

VILLAGE OF VILNA



Newsletter MARCH 2020

COUNCIL MEETINGS

A few interesting items were discussed at the last Council meeting.

- **Debbie Hackman** was sworn in as the new CAO of the Village.
- Council has been considering changing their Regular Council meetings to 10:00 a.m. rather than 7:00 p.m. They're also considering changing the meeting days from the 3rd Monday to the 3rd Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be **Monday, March 16th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**
- Council has received some requests to consider allowing back yard chickens. (up to 5 hens only) *Your comments on this proposal would be valued. There are general rules that are being considered, such as the location of the chicken house, the disposal of manure, safety of the animals with regard to predators and weather. And of course, the consent of adjacent neighbours.*
- The Municipal Government Act, the legislation that provides the guidelines for all municipalities, has been amended over the past few years. The major theme is "Regionalization and Partnerships". We are required to create regional agreements that include Emergency Services, Economic Development, Intermunicipal Collaboration frameworks, as well as Community Partnership Grant Programs.
- The province has begun a review of the Local Government Elections Act. They are looking at:
 - *Campaign period length*
 - *Nomination process*
 - *Campaign financing*
 - *Third-party advertising*
 - *Recall of municipally elected officials.*

**Some things are
better left unsaid.**

**Unfortunately
I often realize this
after I've said them.**

THE LIBRARY IS EXTENDING THEIR HOURS ... TRIAL BASIS

5431 – 50th Street (N. end Main St.)

The Library has had requests to extend their hours, so

for the Month of APRIL only

the Library will be open on

Tuesdays and Thursdays

2:30p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

& Sat 12pm to 4pm

If you take advantage of these extra hours it may become permanent. It's up to you ...

Computers & Internet - 780-636-2077

Library Manager is Mandy Odynski

DID YOU KNOW THAT WE ONLY HAVE 5 DOGS IN TOWN.? That's all that are registered. Only a few responsible pet owners have bothered to get their dogs license. Dogs must be kept on a leash.

A liscence allows us to locate you if your dog is caught at-large. It also indicates that you are a responsible dog owner and care about your pet. We require that all dogs in the Village are innoculated for parvo and rabies. Licenses cost \$10.00 per year.

A MESSAGE FROM Sgt. Chan, RCMP

- "In an effort to promote community safety, the RCMP would like to remind the public to be part of crime prevention in the county and action the following to deter theft and to mitigate trespassing:
- **remove keys and valuables from locked vehicles,**
- do not leave vehicles running with keys in the ignition and remove license plates from unused vehicles.
- Public is encouraged to secure your residences and property.
- Do not engage with unknown persons, but report suspicious persons/vehicles/activities to the police as soon as possible.
- Be an active member of your community and join the Rural Crime Watch or Bellis/Vilna Citizens on Patrol programs."

**RCMP – 780-656-3550 DAYS
780-656-3691 AFTER HOURS
EMERGENCIES – 911**

Hope Mission is open every Thursday from 12:00-5:00pm

At 5035 - 52 Avenue, Vilna
Gently used clothing, household items, and some food items are available if you need them.

Life always offers you a second chance. It's called tomorrow.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
Thursday afternoon at Hope Mission
3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
Everyone Welcome

SPRING WILL SOON BE UPON US.

Along with spring comes muddy back alleys, so....

- **FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH AND APRIL**
- garbage will be picked up on the front street.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING (cardboard, metals, compost (separated)) pickup is on Wednesdays -

Items for pickup must be out for 8am.

GARBAGE MUST BE IN PROPER GARBAGE BAGS IN A SECURE CONTAINER!

Vilna Transfer Station (dump) is west about a mile west on the north village boundary road #594.

Open Tuesday and Saturday 9am to 5pm.

The Seniors Recreation Centre - offers many varied activities for seniors all year round.

"To be OLD AND WISE, you first must be young and stupid."

NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS

MONDAY, March 16th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

THURSDAY April 16th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m..

DON'T FORGET TO READ YOUR WATER METER at the end of each month and **phone the reading to the Village Office 780-636-3620** & leave a message. *Thank you.*

*One of our clients got a credit of nearly \$300.00 by sending in their reading. **This could be you!** We might of overestimated your reading.*

BUSINESS LICENSES ARE DUE TO BE RENEWED \$10.00 PER YEAR

PORKY'S SIDESTREET CAFÉ

780-636-2506

Monday to Friday - 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday & Sundays - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

HAIR BY CHRIS

at the Vilna Pool Hall

Hours: Tues., Wed., Thursday 12 - 4

Monday and Friday by appointment only

Text or call Chris at 587-590-9577

"COOKIES KOZY KAFE"

AT CORNER OF Highway 28 and 52nd Street
Open daily (closed Thursdays) 1-825-840-2000

VILNA BOTTLE DEPOT - Hours vary.

For information call 587-789-0973

D & E GROCERIES

5027 - 50 Street

780-636-3570

VILNA REGISTRIES

5004 - 50 Street

780-636-3505

VILNA PHARMACY

5012 - 50 Street

780-636-3550

ATB AGENCY & Cyr's Gifts

5112 - 50 St

780-636-3666

VILNA LIQUOR STORE

5015 - 50 Street

LAKESIDE SERVICE

4911 - 49 Avenue

780-636-3519

Village Office:

Phone: 780-636-3620, Fax: 780-636-3022
email: vilna@mcsnet.ca webpage: vilna.ca

Address: Box 10, Vilna AB T0A 3L0
5135 - 50th Street

Doors are open Tuesdays & Thursdays 1-4pm

Mondays & Wednesdays, **please call ahead.**

Closed Fridays

The Village website has a lot of information you may need, such as forms, Minutes, Bylaws, event information, local news. Consider checking the home page now and then for updates and information.