



JULY
2018

TownTalk

Office Hours

Monday – Friday
8:30 – 12:00 noon
1:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Ph: 780 – 789 - 3935

Arctic Spas Recreation Complex Summer Hours

Mon 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tue 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wed 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thu 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fri 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sat 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun Closed.
Ph: 780 – 789 - 4041

As we are currently between bylaw service providers, we ask that you please email your concerns to:

bylaw@thorsby.ca

or phone:

780 789 3935 ext 28



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July Activities and events !

LIBRARY PROGRAMS – Call 780 789 3808 for more info

Thu 12	10:30 a.m.	Edmonton Magic	Thorsby Municipal Library
Thu 19	10:30 a.m.	Puppet Tree House	Thorsby Municipal Library
Thu 26	10:30 a.m.	Science Fun	Thorsby Municipal Library

REC PROGRAMS – Call 780 789 4041 for more info

Wed 11,18 & 25	Roller Derby Nights	Arctic Spas Recreation Complex
Thu 12 & 26	Retro Roller Rink Nights	Arctic Spas Recreation Complex
Tue 10	Tuesday Palooza Drop-In	Arctic Spas Recreation Complex
Thu 12	Challenge Drop-In - Fear Factor	Arctic Spas Recreation Complex

SUMMER DAY TRIPS

Mon 9	Summer Beach Party	Contact Kristen @780 789 4041
Mon 23	Edmonton Aerial Park & Leduc Spray Park (Ages 9-17 only)	Contact Kristen @780 789 4041

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

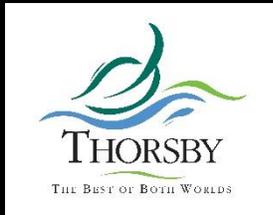
(Under 8's parental supervision reqd.)

Wed 11	6:00 p.m.	Star Wars: The Last Jedi	
Wed 18	6:00 p.m.	Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle	
Wed 25	6:00 p.m.	Peter Rabbit	



PETS CORNER

Please remember not everyone may be comfortable around your pet. Dogs should be on a leash when off your property, not only for the comfort of others but the sudden appearance of other animals or loud noises may cause your animal to bolt. Please help us keep your pets safe and use a leash at all times.



COUNCIL COMMENT

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

Council passed the Public Participation Policy at the June 26 meeting.

The policy lays out our commitment to communicate with residents in a consistent clear, open and transparent manner.

Check it out on our website:

www.thorsby.ca

2018 CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Focus continues on water and sewer and priorities were adjusted following completion of camera work on sewer lines and water main breaks experienced earlier in the year.

At the June 6 Regular Meeting, Council approved the awarding of the 2018 capital construction projects to Nikiforuk Construction at a cost of \$1,434,000.

Areas that will see underground work and road refurbishment this year are:

54 Avenue

Hankin St - 47 Ave and South

Hankin St – 47 Ave to 48 Ave



Is Pepe Le Pew visiting you?

Recently, we have had a quite a few calls from residents who have had unwelcome visitors in their yards and are unsure how to deal with these pretty but annoying guests.

The Town doesn't have authority to deal with skunks as wildlife falls under the Alberta Environment and Parks umbrella, and more specifically, Fish and Wildlife. While they do not deal directly with skunk issues, through their website they offer the following advice which may be helpful to residents:

- Skunks may be hunted or trapped during all seasons by the owner or occupant of land, by a person authorized by the owner or occupant, or by the holder of a licence authorizing the trapping of fur-bearing animals. Check with your municipality on any restrictions on the use of firearms. **(Please note, the Town of Thorsby does not permit the discharge of firearms in Town limits)**
- To prevent additional skunks from visiting your property, you must remove the food or shelter the animals are seeking.
 - Removing shelter:
 - Clear out brush piles, stacked lumber and debris piles that skunks can use as cover.
 - Look around your property for spaces underneath sheds, porches, decks and crawlspaces. These spaces should be closed off with a ½ inch hardware cloth. Make sure there are no skunks inside when you close off the space.
 - Skunks that have already taken up residence under a building or other location on your property can **be deterred by putting mothballs in these spaces. Skunks are repulsed by the smell of mothballs.**
 - Removing food:
 - Store your garbage and recycling in containers that have tight-fitting lids. Replace garbage cans that are in poor repair.
 - Feed your pets indoors, or remove their dishes immediately after feeding and store the pet food inside.
 - Honey producers can stop skunks from raiding beehives by installing and maintaining an electric fence perimeter around the apiary. Also place beehives on stands one metre (3 feet) off the ground.
- Skunks are not deft climbers and, if they fall into window wells or other holes on your property, may need assistance in getting out. To do this, lay a 2 x 6 or other wide plank into the window well or hole and wait for the skunk to climb out.
- If a skunk has found its way into your house or garage, leave the door open and allow the skunk to depart on its own time. Don't prod or agitate the skunk