

# **New and Noteworthy**

## Message from Your Mayor and Council

Council wishes you and your family a safe and healthy 2025.

Regular Council Meetings take place on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Regular Council Meetings have a Town Hall session at the beginning of the meeting where members of the public are welcome to informally address Council. If you want to meet with Council more formally regarding an issue, contact the office the week before a Council meeting to arrange a deputation. Meetings can be attended in person, via computer, or phone. Connection information is posted in the Calendar on our website, or you can call the office.

#### Tax Installment Due Dates are February 28 and May 30, 2025

If you have any questions about the information on your tax notice, contact the Municipal Office. If your bank stopped paying your property taxes and/or you would like to set up a monthly payment plan for your taxes, call the office and ask to speak with Laura.

# **Outdoor Skating Rinks**

The skating rinks at Blake Hall and Alf Olsen Memorial Park are open for skating. Volunteers who maintain the ice surface report that ice maintenance has been challenging because of temperature swings. If you go skating and find the rink is poor condition, please contact the office and let them know.

### Family Skate Day

Sunday February 9, 2025 is Family Skate Day from Noon to 3 PM at Blake Hall with skating, hot chocolate and more. If the weather is poor, event updates will be available on the Neebing Facebook Page.

# Punch cards can be used until August 2025

Punch cards for Neebing Landfill sites can be used until the end of July 2025. New punch cards will arrive with the final tax bill that can be used beginning in August.

## Neebing Emergency Services Call for Volunteers

Neebing Emergency Services is looking for volunteers. Training and equipment are provided. Contact the Fire Chief at the office for more details or complete the online application form found on the Fire and Emergency Services page of our website.

#### Significant Weather Events

A municipality may declare a "Significant Weather Event" if there is an approaching or occurring weather hazard with the potential to pose danger.

The intent of a declaration is to notify the public that due to the current weather conditions, caution is to be exercised when travelling on the municipality's roads, and that it may take longer than usual to restore them to normal conditions.

A declaration suspends the standard timelines required for municipalities to meet their winter maintenance objectives until the municipality declares the significant weather event has ended. Once the declaration has ended, standard timelines for winter maintenance activities will begin.

#### **Snow Clearing**

Municipal roads have different classifications based on traffic counts. The class directs how snow clearing and other road work is performed. See the Roads Maintenance Policy on the Neebing website for details.

There is no parking allowed on municipal roadways December 15<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> to allow Neebing's roads crew to clear snow. Thank you for not parking on the roads.

Placing snow on the roadway creates a safety hazard for other vehicles. It can make road maintenance more difficult and time-consuming and is against both municipal by-laws and the Province's Highway Traffic Act. Please help keep the roads safe for everyone!

#### Report a Concern

If you have concerns regarding municipal operations, you can phone the office or use our Report a Concern form on our website. Complaints are tracked and forwarded to the right department as well as your Ward Councillor.

#### Strategic Plan

Council will be finalizing the 2025-2028 Strategic Plan in the first quarter of 2025. Look for the updated plan on the website at the end of March.

## Dogs Running at Large

Dogs running at large are against the law. Please keep your pets at home. Allowing dogs to run at large causes risk to dogs, motorists, and wildlife. If your dog is caught running at large, you could face municipal fines. Charges from the Ministry of Natural Resources could also be levied as it is illegal to let a dog be at large in an area inhabited by deer, moose or bear during the closed season.

#### Blake Hall Available for Booking

Blake Hall and the outdoor covered arena can be reserved for private events such as birthday parties, weddings etc.. Community groups and organizations that offer events to the public are also welcome to rent the facilities. Call the office for details on rental rates.

#### **Fire Permits**

Fire Permits are required from April 1 to October 31 each year. Permits can be obtained online beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> by visiting <a href="http://www.neebing.org/firepermits">http://www.neebing.org/firepermits</a>. Fireworks permits are issued by the Fire Chief.

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