

Town of Arcola

Lagoon Expansion Update

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As most are aware we received a grant for the lagoon project that covered 2/3 of the costs, while the town was responsible for the other 1/3. We had some money left over so decided to add onto the Lagoon Expansion project as this grant does not come around very often. Our sewer force main from the lagoon to the lift station was mostly still the original line installed in the 1950's, so we installed a whole new line and increased the size to help with the flow. We are also looking into upgrading the pumps at the lift station under this grant to help with increased flow.

The lagoon expansion portion is now 100% done and looks great! Its at least 3 times the size of our original lagoon cell, and with the upgrade we will only be discharging twice a year instead of having continuous discharge. Check out our Facebook page for aerial video progress. Most residents will not notice a difference, but this was a huge step in the right direction for the Town as we continue to upgrade our infrastructure.

Community Emergency Meeting

The Town of Arcola has formed an Emergency Measures Committee. With extreme weather more common these days we felt it was time to get a solid plan in action and have a committee trained on what to do in case there was a community emergency. We have been working diligently with a consultant to make this plan. Next step is our community meeting to let the residents know what is expected of them if there is a community wide emergency:

Learn How to Prepare for a Community Emergency- Thursday November 2nd at 7:00pm at the Arcola Legion Hall.



Winter Landfill Hours

As the cold weather approaches, leaves are falling and everyone is finishing up their yard work for the year. The amount of garbage coming in slows down, so we cut back on the hours. As a result, winter landfill hours will be effective starting on October 17th.

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Tuesday: 1-2 pm

Saturday: 1-2 pm

Fees:

Small trailer or truck - \$7

½ ton truck/trailer - \$20

3 ton trucks/single axle - \$100

Couches & carpets - \$20

Loveseats or chairs - \$15

Fridges, stoves, washers - \$15 each

Water heaters, small metal items - \$7 each

Leaves/Branches – Free

Reminder:

Only clean wood and leaves can be put in our burn pile. This means any wood with paint or stain has to be thrown into our garbage dumpster, therefore costing you per load.



Community Calendar

Community calendars will be happening again this year!

Calendars are \$10.00 each and are distributed in March of 2018 amongst the community. If you already have your name on the calendar be prepared for a phone call from the Arcola Daycare sometime soon to confirm you still want the calendar and if there are any family changes.

If you currently are not on the calendar and would like to be added please give the Arcola Daycare a call at 455-2186.



Remembrance Day Ceremony

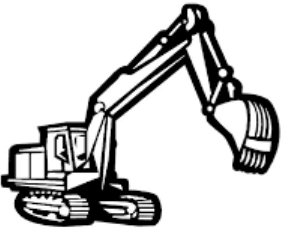
On Saturday, November 11th, at 10:45am at the Optimist Theatre, a Remembrance Day Service will be held to honour brave soldiers, both past and present.

For your information, any money donated for poppies goes toward the Legion, and any offerings will go to the Wounded Warrior Fund.

Come pay your respects and then enjoy a pot luck lunch at the Optimist Legion Hall following the service.



Curb & Gutter Work



The Town of Arcola has completed some curb and gutter work to Hazel Avenue in the new subdivision. The plans were engineered to ensure the proper water flow. Quite a bit of work was done to ensure proper compaction as well.

Ditch work continuing east of the new subdivision had to be done to help water continue on the right path. Because of this ditch work done to the north of the fair grounds, the snowmobile trail will have to be changed coming into town. Please keep an eye out in the coming months to see what the changes will be.

The Importance of House Numbers

House numbers are not only convenient for finding addresses but necessary for emergency responders to locate those in need. When responding to an emergency, minutes matter so be sure that fire, ambulance, and police personnel can easily and quickly find your address.

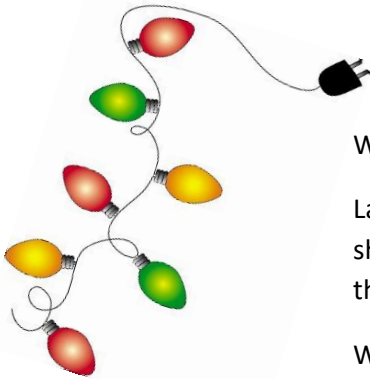
It is recommended that all residents take a few moments to install house numbers or examine existing house numbers. Be sure that the numbers are easily read from the street. Consider the following:

- Brass or bronze numbers are difficult to see. Use numbers that contrast with the background.
 - If the house is located more than 45 feet from the street, the numbers should be displayed on a fence, mailbox, or other appropriate place that will make it visible for approaching vehicles.
 - Be sure that the view of the numbers is not obstructed by shrubs, trees, or decorations.
 - Numbers should be clearly seen when approaching from either side of the house.
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Holiday Recycle Schedule

The normal recycling day falls on Monday December 25th, so it has been changed to Tuesday December 26th. Please spread the word!

Also, did you know that you can get garbage & recycling reminders directly from Regens Disposal? You can sign up for free text or email reminders, as well as print off a schedule. Go to www.regensdisposal.ca and on the home page under "collection schedules and reminders" follow the prompts. If you are having any issues stop in the Town Office as we always have extra copies of the schedule here.



Annual Lighting Contest

We are planning our 2nd Annual Lighting Contest again this year in December!

Last year we had quite a few amazing houses decorated so it was an awesome light show. There were only a couple businesses though so we are hoping to expand more this year. Let's spread the word and make it bigger and brighter this year!

We are still working on the final details so will put posters up around Town when we know more.

Reminders

- **2017 taxes are to be paid in full by December 31st** or there will be a 5% interest added onto your account on January 1st. If still not paid, a 5% interest will be added on again on February 1st. If you do not know what your account balance is at, please call the office.

- If any residents have water and sewer bills that are outstanding, they will be sent a letter stating when they have to be paid by. If not paid by that date, the Town can turn off the water until payment is received. There will also be a \$100 charge to turn the water back on as per our bylaw 23-2013.

- Don't forget to check out our town website or Facebook page to see what's happening in town: www.townofarcola.ca.

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