



# FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER



Congratulations to Mayor Daryl Frank 20 years, Deputy Mayor Dennis Roth 20 years and Deputy Fire Chief Neil Zack (not pictured) 5 years

~~ Long Service Awards ~~

***Please be advised that the Village Office will be closed February 21, 2022 in observance of Family Day. The office will re-open February 22, 2022 at 8:30 am.***

VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:30 - 12:00 & 1:00 - 4:30  
WATER & SEWER EMERGENCIES ONLY: 780-808-0517

## SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING FOR ROADWAYS

As we prepare for the upcoming winter weather please be reminded that the Village of Kitscoty provides snow removal and ice control on municipal streets according to determined priorities. These priorities are set out in Policy PW 001 and are illustrated below.

**PRIORITY #1** – Village entrances and exits, Emergency routes, main School bus routes, Water Reservoir and Lift Station access;

**PRIORITY #2**— Hills, Secondary accesses to Priority #1 and secondary School bus routes;

**PRIORITY #3** – Residential areas and intersections connecting to priority #1 and priority #2 routes; Access to Wild Rose Manor parking lot

**PRIORITY #4** – Residential cul-de-sacs, CN Lease road, Lot 35PUL, Block 16, Plan 0123515 and Plan 0123515 lane between 50 Street and 51 Street may be performed after the Public Works Supervisor is satisfied that Priority Routes #1 to #3 have been completed.

Please visit our website at [VoKitscoty.ca](http://VoKitscoty.ca) to view the policy in it's entirety.



**REMINDER TO OUR RESIDENTS:** In accordance with Community Standards Bylaw No. 10-2017 a person shall remove snow and ice from any sidewalk adjacent to Property they Own or Occupy within 48 hours after the snow or ice has been deposited. A Person shall not deposit snow or ice upon any Road, Public Place or Property that is not their own. Please refrain from parking vehicles on the street, if possible, to help with snow removal. Windrows created around parked vehicles will not be cleared by the Village.

# KITSCOTY HILLTOP PUBLIC LIBRARY



Restrictions put in place by the provinces will continue to apply:

No more than 4 patrons at a time will be allowed into the library. If you are concerned with how many are inside, you may phone ahead. Upon entering the library, everyone is required to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and to maintain a 2 meter distance between anyone outside of your household. Curbside pick-up will continue to be an option as well. If you have any symptoms please postpone your visit to the library until you are symptom free.

Programming - We continue to navigate through restrictions, so for the next little while we will continue to provide curbside craft kits. Watch on our FaceBook page to see what is available.

“The Living Room of Our Community”

Website: [www.kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca](http://www.kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca)

Email Address: [librarian@kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca](mailto:librarian@kitscotypubliclibrary.ab.ca)

Facebook Page: Kitscoty Public Library

## Kitscoty And District Community And Seniors Association

Foot care has been changed to Tuesdays. The next sessions will be March 8 and 22. For appointments contact Kandi at (780) 808-0019

Floor curling, pool and cards are taking place but must have a QR code and government ID to participate.

## KITSCOTY WASTE TRANSFER STATION (AKA GARBAGE DUMP)

*Winter Hours In Effect*

**NOVEMBER 1st —APRIL 30th**

**Wednesdays 2-5      Saturdays 10-4**

PINK SHIRT DAY  
FEBRUARY 23, 2022

**SPEAK UP**  
*Stand together*  
**STOP**  
**BULLYING**

# **PET LICENSING 2022 ~ PLEASE NOTE CHANGES**

**ANIMAL LICENSE FEES HAVE INCREASED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2021**

**Dog \$60.00**

**Cat \$40.00**

**PURCHASE BY FEBRUARY 28, 2022 TO RECEIVE A  
50% DISCOUNT**

## **Pet Owners Please Note:**

- \* The owner of a dog(s) or cat(s) over the age of three (3) months shall apply for a license.
- \* A license must be renewed on an annual basis by paying the applicable license fee to the Village office prior to **February 28th** . Any Person who fails to renew a license within this time limit is guilty of an offence.
- \* Every Person who resides in the Village who:
  - \* becomes an owner of a dog or cat that is over the age of three (3) months, or
  - \* takes up residence within the Village and who is the owner of a dog or cat that is over the age of three (3) months, shall apply for a license within thirty (30) days of becoming the owner of such dog or cat or of taking up residence in the Village.
- \* **An owner of an unlicensed Dog or Cat is guilty of an offence and shall be subject to offence penalties.**

The Village of Kitscoty Animal Control Bylaw No. 2020-09 is available for viewing at [www.VoKitscoty.ca](http://www.VoKitscoty.ca). You can find the Cat and Dog License Application form there too - fill it out, mail it or drop it off at the office along with the license fee to receive your pet tags.

**THE ANIMAL CONTROL ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CONDUCTS REGULAR PATROLS THROUGH-  
OUT THE VILLAGE. ANIMALS FOUND TO BE RUNNING AT LARGE WILL BE  
IMPOUNDED AND OWNERS WILL BE SUBJECT TO OFFENCE PENALTIES AND COSTS.**

## Finding a Positive

I was thinking as I started this article; what is your journey feeling and looking like as you have and are experiencing losses?

**Fractured:** Feeling broken by the loss you experienced whether a physical or life loss. A “broken heart”. The grief is deep and heavy. Experiencing this loss and realizing you are a “changed” person and you are on an uncharted journey. Fears and new emotions arise as to how will I navigate such a journey that is new, alone. You don’t have a road map to navigate and this is the worst journey you have ever been on. At Walking Through Grief we supply a booklet that I call our “Road Map” of support. We all need somewhere to start to gain an understanding, to learn about emotions, to find skills to help with our fears.

**Anxiety:** Having experienced such a great loss that has been life changing and left us feeling fractured and full of fears and questions. Anxiety enters in a new journey, feeling overwhelmed and helpless looking at the big picture. Our sense of worth and self esteem have been battered and we may feel isolated.

**Isolation:** I spoke of the overwhelming pain, emotions, fears and helplessness. Frozen, how do we move on in our grief journey? When we look to the future with the questions of “how will I go on, am I strong enough for this journey, I am fractured.” With not having the answer or skills and experiencing the loss of our ability to navigate this journey, we may then start to isolate, withdraw and find we are becoming more depressed. It takes courage, but reach out. I know it has been really difficult during the restrictions we have faced but try to text, phone or facetime with someone you trust. You are not weak by calling out. You are allowing someone else a blessing by coming along side to support.

**Time:** Time seems to have stood still for you, you have forgotten times and activities and have robotted through days. Head and heart don’t seem connected. Take time and courage to embrace your pain and grief, accepting a little at a time. Don’t allow others to determine a timeline of your grief. This is a huge challenge and one you need to invite a companion to join with you to listen to your story, your fears and your tears. This could be a family member, friend you trust, a support group, a church or a counsellor. You will have acquired skills to help navigate this grief journey and you will begin to see light again and the world around you. Remember the sun is always shining it is just that the clouds we see are stopping our view.

**Hope and faith** that you will survive and even thrive again. That the skills you learn and the people you surround yourself with will help get you through this new and different life you are now living. Remember your memories, for most, they are a warm blanket and you can use those memories to actively honour the loved one by investing in a cause or a purpose of some kind. You will build skills and a good mental health going forward. For those who do not have those good memories to build on, use those times to help you move forward to build positives you can now have in your life.

TRY THIS MONTH TO FILL A CUP - SEND OUT ON OUR FACEBOOK, A POSITIVE QUOTE, WORD OR A GRATITUDE. IF YOU NEED TO FILL YOUR CUP TAKE A POSITIVE OR GRATITUDE. These have been difficult times, lets lift each other up. “Negative feelings fuel your stress reactions”. My positive - “Be positive appreciate and focus on your strengths (tools)”.

Submitted by: Shirley L Scott for Walking Through Grief Society

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#### JUDGING AND JUDGEMENTAL

It starts the moment we get out of bed, walk to the bathroom and look in the mirror. Our hair really needs a cut. Oh, another wrinkle on our face. We all do it - the judgement and self-critique. I wonder why that is. Perhaps it's a survival skill.

Jesus understood human nature and the way we are quick to judge. That is why he instructed "Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgement, you make you will also be judged...Why do you see the speck in your neighbors' eye, but do not see the log in your own eye?" Matthew 7:1-3

As Christians, we have lost precious opportunities to experience the compassion of God because we have been caught up in judging. Remember that each of us is "fearfully and wonderfully made" in God's image. Psalm 139:1-4

We would love you to join our Sunday services at 10:00 am. Bible study has been changed to Friday at 2:00 pm followed by choir practice at 3:00pm. These times and days are subject to change upon request and interest shown.

Rev. Trust is available for weddings, funerals, baptisms, confirmation and counselling.

Our lower hall is available to book for meetings, baby showers, bridal showers. Call 780-846-2436 for booking.

Blessed New Year!

#### **PAPER-FREE UTILITY BILLS ARE AVAILABLE**

The E-Delivery of your utility bill is available. To register for Utility Bill E-Delivery, a consent form must be signed by the utility account holder and be returned to the Village Office. The form can be found on our website at [www.vokitscoty.ca](http://www.vokitscoty.ca) or can be completed at the office.



**Would you like to have an article appear in the Village Newsletter?**

Email, Fax, or drop off your article by the 20th of each month.

## Community Events Calendar...

February 7, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Village Council Chambers  
February 14, 2022 - **Valentine's Day**  
February 21, 2022 - Village Office CLOSED  
February 22, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Village Council Chambers  
February 23, 2022 - **Pink Shirt Day** in support of Anti-Bullying

Visit the Kitscoty Events Calendar at [www.VoKitscoty.ca](http://www.VoKitscoty.ca)

### Public Notice - Removal of Telus Payphone at Wheatfield Inn

As an agent acting on behalf of Telus Communications Inc., WiMacTel, in compliance with CRTC decision 2004-47 Sections 56 to 66, to provide notice that the last payphone in Kitscoty will be removed on or after April 5, 2022. This is due to the decline in usage.

Kitscoty Community Cabin 4 Kids  
Telephone: (780) 846-2228  
Email: [admin@cabin4kids.org](mailto:admin@cabin4kids.org)  
or find us on the web:  
<https://cabin4kids.org/>

## Daycare & Out of School Child Care Programs



- ♥ Warm & Nurturing Atmosphere
- ♥ Engaging Play-Based Learning
- ♥ A Clean & Safe Environment
- ♥ A Variety of Themed Centers & Toys
- ♥ Open Door Policy
- ♥ Subsidy available

Daycare: we offer full time, part time and drop-in care for ages 12+ months

Out of School Care: we offer before/after school as well as full days on non-school days and some school breaks for ages 5-12.  
\* Our Kindergarten children are escorted to and from Kitscoty Elementary each day.

For more information, please contact us!



We are an Alberta Early Learning & Child Care Licensed Centre

### Snowmobiles & ATV's:

Traffic laws must be observed. Please use the **most direct route** to outlying areas (please do not drive around the Village). Unregistered vehicles should not be driven on the roads.

HAVE YOU NOTICED THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE SHOP ON THE  
CORNER OF 50TH STREET? OPENING SOON....  
ONLY SOURDOUGH BAKEHOUSE & PIZZERIA!!

## Residential Contact Information and Email Consent Form

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Service / Civic Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive a copy of your tax payment receipt? YES  NO  (Please Check One)

Would you like to receive our newsletter and bulletins by email? YES  NO  (Please Check One)

Would you like to receive your utility bills by email? YES  NO  (Please Check One)

**Transmitting information by e-mail has a number of risks that residents should be aware of. These include, but are not limited to, the following:**

- E-mail can be circulated, forwarded, and stored in numerous paper and electronic files.
- E-mail can be immediately broadcast worldwide and be received by many intended and unintended recipients.
- E-mail senders can easily misaddress an email.
- E-mail is easier to falsify than handwritten or signed documents.
- Backup copies of e-mail may exist even after the sender or the recipient has deleted their copy.
- E-mail can be intercepted, altered, forwarded, or used without authorization or detection.
- E-mail can be used to introduce viruses into computer systems.
- E-mail can be used as evidence in court.

**The Village of Kitscoty** will use reasonable means to protect the security and confidentiality of e-mail information sent and received. However, because of the risks outlined above, the municipality cannot guarantee the security and confidentiality of e-mail communication, and will not be liable for improper disclosure of confidential information. For this reason, the customer must consent to the use of e-mail for delivery of municipal notices.

### **Consent to the use of e-mail for the delivery of municipal notices includes agreement with the following:**

1. Failure to receive an e-mailed municipal notice does not release me from my responsibility to pay any charges specified on the notice, or any penalties which may be incurred by late payment.
2. I will inform the Village of Kitscoty of any change in my e-mail address as soon as possible, to prevent the misdirection of notices and reduce the risk of my not receiving a notice.
3. I may withdraw from e-mail delivery at any time. To do so I will inform the Village of Kitscoty, and all notices which were previously e-mailed to me will be sent by regular mail.

***I acknowledge that I have read and fully understand this document, and consent to the delivery of specific municipal notices from the Village of Kitscoty to me by e-mail.***

Resident signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*The personal information requested on this form is being collected for the purpose of updating current contact information by the Village of Kitscoty, and is collected under the authority of and protected by the Freedom of Information and Protections of Privacy Act (FOIP). If you have any questions about the collection of this information, contact the Village of Kitscoty office at 780-846-2221.*