

Municipal News Port Blandford

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Property & Poll Tax Due April 30th.

Municipal Taxes & Discount Deadline

A 5% discount will be granted, only on poll and property tax if paid in full on or before April 30th.

The deadline to have arrears taxes plus 2006 property & poll tax is April 30th and the water tax is due monthly. Council encourages anyone with unpaid taxes to make the necessary arrangements to settle their account.

2006 Poll Tax Exemption - July 1

If your income from all sources for the year 2005 is less than the basic personal exemption of \$8648 you must apply before July 1st, 2006 to be exempt from 2006 poll tax. After that date you will be held liable unless a written request is made explaining the reason for the delay.

Flushing Main Water Line

May 2 - 6

On Tuesday May 2 to Saturday May 6 from 11 p.m. at night until 6 a.m. in the morning the town will be flushing the main water line and there may be some discolouration and loss of pressure. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Spring Clean Up

May 8 - 13

The week of May 8 - 13 is designated as spring clean up. If you have any items to be picked up, place them by the side of the road. Lets keep our community clean.

Forest Fire Regulations

Open or outdoor fires are not permitted during the forest fire season which is usually around Mid May to late September or as notified by Dept. of Forestry.

2 JCP Projects EI Part II

One position was for a Community Enhancement Coordinator to develop, promote, and deliver initiatives that encourage civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community participation. This position started April 10 and was filled by Julie Tucker and will last 52 weeks.

The other position was for an Education Officer to work with the Northwest River Conservation Group to develop and deliver a community-based

education and information program focused on Atlantic Salmon population of the Northwest River. This position will start on April 24 and was filled by Priscilla Pond and will last 32 weeks.

Waste Disposal Site Deadline to Stop Burning Dec/06.

After December 2006 there will be no burning at our Waste Disposal Site. Watch for future updates.

Public Meeting May 4 - Royal Canadian Legion for Future Plans

A public meeting will be held on May 4th at the Royal Canadian Legion. The topic will be waste disposal in our town as it relates to recycling and composting. As of December 31, 2006 there will be no further burning at our waste disposal site so we all must make an effort to keep waste disposal costs as low as possible.

If you are interested in purchasing a composter please notify the Town Office at 543-2170 and place your order.

Watch for future updates on this important issue.

Thank You For Adopting a Hydrant

The Town would like to thank anyone who adopted an hydrant and kept it cleared from snow. It was greatly appreciated.

Fire Dept's 16th Janeway Telethon

On Sunday, May 7th the Fire Dept. will be holding their 16th annual telethon from 1 p.m. - 7 p.m. Anyone wishing to participate by giving a pledge, doing a skit, singing, etc. please notify the Fire Dept. In the past fifteen years we have raised approximately \$52,340.90.

The Janeway Foundation will only issue receipts for donations of \$10.00 or more.

This year we will also be accepting donations prior to the telethon. They can be dropped off at the Town Hall. Cheques or money orders may be made payable to Janeway or to the Port Blandford Fire Department. Cash donations will also be received. Please support this worthwhile cause.

Recreation Assoc.

The Recreation Association would like to thank everyone who supported us with our dance-a-thon. Also, we are having a community dance on April 29th at the Royal Canadian Legion with music by Barry Lewis. We are also selling tickets to be drawn on May 15. The money raised will be to put a concrete foundation down for our community rink.

Please keep saving your Sobey's receipts, we get a \$1.00 for every \$500.00 worth of receipts collected. You can drop them off to any recreation member or at the Town Hall. Thank you for your support.

New Fire Truck

Our new fire truck should be here sometime in June. The Port Blandford Fire Department have already raised approximately \$30,000.00 towards the truck and will continue to raise funds until the truck is paid for. All donations are greatly appreciated. They can be dropped off to any member of the fire department or at the Town Hall. The Officers and Members of the Fire Department would like to thank everyone for their ongoing support with their fundraisers.