



Mama Fox

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Support for Student Project

As you are aware almost all Covid-19 restrictions have been removed by the province and it's great to see the increased activity in the community. Last weekend the parking lot at the arena and community centre were full. The arena was busy and Stage Hanna hosted the first two shows of their new comedy. Administration indicates that there is a lot more interest in booking our facilities again for public events. Some residents may choose to continue to wear masks and I trust that everyone will respect their decision.

I want to touch on the highlights of the March 8 Council meeting:

It was great to see a group of students in the Council Chambers who presented Council with their plan to raise chickens for slaughter. The project based learning project will give them business experience, learn the responsibilities of caring and raising animals and look at creating more agriculture-based content at the school. While their plan does contravene the Town of Hanna Animal Control Bylaw, Council has approved their project on a trial basis with a number of conditions. The project in total will last three months from April to June.

Council also approved:

- a proposal to replace the condenser at the arena/curling rink.
- a proposal to resurface the tennis courts, including a new lift of asphalt.
- an operating grant to the SPCA in the amount of \$7,424.16.

Remember to feel free to reach out to me with any concerns or issues you may have.

Respectfully,
Danny Povaschuk, Mayor



Bylaw Services are Changing



Effective March 1, 2022, Special Areas Board Community Peace Officers (CPOs) are providing enforcement services to the Town of Hanna on a contracted basis.

Community Peace Officers will take their direction from the Town of Hanna and will focus their time on municipal bylaws such as:

- unsightly properties,
- on street parking, including RVs and trailers,
- sidewalk snow removal,
- garbage issues,
- noise, and
- business licensing.

Peace Officers will address dangerous dogs, animal protection, and animal control but will not provide animal capture services.

You will notice that the CPOs have marked patrol vehicles and they are in a CPO uniform with the Special Areas logo. If you are approached but feel unsure, Special Areas CPOs are happy to produce identification.

The Town of Hanna has always taken an education-first approach to enforcement. If a situation can be resolved by municipal employees and an opportunity to educate there will be no need to involve the Peace Officers and issue tickets.

If you live within the Town of Hanna, you should continue to submit your bylaw concerns through the Town Office. This can be done in a number of ways all of which are outlined and available at hanna.ca/enforcement.

- Complete and submit the online interactive report.
- Complete the paper based form and deliver it to the Town Office during regular business hours.
- Drop in or phone to complete the form or receive assistance with completing the form.

Town staff have tried to keep the process simple and streamlined.

Remember, if you need immediate assistance or your concern relates to immediate public safety, always contact 911.

“This joint approach to bylaw enforcement is another example of our good working relationship with the Special Areas.”

— Mayor Danny Povaschuk, Town of Hanna

RCMP Request Assistance

RCMP Town Hall

Mar 24 at 6:00 pm
Community Centre
Everyone welcome

Survey:
hanna.ca/rcmp



Sgt. Raimo Loo of the Hanna RCMP Detachment would like to hear from community members who may have any comments about policing issues in the area. Annually, RCMP detachments are required to prepare and submit a Community Policing Plan. Members are asked to collect information from the public and use this information to help identify priority areas for the coming year.

Town of Hanna is working with Sgt. Raimo to encourage people to respond to the survey recently released.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED IN HANNA!

The Town of Hanna has partnered with **Drive Happiness** to bring low-cost assisted transportation to Hanna, and volunteer drivers who own a vehicle are urgently needed to kickstart the program! Help local seniors access medical care, grocery stores, recreation, and more. You'll choose when and where you drive and receive a fuel reimbursement.



Details and application forms available at <https://drivehappiness.ca/volunteering/>

- ☺ HELP LOCAL SENIORS GET WHEREVER THEY NEED TO GO
- ☺ FLEXIBLE AND REWARDING WITH A FUEL REIMBURSEMENT

Applications at drivehappiness.ca or the Hanna Town Office!

It's Income Tax Time

The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) is a free service where trained volunteers complete and file tax returns for eligible people. Town of Hanna is pleased to have been approved by the Government of Canada to coordinate this service.



In order to be eligible for the CVITP individuals must have a modest income and a simple tax situation. Individuals assisted by the program include:

- seniors
- youth and students
- persons with disabilities
- individuals with a modest income
- newcomers and refugees
- homeless and housing insecure individuals
- indigenous peoples.

Please phone the Town Office to book an available time for a volunteer to phone you. Together, you will determine eligibility.

Construction Season

If you are planning a construction or renovation project, or if you want to change the use of an existing building, you will require a permit.



Development permits address the impact of a development on surrounding properties. Building permits deal with the structural stability as well as the health and safety of the building and its' occupants. Regulations and procedures may seem overwhelming so please talk to the Town's Development Officer as you prepare your plans.

Meeting early in the process can help to avoid surprises and ensure that your project proceeds quickly and smoothly.

Notice to Taxpayers

Mar 9, 2022: Property Assessment Notices for 2022 were mailed.

Open House: May 9 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Assessors from Municipal Property Consultants are available to answer questions about your property assessment – no appointment is necessary. You may also contact them directly: (403) 309-4190 or t.willoughby@mpc2009.com.

Appeal Deadline: May 16, 2022. If you are not satisfied after consulting with the assessor, an appeal may be initiated by submitting an assessment review board complaint. This form can be obtained at the town office or online at: hanna.ca/appealprocess.

If you have not received your assessment notice or have questions, please contact the town office.



TOWN OF HANNA Alerts
Part of the Harvest Sky Region

Receive public safety alerts such as water outages, fire, RCMP, evacuation, and snow removal directly to your phone.

hanna.ca/alert

Register today
A test alert will be conducted soon




Guest Speaker

Meet Humboldt Broncos player Tyler Smith.

I was on the bus when it collided with a semi-trailer in 2018 and my life was changed forever, physically, mentally and emotionally.



I never understood mental health and chose to neglect what was going on in my mind. The physical recovery took precedent and that caused me to suffer mentally and emotionally.

Now, almost 4 years since the accident, I am still taking steps in my healing journey and helping others do the same. The power of a story, the power of a new perspective and the power of a conversation. I used to take these for granted, but not anymore.

Tyler will be speaking in Hanna on April 14. Save the date and watch for more information.

2020 Development Did You Know

- ◆ 2021 permits increased to \$1,936,852 compared to \$746,246 in 2020.
- ◆ 54 permits were approved in 2021. This is up from 46 permits in 2020.
- ◆ 14 home occupation applications were submitted and approved compared to 12 in 2020 and 9 in 2019.

hanna.ca/events

Sundays

Free Public Skating 5:30 pm

Mondays

Pickleball 6:45 pm

Tuesdays

Pickleball 1:30 pm

Chair Yoga 2:00 pm

Parkinson's' Support Group 3:00 pm

Parent & Tot Skating 10:30 am

Noon Hockey

Volleyball 6:45 pm

Wednesdays

Chair Yoga 2:00 pm

Pickleball 6:45 pm

Thursdays

Pickleball 1:30 pm

Chair Yoga 2:00 pm

Parent & Tot Skating 10:30 am

Noon Hockey

Fridays

Free Public Skating 6:30 pm

Youth Basketball 7:00 pm

Events have been submitted for inclusion at hanna.ca/events

- Mar 22 Youth Club AGM 5:00 pm
- Mar 22 Let's Have a Party! Skating Carnival 5:00 pm
- Mar 24 RCMP Town Hall 6:00 pm
- Mar 28 Spring Registration Fair 6:00 pm
- Mar 30 Town Council Information Mtng 8:30 am
- Apr 4 Agricultural Centre Town Hall 7:00 pm
- Apr 12 Town Council Regular Mtng 6:00 pm
- Apr 14 Save the date: Guest Speaker Tyler Smith
- May 9 Open House with Property Assessor
- May 16 Deadline to File an Assessment Appeal

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Wipes - even 'Flushable'



Cotton Swabs or Balls



Tissues



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