



THE HEPBURN HOWLER

July 2021

Property Assessments

The Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) conducts revaluations on a four-year-cycle. **2021 is a revaluation year.** Property owners are responsible for being aware of the assessment of their property. **Some property assessments increased and some decreased.** Some increases were due to owner improvements (ie. construction of outbuildings, decks and general renovations) and some due to the revaluation completed by SAMA. **While revaluation updates property assessments, the overall impact on property tax is designed to be revenue neutral on a municipal basis.** Provided that a municipality's budget requirements remain the same, changes to taxable assessments will only result in significant changes to tax levels if a property's assessment increases or decreases substantially, relative to the average for that jurisdiction. **Council has adjusted the tax tools accordingly to generate property taxes with a nominal increase on the overall assessment roll.**

Municipal Budget

Watch for the 2021 Budget Summary with your tax notices. Town Council has set the tax tools as follows for the 2021 year.

Municipal	Mill Rate	Mill Rate Factors	Base Tax Land	Base Tax Property
Agricultural	4.55	1.30	\$600	\$1200
Residential	4.55	1.01	\$675	\$1275
Commercial	4.55	1.40	\$700	\$1200

For more information on assessment, property tax rates and how taxes are calculated please contact us or visit the website. The 2020 Audited Financial Statements and 2020/2021 Municipal Budgets are all available at the Town Office or online at hepburn.ca

Property Taxes

Tax notices were mailed June 29, 2021.

The sooner you pay your taxes the more you can save! Did you know that you can receive a discount on the **Municipal portion** of your taxes if you pay before the end of September?

January 1st to July 31st	6%
During the month of August	3%
During the month of September	2%



Happy Summer!

Town Council & Staff would like to wish you and your family a happy, healthy and safe summer.

Online Banking

Please remember that when paying bills online, to allow 2-3 days for processing; this is how long it takes the town to receive the payment from the bank. **If you prefer to pay on the due date, please visit the Town Office to pay via cash or debit.**

Slow Down in Town

Remember the speed limit in Town is 40km. Please keep everyone safe by not speeding in Town.

Hepburn Fire & EMS Department

Hepburn Fire & EMS are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in joining the team, please visit the town office to pick up an application form.

Community Centre Bookings

For inquiries please call 306-947-2170 or email info@hepburn.ca

Parks

A reminder to collect all your personal items, waste, and recycling before you leave the Hepburn Little Park, and any other public spaces.

Saskatchewan Re-Open Road Map

Step 2 is **June 20 to July 11** www.saskatchewan.ca

Recreational Fires

Please ensure that your fire receptacle meets the standards set out in our Fire Prevention Bylaw. **Open-Air Fires - 18. (1)** Open-air fires shall not be set unless the following measures are taken to limit their spread:
(a) fires shall be contained in a non-combustible receptacle constructed of cement, brick or sheet metal with a minimum 18-gauge thickness;
(b) a receptacle shall be covered with a heavy gauge screen with openings not exceeding 13 millimetres; and
(c) the size of the fire box of any receptacle shall not exceed 1.2 meters.



JULY PARKS & REC EVENTS

Kindness Rocks Hunt

Thanks to those who painted ROCKS, now hidden around town. Take a photo with the rocks & send to recreation@hepburn.ca.

Celebrate Canada Day and Communities in Bloom!

"Create a Front Yard Feature"! Decorate a display for your driveway, front yard, or window to look beautiful! Decorate **June 27-July 4**. Prizes given out after July 5!

Disc Golf Event

NEW: We have **disc golf sets** to sign out. Email Lisa.

Sports Fields: First Come First Serve

**Ball Diamond*: 3rd Ave N & RR#3060. Get a ball box key from office, or use your own equipment.

**Soccer Field*: 3rd Ave N & 2nd St E. Need a soccer ball?

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, Sept 11th

A Fall Event with Smokeshow, Lawn Mower Races, Food Trucks, Ball Games, and more.

COMMUNITY GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

Museum of Wheat

Opening Day is set for Saturday, **July 3**. Watch for details! Threshing Celebration is set for **August 14**.

Figure Skating

Figure Skating Registration is open

Find more info at: www.facebook.com/hepburnskateclub

STAY SAFE

Plan for fun, safety, and readiness, whether on the water, at the pool, on the road, or on the trail. Kids remember to wear your bike helmets! Find safety info at www.sgi.sk.ca

Volunteering Feature: Communities in Bloom!



Want to join the fun?

You can help with planting flowers, beautifying Hepburn, tending green spaces, sharing ideas, & more! Email Lisa to join the planning team OR the hands-on work team.

HEPBURN MARKETPLACE – Shop Local!

Wed, July 7 to Sept 8, from 4:30-7pm.

www.facebook.com/hepburnmarketplace New vendors welcome. Rain, shine, wind or heat, the market is open. Bring a chair to enjoy your order outdoors at the New Community Centre. **Kids activities such as art, story walks and seed planting.** See P&R Table and enter your name in a draw for a summer fun basket.

FOOD TRUCK SCHEDULE

**Hawaiian Slush* - July 7, 14, 21, 28

**DRIVE BY DONUTS (Erica B)* - July 14

**Simply Grounded Coffee* - July 14

**Smokes Poutinerie* - July 21, 28

NEW: Take Home Activity Kits at the Marketplace

Wed, June 30 and Wed, July 7.

"Reconciliation: A reflective guide for families"

30 kits available each week, part 1 and part 2.

Find more info:

*94 Calls to Action: trc.ca/assets/pdf/Calls_to_Action_English2.pdf

*Office of the Treaty Commissioner (OTC): www.otc.ca

*Prairie Rivers Reconciliation Committee (PRRC):

www.facebook.com/PrairieRiversReconciliationCommittee/

Town of Hepburn is a member of the PRRC

REGIONAL & PROVINCIAL OPTIONS

Waldheim Library (We are Wheatland Region!)

Enjoy the SUMMER READING PROGRAM!

www.facebook.com/Waldheim-Library-211811868862034

LOCAL Economic Development

**Whimsical Florals* - 401-2nd Ave, a self-serve flower shop, is now open for the season. Cash payment.

**Cuts & Curls* - 406 Main St, has space available for a Registered Massage Therapist to lease. Hours negotiable.

Contact Lesley (306) 947-2900 or email

cutscurls97hepburn@outlook.com

**Scoops on Railway* - 510 Railway St. Hard ice cream & more. Coming Summer 2021. Dale & Kim Martens.

TOURISM SASK

Find a new adventure: www.tourismsaskatchewan.com/

River Ridge Trails: www.facebook.com/River.Ridge.Trails

Doukhobor Site: www.doukhobordugouthouse.com

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Next Howler Deadline is **July 28**.

Lisa Braun, Community Coordinator

E: recreation@hepburn.ca

F: www.facebook.com/HepburnParksandRec

W: www.hepburn.ca/recreation.html

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