

May 2020



Out and About in Bon Accord

2020 COMBINED ASSESSMENT AND PROPERTY TAX NOTICE

The 2020 Combined Assessment and Property Tax Notice was mailed on April 30. Information regarding the Assessment Complaint process was included with the tax notice. Please note that assessment complaints must be filed within 60 days of the Notice of Assessment Date, which is **July 6 2020**. As per the 2020 Tax Penalty Bylaw Amendment for COVID-19 BYLAW 2020-16, Taxes are due on August 30, 2020 with a 9% penalty being applied on September 1, 2020 on outstanding current taxes.



FREE COMPOST GIVEAWAY– CANCELLED

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Town will not be hosting the free compost giveaway this year. We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause, but safety for our staff and residents come first.



ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION

Organic Waste collection commences **May 15** and continues until **November 13**. All organic material must be placed (not bagged) in the tote marked 'Organic' and placed on the street in front of your home on Friday mornings by 7:00 am. **Please note that all totes must be removed from the street by 9:00 pm on Friday evening.**



GARAGE SALES

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all garage sales, regardless of duration, are strongly discouraged from being held until the Provincial restrictions are lifted. All municipalities within Sturgeon County are following a similar practice to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- * Garage sales are a non-essential service,
- * Garage sales encourage mass or public gatherings and physical closeness,
- * Garage sales deal with cash handling and provide an opportunity for surface disease transfer,
- * Garage sale goers often go from sale to sale or community to community
- * Safety and security of patrons, sanitizer use, and disinfection protocols cannot be easily monitored,
- * Inside a garage may not allow for appropriate physical distancing,
- * Garage sale items are mainly used, previously handled, and do not have exterior wrapping or protective coverings.

Please, let's all do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and get through this pandemic as quickly, and safely as possible.

FEED THE FAMILIES FOOD DRIVE

Between May 12 and May 19th, the Bon Accord Fire Department will be delivering empty bags to each household. We ask all residents that are able to donate to place non-perishable food, and toiletries in the bags and leave on your front step on May 29, before 9 am. Town Staff, Council, and volunteers will be out to collect the bags on May 29. We thank all that are able to donate for your generosity. If you are in need of the food bank please contact the Bon Accord Gibbons Food Bank at 780-923-2344 for assistance. These are trying times, and we need to know when we can help and when we need to ask for help.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

While we are all very aware of COVID-19, other emergencies can occur, and they can strike without warning. Being prepared may help reduce the stress of an emergency.



The Town of Bon Accord is part of the Sturgeon Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SREMP). Visit the SREMP website at <https://www.sremp.ca/> for information about emergency preparedness.

COVID-19 Pandemic

This is a trying time, but we hope that you are managing well and hopefully taking time for yourself. If you are need of assistance with groceries, medicine, navigating government funding etc. please contact the FCSS Coordinator Jenny Larson 780-893-5008 or jl Larson@bonaccord.ca



- Mental health is not only the avoidance of serious mental illness. Your mental health is affected by numerous factors from your daily life, including the stress of balancing work with your health and relationships.
- Although 1 in 5 Canadians will be affected by mental illness in their lifetime, 5 in 5 Canadians have mental health. It is important to stay active in ensuring your mental health is top of mind and you are working to improve your mental health every day.

For information on how to help loved ones or yourself with mental illness you may visit <https://alberta.cmha.ca/> or call 211 for more assistance.



Phone: 780 921 2540 Fax 780 921 2580
librarian @ bonaccordlibrary.ab.ca

- Bon Accord Public Library is offering curbside pickup @ the library for books and movies. We are also offering library kits for children which includes books, activities, or crafts. We have many themes available. Contact the library for more details
- 780-921-2540 or email
- librarian@bonccordlibrary.ab.ca



MAY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	T = Town Activity RMC - Regular Meeting of Council				1 Household Waste/Blue Bag pick up	2
3	4	5 Regular Meeting of Council 7pm	6	7	8 Household Waste pick up	9
← Emergency Preparedness Week →						
10 HAPPY Mother's DAY 	11	12	13	14	15 Household Waste/Blue Bag/ Organic pick up	16
17	18 Victoria Day— Town office closed	19 Regular Meeting of Council 8:30 am	20	21	22 Household Waste/Organic pick up	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Household Waste/Blue Bag/ Organic pick up FEED THE FAMILIES FOOD DRIVE 9 am—Noon	30
31	1	2 Regular Meeting of Council 7pm	3	4	5 Household Waste/Organic pick up	6