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2017 TAX & UTILITY PAYMENTS

Payments on 2017 tax and utility accounts must be received in our office by 4:00 pm, Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018 to avoid 2018 penalties and interest. Payments received on or after January 3rd, 2018 will be applied against applicable penalties and interest charges. *SORRY, POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED AS DATE OF PAYMENT.*

2018 LICENCES

2018 Dog Licences and Commercial Vehicle decals will go on sale Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018. They will not be sold on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018. Business Licence renewal notices will be mailed out the first part of January.

ARENA HOURS OF OPERATION

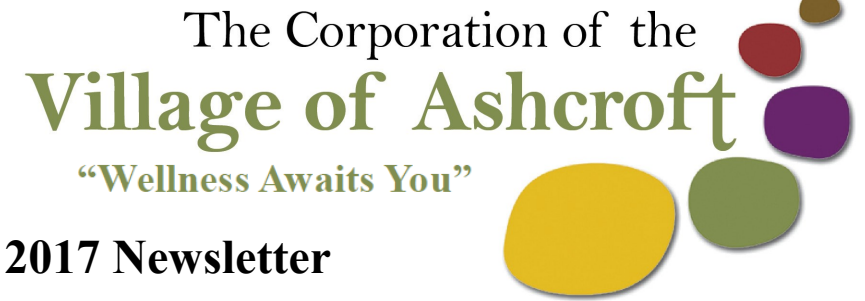
The Drylands Arena will be closed between December 18 and January 1. However we are pleased to offer **free public skating** on December 23, 27, 28, 29, 30 and January 2, 3, 4 and 5 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Regular arena scheduling resumes on Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018. Please call the arena at 250-453-9545 to confirm schedule. In the event of snowfalls or other emergency these public skating times may be cancelled.

2018 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Copies of the Village of Ashcroft Council meetings for 2018 are available at the Village office during regular office hours or can be viewed on our website at www.ashcroftbc.ca/council_meeting_schedule

Your Mayor and Council:

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December 2017 Newsletter



Mayor Jeyes & Council would like to wish each and every one of you a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season!!

Community Update

Mayor Jeyes and Council would like to take a few minutes of your time to tell you about a number of things they have been working on as well as some community events:

- Council received a delegation from Debra Arnott, Community Futures Sun Country, with an update on wildfire recovery support programs.
- Council received a delegation from Lewis Kinvig, President of TCMHA, with an summary of the Canucks Learn to Play Weekend.
- Council resolved to advertise in the Legion Military Service Recognition Book.
- Council provided a letter of support for TRU Student Union's request for a review of provincial funding.
- Council resolved to take part in Roger's Radio 2018 Summer Promotional Opportunity.

2018: Make Your New Years Resolution to be More Involved!

Local Governments are considered by many to be the most accountable and accessible form of government found in Canada. The reason is that a Mayor and Council members are generally made up of members of your community; possibly even people living on your street.

You can be more involved in the governance of your community in many ways, such as: attending Council meetings or reading Council Minutes found on the Village website; join a Committee of Council; present to Council on a topic that matters to you at a Committee of the Whole Meeting (COTW) - COTW meetings usually take place on the fourth Monday of each month.

2018 brings another opportunity to be involved; have you considered running for Mayor or Council? If this is something that interests you, stop in to the Village Office and speak to Village staff for more information about running for office. Staff are happy to outline what is involved with being a Village Council member, serving your community in this capacity, and what you need to know in order to become a candidate. Alternatively you can review the provincial guide on running for Local Government Office by visiting the following website: http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/library/election2014/Candidate%27s_Guide.pdf

Upcoming Community Events

January 2—Village office reopens after the Holiday break.

January 2—2017 taxes are due in the Village Office by 4 pm to avoid late penalties and interest.

January 3—2018 Dog licenses and commercial vehicle decals are available for purchase.

January 8—Regular Meeting of Council, Everyone is welcome!

January 22—Committee of the Whole at 6 pm and Regular Council Meeting at 7 pm. Everyone welcome.

Thank you for cooperating with the Village Traffic Bylaw

The Village would like to thank all residents who were contacted regarding vehicles, trailers, and other items being parked on Village street shoulders for over 30 days. Your cooperation by addressing the issue is greatly appreciated. Staff will continue to monitor the situation in 2018 and address portions of the Village not yet patrolled. So far, compliance to the Bylaw requests has been nearly 100%. Again, thank you for your cooperation and your commitment to keeping Ashcroft a respectful and pleasant place to live.

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OFFICE CLOSURE AND GARBAGE COLLECTION

The Village Office will be closed from noon on Friday, December 22nd, 2017 until 8:00 am Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018.

As December 26th is a statutory holiday for the public works department, **Tuesday garbage collection will be moved to WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27.** To ensure that you are not missed, please have your garbage to the curb by 8:00 am. Regular Tuesday collection resumes on January 2, 2018. There are no changes required to the Friday collection route except to ensure that your garbage is at the curb by 8:00 am.

TNRD BUILDING INSPECTOR

The TNRD Building Inspector may be in Ashcroft on Tuesday, December 19th. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2018. Please call the TNRD office directly at 1-877-377-8673 if you have any questions regarding inspections.

