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COUNCIL MEETINGS
Mondays, August 8 & 22
Begin at 6:00 pm in
Council Chambers
View meetings via zoom



DROP BOX
Is located in the front door.
Please leave utility/tax payments,
water meter readings, etc.
Leave payments in secured envelopes

NUISANCE PROPERTIES

The summer season is disappearing quickly and we are still endeavouring to write letters to those residents that do not comply with Nuisance Bylaw, 2015-04; of which there are many.

If your property is neglected to the point of: buildings becoming dilapidated, overgrown grass and weeds, being untidy and unsightly, unnecessarily storing unlicensed &/or junked vehicles, unoccupied buildings being left to deteriorate into a state of disrepair, inappropriate storage of outdoor materials; containing abandoned refrigerators, freezers, or any large appliances with doors; open excavations being a visible hazard; or fences not being maintained in a reasonable state of repair; you can expect a letter from the Town at some point.

NOTE: *If grass remains uncut on private property, the Town does not require permission & can see to the cutting at a cost of \$250.00 per a regular 50' x 120' lot & the owner invoiced accordingly.*

OVERGROWTH

It is the property owners' responsibility to keep the sidewalks clear of overgrowth from hedges & shrubbery, etc. Pedestrians are being forced off of the sidewalk into the boulevard or street.

Aside from sidewalks, overgrown bushes are cause for traffic hazards by blocking visibility at corners. Overgrown tree branches are also impeding back lane vehicle traffic & should also be pruned back to the property line, with the exception of elm trees. Elms cannot be trimmed or cut from April 1 – August 31 to prevent the spread of Dutch Elm disease.

TREE MAINTENANCE

Every year, we entrust the maintenance of town trees to *LEE'S TREE CARE & LANDSCAPING*, but we also give residents the opportunity to have their trees looked after. Call the town office & we'll add your name to the Tree list.

We simply pass this information onto *LEE'S*. They'll call & consult with you on the service required & provide a quote.

WILD WEST PARADE PARKING
Saturday, July 30 at 11 a.m.
Please have all vehicles removed from Herbert Avenue by 10 a.m.
Parking can resume after the parade & street barricades have been removed.

Saskatchewan Day – Monday, August 1

DOGS

Recent incidents have led to this article, but firstly let's define what a dog being under control really means & the consequences that may ensue should a dog be observed as doing dog things, with or without its owner/sitter being present.

Definition:

Dogs are under control when on a lead held by someone able to control the dog. The dog is securely contained within a fenced yard or enclosure; or is securely restrained within property boundaries.

Procedure/Penalty:

Upon the Town receiving a formal complaint, any reported offences deemed as a Nuisance according to the Animal Control Bylaw, 2007-06, will see the owner receiving a fine according to the offence as outlined in Schedule "G" (see on the backside of newsletter).

This may do little for anyone affected &/or traumatized by a dog encounter, but it would certainly see the owner's pocketbook smarting.



WHAT TO DO IF CHARGED BY ANOTHER DOG: STAY CALM !!!

- Most dogs who charge towards you barking, growling and snapping may not be intending to attack you. They are simply excited or reactive dogs who will run off again if you are calm and turn away from them without making a fuss.
- The first thing to remember if a dog charges you is to remain calm. Do not scream, and do not try to hit, kick or show aggression to the dog. If you are walking or running, stop and either turn sideways or slowly back away. Avoid eye contact with the dog; if you stare this will often be perceived by the dog as a threat.
- If the dog continues to snarl and snap at you, position your body side-on and fold your arms. Again, remain calm and do not try to run away otherwise the dog will become more excited.
- If the dog is trying to bite you, try and block the attack with something you are carrying, such as a bag or rolled-up jacket. This can often defuse the situation and give you more time in case help is at hand from the owner or others who can bring the dog under control. If the dog continues to lunge or jump at you, try to protect your face by turning away.
- If the dog is large enough to push you over, tuck yourself up into a ball and clasp your hands around the back of your head whilst trying to remain as calm and quiet as possible. If the dog bites and holds, it will make things worse if you try to jerk away. Again, the key is to try and be calm, which is easier said than done.

In summary; staying calm is the key to avoiding any nasty encounters, but it is good to be armed with the above knowledge if you are out and about enjoying the fresh air.

SCHEDULE "G"

AMOUNTS WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED BY TOWN IN LIEU OF PROSECUTION

OFFENCE UNDER	OFFENCE	AMOUNT
Section 3 (2)	Unlicenced animal	\$50.00
(7)	False information	\$50.00
(9)	Dog not wearing licence	\$10.00
Section 4 (1)	Dog at large	\$100.00
Section 5 (1)(a)	Dog biting a person(s)	\$250.00
(b)	Dog injuring a person(s)	\$250.00
(c)	Dog chasing a person(s)	\$100.00
(e)	Dog barking, howling, or disturbing	\$250.00
(f)	Dog causing damage to property	\$100.00
(g)	Dog upsetting waste receptacle	\$100.00
(h)	Dog unattended in motor vehicle	\$100.00
5 (2)	Fail to keep female dog in heat, housed	\$100.00
5 (3)	Defecation – property other than owner	\$250.00
5 (4)	Defecation – owner’s property not cleaned daily	\$100.00
Section 6 (a)	Vicious dog biting a person(s)	\$500.00
(b) (i)	Vicious dog not fenced	\$250.00
(ii)	Vicious dog in dwelling not under control by person over 16 years or age	\$250.00
(c) (i)	Vicious dog not muzzled	\$250.00
(ii)	Vicious dog not harnessed	\$250.00
Section 18 (3)	Fail to vaccinate dog pursuant to Section 18(2)	\$100.00
Section 25	Exceeding maximum number of cats - each	\$35.00
Section 28 (3)	Exceeding maximum number of dogs - each	\$50.00
Section 31	Obstruction	\$150.00
Section 32 (a)	Untie or free an animal	\$100.00
(b)	Willfully open gate or door	\$100.00
(c)	Tease; throw things at dog	\$100.00

SUBSEQUENT OFFENCE COMMITTED WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF THE FIRST OFFENCE – DOUBLE THE ABOVE SCHEDULE

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