



TOWN TALK

November 2017

YOUR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS



LEFT TO RIGHT

COUNCILLOR KEN POFFENROTH

COUNCILLOR IVOR FOSTER

MAYOR ROD RAYMOND

DEPUTY MAYOR CORY GILBERT

COUNCILLOR NATHAN RAYMOND

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR ROD RAYMOND

First off, on behalf of myself and council, I would like to thank the residents of Thorsby for giving us the opportunity to serve you. Although we didn't get to meet everyone when campaigning, we heard a constant theme. Water and sewer; which is at the forefront of what we need to concentrate on, during our term in office.

Secondarily to that is transparency and communication. It is our intention, that every other week, we put an article in the Target just to give everyone an idea as to what we are doing. I might not always write it myself, but someone on council will do so. My fellow Councillors have additional excellent ideas, to improve transparency, communication, and community engagement. Please be patient with us, as we work through them.

Thirdly is security: we, as a community, experienced a horrific incident, where one of our own lost his life, protecting his livelihood. In a decent, respectful world, this would not have happened. Times are different, and we need to protect ourselves. A local citizens group has started the process with the reintroduction of Citizens on Patrol, which over time will help us. Lastly, we need continuing fiscal responsibility, while still providing required services.

The learning curve is very steep for all new members of council. We are fortunate to have experienced, competent town staff that can support and help us along. We are also fortunate that previous council members have offered their support and experience. In our community we have a lot of under-utilized talent and experience we wish to "tap into".

We are in an enviable location, regarding future development. We have so many things going for us, but we all need to work collectively towards improving our community. This is my chosen community, and this is your community. Let's all continue to work together making a safe, vibrant community, that we can be and are proud to call home.



SNOW TIME IS ON ITS WAY

As we head into to winter, we ask for the co-operation of our residents by parking off street whenever possible, for safety & to help speed clearance along.

Crews will put out signage in areas planned for clearance, as soon as priority areas are dealt with. Watch our website for daily updates.

Please note: As per policy, snow clearance will only take place after a snow fall of 10 cm.

WATER UPDATE



The startup on the additional aeration is now complete and we are continuing to follow up with additional actions and measures.

We have had divers complete a visual inspection of the intake pipes in the raw water ponds to ensure they were in good condition and no sediment build up that specific area of the ponds is occurring.

All was confirmed in good order. However as an additional proactive measure, the diving team recommended that we installed 90° elbows with a 18" pipe with screens to the end of the existing intake pipes. The intention of this installation is to provide a water draw from a better level in the pond and to reduce the possibility of pulling in any sediment from the lower levels when the pumps are running.

Utilities

Bylaw Enforcement

For bylaw enquiries or concerns, please call:

780 554 8272

Or email
bylaw@thorsby.ca

Please note, this is not an on-call service, your call will be returned at the start of the next scheduled shift.



THE ELVES ARE BACK!

CHRISTMAS ELVES PROGRAM

Watch the Thorsby Target and the Town Website for updates regarding the Food Drive, to volunteer or to make a referral. For more info.

Contact: Patti Adams
F.C.S.S. Co-ordinator
780 789 4004

Office hours: Mon – Fri 9:00 – 5:00 (closed over the lunch hour 12:00 to 1:00) Located in the Rec Centre, next to the Library.



MOVING HOUSE!

Property owners are reminded to contact the utilities officer, 780 789 3935 ext. #27 to arrange a final utility reading when moving home. Let us know your move out date to minimize your billing.

CASUAL EMPLOYMENT JOB POSTING

Thorsby Public Works CASUAL EMPLOYEE JOB POSTING Outside Workers (Casual Relief)

The Town of Thorsby is inviting applications to replenish the Town's Public Works Department casual outside worker labour pool. The casual pool is designed so the Township has access to casual outside workers to primarily fill in during staff absences and times where there is an increase in seasonal peak workloads. This is NOT suitable for someone seeking part time or full-time employment.

Reporting to the Town's Public Works Manager, applicants are required to have a Class 5 driver's license and have sufficient physical strength, stamina and coordination to perform heavy, manual, outdoor labour in all weather conditions. Interested applicants are required to submit a cover letter & resume. Applicants with previous public works experience, a Class 3 driver's license with air endorsement as well as flagging training and experience is not required, but would be an asset.

Qualified individuals are invited to submit their application, in confidence, via mail, fax or email to the attention of:

Public Works Manager
Town of Thorsby
Box 297, 4917 Hankin St.
Thorsby, AB T0C 2P0
Facsimile: 780-789-3779
e-mail: wmaclean@thorsby.ca



* Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.