



“Talk” of the Town

November/December
2009

Development

After a slow start the value of development permits issued has picked up. January to November permits were valued at \$4,094,600 of new construction including eight new residential, two new commercial, two new institutional, and two new industrial buildings.

Council's policy is to offer new construction incentives to ensure continued growth of the community.

Rimbey Area Structure Plan

The Rimbey Area Structure Plan (ASP) formulating a plan for future land use, traffic routes, and utility services for the Town has been approved.

The intent of the ASP was to provide some structure for future development in Rimbey and to ensure that planned infrastructure will be sufficient to service the planned land use, be it residential, commercial, or industrial.

New Ambulance Station

Grand Opening & Open House



Residents are invited to the Grand Opening and Open House of the New Ambulance Station. Come and see the new facility and meet your EMS Staff.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will take place at Noon.

Date: Tuesday, December 1st
Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Location: 5014 – 49th Avenue

Council Meetings

In an attempt to allow greater public input at Council Meetings, the monthly meeting schedule has been revised to include morning and early evening meetings as follows:

- 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am
- 4th Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm (with the exception of July, August, and December)

RV Parking

On May 26, 2009 Council amended the Rimbey Traffic Bylaw to allow on street RV Parking from May 1st to September 30th each year. After September 30th, a notice was given to the owner of the units parked on Town streets to have them removed. This allowed adequate time to prepare for the oncoming winter season. Council would like to thank all residents that helped make the transition to the new policy a success.

Defibrillator

The Community Centre received their first defibrillator, which was donated by the Sleigh, Wagon, and Saddle Club in 2008. Council has approved a second defibrillator to be available in the ice arena and the pool.

Traffic Safety

A reminder that drivers are asked to be extra cautious when proceeding through school and playground zones as the speed limit is only 30km/h. An extra element of caution should be taken when driving back lanes as the speed limit is only 20km/h.

Lets keep our children safe and follow the speed limits.

Pool Public Meeting

The Town of Rimbey will be holding a Public Meeting to discuss plans for the Rimbey Outdoor Swimming Pool.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, **December 10 at 7:00 pm** at the Community Centre Main Auditorium.

2009 Rimbey Capital & Operating Budget Totals

Highlights of the Capital Program are as follows:

Ambulance	Building	550,000
	Vehicle	130,000
Street/Sidewalk	Repair	1,083,300
Equipment		139,500
Utility Infrastructure		1,454,500
RV Park Expansion		153,000
		\$3,510,300

CAPITAL FUNDING SOURCES:

Grants	1,870,178
Capital Reserves	539,000
Debentures	610,000
Operating Funds	435,893
Other	55,229
	\$3,510,300

TOTAL OPERATING/CAPITAL BUDGET

Revenues	Expenses
\$8,297,639	\$8,292,650



Rimbey Municipal Library & Town Office Holiday Hours

Rimbey Municipal Library will be closed from December 24th to 28th and from December 31st at 1:00 pm to January 4th.

Town Office will be closed December 24th at Noon to December 28th and January 1st.

All other days will be regular hours of operation for the Town Office and the Library.

Community Centre & Arena Holiday Hours

The Community Centre and Arena will be closed on December 24th at noon to December 28th and January 1st.

During the holiday season the arena will be scheduling hours for public skating and youth shinny. For an up-to-date schedule visit the Town website at www.rimbey.com under Recreation, Schedules.

Holiday Season Garbage Pick up Schedule

This is to advise Rimbey businesses and residents that the regular garbage pick up has been changed during the holiday season. Please refer to the calendar at the back of the newsletter for the changes in pick up dates.

Recycling

Thank you to all those that participated in the October 22nd recycle forum. Your contributions and input were invaluable.

Also, a special Thank You to the Rimbey Lions for their dedication and perseverance in operating Project 84.

The Town has established a recycle committee, consisting of Mayor Dale Barr, Councillor Dave Huff, and Councillor Steve Schrader who will be addressing future recycling programs in Rimbey.

Details on the Recycle program are available on the Town web site at www.rimbey.com under the heading mayor-and-council, council-highlights.



Residential Garbage

In order to keep Rimbey neat and tidy, please keep garbage in suitable containers as to eliminate the scattering of garbage from animals and birds. **Do not set out for pick up prior to collection day, which is Thursday.**

Monthly Tax Installment Plan Option

Reminder that unpaid taxes as of December 31, 2009 will receive an 18% penalty. The Town of Rimbey has implemented a monthly tax installment plan. A taxpayer who elects to pay their property taxes on a monthly installment basis must have their previous years taxes paid in full to be able to sign an agreement with the Town of Rimbey on or before January 11, 2010.

Prepayment of 2010 Property Taxes

From January 4 to February 26 a two percent (2%) discount is available to residents who prepay any amount of their 2010 Property Taxes. For further information contact the Town Office.



Annual Community



If you are wondering what to do for yourself or your employees at Christmas time, the Annual Community Christmas Dinner and Dance is an easy solution.

This event will be hosting a comedy Night with comedians "Terry Hollas" and "Lori Gibbs".

For more information, please call the recreation office at (403) 843-3151. Hurry and reserve your tickets today, as there is limited seating available.

Where: Community Centre
When: Saturday, Dec 12th
Cost: \$35.00 / person
Time: 5:30 pm to 1:00 am



Family First Night New Years Eve Celebration

Rimbey will be hosting a Family First Night Event on December 31 at the Rimbey Community Centre from 8:00 pm to Midnight.

This will be a New Year's Eve spectacular with fireworks, entertainment and more!

This year leave behind the same lame parties and boring television specials and experience a truly magical event for the entire family. From dancing, games, skiing, curling, skating and more, the First Night will have events to entertain all.

This New Year's Eve do something special. Attending the Rimbey First Night Event is a great family friendly way to celebrate the new year!



Call (403) 843-3151 to reserve your tickets!

Reminder Sidewalk Snow Removal

We have all been very fortunate so far this year; however....the snow will be arriving and businesses and residents are encouraged to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks along their property.

Please remember, safe sidewalks are very important, especially for the children, seniors and the hand-capped community, and we thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Dog Licenses

This is to advise Rimbey residents that the 2010 Dog Licenses are available for purchase at the Town Office for a fee of \$20.00 annually.

Light up the Beatty House "Santa Night"

Thursday, December 3rd
Time: 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Santa will be in attendance, so bring the children for Hot Dogs, Hay Rides (by Stuart Lyster), and Free Pictures with Santa.

Rimbey Christmas Market

Saturday, December 5th
Time: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Rimbey Community Centre

Rimbey & District Community Christmas Bazarre

Saturday, November 28th
Time: 10:00 am to 1:30 pm
Senior's Drop-in Centre

Business Licenses

This is to advise Rimbey businesses that invoices for 2010 Business Licenses will be processed in early January.

December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Ambulance Grand Opening	2	3 Light up the Beatty House "Santa Night" 	4	5 Christmas Farmer's Market
6	7	8 Council Meeting (10:00 am)	9	10 Rimbe Outdoor Pool Public Meeting	11 RCS Christmas Concert 	12 Community Christmas Gala
13	14	15	16 RES Christmas Concert 	17	18	19
20	21	22 Commercial Garbage Pick up 	23 Blood Donor Clinic Residential Garbage Pick up 	24 Christmas Eve Library Closed Town Office Closed at Noon	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26 Boxing Day Transfer Station Closed
27	28 Town Office Closed Commercial Garbage Pick up 	29 Commercial Garbage Pick up 	30 Residential Garbage Pick up 	Family New Year Eve Party Commercial Garbage Pick up 		

January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day 	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Town & Country Bonspiel 	9 Town & Country Bonspiel
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Council Meeting 5:00 pm	27	28	29	30
31						February 6 Cutter Parade

On behalf of Council and staff we would like to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Wesley Clark

Richard Scope

David Kendall

Dale Barr

Dave Huff

Steven Schwaiblmair

