

TOWN OF BREDENBURY

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2025

Office Hours:

The office is open Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Closed over lunch. Office is closed at other periods of time for meetings, helping public works, helping daycare, banking, etc.

The office will be closed April 7. The office will also be closed April 14-16 for SUMA Convention and April 21 Easter Monday.

Just a reminder if there is an emergency call our emergency phone line at 306-217-TOWN.

Utility Billings:

Starting April first, the quarterly utility billing standard rate will increase from \$297 to \$318. Water stays the same at \$99 base a quarter. Sewer stays the same at \$99 base a quarter. Garbage and Recycle increases from \$99 a quarter to \$120. This increase will take us close to a break even point with Garbage and Recycle rising costs.

For those that pay monthly you will now pay \$106 monthly. **For those on automatic withdrawals starting in April your monthly withdrawal will increase from \$99 to \$106. Should you wish to remove yourself from monthly withdrawal please contact the office immediately or we will automatically increase it.**

Some people may not know that the Utility Bill includes all three things about, but if you look at your utility bill you will see a line for each item. It is not just water.

Taxes:

Council held their budget meeting on February 24 and had to make some tough choices. Council has set their new mill rate at 6.5 mills. That is up 0.5 mills from last year. Base tax will remain the same at \$1100 for everyone, except vacant base tax will be reduced to \$500 to comply with government regulations. Commercial mill rate factor will remain at 6.

With it being a revaluation year, every resident tax will be different. On average residential assessments went down but they went up significantly last revaluation. On average commercial assessments went up but they went down significantly last revaluation. Agriculture assessments went up. Taxes will be mailed or emailed out within 2 weeks or less.

Chair Yoga:

Shirley will do a final chair yoga, Thursday, April 3 at 12 noon in the Fire Hall Training Room. Afterwards we will have coffee and dessert. Even if you have never attended a chair yoga we encourage you to come and out check it out. There is no charge.

Bills & Invoices & Receipts:

Just as a reminder you can receive your bills, invoices and receipts all by email. If you haven't already signed up for email billing consider doing so, it saves the municipality on postal costs.

Also as a reminder you can sign up with automatic monthly withdrawals for your utility bill and taxes. This service is handy because it saves you from forgetting to pay and accumulating interest. Call the office today to discuss.

United Church:

Knox United Church, Bredenbury - April, 2025 Well we made it through to spring we hope. Hopefully Mother Nature knows this and acts accordingly.

A reminder again about the semi-annual craft/trade show on May 10, 2025 at the Bredenbury Community Hall from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. To date we only have 4 tables available so please book yours. We don't want you to miss out. Tables are \$25.00 each. Contact Louise at 306-744-7540 or Donna at 306-896-7822.

Don't forget baking for the bake table or a cash donation if baking is not your thing. We certainly appreciate the support we receive from everyone. Please have your baking at the hall by 9:00 am for pricing. Looking ahead, we have tentatively set the date of December 6, 2025 for our Christmas craft/trade show.

Also mark your calendars for June 15, 2025 at which time we will be holding a Memorial Service open to everyone. It will be similar to previous services we have presented with a service at the church, visit to the cemetery and return to church for lunch. Watch for more information as it becomes available.

Also on June 8, 2025 we will be celebrating the 100 anniversary of the formation of the the United Church of Canada. We have booked the pavilion at the Saltcoats Regional Park for this event. Again watch for updates. Enjoy Spring

Free Garbage Pickup:

Stay tuned for May newsletter when we will announce days and times for free garbage pickup sometime after the community garage sales. This pickup is free however you must book a time slot to participate. More details to come.

Community Wide Garage Sale:

The date set for Community wide garage sales is May 10 from 9-3. If you wish to put your house on the map and host a garage sale, email the office at bredenbury@sasktel.net or call 306-898-2055 on or before April 30, 2025.

Bredenbury Community Daycare will host a BBQ at the rink this day as well. The Craft show will be at the hall the same day as well.

Bredenbury Lions:

The Bredenbury Lion Club is pleased to welcome two new members to our organization. Lion Nathalie Crosby and Lion Austin Edwards were officially inducted on March 8th. Welcome to the world of Lionism!

Several members of our club were recognized for their service. Lions Keith and Margie Switzer each received a 20 year chevron. Lions Kathy and Vern Rodgers, Lion Ann Purves each received a 25 year chevron. Thank you for your dedicated contribution!

The Lions Easter Bunny blitz will be on April 1st beginning at 6:30 PM. This year we have the regular milk chocolate and have added white chocolate and sugar free. They will sell for \$8.00 each. Please follow us on the Lions Facebook page for preorders.

Golf Course:

Golf Course flower fundraiser is active. Orders must be in by April 4. Please see an order form attached to newsletter or pick up one from community bulletin board or at the town office.

Curling Funspiel:

Curling Funspiel will be held March 29, come out and enjoy some games, food and drinks. Pancake Breakfast hosted by Bredenbury Fire Department 8-10 am only \$5 and Roast Beef with fries and coleslaw from 4-7 pm for only \$15. 50-50 – 3/5. Raffle Table - \$10/10 Draws at 7 p.m. Beer Gardens. Please see poster attached.

Spring:

We highly recommend that you have your sump pumps ready to go and have them run outside to a ditch or culvert; if all sumps run into our sewer system our lift station will not be able to keep up. There is a bylaw saying it is illegal to put sump water into sewer as with every municipality.

Employees:

Council would like to remind residents not to harass our town employees. Working for the public and in public view is hard enough without judgement from residents. Should you have a valid concern with safety or operation put that concern in writing and it will be submitted to council. Ignorant comments on Facebook will also not be tolerated that is a form of harassment. Town of Bredenbury prides itself on being a friendly community inclusive of all and we intend to keep it that way.

Rink:

Well that is a wrap for the rink season. As always thanks to our dedicated staff for a great season. We all recognize the hours you put in and acknowledge that many of them you just chalk up to volunteering and that is greatly appreciated. Many larger items had to be fixed/replaced: speaker system, compressor motors on the ice plant, shower(plumbing), an on demand hot water tank (labour) and replacing a hot water tank. Watch in next month or two for the financial statement.

Bredenbury Community Daycare:

Bredenbury Community Daycare would like to extend a huge thank you to the Wildcats hockey team for letting us run the bar at their tournament. We made a profit of 2173.15! Thank you to all of our daycare families and community members who helped make this a great success!

Friendly reminder that our policy regarding sickness is as follows: If your child has been sent home sick, they must be symptom free (fever, diarrhea, vomiting) for 24 hours without medication before they are able to return to the center. Also, new antibiotics must be administered at home for a 24 hour period before coming to daycare to ensure your child has no allergic reaction.

The daycare will be closed for Good Friday on April, 18/25. There will also be no school April 21-25 due to Spring Break.

Congratulations to the Town of Bredenbury as well as the daycare for receiving the Top Municipal Initiative award which we will receive at the annual Suma Convention on April 15.

Please ensure that your children have proper outside clothing as we play outside daily. With the weather warming up it might be a good idea to send an extra pair of socks in case our toes get wet!

Public Works:

The Town of Bredenbury is accepting resumes for the position of Public Works Position. Wage is based on public works pay scale that can be provided to applicant. The more experience and certifications you have the more your starting wage is. Overtime is paid on over 8 hours a day. Weekend water testing is paid on overtime hours.

The applicant must have a valid driver's license and have a Grade 12(or equivalent).Preference will be given to candidate that possesses Class 1 Water Treatment & Distribution and Class 1 Waste Water. Preference will be given to individuals with current certifications in: WHIMIS, Confined Space, Ground Disturbance, First Aid, Power Mobile Equipment, Pesticide Application. Preference will be given to individuals with heavy duty equipment experience. Equipment included: Grader, Skidsteer, mowers, Backhoe/Loader.

This position requires an individual who is self motivated, can work independently and as a team, can take direction well, and who is willing to work occasionally after hours if an emergency situation arises. Emergency situations include but are not limited to: flooding, water breaks, lift station problems, snow removal.

The duties include but are not limited to: snow removal, grading, cutting grass, cutting trees, daily water testing, daily wastewater testing, caretaking, garbage removal, roto-rooter, equipment maintenance etc. Position will remain open until filled. Only those applicants selected will be contacted for an interview.

Bredenbury Housing Authority is seeking a
MAINTENANCE/CARETAKER CONTRACTOR

This is a contract position responsible for the maintenance of the buildings and grounds of the Bredenbury Housing Authority. The maintenance/caretaker contractor receives general direction from the manager and reports indirectly to the Board of Directors.

The Bredenbury Housing Authority manages a portfolio consisting of 11 senior and 8 affordable units.

The successful contractor is to provide or subcontract the following services:

- Routine grounds maintenance, including snow removal and lawn care.
- Minor maintenance of rental units including repairs and/or replacements.
- Accessibility to Housing Authority tenants for emergency repairs.
- Maintenance of inventories and equipment.
- Regular building, unit and vacant unit inspections.

The contractor must have excellent communication skills and be able to provide services cooperatively to individuals and groups of varying backgrounds. A high degree of discretion and confidentiality is required. A basic working knowledge of carpentry, plumbing, heating, electrical and general property maintenance practices as well as the ability to perform manual labor and lifting tasks is required. Contractor to provide all tools and equipment including personal vehicle and cell phone.

The preference is for a single contractor to perform all required services however, the Bredenbury Housing Authority reserves the right to consider separate applications for grounds or maintenance services.

The preferred candidate will be required to complete a Criminal Record Check including a vulnerable sector check prior to the offer of and appointment to a position.

Interested parties can direct inquiries and/or submit expressions of interest in writing to:

Joseph Andrew, Chairperson
Bredenbury Housing Authority
Box 231
Bredenbury, Sk. S0A 0H0
Email: jgandrew@sasktel.net
Phone 306-898-2324

The deadline for written expressions of interest is 2:00 pm, March 31, 2025.

Deadline may be extended until a candidate is hired.

Please include references with phone numbers.

Curling FunSpie/

SGI Canada Arena (Bredenbury Arena)

Saturday, March 29: 8 am – 10 pm

**Saturday, March 29 Pancake
Breakfast 8 - 10 a.m. \$5.
Preschoolers \$3**

**Refreshments &
Desserts**

**4 Events.
4 ends.
Point system:
draw to button
first game gives
you extra points.
Skips throw one
rock each in event
of a tie.**

**Curlers: Theme
your Team!
We encourage
teams to dress up!
There will be a
prize!**

**Saturday, March 29:
Rink Kitchen open all
day. Evening Special
Beef on a Bun with
Fries, Gravy and
Coleslaw. \$15**

**Raffle Tins Table.
10/\$10. Draw
Saturday, March
29 at 7 p.m. Over
30 prizes!**

**50-50.
3/\$5
Draw Saturday,
March 29 at 7pm at
7:00 p.m.**

**Shutout to
Calder
Recreation
Board for
allowing us to
borrow their
Rocks!**

**Curlers: Hog your Rock.
Pay \$2 each hogged rock
and enter name to win
half the hogged rock
draw. Draw after last
game Saturday,
March 29.**

**Thanks to
Saltcoats Curling
Club we have
extra brooms
and sliders for
people to
borrow!**

Golf Course Fundraiser

Order deadline is April 4, 2025



1. Fruit Cocktail (multi color)
2. Peppermint Dreams (Red,white)
3. Jazzberry Jam (pink, purple,white)
4. Berry basket (pink, white)

Planters will vary from above, pictures are a guideline. No special requests.

Order forms can be dropped off at 201 - 3rd Street or emailed to bredenbury@sasktel.net.

You can pay by cc, cash, cheque – made out to: Town of Bredenbury,

E-transfers to bredenbury@sasktel.net.

Put flowers In memo for etransfers and cheques.

Golf club members will notify you when order is ready for pickup in May.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Planters:	Quantity:	Planter cost:	Total:
13" Premium Hanging Basket		\$40	
13" Premium Patio Planter		\$40	
12" Strawberry Hanging Basket		\$30	
10" Patio Herb Mix Planter		\$30	
12" Patio Tomato Planter		\$30	
Total Plants:		Total Due:	