

VILLAGE OF CREMONA NEWSLETTER

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Council Highlights April 19, 2016

PERSONNEL POLICY

The Personnel Policy Manual was prepared to provide a uniform, fair and effective system of personnel administration for the Village of Cremona and to provide mutual understanding between the employees, and supervisors within policy guidelines approved by Council.

2016 OPERATING AND CAPITAL

BUDGET

Section 242 (1) of the Municipal Government Act requires a Council to adopt an operating budget for each calendar year while Section 245 requires a Council to adopt a capital budget for each calendar year. The initial drafts of the 2016 Operating, Capital and Staffing Budgets were presented at a budget discussion meeting on March 8, 2016 and discussed at the Public Budget Presentation Open House on March 30, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Sonia Temple abstained from the voting of the Operating Budget due to pecuniary interest.

Council approved the 2016 Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,041,942.

Council approved the transfer of \$67,000 from the Roads and Street Reserves to balance the 2016 operating budget.

Council approved the 2016 Capital Budget in the amount of \$1,062,000.

TAX RATE BYLAW

Section 353(1) of the Municipal government Act states: Each council must pass a property tax bylaw annually.

Council passed Tax Bylaw 467-16 unanimously.

SUBDIVISION EXTENSION

Council was asked to grant an extension to Subdivision CRE1301. Council approved to extend Subdivision CRE13101 for one year.

MUNIWARE SOFTWARE

The Village of Cremona Council has directed Administration to look into bringing the financial system back to being done by Village staff, rather than having a contract with Mountain View County.

Council approved to purchase Muniware Local Government Financial Software Option 1A Full System Conversion with Full Training funding in full from the 2016 Operating Budget.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING FOR PRESENTATION OF AUDIT

Section 276(1) of the Municipal Government Act states: *"Each municipality must prepare annual financial statements of the municipality for the immediately preceding year"*

Due to the timelines of the Regular Council Meeting and having the audit information to Council prior

to the presentation, Administration is recommending a Special Council Meeting be set for the audited financial statements to be presented. Council agreed to hold a Special Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. for the presentation of the Audited Financial Statements and the Financial Information Return for the period ending December 31, 2015 to be held at the FCSS Office, 112 Railway Avenue.

TOWN OF FOX CREEK REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

Mayor Jim Ahn of Fox Creek is requesting Council to provide a letter of support to the Town of Fox Creek to prepare for possible Court Proceedings for defending Business License Bylaw 736-2014 which enables the Town of Fox Creek to collect from various hotels and motels a percentage of their room fees.

Council was not in support of this initiative and accepted the letter from Town of Fox Creek Mayor Jim Ahn regarding support for Business License Bylaw 736-2014 as information only.

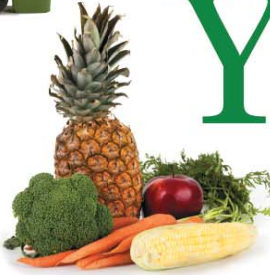
Did you know...

That you can read the Council Agenda prior to the council meeting by going to the Village of Cremona Website the Friday before the Council meeting: <http://www.cremona.ca/minutes>



Green cart acceptable materials

YES



Fruits and vegetables.



Meat, fish, shellfish and bones.



Breads, noodles, rice, beans and grains.



Eggshells and dairy products.



Jams, sauces, salad dressings, and cooking oil.



Yard waste.
Leaves, grass clippings, plants, weeds, sod, *branches and prunings.
*smaller than 15 centimetres in diameter and shorter than one metre.



Coffee filters and tea bags.



Food-soiled paper plates and napkins.



Plate scrapings.
Scrape your plate into the kitchen pail at the end of a meal.

Only use compostable bags to line your kitchen pail. Bags must have a certified compostable logo.





TAX ASSESMENT & NOTICES WILL BE MAILED OUT ON MAY 5, 2016 TAXES ARE DUE JUNE 30, 2016

For those on the Pre-authorized Payment Plan you will receive a letter stating the changes to your automatic payment withdrawal.

For more information please contact Sandi at the Village Office:
Phone: 403-637-3762
Email: finances@cremona.ca

Please note that the kitchen pail are not part of the Village's program. They can be purchased at many hardware and home goods retailers.

MAYOR TIM HAGEN HAS A NEW EMAIL:
timlhagen@outlook.com

WATER HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

The following dates have been scheduled for hydrant flushing by Public Works staff:

- May 10 & 11
- May 31- & June 1
- June 21 & 22
- July 12 & 13
- August 2 & 3
- August 22 & 23
- September 13 & 14
- October 4 & 5
- October 25 & 26
- November 15 & 16
- December 6 & 7
- December 20 & 21

All flushing is weather permitting. If your water quality changes; please fill out a water complaint form found on the Village of Cremona website or stop by the Office for a form.