



# NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2021

## February Notes

The COVID-19 experience has been with us for almost one year. I recall last year's annual SUMA Conference. Close to 1,000 participants were there, listening to presentations, mingling, eating together. Then a few weeks later the pandemic unfolded. Like almost all of our gatherings now, for better or worse, this year the convention has gone virtual.

This is one example of how we are functioning in a very different world. After a short summer reprieve, Municipal meetings have returned to an online format. Routine town business and issues continue to be dealt with in an effective manner. But along with my Councillors and Administration, we too miss times for being together to talk, chat, inquire, and share a laugh.

The pandemic has also severely changed and limited our social and community dynamics. No community events, Sundays and arena activities are minimal, grocery store visiting is not encouraged, etc. Social distancing will remain for some time yet. Possibly somewhat in response to restrictions, it is encouraging to see many residents and children outside enjoying recreational options.

While we are thankful for the first vaccinations in our area, living with Covid will be our reality for some time yet. The extent of a 'return to normal' times remains unclear. With you, I'm hopeful and waiting to see what the future holds.

Be safe,

**Dennis Helmuth**, Mayor/Town of Rosthern

## The 10th Annual Winter Festival

The Winter Festival will look very different this year due to COVID restrictions, but we are still planning to have a few activities for you to enjoy and extending it over the week of March 1st—6th!

Adult-sized cross country skis & snowshoes will be available to use free of charge March 1st -6th! We will have Youth Sizes available for Saturday, March 6th.

Please complete an Expression of Interest on the Rosthern Recreation Facebook Page for Youth Sized Skis & Snowshoes so we can determine interest.

*More information will be posted on the Rosthern Recreation Facebook Page and Town of Rosthern website soon.*

We are hoping to have our Crokicurl & Mini Rink on the old elementary school grounds ready by week of February 15th!

## 2021-22 Sask Lotteries Community Grant

Community Groups in need of financial assistance can apply for funding until Mar 31st, 2021.

Applications available at the Town Office or at [www.rosthern.com](http://www.rosthern.com)



Help us win!  
**\$10K SO CAN Kids Play**  
Track your minutes **EVERY DAY** March 1 - 10.  
Log in and track your minutes:  
[challenge.saskatchewaninmotion.ca](http://challenge.saskatchewaninmotion.ca)

BLUE CROSS  
in motion

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS- January 2021

- ⇒ With the transfer of ownership of the Community Multipurpose Centre (CMC) to the Town, Council approved staff to paint the walls and hire a flooring company to strip and re wax all floors.
- ⇒ Council will support Census 2021 and encourage people to complete their census form online at [www.census.gc.ca](http://www.census.gc.ca). Census is in May and Stats Can will be hiring local people as well.
- ⇒ Council confirms the municipality meets the eligibility requirements to receive the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant.
- ⇒ Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Council made the difficult and disappointing decision to shut down the curling rink ice plant for the remainder of the 2020/2021 season.

### Upcoming Council Meetings (via Microsoft Teams):

- Monday, February 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.



### Family Story Stroll February 15-19

Look for a family literacy activity during the February School break. A story book will be featured in the windows of Main Street businesses. Stroll down the street and read the story. The library will have prizes for those who complete the activity.

Watch for details.

### Rosthern RCMP detachment

is looking for **guards/matrons**.

Duties include, but are not limited to: monitoring prisoners to ensure their well being, maintaining a logbook, and dispensing meals as required. A successful applicant must be able to meet existing RCMP security clearance standards.

Please call 306-232-6400 for an application.



### Transfer Station Hours

Winter (Nov 1 - April 30)  
Saturday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

### Library Hours

Tuesday: 12 noon - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday: 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
Thursday: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
Friday: 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Closed on Monday, Saturday,  
Sunday & Stat Holidays

### Town Office Hours

Open to the Public  
Monday to Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Closed for Lunch  
12:00 noon - 12:30 p.m.  
Closed on Stat Holidays

### Newsletter Submissions

Deadline for submission to any edition is the 3rd Friday of each month.

Email: [reception@rosthern.com](mailto:reception@rosthern.com)  
**Classifieds \$5.00 for a max of 25 words**

For a business wanting to sponsor a newsletter, contact the Town Office @ 306-232-4826.

### Rosthern Outdoor Experience with SaskOutdoors & Wildernook Fresh Air Learning

A guided outdoor experience with winter-themed activities for all ages.

Register at:

<http://saskoutdoors.org/event-calendar/post/outdoor-experience>  
1 hour timeslots starting 11:00 am-5:00 pm

Registration is free! Children must attend with an adult

SaskOutdoors requests participants register in their household bubbles.

Groups will be capped at 9.

Please refer to their website for more details!

FRESH AIR EXPERIENCES  
FOR YOUR BUBBLE

SASK OUTDOORS  
SASK LOTTERIES

WILDERNOOK

Sunday February 21st  
Town Reservoir  
Rosthern, SK

TOWN OF Rosthern  
Innovation & Community Development

### 2021 Outdoor Soccer

Online Registration

February 1 - March 1, 2021

For more information please go to

[www.rosthernsoccer.com](http://www.rosthernsoccer.com)

### ROSTHERN HOUSING AUTHORITY

- ⇒ offers a Social Housing Program that provides safe and adequate housing to families and seniors with low incomes and people with disabilities. This program subsidizes rent according to the degree of financial need. For further information please call Kevin Riekman at 306-232-7532



### Places of Worship - Service Times

- St. Odilon Roman Catholic Church- All masses are cancelled until further notice. Livestream on Facebook and @ [www.padiocese.ca](http://www.padiocese.ca)
- Eigenheim Mennonite Church-Sunday Worship - 10:30am Limited in-person. Livestream link upon request
- Rosthern Mennonite Church-Sunday 10am Maximum of 25 people. Please wear mask
- St. Augustine's Anglican Church- Closed until further notice
- Rosthern Alliance Church-Sunday-Worship 9am & 11am/Bible study 7pm 30 people by appointment. Livestream on Facebook & YouTube