

Council Corner – January 2023

Happy New Year Residents

Let me begin 2023 with a very sincere wish from the Council, Management and Staff of the Town of Nipawin to the residents of our community for a *Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.*



On January 9 the Town of Nipawin appointed Joel Cardinal as its CAO. Please join me in offering a warm and sincere welcome to Chief Administrative Officer, Joel Cardinal as he begins this journey.

Joel is a multi-disciplinary municipal professional with a background in engineering, operations, planning, land-development and administration. Joel has 15 years of senior executive managerial and technical experience in both urban and rural municipalities within Saskatchewan and Alberta. Joel prides himself on striving to achieve and produce professional standards of work and deliverables while implementing efficiencies and eliminating waste.

During his personal time, Joel enjoys spending time with his family which includes his spouse Shannie, and daughters Blakelie and Victoria. Joel is a very passionate sports person and enjoys playing and watching hockey, soccer, golf, curling, and others.

Prepayment Tax Notices that are generally sent out to taxpayers annually in January will be slightly **delayed** this year due to some unanticipated complications. Please note that notices will be sent early in February for this year only. To ensure that residents are still able to avail themselves of the 2% discount as in previous years, Council has adopted Bylaw 1159/23, The Discounts and Penalties Bylaw, to ensure that discounts are available in February instead.

REMINDERS:

- **STREETS & SIDEWALKS (CAUTION):**
 - The Department of Public Works reminds everyone to be cautious as you move around Town. Following the rain, areas are even more slippery and treacherous. Please use the crosswalks as crosswalks/intersections are sanded regularly.
 - Driving in downtown areas is also slippery. Please slow down and watch for pedestrians when travelling downtown as well as in back alleys.
- **WASTE MANAGEMENT (garbage/recycling carts):**
 - Please remove your waste and recycle bins from the road as soon as possible after pickup. This helps the Works department as they clear snow.
- Please note that the Boreal Area Regional Waste Authority Inc. (BARWA), has a new name. On January 1st the Town of Nipawin assumed the responsibility for operations. Hours of operation remain the same however the name has changed to Nipawin Area Waste Diversion Site.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- Cedric Brae Magsino, a Grade Six student at Wagner School, was recently presented with an award from the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency for his 2022 Fire Safety Week poster. The presentation was made by Town of Nipawin Fire Chief Paul Cockell. **Congratulations** Cedric and **Thank You** for the safety reminder.
- Please also join me in congratulating our very own Fire Chief Paul Cockell on being a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal Saskatchewan. Paul was recognized as having demonstrated exceptional qualities and outstanding service to our province in the field of protective services.
- Crokicurl is located at Barber's Pond. Enjoy a skate, toboggan on the hill, or a game of Crokicurl at Barber's Pond below the Hospital hill.
- Cross Country ski the Nipawin Evergreen or Regional Park trails. Skis available at the Evergreen Centre.
- Snowshoes and Snow Feet are also available at the Evergreen Centre.
- Parent & Tot at the Evergreen every other Friday (January 27, February 10 and 24).



- February break programming beginning February 21st with the ANNUAL Mini sticks Tournament.

Town of Nipawin Bylaw enforcement is provided by LM Bylaw Enforcement. Please report your concerns to the Town Office at (306) 862 9866 or by email to bylaw@nipawin.com.

If you have an *idea, concern, or a bouquet* please don't hesitate to arrange an opportunity for a conversation. Call (306) 862 9866 to arrange an appointment or by email to mayorharper@nipawin.com. (NOTE: Anonymous concerns, written or by phone, will not receive response so please sign your concern and provide contact information.)



Grade Six student, Cedric Magsino with his Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA), Fire Safety Week winning poster.

**Town of Nipawin Dog & Cat tags
are now due.**

Please stop by the office to
purchase your 2023 tags.

\$18.00 – IF SPAYED/NEUTERED

\$38.00 – IF NOT SPAYED/NEUTERED



The Town of Nipawin strongly
encourages you to sign up for
paperless billing for your water &
sewer bills.

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number (found on your utility notice),
and the email address you want your
bill to be sent to, to the email address
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