

TOWN OF BIGGAR

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LANDFILL HOURS:

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY
10:00 a.m. – Noon 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY
10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

SECURE AND TARP ALL LOADS!!!

COMPOSTING:

The Town will continue picking up garden compost and grass clippings in the rear lane behind your property as time permits. The public can still take their composting and grass clippings to the landfill to be placed in the composting area during the time the landfill is open to the public.

NOISE BYLAW:

With the summer season comes the outdoor construction and yard maintenance season. Under the Town's Noise Bylaw No. 93-538 in a residential zone or within 500 feet of an inhabited building **no person shall operate or allow to be operated between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. – Monday to Friday or between 10:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday or holidays, any device, including any tool or piece of equipment or machinery which is powered by an electric motor or an internal combustion engine nor shall they excavate or fill land or construct, demolish or carry on any construction of any type which involves hammering, sawing or the use of any machine or tool or equipment capable of creating a sound which may be heard beyond the boundaries of the site on which the activity is being carried out.**

No person shall use, operate or permit to be played, used or operated any radio, musical instrument, loudspeaker or other device for the producing or reproducing of sound with enough volume to annoy or disturb persons.

Fines for anyone who contravenes this Bylaw are set at not less than \$250.00 for the 1st offence and not less than \$500.00 for a second and each subsequent offence. In default of payment of these fines, a penalty of imprisonment for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days could occur.

2008 TAX PAYMENTS:

The discount period for the 2008 taxes will be over on July 31, 2008. Beginning on August 1st, 2008 a 1% penalty is added to all unpaid current taxes. A further 1% is added September 1st, October 1st, November 1st and December 1st, 2008, which accumulates to 5% by December 2008. **A further 9% penalty is added on January 1st, 2008 to all unpaid taxes.**

BUILDING PERMITS:

For anyone thinking of renovating or adding onto a house or commercial building - it is imperative that you obtain a **Development Permit and Building Permit prior to the planning on undertaking a development. These permits are REQUIRED prior to the commencement of any work or construction. Applications for these permits are available at the Town Office and approval and payment for these permits is required before commencement of any project.**

BIGGAR AQUATIC CENTRE:

Biggar Aquatic Centre is up and running until the end of August. They have a wide range of activities from swimming lessons to family swims to adult swims. Call the pool at 948-2444 for more details.

BIGGAR SUMMER DAY CAMP PROGRAM:

The Town of Biggar is again offering the Biggar Summer Day Camp Program for children between the ages of 5-12. The camp runs every afternoon from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Biggar Jubilee Stadium. The cost is \$50.00 for one child or \$80.00 for a family or there is a \$4.50 per child/per day drop in rate. Many activities are planned for each afternoon with swimming planned for Friday's.

PET CONTROL:

Residents are reminded to take good care of their pets. This includes keeping them on their property in order to control and protect them. Residents should also be aware that injuring a pet that has strayed onto their property, such as by use of a pellet gun, could result in charges being laid against them under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. Your co-operation in being a good pet owner and thoughtful neighbour is appreciated.

Another factor to remember is to clean up after your pet. With summer here much time is spent outside by many people including the many visitors to Town. Please take the time to clean up after your pet – therefore making the outdoors much more enjoyable for everyone.

LINK TO THE TOWN'S WEBSITE:

If you would like your website to be linked to the Town's, please call the Town Office at 948-3317 and leave your website address. Your address could be added to the upcoming new and improved Town's website in the very near future.

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

