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Spring is finally here and it is great to see the usual spring activities beginning. It would be great to see some

rain as the region is very dry.

The 2023 Tax Rate Bylaw was recently passed, and I am pleased to say that Council was able to continue the trend of collecting a similar amount of municipal taxes since 2018.

2018 \$2,877,924
2019 \$2,873,373
2020 \$2,840,599
2021 \$2,793,684
2022 \$2,793,640
2023 \$2,798,138

Maintaining the municipal tax collected while facing increasing costs of utilities, insurance, fuel, and goods has been difficult but together Council and Administration have constructed an operating and Capital Budget that will see the Municipal taxes collected almost identical to the 2022 taxes collected.

The Bylaw, which was approved at the May 9, 2023 Council Meeting has the Residential Municipal Tax Rate decreased 1% from the 2022 tax rate and the Non-Residential Municipal Tax Rate decreased by 3% from the 2022 tax rate. Please note that the municipal portion of your tax bill is the only portion that Council can control. The Education requisition from the province decreased slightly while the Acadia Foundation requisition saw a small increase.

Council is working on several significant infrastructure projects anticipated to be completed in the next few years. These projects include the redevelopment of 2-blocks downtown (water, sanitary

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sewer and storm line replacement as well as creating a pedestrian friendly, aesthetic pleasing above ground experience), reconstruction of Palliser and Pioneer Trail roadways, and replacement of the CN Reservoir Bridge. Prior to committing to these projects Council will need to carefully examine all financial options to ensure completing these projects does not leave the Town in a troubled financial state or cause a significant increase in municipal

taxes required.

There has been a lot of discussion about the Town of Hanna Land Use Bylaw Review and just to keep everyone updated following the public engagement process, Administration and Palliser Regional Municipal Services are preparing version 2 which is anticipated to be presented to Council at the June 13 Council meeting for first reading. Following that, there is a requirement for a Public Hearing which is anticipated to be held in September (date to be determined). After the Public Hearing, The bylaw will be brought back to Council for second and third reading. Amendments can be made anywhere between first and third reading.

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

> Respectfully, Danny Povaschuk, Mayor

Mayor's Garden Party & Senior's Week

Mon June 5

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm - Scapa Hall Head to Scapa for the annual Strawberry Tea.

Tues June 6

Noon Mayor's Garden Party - Community Centre

This is a free luncheon event but, you must be signed up at the Town Office to attend. Doors open at 11:00 am.

Wed June 7

9:00 am to 11:00 am - Community Centre *Refreshments, coffee, and a conversation. RCMP, Primary Care Network, Lynks, and more will be sharing info.*

11:30 am to 1:00 pm - Parkview Manor II Jumbo Jim's Hotdogs Free BBQ lunch.

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm - Centennial Place

Explore your creative side! Free painting class with Sheila. All abilities are welcome! Register 403-854-4433.

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm - Community Centre

Death Café: The meaning of life is that it ends. An open group discussion about death; open to all ages.

Thurs June 8

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm - Pool Shallow Water Workout for free!

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm - Centennial Place *Yoga with Megen - Free! Come in comfy clothes to explore movement in senior friendly chair yoga.*

Fri June 9

Doors open at 5:00 pm at the Legion Refreshments and visiting upstairs at the Legion. Everyone welcome!

Sat June 10

8:30 am to 11:00 am Community Centre Patio Enjoy a pancake breakfast, prepared by the Elks. Donations are welcome.

Summer at the Pool

Haley Nelson is back as Pool Manger and has some exciting things in the works already!

Hanna is very lucky to have two certified WaterArt H2O instructors on staff who are excited to offer fitness classes twice a week. Shallow Water Fitness begins Tues. May 23 and will run both Tues. and Thurs. at noon. The class is 45 minutes.

Swimmers will also see three new aquatic programs added.

- National Lifeguard Pool
- Lifesaving Soc. Swim Instructor/Examiner
- Junior Lifeguard Camp

The pool season kicks off with the usual FREE public swim on May 20 from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Aside from that, public swimming (for fee) is available Sun May 21 & Tues May 22 from 2 pm to 7 pm. The regular pool schedule starts May 23.

To check dates and register for any of the above programs, or to download and print current pool schedules, visit hanna.ca/pool.

July 1 Canada Day

Free family activities all day followed by fireworks

Spring Compost Pickup

Tues. May 23 2023 Beginning at 7:00 am

Town of Hanna provides collection of leaves and garden refuse twice a year. Only yard waste that has been collected into clear plastic or certified compostable bags will be picked up. Residents may put out an unlimited number of compost filled bags by 7:00 am in the same location as garbage collection.

Items in approved bags that will be removed include:

- Grass clippings
- Leaves, flowers, weeds, plants
- Sod & soil
- Weigh less than 50lbs & in clear or certified compostable bags.





Other items that will be removed include:

- Branches & twigs bundled and piled beside the trash cans
- Branches & twigs too small to be bundled but bagged separately in approved bags.

Items that are NOT accepted in the compost program will not be removed and include:

- Hazardous waste see Recycling Roundup
- Mattresses
- Railroad ties, construction or demo materials
- Auto parts, tires, engines, batteries, etc.
- Plastics
- Animal waste & pet litter
- Rocks & Stones
- Kitchen food scraps

IMPORTANT: Colored bags are considered household garbage and limited to the usual three bag quota.

Fridge or Freezer Removal:

- 1. Register and pay for pickup at the Town Office. There is a \$30 fee for the removal of freon.
- 2. Set the appliance beside your garbage.

Another Epic Summer

Do you need summer activities for your school age children? Epic Adventures is a theme based day camp for children ages 5-12.

Each week is a fun theme and filled with games, food, music, swimming, trips and special events.

Sydney McMillin is this years' Program Manager. This is Sydney's fourth summer working for the Town of Hanna. Sydney is a post-secondary student working towards her Bachelor of Education She brings leadership, a wealth of resources, and a love of children that will make this summer 'Epic' once again!

All leaders working with the children are trained in High Five[®] 'Principles of Healthy Child Development' and Standard First Aid. They are ALL very excited to begin the summer with the kids!

Payment plans can be arranged and financial assistance may be available through the Hanna Community Youth Fund. Be sure to sign up to the Town of Hanna electronic newsletter to be notified when registration opens.

Payments accepted include cash, cheque, debit or credit (fees apply).



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Spend the Summer at the Pool

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	9:00 p.m. 🝁 Public Swim will run 1-9 p.m. on July 1 (Canada Day) 🍁								Bookings & Special Events	Bookings & Special Events

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