

Town of Onoway ONOWAVES

AUGUST 2020

ATTENTION: TAXES DUE SEPT 30

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PRE-AUTHORIZED TAX PAYMENT PLAN

If you wish to pay your municipal taxes in monthly installments, please contact the Town Office to enroll in the PAT Plan.

PRE-AUTHORIZED UTILITY PAYMENTS

If you wish to pay utility bills through automatic withdrawal from your bank account, please contact the office to enroll.

REPORT A CRIME

If you witness a crime or suspicious activity within the Town of Onoway, please contact local law enforcement:

Emergencies – Call 911 RCMP (Non-Emergency) – Call 825-220-7267

RCMP (Office Line) – Call 825-220-2000 Peace Officer – Call 1-866-880-5722 Bylaw Officer – Call 1-866-880-5722

LEAD MANAGEMENT IN DRINKING WATER

In March 2019, Health Canada published a new lead limit for the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality (GCDWQ). The guideline introduces two fundamental changes from how lead has been managed in drinking water since 1992, the maximum acceptable concentration (MAC) for lead was lowered to 0.005mg/L from the previous 0.01mg/L and more importantly, the point of compliance for lead is now at the customer's tap and no longer in the distribution system.

Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) recommends approaching lead management in two phases:

Phase 1 – Planning, communication and assessment

Phase 2 - Mitigation

Phase 1 is to be completed between 2020-2024. During this time, the Town of Onoway will perform sampling throughout the Town, under the parameters set out by AEP we will be sampling at the tap of twenty residents throughout various areas of Onoway. These samples will be collected, analyzed and the results shared with the resident(s) of the sample location. The collective sample results will become part of the annual report to AEP. Throughout the 2020-2024 timeframe, the Town of Onoway will be making information available to the public through newsletters, mailouts and/or our website.

The Town continues to review AHS's restrictions and recommendations and, as such, the office remains closed to the general public. While the office is closed, feel free to call or email us at info@onoway.ca to discuss matters or to schedule a meeting.

Registration for Onoway Minor Hockey is Now Open!!

Registration Information and Forms can be found online at:

www.onowayminorhockey.com

We are looking for athletes of ALL Age Levels, from 4-17yrs, BOTH Females and Males OMHA is hoping to organize and ice a FEMALE ONLY team at the U11 Level (Birth years 2010/2011) if numbers allow. Late fees may apply after July 15th, and will be assessed on a CASE-BY-CASE scenario

*Financing is available Upon Request and Approval from the Executive Committee **Due to Covid-19, refunds will be provided if Alberta Health Services Mandates prevent the NORMAL Hockey Operations of OMHA

If you have questions or would like more information, PLEASE CONTACT

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TAXES ARE DUE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 - TAX PENALTY APPLICATION DATES ARE:

October 01 10% Current Levy November 01 5% Current Levy December 01 5% Current Levy

January 01 15% All Outstanding Taxes

BLACK KNOT

What is Black Knot?

Black Knot is a common disease of trees and shrubs in the Prunus family (plums, cherries, chokecherries, etc.) This disease is widespread throughout Alberta and while not harmful to people or animals, it does reduce the aesthetic value of your trees and may result in the eventual death of the tree.

How can I recognize Black Knot?

Initially, a small, olive-green gall develops on new growth. Mature galls form after about 2-3 years of growth and are hard, black, 10 to 15 cm (4 to 6 inches) in length and may appear ruptured. Many spores are released in early spring and may continue to be present in the air until the new growth stops. After infection, the gall will continue to grow eventually girdling and killing the branch.

What can I do to control Black Knot?

- Regularly monitor for early stages of the disease.
- Prune out all galls by removing infected branches at least 15-20 cm below the gall during late fall, winter or very early spring when plants are dormant and knots are easy to see. For galls on main branches or trunks, cut back to good wood, beyond the edge of a gall (consider calling a certified arborist) More information on pruning can be found in Alberta Agriculture and Forestry Pruning Tip Sheet www.agriculture.alberta.ca/horticulture
- DESTROY DISEASED WOOD IMMEDIATELY
- Clean and disinfect cutting blades after pruning.
- Ensure plants are healthy and free from stress.
- Chemical controls are not readily available for Black Knot.

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The Town will be removing trees from Town property which are identified as having black knot. The Town will be burning these trees at our Lagoon site and we invite our property owners to also bring their infected trees to our site and we will monitor the burn. A specific date/time will be established for residents to bring your trees. Please contact the office if you require further details.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Onoway & District Agricultural Society Farmer's Market

June 4 - Sept. 24 Every Thursday 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Onoway Arena For more info call:

Letitia 780-887-1034
... or visit them on
Facebook

Onoway and District Heritage Society and The Foundry

Are partnering to hold a drive-in movie:

Saturday, August 22 RUTH CUST PARK

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Onoway & District Historical Guild

FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, September 19

Onoway Legion Friday Night Dinners

Reservations Required

Please Text or Call: 780-340-0760

Become a Member today, Contact the Legion!

Council Meetings

August 20, 2020 September 3, 2020 September 17, 2020

Meetings start at 9:30 A.M. and are held at the Town Office. Any date or time change will be posted on the website. Meetings are open to the public; if you want to address Council you must make an appointment through the Town Office a week prior to the meeting.

Due to COVID-19 public wishing to participate or observe the meeting please contact the Town office prior to attending. Thank you.

Feel free to contact Council with any comments or concerns!

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JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER...

Are you keeping your property maintained?

Be sure to keep your yard neat and tidy. The Town of Onoway's Peace Officers will be around enforcing bylaws. If you have any questions you can contact them (via Lac Ste. Anne County) at 1-866-880-5722.



Let's work together to keep our Town looking awesome!

DEVELOPMENT & BUILDING PERMITS

If you are planning on adding and/or making improvements to your



property (e.g. deck, fence, new building, demolition of old buildings, activity and use of building), please remember to contact the Development Officer prior to starting your project. The Town's Development Officer is Tony Sonnleitner and Tony can be reached at 780-718-5479.

Also, the Land Use Bylaw and Permit Application Forms can be viewed on the Town website.

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works staff will be doing crack sealing during the month of August. Please be respectful of town staff and maintain a safe distance from workers or equipment. If you have ideas or concerns you would like to discuss, please direct those comments toward the town office.



NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

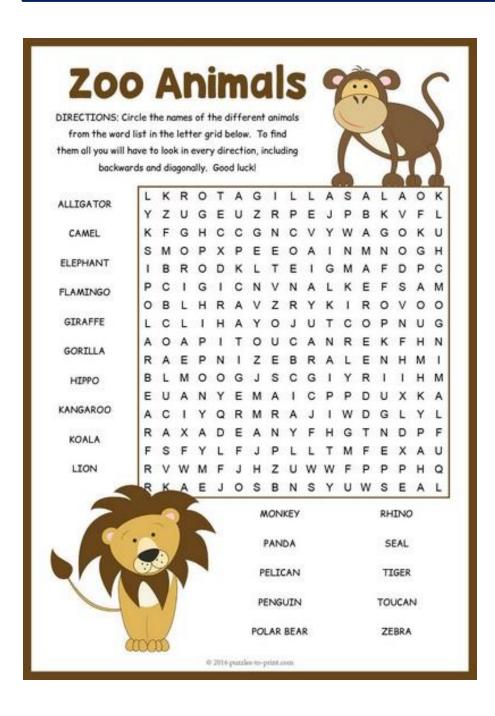
The Onoway Public Library has decided to take re-opening slowly to offer our services in a safe and manageable manner. **Please note the reduction in August hours and services.**

Front Door pickup of inter-library loan items and summer fun bags only. Patrons will be contacted to set up a time for pick up. We offer a safe zero contact service for you to pick up your items. The outside drop box is open 24 hours for items to be returned. Details on our Facebook @onowaypubliclibrary or our website: www.onowaylibrary.ab.ca.

Membership renewals extended until September 30th. New membership applications are on our website, complete the on-line form.

Call us at 780-967-2445 or email to onowaylibrary@yrl.ab.ca - messages will be monitored and returned as soon as possible

August Hours: Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday to Saturday 10:00 a.m. - noon



Dog Park

Don't forget to keep your pet on a leash when you are walking him/her in this beautiful weather! To let your dog run off leash please feel free to visit our dog Dog Park located at 5300-41 Street (also known as Ruth Cust Park).

Skate Park

The skate park will be located at Elk's Park at 5000-46 Street. Use at your own discretion.

Be safe! Remember to social distance and use hand sanitizer.

Onoway Playgrounds

Please be advised that the Town of Onoway Playgrounds have been re-opened. Use is discouraged as these amenities will not be sanitized. If you choose to use these sites, we encourage you to sanitize your hands before and after use and do not touch your face.