

VILLAGE of MUNSTER NEWSLETTER

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Fire Safety

As part of your winter preparations please include checking your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Also, please ensure you have fire extinguishers inside your house and inside your garage. Having access to even a small extinguisher could make a big difference in whether a small fire quickly becomes a large consuming fire.

Some things that people may not be aware of are our Village policies regarding billing and how fire callouts work. Munster is part of the Humboldt and District Fire Protection Association. Our agreement within this association enables response services from both Munster and Humboldt Fire Department. Your annual taxes assist to cover costs for the *Munster Fire Department Equipment*. Important to note is the fact that if and when *Humboldt Fire Department* responds to a call in Munster, the resident is billed for Humboldt Firefighters' time and their equipment used on the scene.

We urge residents in Munster to consider the above information when insuring your home and whether or not to include a firefighting rider on your insurance policy. There could be extra charges you are responsible to cover in the event of a fire.

Drive Safe

Speed bumps along the Rangeline have been removed and plans are in place to alter the location on the digital speed display sign. You should notice the sign being relocated to College Avenue. Our intent is to gather data on traffic patterns on College Avenue. Please remember speed limits within the Village are 40 km/hr unless you are in the School Zone which is 30km/hr.

Walking After Dark

As the days shorten we may find ourselves out and about in the dark either during the evening or early morning. This is just a reminder to wear something reflective when walking so you are easily seen by vehicle traffic.

Special Event Permits

Our community is a vibrant and active place to live. IF you are organizing a Beer Garden or outdoor event where liquor will be served you will require approval from Village Council. Events inside the Munster Hall do not require Council approval. Typically Village council meets only once a month on the third Tuesday. If you are planning an event, please consider the time it may take to acquire approval for a special event, as such approvals are passed at our monthly meetings. If you apply for your liquor permit from Sask Liquor and Gaming Authority online early enough you may be able to save on your permit costs but if you leave it until two weeks before the event you will pay full price.

If your event involves road/street closures please be aware that this also requires approval from Village Council. Again Council meets on the third Tuesday of each month. If you require road closures please have your request to council

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
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submitted prior to the month your event will be held to ensure timely processing of requests.

Thank you to those in the community who take on organizing and volunteerism!

Community Spotlight

Muenster School is hosting a few Volleyball events over the next month. One event scheduled is the Sr. Girls' Volleyball Provincials that will take place Nov 15 and 16. Anyone wishing to volunteer at the event or donate baking please contact Muenster School or Tara Hofmann. Everyone is welcome to come out, enjoy the healthy canteen options for lunch and cheer on our girls. There will be games in Muenster School Gymnasium and at St. Peter's Gym as well.

Christy Waldner is organizing a youth choir along with a separate adult choir to present their talent at 7:00pm December 8th at St. Peter's Cathedral. Mark your calendar! Come out and enjoy some seasonal music in a beautiful setting.

Muenster School Community council meets 5 times per year. Feedback is greatly appreciated and relied on when determining local priorities within our school community. Feel free to consider joining the council. Residents in Muenster do not need to have students in school to join the group. Contact Muenster School for details.

Muenster Chicken Supper is scheduled for Saturday Nov 16th, at the Muenster Hall. Come on out and enjoy the traditional homestyle chicken meal prepared by the Muenster Hall groups.



Website

Please access the VillageofMuenster.ca for local updates and community information. If you know of news or wish to post your organization's information on the website please forward it to our office at muenster@sasktel.net in electronic format and we will post it online. Thankyou.

Environmental Assessment

The Village of Muenster has initiated a Phase 2 Environmental Assessment on the property along Railway Street. (land between the cardlock gas pump and the Village Shop, as well as on the East side of Stryde Contracting up to College Avenue.) Soil samples and groundwater testing is collected and tested. You may have noticed some drilling taking place Oct 17th. There are bore hole posts remaining along the property to allow for water testing. Pending the assessment's findings, it is Council's intent to subdivide this land and have it available for resale for Downtown Commercial property use. This is a lengthy subdivision process but if anyone would like more information feel free to contact the Village Office.

Council Members

Our council is in place to lead in decision making that is best for all community members. We hold public monthly meetings the third Tuesday of each Month at 6:30pm. Please feel free to consult with your councilors at any time. Our council has 5 seats. The 2019 council consists of the following:

Mayor: Scott Davis

Councilors:

Richard Blechinger

Jim Wassermann

Doug Hushagen

Karl Senko

Billboard

The Village of Muenster has the ability to post an image on the large billboard located North of Highway #5. You may note that the current photo includes St. Peter's Cathedral and St. Peter's College. These are greatly cherished landmarks within our community. Our billboard agreement allows us to update the billboard annually. So we invite all residents to submit high quality photos which may be integrated into the design of additional displays to put up on the billboard sign. We know there are a tremendous amount of organizations and visuals which could be displayed on the billboard and appropriately represent what life here in our Village entails. So it is our plan to try to create some images and roll out annual changes to the billboard to display as many of these images as we can. Email us your photos! Muenster@sasktel.net

Snow Removal

Thankyou ahead of time for those of you helping out your neighbours by shoveling off their driveways and sidewalks. I know there are many of you are out there helping out after a snowfall!

Also, please note that with our patrol it can be very difficult to eliminate a ridge being left across your driveway after the patrol clears your street. Please know that our driver makes every attempt at minimizing this ridge but at times it is unavoidable. Snow removal is especially challenging in the bays when there are cars parked on the street. We appreciate your assistance in clearing such ridges when they do occur. If the ridges are a problem with you accessing your driveways and you are unable to physically remove the snow yourself you can call the Village office. Thankyou Muenster!