noon



December 2021



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

Taxes Due

Just a reminder, due to Covid-19 the property taxes are due December 31. Penalties will be 10% of the total amount of unpaid taxes to be applied January 1, 2022.

If you are interested in setting up a monthly payment plan for taxes OR water utility payments please come to the office and we will be happy to assist.

Tax Installment Payment Plan



Safe, Secure & Reliable
Monthly Tax Payments
SIGN UP BY DECEMBER 31

Town of Two Hills

Wipes Clog Pipes!

Place these items in the **TRASH** and **NOT** the toilet:

- Disinfecting wipes
- Paper towels
- Baby wipes
- Towelettes
- Mop refills



Please Don't Flush ANY type of Wipe Down the Toilet!

The label might say, "flushable," "disposable," "sewer and septic safe," or "biodegradable." The wipe size might be smaller. It makes no difference, because wipes can still clog your toilets and possibly cause a sewer backup into your home.

Trash and debris block our wastewater pumps and valves. An item might say "biodegradable" but it may block your sewer line before it has time to disintegrate. Our staff has to open the valves and remove the trash by hand.

Your efforts will help keep our wastewater system running smoothly and reduce maintenance costs.

Thank you!

REMINDER



ANIMAL LICENSES

All pet owners within the Town of Two Hills are required to register/license their animals for 2022 as per Town Bylaw 2019-986. Licenses may be purchased from the Town office or by calling (780) 657-3395. Fines will be issued to those not following the Bylaw.

ALL PETS MUST BE LICENSED, LEASHED, TAGGED AND SUPERVISED WHEN OFF THE PROPERTY