TOWN OF REIDVILLE

Community Newsletter

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June 2003

YOUTH SOFTBALL

The summer youth softball program is scheduled to begin June 16th and June 17th. On Monday evenings beginning at about 6:30 p.m. for the oldest team (Team C) for youth who will be 12 before the end of Dec 31/03 or in the grades 7-12. Tuesday nights will be for teams A & B. Team A is intended for youth from Kindergarten to Grade 3 and team B is intended for students from Grade 4 to 6. The first practice and registration will take place on Tuesday, June 17th beginning at 6:30 for Team A and 7:15 for team B.

NOTE: VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED. To date there are no coaches for Team A. If at least four parents or guardians do not come forward to help our youngest team, it will not be able to go forward. If you can commit some time to our youth, please contact one of the three listed below BEFORE June 17th. It will be unfortunate if we cannot offer this sport to our youngest players this season because we could not get enough public support.

For more information, please contact either:

Calvin Bradley 635-3261
Bruce Curlew 635-5579

Kimberly Reid 635-5232 (office)

FLUSHING FIRE HYDRANTS

Please mark your calendar. The Reidville Volunteer Fire Department will be flushing the towns fire hydrants on SATURDAY JUNE 14TH FOR THE WHOLE DAY. Please note that there may be some silt or air in your line after the flushing process.

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Council has received approval to hire four students for seven weeks at 30 hours per week. Any student from Reidville who has already applied for school in the fall is welcome to drop their resume off to the council office on or before June 20th at 2 pm. Selection will be made the week of June 23-27 with employment beginning June 30th. Level I-III students are welcome to apply as well however graduates and university students will come first in the selection process.

When you drop off your resume, please also drop off a copy of your letter from a post secondary institution stating that you have applied for September 2003.

HORSES

Owners or riders of horses are asked to keep them off of the softball field and playground. In recent weeks, there has been problems with manure on the softball field making it hazardous for players.

There have also been some complaints throughout town about horse droppings. Please clean up behind you animals. It is so beautiful to see these wonderful animals walking leisurely through our town however please be considerate of other residents and help keep the manure off of the roadways and walkways. Thank you.

BOIL ORDER

The town of Reidville is currently operating under a "Boil Order Advisory" as of Wednesday, June 4th. This is expected to be a temporary order due to Deer Lake having to shut down their chlorination system for a couple of hours on June 3rd. We are currently waiting for the Department of Health to inform us we can life the order which is expected real soon.

BOWLING ALLEY

As of June 30th, the Deer Lake Bowling Alley will be closed for the summer. Start up date for the fall is anticipated to be about the time that school begins for the 2003-2004 season. For more information, please contact Junior Pinksen at 635-3669

SWIMMING

The Deer Lake Swimming pool summer hours are as such:

Lessons will run this summer in 2 time blocks. Each block contains eight lessons. Lessons will be 2 days a week for four weeks. Due to some Holidays, some of the Monday classes will be held on Friday of the same week. Dates for the blocks are as follows:

Block One: July 8-31 Block Two: August 4-28

| Time | Monday/Wednesday | Tuesday/Thursday |
|----------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2:30-3:3 | 0 | Levels 1, 3, 4, 11/12 |
| 3:30-4:3 | 0 Levels 1, 3, 5, 7/8 | Levels 2, 4, 6, 7/8 |
| 4:30-5:3 | 0 Levels 2, 4, 6, 9/10 | Level 1, 3, 5 & Aqua |
| | | Tots |

The cost for eight swimming lessons is \$32.00 each. All lessons are one hour with 45 minutes of instruction and 15 minutes of play time.

Registration for lessons will take place on Wednesday, July 2 from 6-8 pm. Spaces will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment will be due at time of registration. Summer schedule for Rec Swim and Family Swims are as Follows (for July and August only):

Recreation Swim:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Monday, Thursday

Saturday, Sunday

Sunday

2:30-3:30 pm

6-7 pm

3-4 pm

7:30-8:30 pm

Family Swim: (parents must accompany children)

Tuesday, Thursday11-12 noonMonday, Wednesday7:30-8:30 pmSaturday, Sunday4:30-5:30 pm

PLAN AMENDMENT

The town of Reidville is proposing to amend the Reidville Municipal Plan and Development Regulations to accommodate mixed development (residential and commercial) along Reidville Road from the Viking Trail to Rocky Brook and then from Reidville Road to the Insectarium. The initial plans to amend the area from Rocky Brook Road to the Humber River from Agricultural to Mixed Development has been turned down by the Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods. The town is still working on the proposed development of an RV Park and Inn for this region however the zoning will remain Agricultural with the addition of Convenience Store as a discretionary use for this area being added. Any person(s) requiring more information or having questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the council office from 9 am to 3 pm daily.

FAX, PHOTOCOPIES & TOWN PINS

Photocopies are available at the council office for \$.25 each. If you have over 25 copies, then your cost decreases to \$.15 each.

Fax service is available for a small fee of a \$1.00 to send or receive a fax (however if we are covering the long distance call, it will cost you an extra \$1.00 to send). This price is based on a four page fascmile. Additional pages are \$.25 each.

Town pins are available at a cost of \$2.99 each.

PERMITS

Residents are reminded that before beginning any construction on their property, to drop by the council office first for a permit. If you are intending to build a garage, shed or patio (basically changing the size or structure of your property), then drop by about a month before you intend to begin construction.

NOTE: Arrears from prior years has to be paid in full before any permits to develop can be issued. This is a council policy.

WATER CUT OFF NOTICES

As of July 2, 2003 the town will begin serving delinquent accounts with disconnection of service notices. As well any account not able to be disconnected from water will either have one of the following take place:

- wages tapped for poll tax arrears
- account sent to collection agency

- account registered with small claims court.
- rent garnished from rented homes.

If your account is not up to date or if you have been irregular paying your account, please note that June 30th is the due date for all accounts with the town. If you are unsure of the status of your account, please contact the council office immediately and save yourself from an uncomfortable situation.

TAX COLLECTION

As of Tuesday, June 10th the town's current year tax collection rate stands at 75.39% up from 73.32% at the same time last year. Our arrears are down slightly from the same time last year. Currently they stand at 98.28% - last year they were 98.59%.

It is imperative that the town bring all accounts up to date and soon! The town requires all tax dollars to balance our books. If you have had an agreement with council and you are not honoring your agreement - we will not be calling you to remind you, but instead will have no choice but to take further action.

It is unfortunate that council finds itself in a situation where not all residents are as diligent in keeping their accounts up to date. Some residents are so reliable in paying on their accounts, we can set our clocks by them - others have to be called and called and repeated requests to meet go unheeded.

Tax collection is the life blood of your town - we never know when an unforseen expense may occur. Just this past week, the town discovered a problem with a fire hydrant. This hydrant had to be replaced - a cost of \$1350.00 that was not budgeted for!

Everyone has to do their part. Please do not get upset when or if a notice is delivered to your door stating that you will be losing your water service - it is not council's fault that you do not have your account up to date...please take heed. We all have to pay our property, water, business and or poll taxes - there are no exceptions. Thank you for your understanding.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

| Doctor on Call1-800-261-0741 |
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| Fire Alarm635-5600 |
| RCMP635-2173 |
| Ambulance635-3020 |
| Newfoundland Power1-800-474-5711 |

Have a Safe & Happy Summer!