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Lawn/Garden Watering Policy

There was a drastic increase in water usage in the warm weather during the end of May/beginning of June. Water usage peaked at over 59,000 Gallons a day. To put this into perspective – the Village reservoirs only hold 75,000 Gallons. **This amount of usage could cause issues if there was ever an emergency during a time such as that.** Normal usage for the Village is between 26,000 Gallons and 32,000 Gallons per day.

In order to curb excess usage and protect our water source, the Council for the Village of Canwood was compelled to implement the following watering policy:

That the Council for the Village of Canwood sets the following policy on watering for lawns, gardens, flowers etc. The policy assumes the middle of Main Street as the divide line. The East portion of town from Main Street and South Avenue will be allowed to water on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The West portion of town from Main Street and 1st Street West (across the tracks) will be allowed to water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. No one will be allowed to water on Sundays.

Please see reverse side for hints and tips on smart watering for your lawn.



New Website

The new website for the Village of Canwood is now up. It is nowhere near complete yet, but we are getting there. You can check it out at www.canwood.ca.

We ask that any clubs or organizations that are putting on events to PLEASE forward the information to the Village so it can be posted on the website. This site will only be a success if we all work together to provide current and accurate information.

Submissions for the website can be brought into the office or emailed to canwood.town@sasktel.net.

Also, if anyone has any pictures that are of high resolution, please email them to the Village as well.

History Book for 100th Anniversary

Once again, we are looking for anyone who has any interest in organizing to get started or working on a history book for the 100th Anniversary in 2016. This project will take about two years to complete, so it needs to be started shortly in order to be complete by the 100th.

Anyone interested is asked to please contact the Village Office at (306) 468-2016.

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Complaint Forms

The Village of Canwood Council has decided to implement a "Complaint Form" policy for dealing with complaints from residents regarding issues such as unkept yards, dogs, garbage on properties etc.

In order to make a complaint, a resident must fill out and sign one of these forms and return it to the Village Office. Council feels that this will be a more effective way of dealing with complaints as it will allow them to receive the information first hand from the complainant which will provide more accurate information. It also supplies the Village with documenting incidents within the Village for future reference.

A copy of this form is enclosed with this newsletter. More copies can be obtained at the Village Office.

Water Less Often

Excerpt from article by Mark Cullen in Rural Roots, from Thursday May 30, 2012.

Mark Cullen appears on Canada AM every Wednesday morning at 8:40. He is spokesperson for Home Hardware Lawn and Garden.

Only water your lawn once a week at most and water it well – about one inch of water is perfect as it will drive grass roots deep into the soil in search of moisture. Your lawn will be more drought-tolerant as a result. When or if we get into a drought situation do not water your lawn at all. Let it go dormant and brown. Come August when evening temperatures drop and morning dew becomes heavy your lawn will break its summer dormant cycle and become green again.

If you have an in-ground watering system, put it on the manual setting and turn it on only as your garden soil dries and your lawn needs watering.

Cut your lawn high at two-and-a-half to three inches (six to eight cm) as the higher the grass blades the deeper and more drought tolerant the roots. It will also shade out most lawn weeds.

Pet Owner's Responsibilities

With Summer upon us, pets will have the desire to wander. As school will be out shortly and everyone will be out and about more, please remember that all pets must be on a leash when they are not on your property.

Please also be reminded that the Village of Canwood does have a pet licensing bylaw in place and any animal running at large could be picked up if the problem persists. The Village Council is currently considering the hiring of a Bylaw/Animal Control Officer to assist with incidents such as these.

Pet owners are asked to be responsible and ensure your pets are on leashes or in a fenced area. Also, please remember it is your responsibility to pick up after your pet when out of your property.

Grass Cutting

Just a reminder to all residents that the Village does have a bylaw that requires residents to keep their lawns cut below 6".

The Village of Canwood would also like to send out a big "THANK YOU" to all of the residents who are looking after the cutting of the grass on the street front/sides of their lots which is technically Village Property. As the Maintenance Department has a lot of things to do and no shortage of grass to cut, every less strip they have to cut makes a big difference. Thank you once again for helping to keep up the appearance of our Village!

Garbage Pick-up

Just a reminder to all residents that Garbage Pick-up will be done on **TUESDAY, JULY 2** due to the July 1 holiday on Monday, July 1.



