

TOWN OF REIDVILLE

Community Newsletter

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2004 YEAR IN REVIEW

A Review of 2004

JANUARY

- Council announced that through financial assistance, they have purchased a 2004 Chev ½ Ton Pick-Up on a 80%-20% cost sharing ratio with the town having to pay \$7373.58 for the \$33,057.60 vehicle.
- Winners in Santa Claus Parade were:
 - 1st Paul & Bonnie Reid
 - 2nd Headline Holsteins
 - 3rd Melvin and Mae Ball

FEBRUARY

- Karen Moss was the lucky winner of the Volunteer Fire Department's Valentine's Basket Draw
- Fire Department looking for Volunteers
- Residents reminded that while riding horses after dark, to please wear reflectors.

MARCH

- Council purchases new street signs for all town by-roads.
- Recreation Committee and Fire Dept jointly start monthly Prize Bingo.

APRIL

- Council holds Volunteer Appreciation Social in honor of Volunteer Appreciation Week.
- Feline leukemia found in animal in Reidville - pet owners asked to be on alert.

MAY

- Spring clean up set for May 20-21 & May 24-25
- Water Lines flushed May 17th
- Youths spotted doing some destructive damage to town's mail boxes - RCMP alerted.
- Council receives final payment on monies owed to the town due to the fraud case against former town clerk - Gail King.
- SPCA holds coloring contest - youth encouraged to participate

JUNE

- Town announces plans to erect "Sandy Reid Memorial Lookout" across from Forest Road and the home that Sandy and Florence raised their family in. Sandy was one of the town's original pioneers and passed away in October 2003.
- Canada Day activities set for July 1
- Residents encouraged to remove wreck vehicles from their property.
- Recreation purchase new piece of playground equipment - a digger at an approximate cost of \$800.00.
- Youth Softball program gets underway
- Current year tax collection rate is 68.77%.

JULY

- Permit for new convenience store at Rex and Colleen Elms' home on Forest Road is approved.
- Summer Youth Recreation Program is set to run from July 19-Aug 6th.
- Residents are reminded to tie their

garbage bags instead of leaving them on the corner open.

- Tax collection rate for current year taxes is at 78.71%

AUGUST

No newsletter or meeting set for August due to town clerk/manager being out of office due to illness.

SEPTEMBER

- Construction on Sandy’s Lookout has to be postponed until Spring 2005.
- Plans begin for annual Food Bank-Food Drive in aid of needy families.
- Five residents of Reidville take part in “Relay for Life” in aid of Cancer Research. They are Helen Reid, Kimberly Reid, Mary Reid, Hilda Rumbolt and Brenda Bridger
- Town’s recycling program in aid of youth softball and youth programming in the town netted the youth \$300.00 for 2004.
- Tax collection rate for current year taxes is at 87.57%.

OCTOBER

- 26TH Annual Firemen’s Ball is set for November 6th. It’s the 30th Anniversary of the Fire Dept in Reidville.
- Fire Prevention week is celebrated from October 4-8 with residents reminded to change the batteries in their smoke detectors.
- Recreation Committee hold Teen and Pre-Teen Halloween dances.
- Tax collection rate for current year is set at 88.63%

NOVEMBER

- Fire Department honor two Volunteer Fire Dept members with 30 years of service - Eric Reid and Arthur Reid have been with the department since it’s inception!
- First time in history - there is a tie for Fireman of the year at the fireman’s ball -

Kerry Anstey and Alvin Fudge share the honors of being chosen by their fellow fire fighters as “Fireman of the Year”.

- Council and the Fire Department announce that the former treasurer of the Volunteer Fire Department has admitted to stealing funds from the Fire Dept. The RCMP were contacted and the books were turned over to the town’s auditor. The treasurer has since been dismissed from his position with both the Fire Dept. and Chairperson of the Recreation Committee. No further information is available until the investigation is complete. Council implored with residents to not hold this incident against the remaining faithful 14 members of the department.
- Fun Darts begin in the Community Hall on Friday evenings.
- Tax collection rate for current year stands at 89.42%.

DECEMBER

- Budget for 2005 is announced with one reduction in taxes and all others staying status quo. Council is pleased to announce that the poll tax will be reduced to \$250.00 per year from \$300.00 per year. Total expenditures and revenue for 2005 is budgeted at \$261,780.00 for a balanced budget.
- New Year’s ball is set.
- RCMP list concerns about snowmobile use in the town and minors driving them.
- Broadband High Speed Internet is expected to be in Reidville by April 2005.
- Tax Collection for current year’s taxes is at 91.65%.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Doctor on Call-----1-800-261-0741
 Fire Alarm-----635-5600
 RCMP-----635-2173
 Ambulance-----635-3020
 Newfoundland Power-----1-800-474-5711
 Council Office-----635-5232