Elbow Village Office News Summer 2014

2014 Tax Notices – At their April 14, 2014 meeting, Council accepted the 2014 Operating and Capital Budget, setting the municipal mill rate at 4.22 mills (no change from 2013). The base tax increased from \$625 for improved property to \$670. The mill rate factor of 2.25 remains in place for all commercial property. The province set the school mill rate at 5.03 mills, the same as in 2013.

Please remember that payment must **REACH** the Village Office by the end of the month in order to receive the respective discount. Also, in order to avoid any penalty charges, payment must **REACH** the Village Office by December 31, 2014. You may want to consider sending in a post-dated cheque in advance of the deadline in order to ensure you receive your discount or avoid penalty charges.

Email online payments – Many financial institutions now offer INTERAC e-Transfers, a quick and secure method to make payments or transfer money. All you need is your recipient's email address to send money in just a few quick and easy steps. This might be something you'd like to consider in order to make your water bill or even tax payments. Check with your financial institution to see just how easy it is to set up and to inquire about service fees for this type of service. Our email address that you would use to send payment to is elbow@sasktel.net

By-Election – Nomination day (July 16th) came and went, with only one nomination paper received. Nick Paulsen is our new councillor in by acclamation. Nick will be sworn in at our August 14, 2014 Council Meeting. Congratulations Nick!

<u>Village of Elbow website</u> – please remember that all council meeting minutes, and quarterly newsletter are posted on the website. You will also find a listing of community news and events, classified ads, etc. If you are putting on a community event, please let us know and we'll add it to the website (no charge) www.elbowsask.com

<u>Provincial Disaster Assistance Program</u> – The Village has made application to the Ministry of Government Relations for designation under the PDAP program. PDAP provides financial assistance to claimants for uninsurable essential property damaged as a result of natural disasters. PDAP only covers property damage that isn't covered by private insurance. Assistance is provided to pre-disaster condition only.

If the Village receives approval, there will be more information available at the Village Office. In the meantime, if you think you might qualify for this assistance, please document and keep a log of all work done to protect your home. Take photos as well, noting the date and location of each photo. For more information you can check out the PDAP website www.gr.gov.sk.ca/PDAP

Thank you's:

- WayLyn Signs for donating our new Fire Hall sign!
- Kevin Luchia (and Ev & Marlo Kearley for the use of their equipment) for working up around the playground equipment by the rodeo grounds!
- *Transfer Station* open Mondays from 4 - 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. - noon. (this includes stat holidays)
- Lynden Lepage and his crew for assisting once again with the docks at Tuft's Bay!
- > Todd Ector for helping out with the office computers!