



# NEWSLETTER

**Village Office Hours**  
**Tuesday, Wednesday,**  
**Thursday**  
**8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**  
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**April 2021**

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**Councillor By Election**

Public notice is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office of one Village Councillor be elected.

Nominations will be received by the undersigned on May 20, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and during regular office hours on May 4, 2021 to May 20, 2021, at the Village Office.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the Village Office.

**Dick Blechinger**

Thank you Dick for your dedicated service as Village Councillor... attending numerous meetings and professionally representing Muenster for 22 years.



**Asset Management**

In our ongoing asset management processes, the Village assesses water infrastructure. We appreciate residents' feedback in this regard.

In efforts to budget for future infrastructure, we kindly request your assistance to determine if valves and lines require changing. We hope to look at each homes' incoming lines and meters.

We require photos of water lines in your home from the point where it emerges from the cement clearly to the water meter, including the water meter.

If you have not already done so, please provide clear photos by **May 10, 2021**, to [muenster@sasktel.net](mailto:muenster@sasktel.net)

Thank you so much in assisting us in getting an accurate assessment on the lines, valves, and meters.

**Paperless Billing**

Get your monthly utility notices and receipts via Email. Contact the Village Office...we'd be happy to "hook you up." Just fill out a consent form and give us your Email address...let's save the village substantial costs of printing, invoice forms, envelopes, and postage.

**Please note:** SaskTel scams have been prevalent in the last six

months. As a result, the Village of Muenster will be sending utility bills via the email address [Muenster2794@gmail.com](mailto:Muenster2794@gmail.com) Please add this to your contact lists to avoid your utility bills ending up in your spam folder.

Residents are responsible for bills on a monthly basis. Failure to receive an emailed municipality utility notice does not release the resident from their responsibility to pay any charges specified on the notice, or any penalties that may be incurred by late payments.

**Payment Options**

There are a number of utility and tax payments options that we offer:

- Auto Debit (Automated Fund Transfer) – avoid those pesky interest charges
- Internet Banking through any Credit Union or CIBC
- Cash or Cheque by mail, in person, or by the drop-off chute available 24/7 (which we encourage residents to use to avoid late payments).
- Etransfer for Taxes ONLY.

**Social Media**

Go to our Village of Muenster Facebook page and website at [VillageofMuenster.ca](http://VillageofMuenster.ca) for important community updates, notices, and reminders.

**Lots for Sale**

The Village of Muenster has affordable residential lots available for sale. Residential lot prices range from \$34,000 to \$46,000 in Phillips Bay.

The Village also has three commercial lots available for sale along Railway Street. One commercial lot is available and adjacent to the West end of the Muenster Coop Gas pumps. Two more commercial lots available are located in the space where the blue REACT bins are currently located. These two lots are directly adjacent to and East of Bunz Electric.

Three commercial lots west of the Village Maintenance Shop are expected to be available for sale soon. The subdivision process is nearing completion.

Muenster Library

The Library is open to the public; one person is permitted at a time, or one family group at a time.

Library Hours:

Tuesday 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM  
Wednesday 2:30 PM to 7:30 PM  
Thursday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM  
MUENSTER LIBRARY 306-682-5252

Landfill

The Village Landfill has been opened. Please remember the guidelines for landfill use:

Allowable Items:

Grass Clippings (No plastic bags)  
Garden Refuse  
Trees & Branches  
*ALL OTHER ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED*

New Village Foreman

There’s a new face around town these days...welcome to Jason Blechinger who has accepted the role of Village Foreman.



Andrew Breker will continue to mentor Jason in his duties.

Fire Response Coverage

Does your Home Insurance cover costs incurred if the Fire Department has to respond to an incident or fire at your property?

You may want to consider whether you wish to take out insurance to cover the costs of Fire Departments responding to calls.

Better Together Tuesdays

The Village of Muenster supports “Better Together Tuesdays” and the Headstrong initiative efforts to destigmatize mental health.

Thank you to the Muenster High School committee who brought forth this initiative in our community.

Residents are charged for Fire Departments’ response time (even if there is not a fire). Fire Departments can be required to assist when an ambulance is called to a scene.

The provincial dispatch service determines if assistance is required and will call out the Fire Department and/or RCMP to certain situations where they deem assistance is needed.

Not all Insurance companies cover costs for Fire/Responders’ labour on such call outs.

A list of Insurance companies that do have Fire Department call out coverage included in their residential home packages (does not include farms) include the following:

- My Mutual Insurance \$2,000 included
- Wawanesa \$10,000 included
- Red River Mutual \$15,000 included
- Sask Mutual Insurance \$5,000 included
- SGI Canada \$0 Included, you must add it.

2021 Remembrance Day Banners

This past fall, Remembrance Day Banners were hung up around the Village in recognition of those who bravely fought and gave their lives for our freedom.

There is an opportunity to participate in the “Honour Our Veterans” Banner Program for 2021.

Application forms are available by request via email at [muenster@sasktel.net](mailto:muenster@sasktel.net) by September 2, 2021.

Speeding

Speed bumps will soon be put out. Although an inconvenience for regular traffic, the primary focus is to keep people safe and reduce dust.

Dust

Dust suppression will be budgeted, and applied in the next coming months. We appreciate people following traffic guidelines, which helps to reduce the dust.

CN Vegetation Control

Please be advised that CN will be undertaking vegetation control activities between April and October 2021. Activities will include cutting down vegetation within the ditch along the railroad within their right of way limits as well as applying chemical in some areas.

Animals

Thank you to all residents who have purchased their yearly animal license. Remember your dogs should be leashed when walking within Village limits. This includes areas at St. Peter’s Abbey.

Earth Day

Thank you to the students and teachers of Muenster School for recognizing Earth Day on April 22, 2021, and for gathering garbage around the village keeping our earth and our community clean and beautiful.

Participation Encouraged

During these difficult times, it is important to remember that regular physical activity can have a profoundly positive impact on depression, anxiety, ADHD, relieve stress, improve memory, improve sleep, and boost overall mood.

No matter your age or fitness level, you can learn to use exercise as a powerful tool to deal with mental health problems, improve your energy and outlook, and get more out of life.

Let’s stay safe in body and mind.

