Town of Pilot Butte

The town has passed the 2020 Budget with due consideration of the crisis that faces all of us.

- The Town of Pilot Butte Municipal mill rates for 2020 will not be increased. The Province has not increased the 2020 Education mill rates. Your taxes will be the same as last year unless your assessment changed in 2020. The municipal discount remains at 8% applicable if taxes paid by June 30th. Current year taxes are due by December 31, 2020 without penalty.
- The town has also made the decision to cancel interest on utility arrears for the next six months and will not charge water overage fees for the March and April utility billing. Updates will be provided as they become available.
- In an effort to prevent spread of the COVID-19 virus, the Town of Pilot Butte will be closing all play structures on municipal land, effective immediately until further notice. Play structures are high touch areas. In order to maintain effective physical distancing, we encourage parents and kids to use one of the many green spaces or walking paths in our community. Please remember that if you are not from the same family, proper physical distancing means staying six feet apart.
- The town is following all restrictions as mandated by the Province of Saskatchewan and Saskatchewan Health Authority and will continue to do so until such time as noted otherwise.

We encourage all residents to do as mandated to stay safe.

2020 Assessment Notices have been mailed out. If you received an Assessment Notice (it is not a Tax Notice), that means you took out a building permit for a new home, garage, addition, renovation or demolition or SAMA did a callback. Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) determines assessments for the municipality. You can also access assessments at www.sama.sk.ca and click the SAMAView link.

If you receive an assessment notice and have questions, please feel free to contact SAMA at 306-924-8080 or the Town Office at 306-781-4547 and we would be happy to help you. You can also check out the 2020 Assessment Roll online at http://www.pilotbutte.ca/p/local-news and then click on the link to view the roll.

Deadline for appeals is April 6, 2020.

Rodeo Volunteers
June 19, 20, 21

This year again we are looking forward to a successful Rodeo event. However, many volunteers are required in order to do so. If you can spare a few hours that weekend it would be greatly appreciated. We are also offering an opportunity for you to make some money for your group or charity organization, for more information or to volunteer; please call Leanne @306 781- 4142 or Marian @ 306 781-4007.

We require volunteers in the concession, gate, cabaret, children’s activities.

Thank you for your past support and we hope we can count on your support for this coming year’s event.

As noted on their Facebook page, the Chase the Ace draws are postponed indefinitely. Thank you for your support and watch for updates.

Submissions and Payment

Please remember to send your submissions no later than 5 pm on the 20th. Anything received after cannot be guaranteed to be inserted into the issue. Your continued co-operation is appreciated. PLEASE EMAIL the News and views® at newsandviews@sasktel.net or drop it off at the Pilot Butte Town Office.

As always, a huge THANK YOU to the sponsors who have renewed their squares or are new to our backpage—We truly cannot publish without your generous support!

Thanks also to those businesses who pay to take out a monthly ad at various times of the year.

The News and views® appreciates all those who help in getting the 10 issues printed and out to the residents. It takes a community!

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Council meetings are **Open to the Public**. Meetings are normally held the **2nd and 4th MONDAY** of each month. If a Statutory Holiday falls on a regularly scheduled Council meeting Monday, the Council meeting will be held on the Tuesday. Unscheduled Special Meetings are advertised in advance for public attendance.

Your Elected Council Members who represent your interests are Mayor **Peggy Chorney**, along with Councillors **Teresa Blommaert, Jean Lowenberger, Bruce MacKenzie, Lydia Riopka, Nathan Schmidt, Ed Sigmeth**. Please contact the Town Office at 306.781.4547 should you have any questions or concerns on any issue.

The Council meetings for 2020 are as follows:

**April 13 & 27 (via Electronic Means—Please contact the Town Office at 306-781-4547 in order to sign in to observe a meeting and/or to address Council as a delegation)**

- May 11 & 25
- June 8 & 22
- July 13 & 27
- August 10 & 24
- September 14 & 28
- October 13 (Tues) & 26
- November 9 & 23
- December 14 & 28

You can contact us at 306.781.4547 or townofpilotbutte@sasktel.net. We are also on the web at www.pilotbutte.ca. The site is updated on a regular basis. If you have any suggestions or comments on our website, please feel free to let us know. We welcome any and all feedback.

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**Physical Distancing Activities**

- Reading
- Keep in touch with friends and family (phone or video calls)
- Try at Home Workouts to stay active
- Mediation and Yoga to help manage stress
- Learn a new skill (playing guitar or cooking a new recipe)
- Go Outside (keeping in mind the 1 to 2 meter distancing for safety)


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**Dog and Cat Control Bylaw**

The Town would like to remind residents that all dogs and cats are not permitted to run at large and are required to be leashed or contained in their own yards.

The **Town’s Dog and Cat Control Bylaw** is to promote the safety, health and welfare of the people and the protection of people and property in the Town of Pilot Butte and contains fines for offenders.

Please respect your neighbor’s and the Town bylaws and restrain your pet when not in your yard. Please be reminded also, that there is a requirement for cleaning up after your pet.

The Town of Pilot Butte Dog and Cat Control Bylaw can be found on the Town’s website http://www.pilotbutte.ca under the Local Government tab for your reference.

We thank you for your continued cooperation.

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**SEWAGE BLOCKAGE** - If you suspect you have a sewer blockage, the line **MUST be checked by the Town Maintenance Staff**. **Payment may be refused** (at the discretion of the Town Maintenance Director) if this condition is not met. A **maintenance man is on call after hours for emergencies** and is available by calling **306-781-4547 Option 6**. Thank you.
Recreation Update

April

During this uncertain time and the closure of the Recreation Centre, the Recreation Department is still working on planning programs and classes for when we reopen.

Please contact Meaghann by emailing pbrec2@sasktel.net or by calling 306-781-6253 (leave a message) with any questions or regarding your interest in these programs.

Summer Fun Camp Dates!
    July 13th to 17th
    July 20th to 24th
    August 10th to 14th
    August 17th to 21st
Camps are Monday to Friday this year.

We are hopeful that registration will open as planned on April 15th*

*subject to change given the current circumstances

Programs and Classes we are working on:

Pound and Kickboxing with Kristina on Monday evenings in the Community Hall

Children's Fencing through Regina Fencing on Wednesday evenings in the Community Hall

Dynamic Movement Class with Susan Freitag planned to start in May on Tuesday evenings in the Community Hall
Sunday Mass Time 9:00 am

**Mass time changes to 8:45 am on the last Sunday of the month with coffee and donuts following mass (September – June).**

- We are looking for 2 more volunteers to assist with Children’s Liturgy during Sunday morning mass.
- See add for more information on the Grade 12 Scholarship!
- Check out our Facebook page: St. Agnes Church-Pilot Butte
- Check out our new website: stjosephstagnes.ca
- Any potential mass cancellations due to COVID-19 will be posted on the website.

Sometimes the best thing you can do is not think, not wonder, not imagine, not obsess. Just **breathe** and have **faith** that everything will work out for the best. It is ok to scream, it is ok to cry, just don’t give up! We are all in this life together, and with love, kindness and faith, we will get through it together. This too shall pass.

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**St. Agnes Parish Scholarship Requirements — Deadline is May 3, 2020**

Any grade 12 graduating student who is a member of St. Agnes Parish. Applications must be submitted to the Parish Office by June 7, 2020.

**ST. AGNES PARISH SCHOLARSHIP**

1. **You must be a member of the St. Agnes Parish community.**
2. **You must have a first year application in to any post-secondary educational institution.**
3. **The candidate must write a short personal essay.**
   - The main theme of this essay should be “How I express my Christian faith in the local and global world.”

Do not include your name in the essay. For identification purposes, please submit your name on a cover page only. Your name will not be known to the judging committee, as judging is done anonymously.

Essays must be submitted no later than May 3, 2020 to:
St. Agnes Parish Scholarship Committee,
c/o Jackie Peat,
Box 615,
Pilot Butte, Sack,
S0G 3C0

If you have any questions, please email store@stjosephstagnes.ca or contact any Parish Council member.
We are here to serve our neighbours:

The hungry: Way of Life has frozen and non-perishable food items to share with people experiencing a shortage of food. Contact us using any of the methods below for assistance.

The isolated: If you are in isolation/quarantine and don’t have any way to access groceries, medicines and other essentials, please contact us. We may have the things you need here, or we can do some shopping for you.

The concerned: We will be hosting on-line prayer and discussion groups on Mondays at noon and Wednesdays at 7pm. You can join in by phone, cell phone, tablet or computer. Contact Pastor Norm and he will get you the details on how to connect.

The community: Weekly Sunday services will continue on-line to eliminate any chance of passing infection. On-line service will start at 10:30 and everyone is welcome to join in by phone, by Facebook, or with your computer or mobile device. Contact Pastor Norm for connection details.

In difficult times like these, let’s lean on each other and share our love and support freely. Together we will come out of this a stronger and more united community.

- May God bless you and keep you safe and healthy.

How to reach us:

- wayoflifepb
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- info@wayoflifechurch.ca
- www.wayoflifechurch.ca
- 306-779-1084
THE LIBRARY IS CLOSED UNTIL SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

Hold onto your library materials for now. Fines will not be charged/accumulate between March 16th and April 14th

Holds are frozen province-wide. Interlibrary loans have also been temporarily suspended. Once the library branch reopens, all holds will be available to pick up.

You can renew materials at home using the SILS app or by logging into your account. Remember that all our electronic material is still available.

Updates are available on the Southeast Regional Library website.

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**Pilot Butte Community Rodeo Committee**

**HAROLD PANNO COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARD**

**Description:** Harold Panno, a former resident of Pilot Butte, volunteered countless hours for a variety of causes including the Lion’s Club, figure skating, ringette, hockey and also was a committed leader in initiating the Pilot Butte Rodeo. He gave of his time, his own resources and worked tirelessly for his community. This Community Volunteer Award has been created by the family of Harold Panno in honour of his memory and to recognize community members that give back to their community, just as Harold did.

**Criteria:**

- Nominees may be an individual or group, who do not need to reside in Pilot Butte, but must have continually committed their time, talent and energy, without pay, to improve quality of life in Pilot Butte.
- Nominees must have volunteered for no personal gain, no expectations and have been known to go “the extra mile” to help the organization/community/cause.
- The person(s) nominated is not required to have current or past volunteer experience with the Pilot Butte Rodeo. This may include sport, recreation and culture board members, coaches, managers, administrators, organizers as well as those who volunteer for social causes through the church and other community organizations.
- Past Harold Panno Community Volunteer Award recipients are not eligible for the award again.

**To Nominate an Individual or Group:**

- Please fill out a nomination form and forward it to: Pilot Butte Community Rodeo - PO Box 920 - Pilot Butte, SK S0G 3Z0 marian.zs@sasktel.net
- Nomination forms available at www.pilotbutte.ca (Resident Notices)
- Deadline to submit nominees is May 31, 2020 at 4 pm.

More Information: Call Marian at (306) 781-4007 or email marian.zs@sasktel.net

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**Pilot Butte Arts & Culture**

As a result of directions from Public Health related to COVID 19 we will be canceling all classes and events until further notice.

Our priority is for the health and safety of everyone. If we can help flatten the curve (spread of the Covid-19 virus), then it will be worth it.

We plan to offer you an exciting list of classes for the fall, so stay safe and healthy. We’ll keep you updated on our plans.

Sincerely, Pilot Butte Arts & Culture Committee

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**Pilot Butte Photo Bunch**

Cancelled Until Further Notice
Hello and I hope everyone is keeping well! The month of March came in this year worse than a Lion and more like a monster! Obviously never in recent history has the world experienced such a difficult situation with this coronavirus pandemic. We are all working hard to get through it and support each other in any way we can.

Our activities at preschool for March were abruptly cut short as we began making our Memory Boxes and started a special “All About Me” project. We were also sad that our upcoming trip to the Floral Conservatory was cancelled as all schools are now closed for possibly the rest of the year. We are all now trying to adjust to the changes in our daily lives. I hope to find creative ways to connect to the preschoolers online for the remainder of our school year and assist parents however I can with continuing the children’s education at home. When there is a will there is a way and it is beautiful to see how we can come together as a community to help each other succeed!

This will be the last preschool article for this year. But for families registered for 2020-2021 preschool year you can look forward to a Welcome Package sent out to you at the beginning of August with the date for Open House and other fun activities to help prepare your little one for school!

If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to contact me at nicole-preschool@sasktel.net or call 306-789-6914.

Sending you all wishes for good health and happiness! Next year will be a great year I know it and I can’t wait to get back at it!

Take care,

Mrs. Marshall
We’re Celebrating 2 years

Denise and team would like to thank the community of Pilot Butte and surrounding area for your support over the past 2 years, we couldn’t have done it without you!

Celebrate with us!
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Unclassified Classifieds
The News and viewS would like to thank the Pilot Butte Recreation Board in conjunction with Sask Lotteries Assistance Grant, for ongoing donation to our newsletter. The donation from the Rec Board enables the News and viewS to keep publishing and aids in local sports, culture and recreation advertising. Our continued thanks for the support!

The grant allows expansion of the News and viewS as necessary, with local content, assorted advertising and hopefully making it more appealing and interesting to read.

The Town of Pilot Butte also provides financial funding as well as continued support in other ways. The Town has pledged to ensure that the News and viewS will publish, no matter what! Thank you to the Town for their continued support. It takes a tremendous financial worry off of the volunteers!

The R.M. of Edenwold also supplies the newsletter with financial funding and we use a portion of these funds to send copies of the newsletters to some R.M. residents.

This financial windfall (for us!) is enabling us to produce a larger, more attractive newsletter for your enjoyment. We hope that we can continue to provide a quality of newsletter that makes us the “must read” item each month.

We truly appreciate the support and could not publish without this funding along with our backpage sponsors.

Check us out on the web, IN COLOUR at www.pilotbutte.ca

A Message from the RM of Edenwold

By-Election

The R.M. of Edenwold will be holding By-Elections in May, for the vacancies of the 2nd and 3rd elected residential councilor positions. To vote, you must be on the voters list. To be added to the voters list or update your information, please visit our website and fill out the registration form. All voting will be by mail; please ensure to have your ballot in the Returning Officer’s hands by the deadline.

Dust Control Application Deadline - April 30th

The R.M. of Edenwold is seeking to control dust created by wind events. Applications for dust control are due by April 30th, 2023. Applications can be submitted online at www.ardenwil.ca or in person at the R.M. office. For more information, please contact the R.M. office at 306-647-3631.

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