

NEWSLETTER #2007-1

JANUARY 2007

2007 DOG TAGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

It is now time for owners of dogs to renew their dog license for 2007. **All dogs in town are required to be licensed. Failure to do so will result in fines being issued to the owners of unlicensed dogs. Licenses are due January 31, 2007.**

The fees for 2007 Dog Licenses are as follows:

1st and 2nd dog in each household:

Each neutered male dog	\$15.00	Each spayed female dog	\$15.00
Each male dog	\$25.00	Each female dog	\$25.00

THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT DOGS AT SAME HOUSEHOLD, EACH \$100.00

KIDSPORT OUTDOOR RINK:

The KidSport™ outdoor rink is located on 8th Avenue East – across from St. Gabriel's School. This rink is open to the public. The rink is equipped with outdoor lights, which are on from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. in the evening and the warm up building is also open daily. **Please treat this facility with respect.** A lot of volunteer hours have gone into making the rink. If you see someone vandalising this facility in any way, please contact the RCMP or Derek Starnes, Recreation Director at the Town Office.

WINTER SNOW REMOVAL:

With our recent storm, the Town of Biggar public works employees have been busy grading and removing the snow that has accumulated throughout the Town. The Town is asking the public for their co-operation in making sure that vehicles are removed from the street when the Town is removing the snow in order to ensure proper snow removal from the streets and sidewalks.

A recent public notice was sent out to residents of Biggar to remind them of certain requirements from the Town of Biggar's Traffic Bylaw regarding snow removal. The Traffic Bylaw will be strictly enforced in the following manner:

- 1. Residents are not to block driving lanes and parking lanes with snow in any manner.**
- 2. Residents are not to place snow in the street after it has been cleaned. Individuals doing so will be given a traffic violation ticket and snow will be removed by the Town and costs charged to the individual.**
- 3. Commercial contractors doing private snow removal are not to place snow in the street.**
- 4. Snow from public and private parking lots is not to be placed in the street.**

SARCAN TO ACCEPT ELECTRONICS FEBRUARY 1, 2007:

Effective February 1, 2007, SARCAN will be accepting the following items for recycling:

Central Processing Units	Keyboards	Computer Cables
Mouses	Computer Speakers	CRT Monitors
Flat screen LCD monitors	Printers	Scanners
Combination Units	Laptop Computers	TV's including CRT's, flat panel & projection units.

There is no charge to drop these items off at SARCAN but there is no refund for these items. **PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THESE ITEMS TO SARCAN PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 1, 2007.**

SARCAN has entered into a service contract with the Sask. Waste Electronic Equipment Program to provide the citizens of Saskatchewan an easy way to recycle their old e-waste and divert it from local landfills.

LANDFILL HOURS:

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

These hours will be in effect until April 15th, 2007. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ALL LOADS GOING TO THE LANDFILL MUST BE SECURED OR TARPED TO KEEP DEBRIS FROM FALLING OFF AND LITTERING THE ROADWAYS AND DITCHES.**

FIRE HYDRANT VISABILITY:

With the recent snowfall much snow has been placed on front yards in and around fire hydrants. In order to help out our local fire department we would ask that if you have a fire hydrant located near your property, please ensure that the snow is removed from the area surrounding the hydrant thereby making them very accessible to the fire department in case the hydrant is needed.

2006 TAXES:

All taxes remaining unpaid as of December 31, 2006 have now become arrears. A 5% penalty was added to these arrears on January 1, 2007. Tax liens will be added to these properties in 2007 if the taxes remain unpaid.

2007 BUSINESS LICENSES AND DIRECT SELLER'S LICENSES:

With the new year here, anyone who purchased a 2006 Business License or Direct Seller's License and who will be carrying on business in Biggar in 2007 is required to renew their license. **License fees are payable January 1, 2007 and are in effect only for the current year.**

For further information on any of the above, please contact the Town Office at 948-3317 or email the Town at townoffice@townofbiggar.com