



# Town of Onoway

## ONOWAVES

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**OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24  
THROUGH TO REOPENING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022**

### **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 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

### **MESSAGE FROM MAYOR LENARD KWASNY**

There was a lot happening this month both in the community and with council.

-A special thank you to the Onoway Legion for the excellent November 11 Memorial Service that was held in honour of our War Veterans and a special tribute to all serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

- On November 9, I had the honour of presenting Onoway Regional Fire Services, Fire Chief David Ives and his members, with a thank you Banner in recognition of their excellent service in our community. This banner was signed by the residents of Onoway. This was an initiative driven by Councillor Robert Winterford. Thanks Robert. The Town of Onoway is challenging other communities to do the same.

-Council members have taken Munis 101 training which focused on the roles and responsibilities of elected officials.

-Council also attended the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association annual conference in Edmonton. The intent of this conference is to inform elected officials of government plans for the next year, as well as the Association lobbying the government for changes that municipalities have a need for.

-Council members have had an opportunity to become familiar with the boards and committees they are appointed to.

-I would like to thank the businesses as well as the residents of Onoway for the patience they have demonstrated with the removal of the massive amount of snow we recently received, then followed by freezing rain that made our roads and sidewalks treacherous. Thank you Public Works for staying on top of the situation.

- The November 26 Christmas Light Up was a great success with many children and families attending. Weather was great and a wonderful turnout. All of council and most staff were in attendance. Also in attendance was our MLA Shane Getson, great to see you again Shane. Thank You to the Town of Onoway Administration staff, Public Works staff, and any other volunteers who helped to organize this wonderful event. A special Thank-You to the Onoway and Lac Ste Anne Fire departments for supervising the bonfire on Main Street. It is greatly appreciated.

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**TAXES WERE DUE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2021—TAX PENALTY APPLICATION DATES ARE:**

<b>October</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>10% Current Levy</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>5% Current Levy</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>5% Current Levy</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>15% All Outstanding Taxes</b>

**MAYOR'S MESSAGE – continued**

- On November 27, the Onoway Enhancement Association (OFEA) hosted a Children's Christmas Party which was well attended with over 30 children in attendance. I would like to thank councillors Lisa Johnson and Robin Murray for volunteering at this event. I am sure your help was greatly appreciated.

- OFEA will be holding a Seniors Tea on Dec 17 and everyone is welcome.

Being this is the last newsletter before Christmas I would like to pass this Christmas message to you on behalf of The Town of Onoway Council and Staff.

**Christmas is a time for giving and receiving but even more so it is a time for celebrating with family and friends and being thankful for the fortunes and treasures we have. It's also a time we can share with others who are less fortunate. If you can, please contribute to your local charity or food bank and make Christmas a reality for someone less fortunate. Please be safe through the Holiday Season. I would like to wish everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.**

**CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS IN ONOWAY**

Help bring the holiday spirit to our Town by decorating your home and/or business! Judging will take place the evening of **Friday, December 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** **Make sure you turn your lights on and have your decorations displayed for a chance to win a beautiful prize.** There will be prizes for the two best decorated homes and one for the best decorated business. The winners will be contacted the following week.

Thank you for sharing your Christmas spirit.

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

**ONOWAY CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET**

**Onoway Community Hall**  
Saturday, December 11, 2021  
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



**ONOWAY LEGION FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPERS**

Reservations Required  
Please Text or Call:  
780-991-6777

Become a Member today, Contact the Legion!

**SENIORS CHRISTMAS TEA**  
Onoway Community Hall

**Friday, December 17, 2021**  
**1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**  
**FREE**

**Pre-register—780-967-0185**

**REP Program is in place to enter the hall**

## **Council Meetings**

**Thursday, December 16, 2021**  
**Thursday, January 20, 2022**

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 by noon Monday, the **week prior to the meeting.**

**Due to COVID-19 Council is meeting in person with restrictions and/or Zoom, and if public wish to participate or observe the meeting please contact the Town office prior.**

***Feel free to contact Council with any comments or concerns!***

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## **Snow Clearing and Public Works**

During the winter months, Public Works will be doing a combination of pushing the snow onto boulevards and streets and hauling the snow away. Public Works will be putting signage up in areas prior to major snow clearing asking people not to park on the street. Violators will be tagged and towed at their expense. Public Works also asks that you don't shovel your sidewalk snow onto the streets after they have already gone by with the equipment. **FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY – DO NOT APPROACH TOWN VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT AT ANY TIME WHILE THEY ARE OPERATING IN THE TOWN.** Please contact the office if you have questions or concerns.

### **REMINDER FOR RESIDENTS WITH CURB MATS**

**Please remove them to assist with snow removal.**  
**Thank you for your cooperation!**

## **Cats/ COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICERS**

The Town has an animal bylaw in place that includes cats. Highlights include: no more than two cats on any one property, cats must be licensed and have a tag, cats can not run at large in the community. The Town is looking at opportunities to address the cat concerns within Town and we encourage all cat owners to take steps now to review this bylaw and ensure they are adhering to same. Our Community Peace Officers will be working with offenders to educate them in an effort to get the problem with the excessive cat population under control.

## **NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY**

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED AS OF DECEMBER 24 AND REOPENS ON TUESDAY JANUARY 4

**Need a printed copy of your QR code proof of vaccination? Drop into the library and we will be happy to print off a copy for you. Please bring your Alberta Health Care number, date of birth and one date of a vaccine dose. Card can be laminated for \$1.00. Please allow 15 minutes for laminating.**

### **HOURS OF OPERATION:**

Tuesday to Friday – 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday – 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Contact the Library: 780-967-2445; email: [onowaylibrary@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:onowaylibrary@yrl.ab.ca);  
Facebook @onowaypubliclibrary; website: [www.onowaylibrary.ab.ca](http://www.onowaylibrary.ab.ca)

## **INSURANCE COVERAGE – FIRES**

**The cost of fire suppression by the Fire Department for structure, grass or vehicle fires is payable by the Property owner.**

**You may also be invoiced for alarms, including false alarms.**

**Medical Assistance Responses are a free service provided by your Fire Department.**

**Be sure to check your home insurance policy or talk to your insurance agent about what exactly your policy covers and the amount of your coverage.**



## The Onoway Arena is proud to announce the Skate with Santa Event

Wednesday December 22, 2021

1:30pm – 4pm

Come on out and skate with Santa for the afternoon, before he heads back to the North Pole for Christmas.

There will be Christmas bags for all children from Santa.

Hotdogs, Juice box/ Hot Coco, and a Christmas orange will be provided to everyone for a snack To-Go.

The arena is operating under the 1/3 capacity within the AHS Covid-19 health order, So registration is required for numbers. Please email [odasarena@gmail.com](mailto:odasarena@gmail.com) with your attendance numbers.

This is all possible by funding from FCSS and The Onoway & District Agricultural Society



### ***In 2023 the Town of Onoway will be 100 years young***

The Town is looking for individuals who are interested in sitting on our Centennial Celebration Committee. If you are interested, please submit your expression of interest to the Town, including background about yourself and your interest in this milestone event. Deadline for submissions is 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Email: [info@onoway.ca](mailto:info@onoway.ca); Fax 780-967-3226; Box 540, Onoway, AB ToE 1V0

# CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH



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CHRISTMAS  
COOKIES  
FAMILY  
HOLIDAY

MISTLETOE  
NUTCRACKER  
ORNAMENTS  
PRESENTS

REINDEER  
SANTA  
STOCKING  
TREE





# Farmers Market



December 11th  
11am - 3pm



Onoway Community Hall

**Santa 12-3pm**

**Come down and get your  
picture taken**

Find Christmas gifts for  
everyone on your list!

Free Gingerbread houses  
for the first 48 families!



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