Town of Luseland

NEWSLETTER

December 2022

It’s Christmas time, and all the snow and annual holiday events taking place have once again helped put me in the Christmas spirit. We hope you all enjoyed your time off with friends and family!

**SANTA CLAUS DAY**

The Luseland Development Committee’s Santa Claus Day took place on December 10th. We had a wonderful day for weather and lots of activities taking place around town, as well as a visit from Santa Claus! Thank you to the Luseland Development Committee, any businesses or organizations and volunteers helped who organize a day of Christmas festivities.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST**

Council toured around Luseland on December 21 to determine the winners of the 2022 Christmas Light Contest, and the prizes were awarded to:

1st Place: Dawna McQueen and Scot Nienaber & Brent and Christena Laturnus

2nd Place: Keith and Ruther Hardcastle & Perry and Laurie Body

3rd Place: Justin and Janelle Fischer & Joel and Tesa Fischer

Business: West of the 3rd Graphics

Honourable mention to the entire community for their efforts this year. It certainly adds to the beauty of the holiday season.

**LUSELAND KINSMEN THEATRE**

At the Town Hall Meeting, it was announced the theatre building has been closed immediately due to a number of safety issues with the building. After a discussion between the Theatre and Hall Boards, it was decided the theatre equipment will be moved to the Homecoming Hall sometime in January 2023. Although it is disappointing to no longer operate out of the old building, the theatre board is excited about the opportunities operating in a newer building will bring.

**GARBAGE PICK UP**

Public Works has asked that everyone be reminded household garbage placed at the street for collection needs to be in a plastic or metal container to prevent animals having access and causing a mess. Any garbage ripped open by animals will not be cleaned up by Public Works and will be the resident’s responsibility to deal with.

**LUSELAND POLICE SERVICE**

Luseland Police Service would like to remind everyone not to pass any school bus that has its stop sign activated, and that you must stop at least 5 metres away from the bus. Anyone found to have committed this offence can be fined $360.00 per bus.

Nate and Deb would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

**SNOW CLEARING**

Many times, the Town Office receives calls from residents regarding the snow removal equipment depositing snow at the end of driveways. Unfortunately, this is a reality of snow plowing, and it cannot always be avoided although our crew does try. If you have a neighbour who is unable to remove their snow from in front of their driveway please assist them, as Public Works does not always have the resources to go back and clear driveway approaches. We ask for your cooperation and understanding as our staff performs the work of keeping our streets open and safe during the winter.

Snow removal starts early in the morning on Grand Avenue, followed by the school and daycare. After that, residential streets are ploughed, beginning on the West side and working towards the East.

**LICENSE RENEWALS**

This is the annual reminder that the 2022 business licenses and dog tags expired on December 31. Businesses or trades not operating from a self-owned commercial property are required to have a business license to operate in the Town of Luseland. An added benefit to having a business license is that the Town Office will provide your contact information when people call looking for recommendations.

On to the dog tags; all dogs over 6 months in age are required to be licensed. The cost varies from $35.00 for a dog that has not been spayed/neutered and whose vaccinations are not current, down to $15.00 for a dog that is spayed/neutered and has current shots ($10.00 if you get the tag before January 15, 2023)

**SEWER LINE CLEANING**

Due to the increased number of after hour calls Public Works receives for sewer line cleaning, there is now be an after-hours service fee of $100.00 per hour (3 hour minimum). Regular work hours for the Public Works department are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

**2023 SWIMMING LESSON DATES**

In an effort to help make your summer vacation planning a little easier, here are the tentative dates for swimming lessons for the 2023 pool season. Please note, these dates are dependent on whether the pool has enough instructors to teach lessons.

Session 1: July 3-6 and July 10-13

 Session 2: July 17-23

 Session 3: August 1-4 and August 8-11

**HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY!**