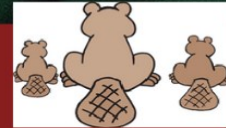




DECEMBER 31, 2024

TOWN OF BEAVERLODGE

Beaver Tails News



Council Corner

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Next Council Meeting and

Committee of the Whole:

January 13, 2025

January 27, 2025

6pm - Committee of the

Whole

7pm - Council Meeting

Christmas Craze 2024: A Heartwarming Celebration of Community Spirit

Another successful Christmas Craze has come and gone, and once again, the Town of Beaverlodge showcased why small-town living truly shines during the holiday season. This annual event, organized by the Beaverlodge Chamber, brought the community together on December 6, 2024, for a night filled with festive cheer and family-friendly fun.

Local businesses opened their doors late into the evening, offering discounts, prizes, and holiday treats. Families enjoyed visits from Santa and the Grinch, adding smiles and laughter to the occasion. The Town's beloved mascot, Beaverly, made a special appearance at the Christmas Light Show held at the campground, where members of Town Council joined in handing out candy to excited children. The generosity of this amazing little community was once again on full display, with many donations made to the Beaverlodge Food Bank. Seeing so many families come together to support local businesses and those in need was truly heartwarming.

To close out the evening, the Beaverlodge Elks, with help from the Beaverlodge Fire Department, wowed attendees with a spectacular hour-long fireworks display. The show was a special tribute to the Elks' 90th year of service in Beaverlodge, marking a milestone in their long-standing commitment to the community.

Events like Christmas Craze are a true reflection of what makes Beaverlodge so special. The holiday season brings out the very best in our town, and this year's celebration was no exception. Thank you to everyone who participated, supported, and contributed to making Christmas Craze 2024 a magical evening to remember.



Photo Credit: Austin Payer

SEASON'S GREETINGS

A Message From The Mayor

Well, another year has passed and we are looking back at the successes of the Town and looking forward to what next year will bring.

It was a fairly normal year – with the overlay program on 5th Avenue as well as the sidewalk additions on 11th Street and 2nd Avenue – increasing mobility and adding safer walking spaces for pedestrians. The Town also invested nearly a million dollars into the pumping station at the raw water reservoir.

From Town staff mowing, cleaning streets and the ongoing maintenance of infrastructure to the endless programs from the Recreation and FCSS departments, these things continue to add to the fabric of our community.

Highlighting the year was the announcement of our Health Care Facility and the subsequent public meeting. This brought the emergency care to the forefront and delivered the message loud and clear to AHS. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to our Doctors, our CAO Jeff Johnston, AHS and Minister LaGrange for bringing this to a successful end.

Looking forward to the new year and the start of construction for this incredible new health care facility, as well as more in our overlay and walkability programs.

In closing I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and all the best in the New Year.

Mayor Gary Rycroft





TIME TO RENEW YOUR PET & BUSINESS LICENSES

All dogs and cats within the Town of Beaverlodge must be licensed. Licenses are valid for the calendar year only. Existing licenses will expire December 31, 2024. Licenses for 2025 must be purchased by January 31, 2025.

BUSINESS LICENSES: All businesses require a license in Beaverlodge. Existing Business Licenses will expire December 31, 2024. 2025 licenses must be purchased before January 31, 2025.



GARBAGE COLLECTION

Garbage and recycling pick-up this holiday season will remain unchanged. Garbage pick-up will be Thursday, December 26th. Recycling pick-up will be on Monday, December 30th. Prairie Disposal will **NOT** be picking up Christmas trees.

2025 Magnetic Garbage Calendars: For those that receive their utility bill by e-mail, please come down to the Town Office (400 - 10th Street) to pick up your new fridge magnet. We are open Monday - Friday from 9am - 5pm. We are closed over the lunch hour.

MAIN STREET SNOW REMOVAL

No parking is permitted on Main Street on Tuesday mornings from 5:00am through 8:00am to allow for thorough snow removal.

For everyone's safety, please keep sidewalks bordering your property clear of snow and ice. As per Bylaw 951, it is the property owners or occupant's responsibility to ensure removal of water, mud, ice or snow from sidewalk's bordering their property.





NuVista Energy Centre Aquatics and Facility Schedule January 6 - 31, 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am	Lane Swim 7:00am-8:30am			
Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Shallow Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Combo Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit-Deep Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am	Aquafit Parent & Tot 9:00am-10:00am			
School Lessons 10:00am-3:00pm				Public Swim 12:30pm-2:30pm			Public Swim 12:00pm-5:00pm
Senior & Assisted Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior & Assisted Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Senior Lane Swim Parent & Tot 3:00pm-4:00pm	Public Swim 3:00pm-9:00pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	Private Rental 5:00pm-6:00pm	
Lessons 4:00pm-7:00pm	Lessons 4:00pm-5:00pm	Public Swim 4:00pm-9:00pm	Lessons 4:00pm-5:00pm		Public Swim 3:00pm-9:00pm	1016-4th Avenue, Beaverlodge 780-354-2203	
	Public Swim 5:00pm-7:00pm		Public Swim 5:00pm-7:00pm				
Public Swim 7:00pm-9:00pm	Aquafit-Deep 7:00pm-8:00pm		Aquafit-Shallow 7:00pm-8:00pm				
	Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm		Adult Swim 8:00pm-9:00pm				

FITNESS CENTER & FRONT DESK HOURS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6:00am-9:00pm	7:00am-9:00pm	6:00am-9:00pm	7:00am-9:00pm	6:00am-9:00pm	10:00am-6:00pm	10:00am-6:00pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

December 31st 12:00pm-5:00pm Public Swim & Fitness Centre	Facility will be closed December 24-26 January 1st
Monday & Friday Aquafit may be uninstructed	
Schedule subject to change	

Front Desk & Fitness Center Hours

- Monday: 6am - 9pm
- Tuesday: 7am - 9pm
- Wednesday: 6am - 9pm
- Thursday: 7am - 9pm
- Friday: 6am - 9pm
- Saturday: 10am - 6pm
- Sunday: 10am - 6pm



2025 SKATING LESSONS



PRESCHOOL AGES 3-6

Children have little or no experience. Able to stand with little assistance and balance on 2 feet.

STAGE 1 AGES 6-13

Learning the basic skills for this age group. Must be able to skate or shuffle forwards and balance on 2 feet unassisted.

STAGE 2 AGES 6-13

Learning balance, control and agility skills while strengthening the skills learned in stage 1. Needs to be able to skate forwards properly and be able to have backward movement.

STAGE 3 AGES 6-13

Focusing on strengthening skills learned in stage 2 while adding new skills that will introduce you to the sport of your choice (hockey, figure skating, etc)

For more information or to register, contact the

NuVista Energy Centre



780-354-2203



CSR@beaverlodge.ca

LESSON SCHEDULE

Preschool \$63.00

January 17 - March 14
3:45pm - 4:15pm
No Lessons March 7



Stage 1 \$126.00

January 17 - March 14
4:15pm - 5:00pm
No Lessons March 7

Stage 2 \$126.00

January 17 - March 14
4:15pm - 5:00pm
No lessons March 7



Stage 3 \$126.00

January 17 - March 14
4:15pm - 5:00pm
No lessons March 7

Private Lesson #3868

January 17 - February 21
10:00am-10:30am
\$120.00

Private Lesson #3869

January 17 - February 21
10:30am-11:00am
\$120.00

Private Lesson #3870

January 17 - February 21
11:15am-11:45am
\$120.00

Private Lesson #3871

January 17 - February 21
11:45am-12:15pm
\$120.00

Celebrating Excellence: Councillor Judy Kokotilo- Bekkerus Honored with Coronation Medal

On December 17, Council came together to celebrate a remarkable achievement. Councillor Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus was presented with the prestigious King Charles III's Coronation Medal by MLA Ron Wiebe at the Town Office.

The award recognizes Judy's selfless dedication to the hospital, her tireless efforts to support affordable seniors housing, and her commitment to ensuring the longevity and prosperity of our community.

Surrounded by family, friends, and colleagues, Judy was honored for her unwavering service and heartfelt contributions that have left an indelible mark on Beaverlodge.

Congratulations on this incredible achievement, Judy! Your dedication inspires us all, and this recognition is well-deserved.



January

2025

Upcoming Events:

Dec 23-27 - Town Office Closed

Jan 1 - Town Office Closed

Jan 13 - Council Meeting

Jan 17 - FCSS Teen Chill

Jan 16 - FCSS Teen Skills

Jan 27 - Council Meeting

Did you Know About The Town Community Calendar?

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
Frequent Shopper Program Aug 8- Oct 7, 2022						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
12a Frequent Shopper Program Aug 8- Oct 7, 2022						
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Thanksgiving Day						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

Submit your community events by going to beaverlodge.ca website. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click "view calendar". This will take you to the calendar page and at the bottom of the calendar click "submit your event."