Words from Our Mayor

As May draws to a close, it is time again for me to write my monthly mayor's column. Our rural neighbors have been busy with spring seeding, even though the weather has been on the cool side. Here is hoping that they have a successful year.

Our 2022 budget, which we thought we would be able to pass at the end of May will now be passed at our June meeting. We have been told to budget 30% extra for power, natural gas and other items, this added amount has to be borne by town ratepayers as we cannot run a deficit budget. This increase will add pressure to our finances which like every household, have been impacted by the recent rise in inflation. Administration is looking at ways to minimize this tax burden without compromising services; Council will pass a balanced budget. Remember though that we do not have reserves to help cushion these increases.

Our new water meter readers will be installed as soon as the company fixes its software problem. We had no choice but to upgrade. Parts for our present system are no longer available. We have cut back on some capital projects. There still will be some concrete work, SB90 for road repair, upgrades to the hall heating and wiring, plus a few other projects. Everything is being closely monitored so that we will only do what we can afford.

Till next month, stay safe and remember to treat everyone as you would want to be treated.

JUNE 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2

- June 7 Regular Council Meeting
- June 19 Father's Day
- June 21 Regular Council Meeting

Many Canadians observe Father's Day on the third Sunday of June. It is a day for people to show their appreciation for fathers and father figures. Father figures may include stepfathers, fathers-in-law, guardians (eg. foster parents), and family friends.





2022





Submit your Town photos to <u>info@townoftwohills.com</u> for a chance to be seen here!





Due to dry windy conditions Fire Restrictions have been issued across the County of Two Hills. This means NO OPEN BURNING; NO FIRE PERMITS OR FIREWORKS ARE PERMITTED.

Warming/cooking fires in approved fire pits are allowed.

Refer to <u>albertafirebans.ca</u> for more information.

This will stay in place until conditions improve significantly. Thank you for your understanding.

GET YOUR GARDEN Spring Ready

It's that time of year to pull out your gardening gloves and have your tools at the ready to get your garden all set for Spring. Here are some of our top tips on making your garden bloom now that the frost has settled.

> yes, that's a thing!

LEAVESBEGONE

Whether it's an old fashioned rake or a powered leaf collector you use, it's time to tidy up any leaves that have made home in our garden. It's the perfect start to see what you're working with this Spring!

TREAT THE GROUND

Whether it's adding compost to your soil, seeding your grass or giving your artificial version a hoover it's important that you give the ground some TLC ready for the new season.

< SHEAR AWA'

There's no time to snip-snip like the present! Unleash your shears or hedge

trimmer on all that appears unruly and give your garden a fresh trim.

SHARPEN YOUR TOOLS Clean your spades and sharpen your trowels to make the whole process easier. Cleaning them regularly will help them last longer in

that garden shed of yours too

EANTHE SEATS

a spider-web ridden set of garden chairs now, is there? Wipe them clean and make sure your garden furniture is BBQ ready for when the time arrives.



FEED THE BIRDS

Spread some love to the wildlife in your garden this Spring by adding a bird feeder. Our flighty friends will help keep the pests of the garden in check too, ensuring your bulbs bloom without the use of chemicals!

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DON'T FORGET The patio

There's nothing that looks quite as fresh as a jet-washed patio! Get rid of all the dirt and grime and restore your patio back to its original state!

COMPANITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

The Community wide garage sale is back! Saturday June 18, 2022 from 10 AM to 4PM



