

NOTICE TO VILLAGE RESIDENTS

RECYCLING & WASTE COLLECTION:

The Village still has a red recycling bin located on the Curling Rink parking lot. Council asks that all residents (homeowners) recycle your cardboard, newspapers, tin cans, plastic, glass, etc. and use the red bin at the Rink only. Take full advantage of this service, as all residents and businesses are charged a 'Environmental Fee' to cover the costs of the recycling program and added landfill costs. Please remember to squash your plastic jugs and if the bin is full when you arrive at the Rink, please take your recyclables home and return a couple of days later. Please do not set your recyclable material beside the red bin, as it usually blows away. The Environmental Fee amounts to \$5.00 per month and is included on all Utility bills. Garbage disposal is very expensive and will continue to eat up a larger chunk of the Village's budget in the future. We all must continue to reduce the amount of garbage that has to be collected and transported to our landfill.

Regular garbage pick-up is in the front yard on Wednesdays however; only waste in a bag will be picked up. Garden waste, lawn clippings, trees, branches, etc will not be picked up unless it is in a bag. The Village will pick-up larger items (trees, etc.) or appliances for a fee. (ex: cloths dryer or water heater - \$25.00 each)

The **landfill hours** of operation will be as follows:

<u>April 1st to October 31st</u>	Sunday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
	Wednesday	9:00am to 5:00pm
	Saturday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
<u>November 1st to March 31st</u>	Wednesday	9:00pm to 4:00pm

DERELICT AND JUNKED VEHICLES: Council has received many complaints about derelict or junked vehicles. In order for a vehicle to be ruled as derelict or junked it must meet the **criteria** as set out below. Council is the sole judge as to whether a vehicle meets all three criteria. This provision exists to enable Council to clean up private property in the interests of public safety, and maintaining a clean community.

Criteria:

To declare a vehicle as being derelict or junked, the following criteria must be used. A derelict or junked vehicle is any automobile, tractor, truck, trailer, or any other vehicle that:

- does not have a current license plate attached to it, and
- is in a rusted, wrecked, partly wrecked, dismantled, partly dismantled, inoperative or abandoned condition: and
- is located in the open, on private property and does not form part of the business enterprise lawfully being operated on that property.

Under the Urban Municipality Act Council can remove these vehicles and charge all costs to the property owners. Please have these removed as soon as possible. Thank-you in advance!

UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:

There still remains certain properties/yards/businesses in the Village that are untidy or unsightly. Council urges all residents to pay special attention to the condition of their property, this being our Centennial Year. Perhaps by July 1st we all might have our yards in tip top shape, ready to celebrate. Thank you to all in advance for your efforts.

OUTDOOR WATERING SCHEDULE: JUNE 1ST TO AUGUST 31ST

Under the program, residents are encouraged to restrict their watering to one day a week.

- * Houses with **odd**-numbered addresses are encouraged to water **Monday, Thursday, Saturday**
- * Houses with **even**-numbered addresses water **Tuesday, Friday, Sunday**
- * **No outdoor watering on Wednesday**

TO ALL DOG AND CAT OWNERS:

Again the Council of the Village of Avonlea are receiving complaints about dogs and cats.

The Council's first concern is for the rights and the safety of the people and the protection of their property. These rights are being denied to our citizens because of the many dogs and cats running at large. In spite of previous requests regarding these pets, the problem still exists.

This letter is to advise all concerned that the Council recognizes the seriousness of the problem and is prepared to take all necessary steps to remedy the situation. Cat and Dog owners have to realize they are responsible for the damages and/or injury caused by their animals. Children have been frightened and chased, garbage's have frequently been ripped open throughout the Village, deposits been made on lawns, gardens, tulip beds, etc.

Owners of dogs or cats who let their animal run at large are guilty of an offence under Bylaw No. 155-84 of the Village of Avonlea and are subject to a fine of \$20.00. The meaning of Running-at-large is when the cat or dog is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor, or harbinger of the said cat or dog, or beyond the boundaries of any lands where it may be with the permission of the owner or occupant of the said land and when it is not under control by being in direct and continuous charge of a person competent to control it; or securely confined within an enclosure; or securely fastened so that it cannot roam at will.

Thank You

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