



Village of Ferintosh



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2009 Dog Tags Now Available

For all dog owners in the Village, please drop by the Village office as soon as possible to pick up your new dog tags for 2009. According to Village Bylaw # 552, residents of Ferintosh who own any dog aged six (6) months or older shall obtain a license from the Village Office.

Fees are : for spayed/neutered dogs - \$15.00; and
for non-spayed/non-neutered dogs - \$40.

Residents are also reminded that no more than two dogs shall be permitted per residence, unless the dogs in excess of the limit are under 6 weeks of age and are the offspring of a licensed dog residing at the same residence.

Paper/Cardboard Recycling To Stop 1 April

Due to rapidly escalating costs of pick-up service, Centra Cam will no longer be collecting cardboard or newspapers from the Village, effective April 1 2009.

Unless the County institutes a new program right away, your only option for recycling newspaper and cardboard after March 27th will be to take it into the main Centra Cam location in Camrose.

The Village will close our recycling shed on Friday March 27th in order to have a final pick-up.

Garbage Collection

Residents are again reminded to please **not** to place your garbage out for collection until Tuesday morning, or Monday evening at the latest. There have been several recent incidents of garbage being placed out in the laneways days before pick-up, with the resulting mess created by "critters" feasting on the refuse being left out for all to see. And another reminder please to ensure that all garbage is properly bagged and preferably secured in receptacles (i.e. cans or pails).

For the majority of residents - thank you for your care and attention. For those few who aren't quite as diligent, the responsibility for any mess from garbage strewn about by animals remains with the landowner. Your cooperation and assistance in the future would be greatly appreciated.

Events & Important Dates

Council Meetings

January 14 - Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm
February 11 - Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm

Hi-U Centre regular events:

Coffee every morning
Floor curling Mondays and Fridays at 2:00 pm

Meter Readings

The last meter readings were taken on December the 30th. This is the second month with the new system and in general consumption per capita seems to be way down from the initial billings in November. As with any new system, time is needed to "work out the bugs". Council will review the water rates in a few months to ensure that the current charges are fair and reasonable. Please review your water bills and call the Village office if you have any questions.

Utility bills can be paid at the Village Office or at the ATB Financial branch in the General Store. The Village office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Closed for lunch.

Dress Your Kids for the School Bus !

The recent cold snap has caused us all to be more aware of the dangers of not dressing properly. We know how hard it is for some high school kids to comply with the policy of having proper winter attire. Please remind your children to have with them coats, toques and gloves / mitts in case of an emergency. There was a recent incident of a student boarding a school bus without a coat - not a good idea! Battle River School Division policy is quite clear - **"All students riding on school buses or other Board approved vehicles during winter months shall be required to wear/have available winter footwear, outerwear, headwear and gloves/mitts."** Further - "the principal shall contact the parent of the student immediately to request that the student be properly dressed in future and to advise that, if the cooperation of the parent and student is not received, school bus transportation may be suspended. Once suspended, bus riding privileges shall only be reinstated if the student adheres to the winter dress procedure."

This only makes sense - please be aware and care!