

The Hepburn Howler

March 2021

Property Assessments

The Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) conducts revaluations on a four-year-cycle. **2021 is a revaluation year.** During revaluation, property assessment values will be updated to reflect a new base as of January 1, 2019. This means that 2021 value reflect a property's value as of January 1, 2019.

Property owners are responsible for being aware of the assessment of their property and initiating the appeal process. **Please watch for property assessment notices**. If you have any questions regarding the assessment of your property, please contact the Town Office or SAMA.

Business Licenses

Home based businesses remember to register for a business license for the 2021 year at the town office. Your business will receive an official license and be listed in the business directory on the website. You are welcome to drop your business cards off at the office so we can help promote your business.

Public Safety

Reminder to the public as the warm weather approaches: parents please talk to your kids about safe bike riding practices. Motorists remember to keep an eye out for pedestrians and cyclists.



Civic Services during the COVID–19 Pandemic

The Town Office is open to the public; however, **please continue to utilize online and contactless options when possible. Please do NOT visit the town office if you are feeling unwell.** Residents and customers are encouraged to carry out transactions electronically such as online banking. Cheques may also be dropped off in the drop slot at the Office.

No Grease Down the Drain

When grease washes down the <u>sink or toilet</u> it sticks to the inside of the sewer pipes. **Eventually the grease can build up until it completely blocks sewer pipes.** Blocked sewer pipes can cause raw sewage to back up into your home.

2021 Census

The Town of Hepburn supports the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca. Our municipal funding is population based; therefore, accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community.

Statistics Canada will be hiring approximately 32,000 people across the country to assist with census collection. To apply go to:

https://census.gc.ca/jobs-emplois-eng.htm

Council Highlights

Council is excited to announce that the bulk water station is getting an on-site payment system. This system will accept coin, debit and credit card. For those who are interested the payment system also has fobs which will be available for purchase at the town office.

Hepburn Centennial Bowling Alley

Council and Staff would like to say a **Big Thank You** to all the people who have volunteered and contributed to the Hepburn Centennial Bowling Alley over the years! A special thank you to **Janet Hamilton** who was



the manager and treasurer for 35 years! As we have all seen over the past year Covid-19 has taken its toll on many businesses and recreational activities. It is because of this reason the town has agreed to take over the bowling alley.



CONTACT INFO

E: <u>recreation@hepburn.ca</u> P: 306-947-2179 Weekdays C: 306-291-7125 Weekend & Evening Bookings F: <u>www.facebook.com/HepburnParksandRec</u> W: <u>www.hepburn.ca/recreation.html</u> Donations & Payments: <u>recreation@hepburn.ca</u>

Public Skating

While the ice lasts. Skate with your family and friends. Upcoming times: March 6, 7, 13, 14. Sign-up link: volunteersignup.org/CBLLX

Crokicurl

While the ice lasts. Sign out a \underline{key} at the office during office hours, or message Lisa for weekends & evenings.

Snowshoe Rentals

While the snow lasts. 3 adult pairs, & NOW 10 youth pairs. \$10/pair or \$20/leisure pass unlimited usage.

Go Out and Play Challenge

For March 1-10. Log your activity minutes. Watch FACEBOOK for daily updates, reminders, & prizes!

Into the Elements Outdoor Adventure: KICKSLEDS

For Saturday March 6th, either session 1 from 1-2pm, or session 2 from 215-315pm. <u>KickSled Adventure</u>! Register by March 5 eve. Email Lisa. For Kids Grades 1-6.

Drive-In Movie Night

Croods 2 is Coming to a 40' Screen Near You! Friday, April 16th. Registration for vehicles will open after March 8th. \$10/car. Concession menu is in process.

Community Kids Artwork Contest

<u>Winner is J.D. Fehr.</u> He submitted an original coloured ink flipbook of a boy sledding! Watch for notices about the Kids Spring Artwork Contest! For children Gr 1-7.

Volunteering Makes Hepburn an Amazing Place!

* Villa, Soccer, Museum – These boards need people * Citizen of the Year nominations are now being received. Due by March 31.

Community Group AGMs

Museum of Wheat's Annual General Meeting is Mar 9 at 7:00pm, The Centre. Watch for Minor Soccer next?!

Community Fundraisers

*Playschool: Contact Playschool Board or Parent to find out more. Cookie items. *Grad Class 2021: Contact School or Grad Parent to

find out more. Freezer items.

Area Attractions

*Find ideas in Prairies North Magazine, Winter edition: <u>www.PrairiesNorth.com</u> See Snowmobiling 1000 miles of snow (p28). *Find ideas in Sask Provincial Parks and Regional Parks: <u>www.tourismsaskatchewan.com/</u>

<u>Podcasts</u>: Listen Local! https://www.facebook.com/saskpodcastnetwork/

Re-Open Sask Guidelines: Business Response Team P: 1-844-800-8688. W: <u>www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19-</u> <u>businesses</u>

Safety Matters

Reminders to Be Safe! Slow to posted speed limit. Be careful around school buses. Respect crosswalk areas. Avoid distractions. No parking in no stopping zones. No U-Turns. Watch out for pedestrians.

<u>Library</u>

Waldheim Library. P: 306-945-2221. Book appointment by phone or facebook. F: <u>www.facebook.com/Waldheim-</u> <u>Library-211811868862034</u>

Learning & WORKSHOPS

- Lakeland Workshops <u>www.lakelanddistrict.ca</u>
- Mental Health First Aid <u>mhfa.ca</u>
- Babysitting Course date coming soon
- Stay Safe at Home Course date coming soon
- First Aid/CPR Course date coming soon

QUOTE

"Wellbeing is achieved when people are physically, emotionally, & spiritually healthy; economically secure; have a strong sense of identity, belonging & place; & have the confidence and capacity to engage as citizens. Wellbeing needs to be at the heart of community conversations, decision making, & policy making."

(p. 2, How is Your Community Doing? <a>saskwellbeing.ca)

WE WANT YOUR INPUT

Thank you for reading the newly combined & condensed HOWLER. If you have suggestions for Parks & Rec discussion, email <u>recreation@hepburn.ca</u> by March 4th this month, & April 1st next month. For Future Howlers, email Ruth at <u>info@hepburn.ca</u> for Town Topics; and Lisa at <u>recreation@hepburn.ca</u> for Parks & Rec Topics. Next Content Deadline is Monday, March 29th.