



# NANTON NOTIFIED

## March-April 2022

Mayor: Jennifer Handley  
Councillors: Dave Mitchell, Ken Sorenson, Kevin Todd, Roger Miller, Victor Czop, New Councillor

### Council Meetings

First and third Monday of the month @ THRC Council Chambers, 2nd floor, 7pm. Regular Meetings are open to the Public.

### Town Office

OPEN  
8:30am-4:00pm  
Monday to Friday  
1-877-365-3901  
Closed on statutory holidays

### Website

[www.nanton.ca](http://www.nanton.ca)

### Garbage & Recycling

Monday mornings

### Yard Waste

Yard Waste continues to be managed by the Town - Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dump Gump now operates the Recycling Centre on Thursdays, noon to 5 p.m. Fees may apply.

### Licences

Dog & Business Licences are now **past due**. If you no longer have your dog or don't require your business license please call the Town Office.

### Follow us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TownofNanton/>

### COVID-19 and the Town

Monitor our website and Facebook page regularly as regulatory and procedural changes are frequent in the current climate.

### Bylaw Services

Bylaw complaint phone number is: 403.646.2084

### Utility & Tax Accounts— **IMPORTANT**

Please contact our office to ensure we have your current phone numbers and mailing address on file. When paying your utility and tax levies, please ensure you have listed your correct account number. This is **important** for us to identify to which account to apply your payments.

### Acts of Kindness

The Town of Nanton is committed to providing a work environment that is productive, safe and where all employees are treated with respect and dignity. Harassment, discrimination and any other behavior that is demeaning or disrespectful will not be tolerated. We all have a job to do, and rules to follow. Let's be kind to people while they are at work, to our neighbors, to our coworkers and to ourselves. The past two years have been a trying time to say the least, and we have shown compassion and strength in the face of the hardship. As spring comes, let's show extra kindness, understanding and friendship.

### Message from the Nanton Chamber of Commerce

Thanks to everyone who has made it a priority to shop and support local over the holiday season and into the new year. To keep our businesses open and thriving, let's keep up the momentum year-round. If you haven't already checked it out, we encourage you to go to [www.visitnanton.com](http://www.visitnanton.com) for more information on the diversity of businesses in your neighborhood. There is also an events calendar showcasing some of what is happening in the coming months.

### Alberta Traffic Act

A trailer must be safely parked & cannot project onto the sidewalk, street, or alley. Throughout the year, a trailer can be parked on the street for up to 72 hours, as long as it is attached to your vehicle & doesn't violate any other bylaws or the Alberta Traffic Safety Act.

### Waste Reminder

Bylaw 1293, sect. 6.5 states that; All waste shall be bagged prior to depositing in an automated collection container. No loose waste is to be placed in waste collection carts. One main reason for this is when a cart of loose waste is being emptied in windy conditions, the loose waste is then blown away which is not controllable by the Waste truck operator.

**\* Remember to have your recycling & waste bins out by 7am Monday mornings \***

## Message from the Chief Administrative Officer

It has been a good number of years since Nanton faced any circumstances that caused the imposition of temporary water use restrictions. Given the very dry summer we had last year and the relatively low amount of precipitation in months since, we are providing information on these restrictions in case they become necessary as we go forward this year. These restrictions, if introduced, are not in themselves a cause for panic; the typical intent behind them is to prevent an emergency from developing by getting our users to cut back. If Level 1 or 2 restrictions were to be imposed, the notification would be widely circulated via our website, social media and by others means.

We welcome Adam Reiter to our team for municipal enforcement. While Community Peace Officer Services are still being set up for implementation as we move into spring, local bylaw enforcement services are available. We look forward to getting compliance and enforcement on the road and visible in the months ahead.

After the by election on February 28<sup>th</sup>, our Committee schedules and appointments will hopefully be completed fairly quickly.

Neil Smith

Chief Administrative Officer

## Water Restrictions in Nanton – Bylaw 1283/17

<b>Normal Times</b>	<p>All outdoor water use, including watering lawns, washing cars, sidewalks, pads, exteriors of buildings, recreational use of sprinklers and like water toys, is permitted; however, the civic address of a premises shall determine the days on which watering may be conducted.</p> <p>(a) Addresses ending with an odd number may water on Thursdays and Sundays.</p> <p>(b) Addresses ending with an even number may water on Wednesdays and Saturdays.</p> <p>Outdoor water use may only occur between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., in accordance with bylaw.</p>
<b>EMERGENCY LEVEL 1</b>	<p>If there needs to be reduced water usage, for any reason whatsoever, the Town may impose an Emergency Water Restriction - Level 1, prohibiting all outdoor water use (e.g. washing cars, sidewalks, pads, exteriors of buildings and lawns), excepting:</p> <p>Flowerbeds and vegetable gardens may be watered by hand, at any time, using a watering can or a hose with a nozzle with a trigger shut off to restrict water flow.</p> <p>Requests for site and condition specific watering by commercial or industrial operations using metered hand watering or continually monitored systems for the establishment and protection of new plant material, including trees, may be approved by the CAO.</p>
<b>EMERGENCY LEVEL 2</b>	<p>In the event that conditions arise that imperil the municipal water supply or its distribution, the Council or the CAO may impose an Emergency Water Restriction – Level 2, whereby, without exception:</p> <p>All outdoor water use is prohibited.</p> <p>Household and non-residential use is controlled through district flow restrictions (reduced pressures subject to Fire Services review and approval).</p> <p>The CAO will seek agreement on reduction of water consumption with major non-residential water consumers.</p>
<b>ENFORCEMENT</b>	<p>Fines: 1<sup>st</sup> Offence: \$250, 2<sup>nd</sup> Offence: \$500, Subsequent Offence: \$1000 Shut-off to a specific property can be ordered for serious non-compliance. Report Offences: 403-646-2084</p>

## New Utility Rates – Effective January 1, 2022

As of this billing period, the January/February billing, ratepayers will see increased utility rates. These rates (included in the Fees and Rates Bylaw and passed in 2019) are part of the Town's 5-year plan to ensure the sustainability of the Town's water and wastewater infrastructure. The new rates include a modest increase to the flat fee, no changes have been made to the usage charges. Waste management, recycling and storm water rates remain the same. The new rates are as follows:

### **Water Rates:**

#### Residential

\$56 flat fee +  
\$0 on 0 to 18 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.10/m<sup>3</sup> on 18 to 36 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.60/m<sup>3</sup> on 36 to 45 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.75/m<sup>3</sup> over and above 45 m<sup>3</sup>

#### Commercial/Industrial

\$56 flat fee +  
\$0 on 0 to 18m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.10/m<sup>3</sup> on 18 to 36m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.65/m<sup>3</sup> on 36 to 45 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.80/m<sup>3</sup> over and above 45 m<sup>3</sup>

### **Wastewater Rates:**

#### Residential

\$73 flat fee +  
\$0 on 0 to 18 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.00/m<sup>3</sup> on 18 to 36 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.50/m<sup>3</sup> on 36 to 45 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.65/m<sup>3</sup> over and above 45 m<sup>3</sup>

#### Commercial/Industrial

\$73 flat fee +  
\$0 on 0 to 18m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.00/m<sup>3</sup> on 18 to 36m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.55/m<sup>3</sup> on 36 to 45 m<sup>3</sup> consumption  
\$2.70/m<sup>3</sup> over and above 45 m<sup>3</sup>

## Spring is on its way!

The Town of Nanton has a donation program for the purpose of enhancing your public places such as park spaces, playgrounds and pathways. Contributions may be used for the purchase of trees, playground equipment, benches, etc. and will be acknowledged with a plaque placed on the donation wall located in the southeast corner of the Westview park.

For further information, please contact the Town office or visit

<https://www.nanton.ca/355/Sponsor-or-Donate>



## **Office Closure:**

**Good Friday, April 15th**

Regular Council Meeting is April 18th

**Have a wonderful Easter weekend!**

## Message from the Mayor

As you read this the results of the Nanton by-election will have been counted and we will be welcoming a new Councillor to our team. It's still difficult to believe that Councillor Terry Wickett is no longer with us, he is so dearly missed by all of us.

With the by-election we have rescheduled our strategic planning sessions to March 7 and 8. We wanted to ensure that the new Councillor would be able to fully contribute, as well as this being a great opportunity for us to learn together and grow as a team. In January we sent out a public survey to gather insights from the public around strategic planning direction. Know that if you missed the survey, you could still connect with anyone on Council with your ideas prior to the planning session. The idea of the strategic plan is to help give us clear goals for the next four years. The plan is not a wish list. It has realistic actionables, tied to our budgets, based off of staffing capacity and each item has a date of desired completion. The strategic plan is a fluid document though that we can adjust if a more urgent issue arises.

After strategic planning we will be working on finalizing the operational budgets and will have the mill rate by the middle of April. The property tax assessment notices will be mailed out in mid-May with taxes to be paid by the end of June, unless you're on the TIPP program.

As much as I am appreciating a relatively light winter, I am concerned over the lack of snow. This lack of snow adds to the drought conditions that we have already been experiencing over the last couple of years. Water conservation should always be top of mind, but even more so now. Nanton Council is working with the province on seeking additional water sources as our primary source (90% of our allocation) is Mosquito Creek and it is not a reliable source.

*Mayor Jennifer Handley*

## Kozy Korner for Seniors (55+)

The Kozy Korner, located at 2211 - 20<sup>th</sup> Street in Nanton, could be your answer to help chase away those winter blues. Activities are on-going through-out the week. **Currently the following activities are available:** Spades Monday at 1 pm, Cribbage Monday at 7 pm, Shuffleboard on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30 am, Canasta on Wednesday at 1 pm, Bingo every Thursday at 1:30 pm, as well as snooker or pool on a daily drop in basis. If there is sufficient interest, other activities can be arranged. Book sharing is available with a variety of paperbacks at the reading library. On the lower level, five well maintained snooker tables are available, as well as 3 dart boards and a small exercise area. **Annual membership is \$30** (proof of vaccination required) and a potential member may have 2 free visits before signing up. If you'd like to come by to join or see the facility call: 403-646-2384 (office) or Bev at 403-646-6333. Our email address is: [kozykorner2211@gmail.com](mailto:kozykorner2211@gmail.com)

Keep in mind that the Kozy Korner is run by volunteers and you may have to wait a day or two before someone can get back to you!

## Snow Removal Information

Please be reminded that it is the responsibility of the property owner/occupant to remove any snow, ice, debris or other materials from the adjacent sidewalk. You are encouraged to review the Town of Nanton Bylaw #1327 ([nanton.ca/DocumentCenter/View/161/1327-Nanton-Traffic-Bylaw](http://nanton.ca/DocumentCenter/View/161/1327-Nanton-Traffic-Bylaw)) for details in this regard. Failure to ensure sidewalks are clear may present a hazard and compliance will be enforced.

