



# NANTON NOTIFIED

## September-October 2022

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

### Licences

Business Licences & Dog Licences **EXPIRE** December 31, 2022.

### 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 Sunday 8 a.m. to 4:30p.m.

Dump Gump operates the Recycling Centre on Thursdays, noon to 5 p.m. Fees may apply.

### Council Meetings

First & third Monday of the month @ THRC Council Chambers, 2nd floor, @ 7pm. Regular Meetings are open to the Public. Regular Council Meeting is Tuesday, September 6.

### Follow us on Facebook

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

### Office Closures

Monday, September 5  
Tuesday, September 20  
Friday, September 30  
Wednesday, October 5  
Monday, October 10

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

When paying your utility and tax levies via your bank or etransfer, please ensure you have listed your **utility account or tax roll number** with the correct number of digits & your **municipal address** in the message section. This is important for us to identify which account to apply your payment.

### Notice of Public Hearing

Proposed Bylaw # 1361/22 to amend Land Use Bylaw #1246/13

Proposed Bylaw # 1362/22 to adopt the Westview Area Structure Plan (ASP)

**DATE/TIME:** September 12, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

**PLACE:** Council Chambers at the Tom Hornecker Recreation Centre @  
2122 – 18 Street

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** Persons interested in participating in the Public Hearing are asked to register prior to 12:00 noon on Monday September 12, 2022, to the Planning and Development Officer at [develop@nanton.ca](mailto:develop@nanton.ca) or by contacting the Town Office at 403-336-6564. **Deadline for written submissions for Council package is 12:00 noon Wednesday September 7, 2022 (later submissions will not be accepted).**

### Town of Nanton Emergency Management

On September 20th, the town office will be closed for an Emergency Management training session in coordination with the MD of Willow Creek.

A regional training exercise, which will be a simulated exercise to train our town staff in the event we have to deal with an emergency, will be taking place October 4-6. The town office will be closed only on October 5th.

### Recycling Yard Waste

Please be respectful in dumping of tree branches that are no more than 5cm in diameter & grass clippings only.

**Hours of operation are:** Monday—Sunday 8:00 am—4:30 pm

As per the Community Bylaw #1299/18 , Section 4.2 - "No person shall cause, permit or undertake any activity upon any Town property which is a nuisance." Fine of \$500 for first offence.

Security cameras are in place.

**ANNUAL BUDGET DELIBERATIONS**

Budget deliberations for Capital & Operating budgets for next year take place during the Fall and Winter. Contact the Town Office if you wish to make representations or submit written ideas to Council or the Finance Committee on the following matters:

**TAX & UTILITIES POLICY**                      **LOCAL SERVICES**  
**CAPITAL PRIORITIES**                      **CONTRIBUTION GRANTS**  
**OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES**              **ASSETS AND RESERVES**

**IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT NEXT YEAR'S TAXES OR BUDGET,  
DON'T WAIT UNTIL NEXT YEAR TO LET US KNOW!**

**NANTON** 

We're approaching the time when we really need to hear from our clubs, societies and service organizations about any requests pertaining to the operating or capital budget for 2023. Please contact the Town Office if there is an 'ask' of Council for this year.

**Don't wait until April!**

**Non-Residential Assessment Sub Class**

Businesses and / or property owners who want to take advantage of the Small Business Property Sub Class, are eligible to be removed from the Vacant Non Residential Property Sub Class. Submit a completed Statutory Declaration to the Town Office by Jan 31, 2023. Please contact the Town Office if you have any questions.

<https://nanton.ca/392/Non-Residential-Property-Tax-Changes>

**PLEASE trim your hedges, trees & shrubs**

People with mobility aids need full access to sidewalks. Back lanes must be sufficiently clear for vehicular traffic and RVs to navigate safely. After the summer we've had, it's important to remember that certain landscaping can encroach into sidewalks and lanes, partially impeding access or scraping the sides of vehicles. Those kinds of encroachments are violations under the Town's Community Bylaw. Please assess the front and rear of your property and determine if you need to trim or cut back any vegetation ahead of fall and winter, and take any necessary action. We are seeing a seasonal increase in complaints in this area of bylaw enforcement but consider remedial enforcement a last resort for vegetation encroachments. Please think of your neighbors and pedestrians in general, taking precautionary action annually. Yard waste from trimming can be deposited at no charge at the Town's facility on 19th Avenue. **For any hedges, trees & shrubs that are not maintained in a timely manner, Public Works staff will have to complete the trimming that are encroaching sidewalks. Fees may apply.**

**Message from NAPS**

The 2022 SMILE COOKIE PROGRAM will run the week of **September 19 – 25**. Last year \$12M was raised across Canada, which was a record, with 100% of proceeds going straight back into the community through our Charity Partners. This year's Charity Partner is Nanton Animal Protection Society. Stop in at Tim Hortons and purchase a cookie or two for a great cause.

**Message from the Chamber of Commerce**

Did you get your new Nanton map commissioned by the Chamber and designed by Mosaic owners and artists Paul Canfield and Barb Curle? Whether you're a business owner or resident, the small ones are available to you for free and we have a super-sized one and mid-sized one available for a reasonable \$20 and \$10 respectively. These make a great keepsake or gift so contact the Chamber today to get yours by emailing [info@nantonchamber.com](mailto:info@nantonchamber.com).

## Message from the Chief Administrative Officer

This summer we welcomed Bill Woytiuk to the Operations Manager position, Shellah Petersen to the Lead Hand (Public Works) position and Zack Goodwin Anderson to Public Works (Laborer).

We've spent quite a bit of time and effort this year switching our focus in utilities to leak detection within the water distribution system. There are signs of long-term leaks or high groundwater in some areas of Town that can take considerable effort to properly trace and rectify. High groundwater can also infiltrate the wastewater system and add to plant costs. If you suspect a slow leak in your service line or nearby water main (before the meter), please contact the Operations Department. Two of the most common indications can be poorer general water pressure or an overly active sump pump – we have acoustic detection equipment that sometimes can help determine the presence of a leak without digging up lines or the roadway unnecessarily.

Thanks to a cooperative spring and early summer, our water reservoir has maintained decent levels, negating the need for conservation measures. We are aware that, due to the sustained period of hot weather, that taste and odour complaints are on the rise again. Standard water treatment processes, which make drinking water safe, cannot address this very successfully. There is a significant plan to try and tackle this in 2023 with an aeration/ activated carbon project, but we may never be able to fully eradicate the 'geosmin' taste from a shallow surface water source.

Our Community Peace Officer, Adam Reiter, has had a very busy summer and we hope that the new service is considered an improvement. Road safety has been a particular focus with tickets issued for some pretty shocking speeding and other offences and I thank the RCMP for their new levels of partnership with the Town to try and make Nanton safer for pedestrians and responsible road users.

This is always the time of year when, while implementing our capital program on roads and sidewalk, some members of the public will naturally ask "what about my street?" or "why not this other project?". If there's something that you and your neighbours feel should be addressed in the **next** capital program, please contact the Operations Department or the Town Office. We will review the suggestion/ request and see if it can be included next year or should be sent to Council for discussion during budget deliberations.

**Neil Smith**

**Chief Administrative Officer**



The Town of Nanton has received a supportive grant from the Canadian Federal Heritage Fund in the amount of \$40,400. This Commemorate Canada Reopening Fund will be utilized by the Town for its "Phoenix Project" to create, restore and enhance welcoming and vibrant outdoor multi-use spaces and events. The Nanton Promoters were the first recipients of the funds towards the Fireworks Display on the August long weekend, kicking off the theme of the Phoenix Project.

The Town will be upgrading the usability of the Visitor Information Centre and walkways from the Ag Society and Golf Course to local businesses. These upgrades include additional benches, picnic tables and refuse containers to compliment the recent installation of infrastructure improvements. The main focus of the grant will be the addition of trees and shrubs in these areas to create usable pathways and parks as well as upgraded amenities to encourage gatherings and to celebrate the rich heritage of Nanton.

## Message from the Mayor

I hope that you have all had a lovely summer; it's been truly incredible seeing all of the activity and energy around town! Come September, Council will be hitting the ground running preparing for the 2023 budget season and finalizing 2022 projects. These include:

- Area structure plan (ASP) for the new phases of Westview. As we only have just over 10 residential lots remaining we must begin planning the next phases of Westview. We have been working on this for much of 2022 and a public hearing for the ASP will be held in September. Once amendments to the ASP bylaw are finalized, we can seek potential developers for these new phases. Please view the plans online or come into the town office to see what is being proposed and submit your formal feedback.
- Land use bylaw update - Council strives to make this document (last updated in 2013) more user-friendly, less bureaucratic and more relevant to today's needs. After nearly 10 years with this Land-Use bylaw, we recognize its strengths and weaknesses and look forward to updating it as soon as possible.
- Water reservoir aeration project - This is one of the final recommendations from the taste and odour study completed in 2016 and will entail the installation of an aeration unit in the raw water reservoir.
- Focus on the water distribution lines and valve replacements. Much of our focus has been on necessary upgrades in the water treatment plant. Now that most of the upgrades have been completed, we are focusing on the distribution lines throughout town. This will involve significant valve replacements (to isolate areas of town and improve flushing capabilities) and focus on the condition of all of the lines. Having a better understanding of these lines will help us make long-term capital budget priorities for replacements or alternate repairs.
- Health clinic replacement -This is a project we have actively been working on with the M.D. of Willow Creek and the M.D. of Ranchlands. We plan to continue moving this much-needed project forward in any way that we can.
- Support our School trustees for their recommendations for school modernization.
- Sludge handling and efficiencies at the wastewater treatment plant.

Consolidate policies and SOPs for use of communication media (Social Media, LED Signs, Farmer's Market, Post Office, Radio, etc.).

If you or your organization have needs and wants for us to focus on in 2023, it's important that you connect with us before November in order for us to consider them in our 2023 plans and budget.

As always feel free to connect with any member of Council with your questions, ideas and concerns. You can do this via email, or phone or join us in person on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 12 pm-1 pm at the Council chambers at the THRC or streamed online through Facebook live on the Town of Nanton Facebook page for coffee with Council.

*Mayor Jennifer Handley*



**May your Thanksgiving weekend be full of  
your favorites!**