



VILLAGE OF CHASE NEWSLETTER ~ DECEMBER 2016

INTRODUCTION to 2017 BUDGET

Council will be introduced to the 2017 draft budget at the December 13 Meeting, and your input will be welcomed during the budget period which is expected to last months. Please if you have ideas, input, suggestions or concerns, contact our office at 250.679.3238 or email to chase@chasebc.ca

Hope to see you at the meetings!

Municipal Hall Christmas Closures

The municipal hall in the Village of Chase will be closed:

Monday December 26
Tuesday December 27
Friday December 30

CP Holiday Train is back for 2016



December 15. The train arrives at 2:50pm and Dallas Smith and the Odds perform between 3:00 and 3:30pm
Find it on Shuswap Avenue near the RCMP station.



Follow Barbie's
example and
scoop the poop!
Please clean up
after your dog

When waste thaws in spring it releases hazardous bacteria and parasites that contaminate soil and can infect humans and dogs.

FIRE HYDRANTS MUST BE VISIBLE!

Fire hydrants are a crucial part of extinguishing fires; if we can't find them we can't do our job. Chase Fire and Rescue, along with the Village of Chase, is asking that residents that have a hydrant in front of or close to, their property help to keep it clear!

Fire hydrants need to be kept clear of snow, debris, shrubs, ornaments and trees by a minimum of 3 feet at the rear and 12 feet from the sides. Vehicles need to be parked a minimum of 15 feet from a hydrant. Vehicles can be ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense. The snow has now hit so please ensure you shovel so our firefighters have clear access in the case of an emergency.

From the Office of the Fire Chief

SNOW

- * Snow **plowing** on roads is prioritized by **1)** emergency and school bus routes **2)** main roadways **3)** others
- * All property owners and tenants are reminded that you are required to remove snow and ice from **sidewalks** adjacent to your property by 11:00 a.m. No snow is to be moved onto public property except businesses in the downtown core
- * During a snow event, do not **park** vehicles or store anything on the boulevard closer than 2 feet from pavement edge. The Village will remove any obstacles to snow plowing equipment at your cost. The Bylaw Officer may also need to intervene.

For further information refer to the *Streets and Parking Bylaw 732-2011* that regulates these matters.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING BINS

****CHRISTMAS WEEK WILL BE A REGULAR COLLECTION****

Collection Reminders

- Styrofoam is not recyclable by TNRD facilities and must go in the garbage
- Glass does not go in the recycling bin
- Park your bins so wheels are against the curb or just off the roadway
- Please only put out your bins when they are at least half full
- Container lids must be completely closed for pickup
- Do not overfill or compress items
- Cut down large cardboard pieces
- Bag anything dusty or fine so it doesn't escape

Christmas tree pickup will be January 3-6. Place your CLEAN tree (free from ALL decorations) beside your garbage/recycling cans.

Helps us serve you better! Park bins 7am; Wheels against the curbs. Give 1m space on all sides. Close lids. No Grass & Yard Waste! For complete guide call Village office

VILLAGE BRIEFS

Dog Licenses – 2017 dog licenses are now available for purchase at the Village office. This is especially timely for those who temporarily vacate to warmer climates for a while...

Also dog-related.....look for more information coming soon on an **off-leash dog park**. There will be opportunities to comment and participate.

Water Billing - As everyone is now aware, the Village's new water rate system is based on water consumption. If you have any questions regarding your water consumption, or notice on your bill that there are unusual 'spikes' in your usage that you can explain, please contact the Village office at 250.679.3238 to speak with our staff. You should receive your next quarterly utility bill at the end of January.

Business Licenses – 2017 business licenses will be available starting in January. Everybody receiving money for a good or service requires a business license and this includes home based businesses.

Vehicle Idling – Vehicle idling is not respectful of the environment and often is not respectful of our friends and neighbours who might have health concerns, or may simply need to sleep.

The Village of Chase is working with an engineering firm to get tenders for Phase II of our **Sewer Treatment** facility upgrade. The Village wants to ensure that the terrible odour everyone experienced in past years in the spring will not occur in the future.

If you notice construction equipment in and around **Aylmer Road**, please know there is a sewer line installation being installed as part of a residential development. Contact information for the contractor will be posted in the area but as always if you have questions or concerns please contact the Village Office 250.679.3238 or email to chase@chasebc.ca

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UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

December 13th Meetings begin at 4:00 p.m. unless otherwise advertised. The public will be able to speak on current Agenda items at the beginning of each Council meeting. The opportunity to speak on any municipal matters will be provided at the end of the Council meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

The Acting Mayor will chair the Council meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. If required Special meetings will be convened with appropriate notice as per the *Community Charter* and Council policy. All 2017 meeting dates will be posted soon on our website at www.chasebc.ca