



Mayor's Monthly Message

October 2024

Council extends appreciation to the 34 members of our community who made the time to attend the public hearing for the proposed new Land Use Bylaw at our October 16th meeting. A number of presentations were made by residents to provide feedback on the bylaw including free standing signage for businesses, maximum sizes of accessory buildings and the potential for Class A licensed restaurants being permitted in the Village. Members of Council now have the opportunity to bring forward amendments for debate at future meetings before the bylaw receives second and third reading. We were pleased to see a high level of engagement at the hearing as the Land Use Bylaw has broad impacts on how you enjoy and develop your property.



Administration provided information about a potential public-private partnership that could see the development of a daycare facility. Council approved a letter of intent to explore the potential of this opportunity further. Council will need to understand the terms and conditions of federal funding that would help fund the project if approved.

Council also received an update about construction work happening at the fire hall, pool and lift station. All projects are on schedule. We appreciate your patience with the noise, dust and minor disruptions in the areas around each of these construction zones. Maintaining the Village's core infrastructure is a key priority for our capital budget.

Halloween safety tips for pedestrians



Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers



Make sure your child's costume is the right size - to prevent falls and trips



Make sure drivers see you first, establish eye contact/wave before crossing the street



Watch for cars turning or pulling out of driveways and don't cross between parked cars



Accompany children younger than 12 and if your older children are going alone make sure you review the route



Eliminate distractions, keep your head up, and be alert

It will soon be time for all the pint-sized ghouls and goblins to hit the road and collect tasty treats. As sunset approaches earlier and earlier each day, please help your kids to be as visible as possible to ensure a happy and safe Halloween!

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Property crimes are often crimes of opportunity, and maintaining a nightly routine can help deter thefts.

The "9 PM Routine" is a movement followed by police services around the world, encouraging people to follow a nightly checklist to ensure their property is secured.

A general 9 PM routine checklist consists of:

- Locking your doors at night (yes, even if you live in a small town).
- Locking your garage or shed.
- Ensuring all yard tools and recreational equipment is safely stored, preferably in a locked garage or shed.
- Removing all keys from vehicles and locking the doors; securely store any off-highway vehicles.
- Consider installing a home alarm; if you already have one, set your alarm before going to sleep.
- Use motion sensor lights on the exterior of your property.

A Different Kind of Bedtime Routine...

9 pm Checklist

- ✓ Remove valuables and garage opener from vehicles
- ✓ Lock vehicle doors
- ✓ Close garage door and lock door between garage and house
- ✓ Lock doors and windows
- ✓ Switch on an exterior light
- ✓ Turn on your alarm
- ✓ Move all keys and valuables away from main doors

#9PMRoutine
Sleep Safer
Report Suspicious Activity to the RCMP 9-1-1

Something to keep in mind!

Trevor Lewington

"Don't underestimate the power of your vision to change the world. Whether that world is your office, your community, an industry or a global movement, you need to have a core belief that what you contribute can fundamentally change the paradigm or way of thinking about problems." - Leroy Hood

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