

Installment Options:

Taxes:

A Tax installment plan is an option for those taxpayers who wish to pay their taxes on a monthly basis either by automatic withdraw from a chosen bank account or by post-dated cheques. An agreement can be completed at any time of the year with the understanding that all prior months' payments be paid in full as of the date of the agreement.

The tax discount bylaw continues to provide a 2% discount for prepayment of property taxes and runs January and February of each year

Utilities:

Utility payments can be set up to be automatically withdrawn from a chosen bank account.

An agreement can be completed at any time of the month and payments are withdrawn on the due date of the utility bill.

Please contact the Town Office for more details on either program.

Town Information and Events:

• Removal of Trailers

All trailers were required to be removed from residential streets as of September 30. Trailers not removed from the street may be towed at the owners' expense.

Trailers allowed to be parked on highways in or abutting areas zoned as residential for the period from May 1 to September 30 are subject to the following conditions:

- ⇒ Trailers are not permitted to park on a public street location if a Peace Officer believes it is a traffic or public safety hazard;
- ⇒ Trailers parked on private property shall not infringe on any public street, lane, or sidewalk; and
- ⇒ Trailers are only to be parked immediately adjacent to the owner's property frontage or flankage, unless the trailer owner has received written authorization of any property owner affected by the location of the unit.

• Application Invitation to Residents - Development Appeal Board

The Town of Rimbey is now accepting applications for one (1) position on the Development Appeal Board. This appointment will be for a 2-year term. Terms may be extended upon decision of Council. Applicants must be 18 or older and be a taxpayer residing within the boundaries of the municipality of Rimbey. Applications and details of the Roles and Responsibilities can be picked up at the front desk of the Town Office or on the website at www.rimbey.com under "Important Notices". Please submit applications by Wednesday, November 23 in person, by mail to Box 350, or by email to generalinfo@rimbey.com.

• After School Program

Rimbey's "Out of School Care Program" has been operating since the beginning of September and we currently have 21 children registered. The Town of Rimbey and Rimbey's Neighborhood Place are very pleased to provide this service as it clearly meets a need in our community. The program is designed to provide Rimbey parents with a safe and convenient place to have their children, ages 5-12 (kindergarten to grade 6), spend time after school. The program runs in conjunction with the Public School calendar as well as on Scheduled "Non-School" (PD) days. It runs from 3:10 pm - 6:10 pm on normal school days and 8:30am - 6:10pm on PD days. If you would like to register your child or need any more information, please visit the Recreation Office (403-843-3151) at the Rimbey Community Centre.

• Town of Rimbey Programs

Rimbey is a unique and exciting community with all sorts of recreational activities and programs available. Do you want to stay fit this fall & winter and have fun doing it? Come out and try our highly successful Zumba, Zumbatomic or Belly Dancing programs. If sports are what you are after, you will enjoy a wide range of options like volleyball, basketball, squash and badminton. Looking for an option for your kids? We offer high quality programs like our dynamic "Out of School Care Program" for kids 5-12. In addition to our programs, we develop and host a variety of Community Events. For a complete listing of all our programs & events, please visit www.rimbey.com and look under the "Recreation Programs" tab.



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Council Meetings

Council meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 pm, but if Monday is a holiday the meeting will move to Wednesday at the same scheduled time. Other meeting dates will be posted on the website and at the Town Office

All public are welcome to attend.

Mayor & Council

Mayor Sheldon Ibbotson
Councillor Gayle Rondeel
Councillor Paul Payson
Councillor Jack Webb
Councillor Joe Anglin

Council Update

We would like to welcome the Big Brothers Big Sisters Organization to Rimbey, with an office located at 4907 - 49 Street, the Blindman Youth Centre. If anybody is interested in becoming a mentor, please call (403) 843-1066 for more information.

After months of deliberation with the Business Association and Chamber of Commerce, Council passed three development policies to assist in future economic development within the community. The policies can be viewed on the town website at www.rimbey.com or a copy can be picked up at the Town Office.

Council is reviewing a study, done by Tagish Engineering, of the Town's water system, sanitary system, storm water system, transportation and sidewalk infrastructure to help with prioritizing and planning future upgrades. The focus of the study is on replacing aging infrastructure before it collapses or stops working.

The transfer of the Ambulance Service was completed August 1 and Council is pleased to advise that Associated Ambulance Service employed all the existing staff and welcome the new employer to the community.

The Town of Rimbey is very excited to announce the addition of a new hardwood floor in the main auditorium at the Rimbey Community Centre. The decision by Council to install this floor was intended to maximize use of the Community Centre. The hardwood floor will allow for a variety of new recreational programs and events that were not previously possible. On a related note, The Town is also pleased to announce a new recreation facility sharing "Joint-Use Agreement" with the Wolf Creek School Division. The agreement is designed to increase usage of Town and School recreation facilities during low-use hours while expanding programming options for the general public and the Public School students here in Rimbey. A similar agreement is currently in the works with the Rimbey Christian School Society.



OPEN HOUSE TRAFFIC BYLAW

Thursday, November 17
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Town Office Council Chambers

This session is open to the public to gather input on this bylaw.

Community Events:

Remembrance Day Service

Community Centre
Nov 11 - 10:30 am

Dinner Theatre (On Golden Pond)

Community Centre
Nov 18, 19, 25 & 26

Mens Bonspiel

Curling Rink
Nov 18-20

Christmas Farmers Market

Community Centre
Nov 12
Dec 3

Pastels

Art Club
Nov 19

Influenza Flu Clinic

Community Centre
Nov 24 - 1:00 to 7:00 pm
Dec 8 - 12:00 to 6:00 pm

Watercolours

Art Club
Community Centre
Dec 3

Santa Night

Pas-Ka-Poo Park
Dec 9 - 3:30 to 6:30 pm

RJSHS Play

Community Centre
Dec 16 & 17

Blood Donor Clinic

Community Centre
Dec 21 - 4:30 to 7:30 pm

Rimbey Aquatic Centre Update

After two years of planning and fundraising, the new Rimbey Aquatic Centre is complete. The new pool wouldn't be possible without the fundraising effort put forth by the Rimbey Lions Club and \$1 million dollars each from Ponoka County and the Recreation Infrastructure Canada Grant Program. The new pool will open in 2012 and will feature a Junior Olympic Pool, leisure pool, two hot tubs, a waterslide, diving boards and a spray park. Residents are encouraged to drive by and take a look at the new project in anticipation of its opening in 2012.



Rimbey Recycle Facility

Please be advised that as of December 1st, the Recycle Facility will be changing its hours of operation as follows:

- Tuesday to Friday - 2:00 to 6:00 pm
- Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Closed Sunday and Monday

These new winter hours will run until April 30. The residential compost program ended October 14, but yard compost is still being accepted at the Recycle Facility during regular operating hours.

Draft Traffic Bylaw 872/11

At its October 24, 2011 meeting, Council gave first reading to Traffic Bylaw 872/11, which is a bylaw to update the regulations concerning traffic in Rimbey. We are asking for your input into this new piece of legislation. Copies of the Traffic Bylaw are available at the Town Office or visit www.rimbey.com. An open house will be held on Thursday, November 17, from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers to get the public's input on this bylaw.

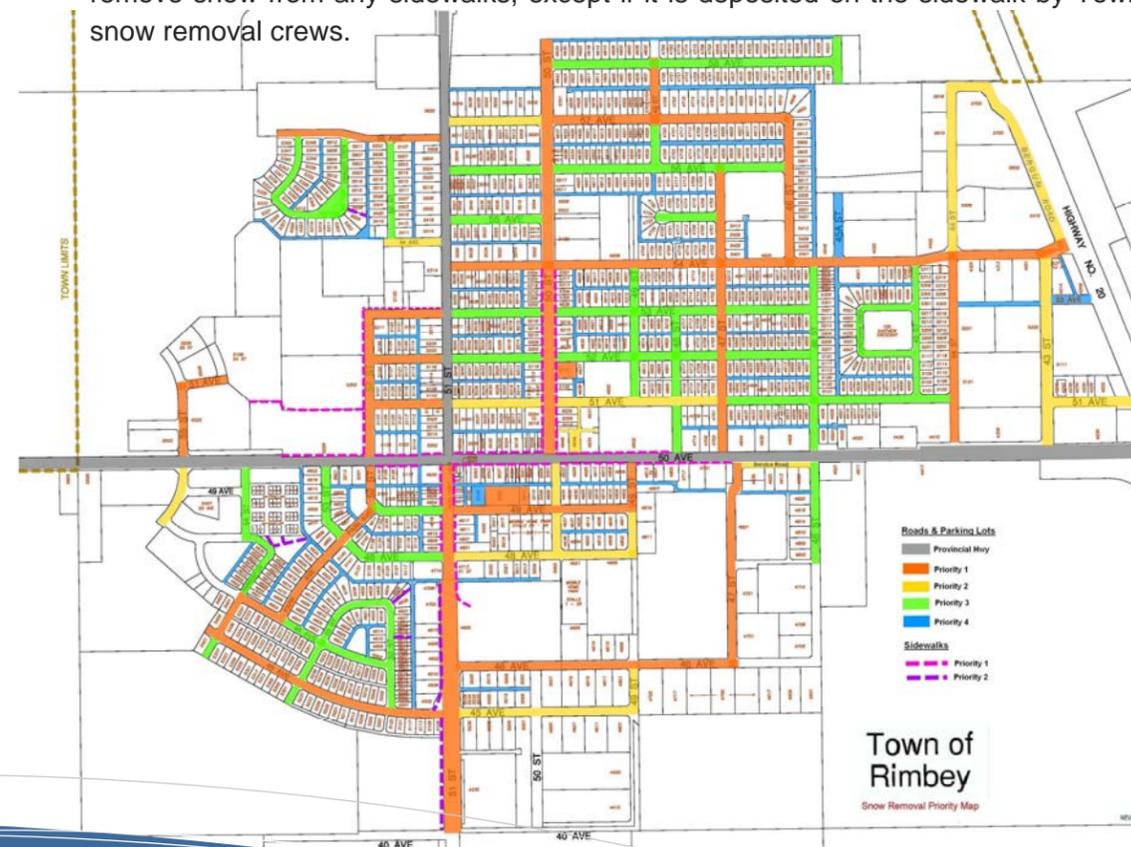
Key points of interest: Trailers not allowed on streets for more than 48 hrs; no commercial licensed vehicle can be parked on any residential roadway; idling restriction; off-highway vehicle routes, parking, and engine retarder brakes.

Please forward your questions or comments in writing to the Town Office attention: Ryan Maier, Assistant CAO or by email to ryan@rimbey.com, no later than Wednesday, November 23 to allow for any amendments before the next Council meeting.

Snow Removal Priorities

A Snow Removal Policy was established to create a consistent standard of practice for clearing roads and sidewalks of snow and ice for safe travel within the corporate limits of the Town of Rimbey. This system assigns labour, equipment and materials on a prioritized basis as outlined on the map below. The full scale map can be found at www.rimbey.com.

- Snow will be plowed into windrows and placed on boulevards or medians. Any roadways that have sidewalks on both sides will have the snow plowed onto one side only, keeping the other walkway clear. When a snow windrow is placed across a private driveway entrance, public driveway entrance, or a lane entrance, the Town will open up the windrow by pushing the snow clear of the crossing as soon as possible. When laneways become impassable, rutted or drifted, the snow will be flattened and pushed by a front-end loader. The Town has established a route that is outlined on the map for sidewalk clearing. Clearing of Sidewalks commences independently of road clearing as soon as manpower is available after a major snowfall.
- Bylaw No. 859/10 states it is the responsibility of the property owner to remove snow from sidewalks adjacent to their property and the Town of Rimbey is not obligated to remove snow from any sidewalks, except if it is deposited on the sidewalk by Town snow removal crews.



Community Events:

Family New Year's Eve Skating Party

Arena
Dec 31

Town & Country Bonspiel

Curling Rink

Jan 6-10, 2012

Seniors Bonspiel

Curling Rink
Feb 6-10, 2012

Ladies Bonspiel

Curling Rink
Mar 16-18, 2012

Mixed Bonspiel

Curling Rink
Mar 29-31, 2012

For more information about events, please visit the town website at:

www.rimbey.com



Please only flush bathroom tissue down your toilets as other materials plug the sewer lines running into the lagoon.

In 2011, the Town spent more than \$40,000 unplugging sewer lines.