

Aberdeen & District Newsletter

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JANUARY 2021 LONG RANGE WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE PRAIRIES

| Dates | Weather Conditions |
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| Jan 1-8 | Snow showers, not as cold |
| Jan 9-17 | Snow showers east, sunny west; mild |
| Jan 18-25 | Snow showers, then sunny, quite mild |
| Jan 26-31 | Snow, then sunny, cold |
| January | temperature -10°C (3°C above avg.) precipitation 25mm (20mm above avg. east, 10mm below west) |

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Jan 2-3, 2021
Peak in Denver

Quadrantids

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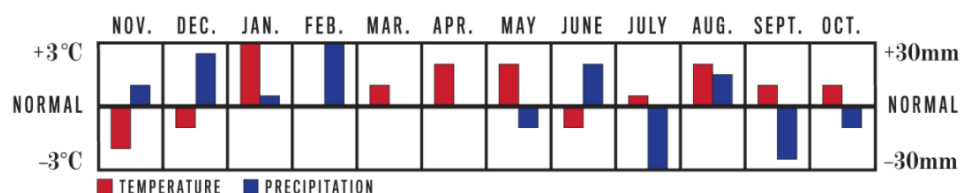


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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION NOVEMBER 2020 TO OCTOBER 2021





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Next Council Meeting

January 14, 2021

Council meetings are held the second Thursday of the month, unless changed by council. Meeting will start at 8:00 am. Council Meetings are open to public observation. Any delegations wishing to address the council will be required to contact the office the Friday prior to the meeting at the latest.

Equipment Updates

In an effort to combat icy intersections, the road crew will be operating a sander truck. **Please stay back from all snow removal equipment but especially the sander.** The sander will be spreading small pebbles that may cause damage to vehicles if followed too close. Please stay at least 15 meters back.

In addition to the sander we are also starting out a new grader. This equipment has been purchased to help us with our road maintenance program.

Snow Removal

The Municipality would like to extend our gratitude for your patience and understanding as we deal with large amounts of snow this winter. Your assistance in reporting problem areas is appreciated and we request your continued patience as our road crew continues to fight the elements to provide safe, passable roads this season|

Taxes/ Outstanding Invoices

2020 taxes were due on or before December 31, 2020. As of January 1st, all outstanding taxes will begin collecting a penalty of 1% per month. All payments must be received or the envelope date stamped by Canada Post on or before December 31st to avoid penalty charges. All outstanding invoices from 2020 will be added to the taxes as arrears and will begin to accumulate penalty charges.

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Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:00am - 5:00pm

Reeve: Martin Bettker
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Deputy Reeve: Kevin Kirk
306-221-7489

Div 1: Graham White
306-374-2856

Div 2: Mark Schaffel
306-380-9883

Div 3: Kevin Kirk
306-253-4519

Div 4: Real Hamoline
306-253-4608

Div 5: Paul Martens
306-253-4464

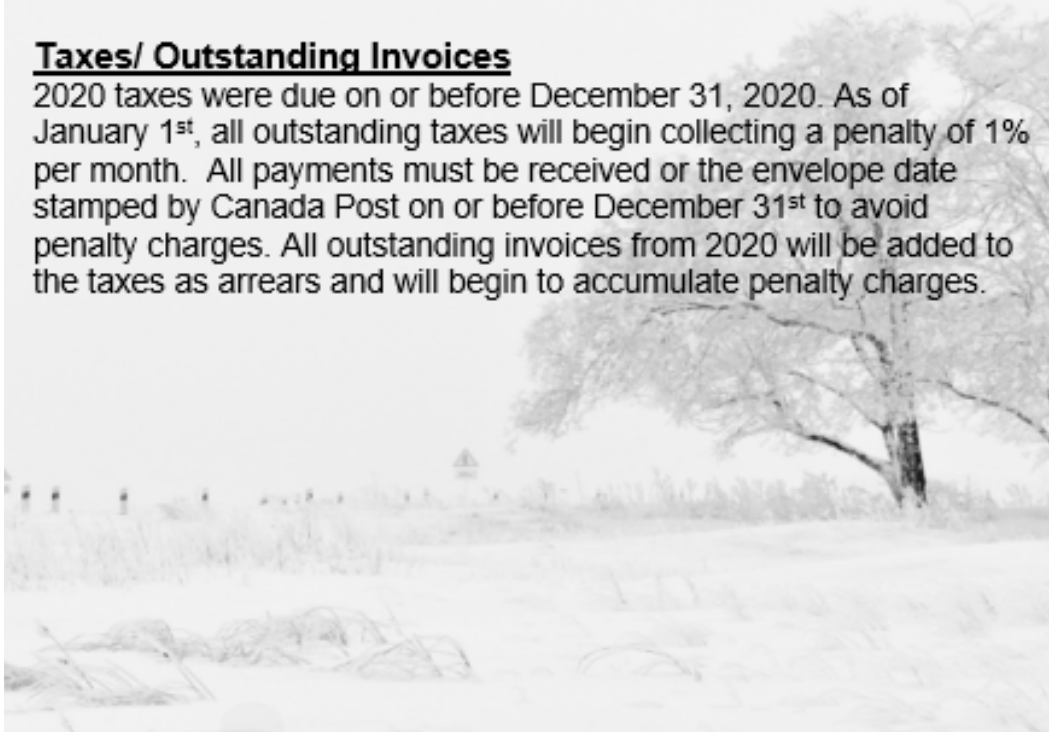
Div 6: Jim Korpan
306-253-4342

Administrator:
G. Craig Baird

Assistant Administrator:
Bridgette Shwytky
Gwen Weisgerber

Office Assistant:
Crystal Rainbow

Road Crew Foreman:
Darryl Klassen



2020 Citizen of the Year

We are currently accepting nominations for the 2020 Citizen of the Year Award!!! The Citizen of the Year award is designed to recognize contributions made by private citizens to our Town & Surrounding area's quality of life, both social and economic. Over the past years, we have had the honor of presenting this award to many outstanding citizens of the Aberdeen area. To see the past recipients, please visit the RM Office. Nominations will be accepted until March 1st, 2021.

Plowing Snow

We would like to remind everyone that plowing snow onto or across municipal right-of-way is NOT a permitted practice. Guilty Parties may be subject to fines as per Bylaw 2018-01. Plowing snow across the roadways creates ridges that settle and harden, creating serious hazards to motorists, grader operators, and potential damage to graders.

Controlled Burn

Don't forget to register your Controlled Burns

1. Register with the municipality: call **306-253-4312** or **306-230-1603** after hours and weekends.
2. Register with the **Provincial Fire Center** at **1-866-404-4911**.

If a passing motorist reports a fire that you have not registered with the Municipality and the Provincial Fire Center, we will be forced to fine you \$500. If our fire department deems it necessary to call in fire fighters from neighboring municipalities, all costs will be forwarded to the person responsible for starting the fire. Please ensure you have adequate Fire Fighting Insurance coverage.



Pest Control Officer

As the weather turns colder, rats will be looking for a warm place to stay and a steady source of food. If you suspect a rat infestation on your property or on a neighbouring property, please call Denis, at 306-220-8996. Denis is conducting site visits and will be going around to all yard sites doing inspections. Rat poison can be picked up at the office during regular business hours.

Building Permits

Building permits are only valid for 12 months from the date on the permit. All expired permits must be closed in a timely manner. If an extension is required, please submit your request in writing along with your signature and the itemization of the work still required to be completed to the RM office. Call or Text Nicole at BuildTECH Inspections at 306-370-2824 to book your inspection.



Please notify the municipality of any change in your mailing address to ensure you receive your tax notice and other important correspondence in a timely fashion.

Please visit our website for all upcoming meetings, events, forms, road closures and other important information.

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TOWN OF ABERDEEN

COUNCIL'S CORNER



Town Council meetings are open to the public.

We meet at the TOWN OF ABERDEEN Office Chambers, 401C Main Street, 7:00 pm every 3rd Tuesday of the Month. Our next council meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday January 19, 2021.**

Any Delegations wishing to address Council are required to complete a **Delegations Policy form** and have it submitted to the Town Office no later than the Thursday prior to Council meeting date. You may obtain these from the Town Office. These forms are also available on our website www.aberdeen.ca

2021 Business Licenses

According to Bylaw 12/14 the Business License Bylaw, all Home Based, Store Front and Contractor Business Licenses for 2021 are due December 31, 2020, and are valid until December 31, 2021.

License fees:

Home Based Business \$25 annually

Store Front Business \$75 annually

Contractor \$100 annually

General Contractor \$300 (covers the trades, as part of the building permit)

The offence for conducting business without a Business License is \$200. Bylaw Enforcement will be issuing fines for non-compliance.

Business Application Forms can be found on our website www.aberdeen.ca under the business bylaw, fees can be paid by cheque, cash, e-transfer or by eft.

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

CLOSED 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

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Councillor, Denise Kominetsky
Councillor, Ben Levesque
Councillor, Lori Sopotytk
Councillor, Floyd Wudrick

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer:
Susan Thompson

Office Assistant:
Wanda Rance

**Public Works/Maintenance
Manager:**
Bradley Oleksyn

Maintenance:
Mural Hingston

**Bylaw Enforcement Services,
Commissionaires**

Pest Control Officer:
Denis Boyenko
(deals with mice/rats/skunks)

Predator Control Officer:
Ryan White

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LORAAS WASTE / RECYCLING / ORGANICS SCHEDULE

Dec 29 – Blue Bin (Recycling)

Jan 12 – Blue Bin

Jan 26 – Blue Bin



Jan 5 – Black Bin (Waste)

Jan 19 – Black Bin

Feb 2 – Black Bin



Please note: Issues are caused at our new lift station due to oils, fats, hygiene products, wipes and misc. items being flushed down our sewer lines. Public works staff found miniature shampoo bottles, 2 to 3 feet thick chunks of fat around pipes and pumps. They have also found tennis balls, wire, pop cans and small toys.

When frying food any leftover grease can be chilled until it hardens and thrown out in the garbage.

This lift station has not even been operating for a year. These fixes are very costly....please do not dispose of these items down your drain. Thank you. Town of Aberdeen Public Works.



Snowmobilers, please exit from point A to point B, do not cross private property when leaving the Town of Aberdeen. Keep safe, wear helmets and don't drink & drive.

2021 MONTHLY TAX DISCOUNTS / PENALTIES:

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| <p>For prompt payment of 2021 taxes the following discounts are allowed:</p> <p>Payments received in January 6.5% discount Payments received in February 5.5% discount Payments received in March 4% discount Payments received in April 3% discount Payments received in May 2% discount Payments received in June 1% discount Payments received in July .5% discount</p> |
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| <p>Penalties for 2021 Tax arrears will be as follows:</p> <p>August 1 (compounded monthly) 1% September 1 1% October 1 1% November 1 1% December 1 1% On January 1, 2021 a 12% penalty will be applied to 2020 arrears</p> |
|---|

Taxes are imposed the first day of January in each year and are due July 31.

Please remember there is NO discount for the School Portion of Taxes

Tax Estimate Notices for 2021 taxes will be sent in December 2020. 2021 Tax Notices will be sent mid May, once the School Division levies have been established and the Municipal Mill Rate has been set.



FROM



Wow. What a crazy year this has been. I think we are all Thankful to say good bye to 2020. With the New Year comes new hope for the end of a global pandemic. As with many businesses the ARC has definitely had struggles through Covid 19. We are not sure yet what the New Year will look like but we will be glad to get on with the future.

On December 7th the ARC held its Annual General Meeting both in person and on Zoom. Thank you to those members from the Aberdeen Area who attended. This is a challenging time to operate and manage the ARC which makes the following Board Members both new and returning extra special!

Trevor Cornish

Barb Hagele

Mark Schaffell

Justin Regier

Crystal Bidaux

Kyle McDonald

Ryan White

Yves Beaulac

Murray Kinar

Justin Wright



Thank you to the Board Members who have served the Complex this last term and who are not returning - Christie Hyrnuik and Cody Wutzke. We would also like to recognize Real Hamoline for his over 2 1/2 decades of service. The building and operation of the complex has been a passion for Real for years. There have been many successes and of course some frustrations but Real could always be counted on for support. As others have retired over the years he continued on and in the last number of years has donated much of his time, energy and funds to the farming project. The farming project has generated thousands of dollars each and every year for the complex without which it would struggle to operate. Real has retired from the Board this year so we give him a huge thank you for all his community building efforts!

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING:

Hamoline Northside Farms - Farming project

Kenmar Farms – Farming Project

Justin & Jamie Wright – Farming Project

Northland Logistics – donation of farmland for farming project

Trevor & Jill Cornish – donation of farmland for farming project

Pioneer Hybrid Canola – Farming project

Cargill Ltd Aberdeen – Farming Project

FMC – Farming Project

ARC Vacation Lottery Board – ran the Vacation lottery which all profit came to the Complex

Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Board – Grant support

Solid Core Homes – Community Build Project

Lances Plumbing and Heating – Community Build Project

Aberdeen Minor Hockey Association – Donations

Aberdeen Curling Club – Donations

Pony Express Painting – Special Projects

The Town of Aberdeen – Mortgage Support

The RM of Aberdeen – Mortgage Support

This list was compiled to the best of our knowledge, if we have mistakenly omitted someone please let us know so that they can be properly recognized. It is important that Aberdeen and District area residents know just how many local businesses and people it takes to keep the ARC operating and that those responsible for the daily operations recognize those contributions.

ABERDEEN AND DISTRICT FIRE AND RESCUE

A few winter safety tips from your local fire department...

- Never leave burning candles and plugged in electric heaters unsupervised
- Check furnace filter monthly & replace filters as needed
- Never store flammable products around furnace or hot water tank.
- Ensure energy efficient furnace vents are not obstructed by any objects. Intake vents should be checked weekly for ice buildup.
- Only use clean well-seasoned (1-year) wood in wood burning stoves and fireplaces.
- Check and clean chimney regularly as needed.
- Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors monthly – push the test button.
- Electric heater - Check for broken insulation/cracked wiring.
- Keep live Christmas trees well-watered to prevent drying out; turn off Christmas lights before leaving home or going to bed.
- Smoke alarm and carbon monoxide batteries should be replaced yearly.
 - Smoke alarms should be replaced every 5 years
 - Carbon monoxide alarms replaced every 10 years or as per label on pkg.
- Check fire extinguisher for expiration date or low pressure.
- Talk to your local fire fighters with any questions.

CALL 9-1-1 for EMERGENCY

*May the Blessings of Christmas be Yours
and Happiness Fill each Day of the New Year*

Aberdeen & District Fire & Rescue



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The clinic is held first Tuesday of the month from 8:30am at the Aberdeen Seniors, as posted.

For an appointment contact: Nettie Thiessen 253-4447

Please **bring a towel** if you are receiving **foot care**.

Next clinic dates: **Tues January 19 and February 16, 2021**

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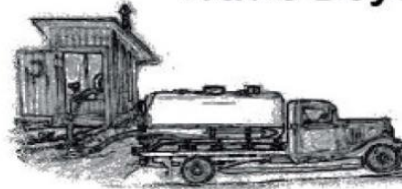
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