

The District of Lakeland No.521

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Discounts & Property Tax Notices 2014

It is that time of year when people are starting to prepay their taxes. The discount on 2014 taxes was lowered from 15% to 6% on the municipal portion of your taxes. There is no discount on the school portion of your taxes. The discount starts at 6% in Jan and goes down 1 % each month until there is no discount in July. **Payments must be in the office** by the last day of each month to get that month's discount. When paying your taxes early the amount is based on last year's taxes as the 2014 mill rates have not been set yet – **so it is just an estimate**. Tax notices with the actual amount are sent out in July – **this will be the only tax notice you receive**. If you do not receive yours by early August please phone us and we will be glad to send another one. Please check your tax notice as soon as you receive it. You may owe more in taxes once the mill rates are set. The actual date taxes are due for 2014 is December 31, 2014. Any taxes received after the 31st will have interest added on. Again the payment **must be in the office by the 31st of December**. Please make sure you update any address and phone number changes by calling our office 306 982-2010 or send us an email – office@lakeland521.ca Taxes may be paid by cheque, cash, or debit. **Credit Cards are not accepted**. If you bank at BMO, Scotia Bank or a Credit Union you can pay your taxes on line. E-Transfers are another way of paying taxes. This can be done on your banking page online. All you need is our email address – follow the directions and your payment gets here as soon as you send the email. You will be asked to make up a security question and answer. We have to know the answer exactly as you entered it online. This allows us to deposit the money into our account. It is a fast and easy way of paying your taxes.

Boat Houses

The District wishes to remind all ratepayers that 2014 represents the "Sunset Year" by which all boat houses presently located on municipal reserves within the municipality must be removed by December 31, 2014. The District respectfully requests the ratepayer's cooperation in this regard. The appropriate permits can be obtained from the Planning and Development Department for the District of Lakeland.



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Please provide all information requested by dispatch when calling.

Snow Removal

The District has developed a snow removal policy that restricts the deposit of snow from private property onto the municipal road allowances or municipal reserves. Ratepayers are requested to utilize established snow dump areas in the municipality to alleviate flooding and drainage problems in the spring. They are located at the Bell's Beach overflow parking area, Old Highway right of way on the East side of Highway #953 between McPhail Cove and Aspen Ridge, Murray Point Boat Launch for Murray Point residents only, Elk Ridge Lagoon location for Elk Ridge residents only, as well as the Emma Lake Landfill. There is no charge to utilize these sites. Failure to comply will result in the District having to remove the snow at the ratepayers expense.



Civic Addresses

The District completed their Civic addressing bylaw over the past year and it is a requirement for all residents to have a visible civic address on their property. This will be for the residents benefit as well as a benefit for all contractors and emergency responders to be able to locate the residence with ease. The District has finalized their new municipal map that identifies the civic addresses for all subdivisions within the municipality. We hope to have these maps available for sale and distribution this Spring.



Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together.



Vesta M. Kelly



Website – www.lakeland521.ca

The District has recently made some exciting changes to the website which will be implemented soon. The banner along the top has circulating pictures, and the Recent News has been moved from the side menu to front and center of the home page. We will be adding a tab for easy access to our Newsletters which we send out to subscribers roughly every other month. We have also enquired whether an RSS Feed is possible where ratepayers can subscribe to receive notification when there are updates or new postings on our website.

NEW EXTENDED LIBRARY HOURS

Wednesday – 1:00pm-7:00pm
Thursday – 1:00pm-7:00pm
Saturday – 10:00am – 2:00pm

LANDFILL HOURS

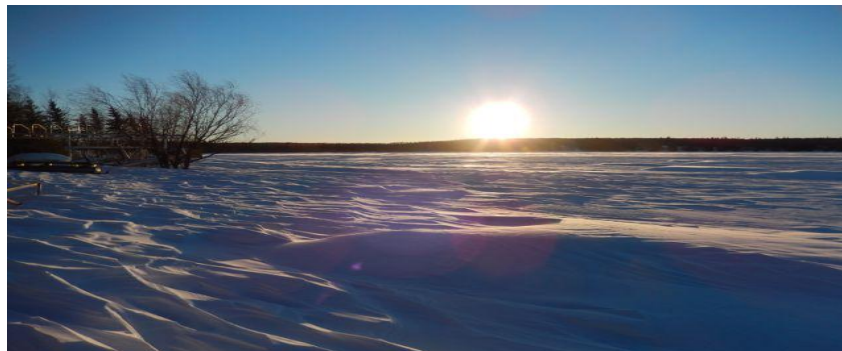
January – April, 2014
OPEN: Sunday & Mondays 12pm-3pm
Friday & Saturdays 10am – 4pm
CLOSED: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Frequently Called Numbers

EMERGENCY REQUIRING AMBULANCE / FIRE / POLICE . . . 9-1-1

District of Lakeland General Inquiries 982-2010
Planning and Development (*development and building permits*) 982-2039
Royal Canadian Mounted Police. (*anywhere in Saskatchewan*). 310-RCMP
. Prince Albert RCMP 765-5500
. Waskesiu Lake RCMP 663-4400

Watch for more information and details of Lakeland News in our March General Mailout!



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