



BARNWELL BLURB

May/June 2018

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Village of Barnwell Declared Local State of Emergency

On April 17, 2018, Village of Barnwell Council declared a Local State of Emergency due to a threat to critical infrastructure from overland flooding. Village of Barnwell Staff are actively engaged with the Municipal District of Taber staff and representatives from Alberta Environment and Parks regarding overland flooding in and near our community. Work to prevent damage to Village property is ongoing and we appreciate the cooperation and assistance Barnwell residents are offering at this important time. All normal function in the Village are working fine and there is no danger to water quality or other municipal services. Any changes in this emergency situation will be posted on our website at www.barnwell.ca.

BARNWELL PIONEER DAYS

Our increasingly popular Pioneer Day Celebrations are scheduled to be held Friday, July 20th and Saturday, July 21st, 2018. In order to be able to continue with this very large-scale event, **WE NEED YOUR HELP**. We appreciate those who have volunteered in previous years, but we need more volunteers to plan, organize and run our celebration. SO, please, please, please email the village office at barnwell@barnwell.ca or phone at 403-223-4018 or contact one of your Village Council members if you would be willing to help out in any way. We simply cannot continue to run this event without your help. As plans progress, details of the Pioneer Days Celebrations will be published in The Blurb and posted on the Village website (www.barnwell.ca), and around town.

Spring Cleanup

On May 26th, 2018 the Village of Barnwell will pay your tipping fees for unbaggage household garbage that you haul to the Taber Transfer Station. This does not include any construction garbage or trees, branches etc. (You will be required to give your name and street address for ID) You are required to sort your garbage at the site. If you do not, you will be billed for the penalty incurred. Please note that the Taber Transfer/Landfill Site has a compost pile which is free of charge (just before you go on the scales at the Transfer site.) We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this site and be environmentally responsible. Please note that your bags of compostable materials must be dumped out at this site.

Recycling Rate Fee Increase

Effective, May 1, 2018, the recycle fee rate will increase from \$7.50 to \$10.00 per month. Due to a cutback in grant revenue, Council will no longer be able to subsidize our recycle service. We appreciate your support of this program. The Curbside recycling company has indicated that our volumes are increasing, particularly with cardboard.

Please note that if you have put out any items for recycling that are not recyclable, they will be left on your curb. If you are uncertain what is recyclable, please pick up a list from the Village office. There are times when it becomes necessary for the Curbside recycling truck to pick up your large cardboard items at the end of the route, so please leave your cardboard on you curbside until the truck makes its way back to pick up the large cardboard.

2018 Tax Notices

A brief reminder that your property tax notices will be issued by June 15th, 2018 and are **due by July 31st**, unless you are on our Tax Monthly Installment Plan.

Financial Statements

The Village of Barnwell Financial Statements for the year ending December 31st, 2017 are available for viewing at the Village office.

Council Meeting

May Regular meeting of Council will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

June Regular meeting of Council will be held on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Meetings are held in Council Chambers, 612 Heritage Road.

Municipal Planning Commission meetings are held prior to Council meetings on an as needed basis. All meetings are open to the public.