November 2023

Town of Watson

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Your Town Tomorrow!



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OFFICE HOURS

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

ADMINISTRATION

Lani Best Melissa Chegus Kim Mitchell

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TOWN COUNCIL

MAYOR Norma Weber

COUNCILORS
Mike Brost
Aron Friesen
Glenn Pastl
Rebecca Paszt
Lindsey Sobchyshyn
Jeff Turchyn

COUNCIL MEETINGS

2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

MAYOR HOURS

2nd Monday of each month at 1:30 pm

November 2, 2023 will be our LAST day for compost pick up.

Please don't forget to download the Voyent Alert! App, or call the office to register for text or email notification. Enrolling in this will ensure that you are always notified of current events in a timely manner. Stop by the office if you require assistance or have any questions. We would love to help you.

Quill Plains Health Care Foundation: Thank you to everyone who supported the recent BBQ sponsored by Midway Co-op on their Grand Reopening, and for their \$100,000 commitment to a new level 4 care home for this region. We have also had a very successful run on prepaid Gift Cards from Midway Co-op and Sobeys. For every card we sell, the Health Foundation receives 10% from Co-op and 5% from Sobeys. These cards make excellent Christmas gifts – good at any Co-op in Saskatchewan. Everyone needs fuel and food, so we look forward to your continued support. The cards come in \$50 and \$100 denominations and are available for purchase at the Watson Town Office.

We are bringing Jess Moskaluke back to her ancestral home on November 30, 2023 for a fundraising concert. For those of you fortunate enough to have purchased a ticket, you are in for a treat! There will be a cash bar, snacks for purchase and an opportunity to donate to this very important cause. There will be a Smokie on a Bun in the Civic Center Lobby prior to the concert – sponsored by Quill Creek Farms – they are providing all the supplies as well as the volunteers. All proceeds from Smokie sales will go towards the Quill Plains Health Care Foundation Project.

Please help us show Jess and her crew some great small town hospitality. We do not have city amenities – we have so much more.

Snow Removal: Please keep your vehicles off the streets as much as possible. Your cooperation enables us to do a better job removing snow for you.

Our staff has been trimming trees in the alleys to prepare for snow removal, please ensure anything you store in your back yard does not stick out into the alley to prevent any damage to equipment or personal items.

Remember: Winter hours start at the Transfer station – they are now closed Mondays.

Watson and District Heritage Museum: The Museum opened on July 4, with 2 Watson Graduates, Emery Sobchyshyn and Hailey Chegus employed as our curators. The students developed new summer programs for children's activities and set up new displays guided by their creative skills. They posted pictures taken from the "Watson Witness" on the Museum Facebook page attracting numerous followers hosing interest in what our museum had to share with the outside world. Our summer season closed on August 28, 2023. Following our closure, the Museum hosted a House Concert with entertainers Richard Inman & Zachary Lucky on Sunday September 24. The event was well attended and we would like to send a huge thank you to Splendor Gardens of Watson for sponsoring the evening. With the intent of having a few more House Concerts and seasonal displays at the museum, we will be hosting tow Mike Plume Concerts on October 27 and 28. We will have a theme display in conjunction with Remembrance Day. For the week prior the Museum will be accessible for tours by scheduled appointments by calling Judy @ 306-287-9401.

Our next project will be the Christmas display for "Santa Claus Day" weekend of December 1^{st} and 2^{nd} . There will be opportunities for tours and photo ops. We will keep you posted on all of the upcoming events.

We thank you for your continued support and helping us organize a successful and exciting Museum in our community.

Hedge Trimming- this is often missed in back alleys and along sidewalks. Please keep your hedges neat and tidy by trimming them yearly.

What's Up Watson??

We have started work on our new Official Community Plan in collaboration with the Villages of Englefeld and Quill Lake. We are partnering with CASA BOLDT Consulting to provide the guidance and development of the final plans. I have paper copies of a survey we need your feedback on. Please stop by the office to get one. You can also just scan this QR code and complete it online.



Your input will help us create the best planning for you.

We continue to work with the City of Humboldt to form a Regional Emergency Measures organization. We are currently seeking funding to help us hire a Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator. There are currently 14 municipalities working together on this venture.

In collaboration with Englefeld, Quill Lake and the RM of Lakeside we are getting ready to open our New2You store here in Watson. If you are willing to volunteer and help us out, please stop by the office and sign up. We will need volunteers for all stages of the project, and will especially need your continued support to keep the store running. All revenues from this store will be distributed back to the participating municipalities, helping to improve our communities.

With Christmas Season on the way, don't forget to light up Watson to show your Christmas Spirit after Remembrance day! We are the Santa town after all!!

PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

> Librarian Val McLean

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

306.287.3642

REACT

306.682.1955

LANDFILL

Winter Hours:

Monday (May-Oct)

3:00 PM -7:00 PM

Wednesday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Garbage Pick Up Every Second Wednesday 7:00 am

Watson & District Heritage Museum

Off Season Bookings Call Judy 306-287-9401

New to Watson? Want to meet people and get involved??

Call the Office

Fun Fact

Coca-cola helped shape the image of Santa. In 1931 the company collaborated with illustrator Hayden Sundblom. From 1931 to 1964 Sundblom's illustrations were used in commercials in which Santa would deliver presents and pause for a moment to enjoy a coke. This Santa image became a global icon, and his artwork is featured in art museums.