

# BERWYN & AREA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Please be advised that the Village Office will be closed Friday, April 2nd, and Monday April 5th for Easter weekend.

## Upcoming in the Community

### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

Berwyn Community Services is hosting the free tax program again this year!

We can complete your **SIMPLE** tax return at no charge!

Volunteers are not tax professionals, but will complete returns to the best of their ability!

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, Walks ins will not be accepted**

To book your appointment, call Kristy at 780-338-3801



In partnership with Grimshaw Community Services, **we are proud to offer a beginners guide and introduction to anti-racism.**

A free online workshop for those interested in gaining knowledge and education on anti racism.

Thursday, April 15th  
5:00pm-8:00pm

To register, please email  
fcss@berwyn.ca

Women's Healing Circle!  
Tuesday, April 20TH @ 6:30pm via zoom  
To sign up please email Kristy at  
fcss@berwyn.ca  
Topics will include setting boundaries &  
Healthy communication!



### **DISCONNECT BOXES**

An easy way to encourage less screen time within your family!  
Pick up at the FCSS Office in Berwyn!



You can view the newsletter online @ Berwyn.ca

**The Ecumenical Care Committee**  
of Grimshaw & Berwyn  
**FOOD BANK**  
Hours of operation  
Monday 10:00am—12:00pm  
Wednesday 10:00am—12:00pm

Contacts  
Eileen @ 780-332-2382  
Annette @ 780-332-4522



**The Berwyn Municipal Library** has openings for Library Board members. If you live in Berwyn or the MD of Peace # 135, please submit a short letter with your contact information and let us know why you would like to be on this board. Send the letter or drop it off at the Village office. Box 250, Berwyn AB, T0H 0E0.

**Do you have big ideas for the community?**  
**Do you want to get involved?**

If you answered yes to either of those questions, then joining the

**Family & Community Support Services Board** is something you should do!

If you're interested in joining, contact  
Kristy @ 780-338-3801



Check us out on Facebook  
@Berwyn Community Services

Check us out on Instagram  
@BerwynFCSS



**If you are in isolation, and need groceries, medication, etc.. Please reach out to Kristy @ 780-338-3801!**

# NOTES FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE

It's now mandatory to wear a mask when you're at the Village Office. We appreciate your cooperation.

Village Council authorized the following grants to community groups to recognize the financial hardship caused by shutting down their facilities due to the CO-VID pandemic.

**B.E.R.D.S. - - Berwyn Elks Recreation Development Society - \$10,000.00 (BERDS operates the Berwyn Elks Community Centre).**

**Berwyn Arena Society - \$8,000.00.**

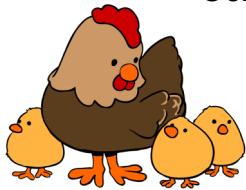
**Berwyn Arts and Crafts Club- \$2,000.00.**



We occasionally receive inquiries about having chickens in the Village of Berwyn.

**Our bylaw #659**, governs that, can be reviewed on our web page.

*(Under the Council tab, in the Bylaws section).*



Some of the rules are:

No roosters

A maximum of four hens.

**Application must be made to the bylaw enforcement officer before a chicken coop is built or hens are brought in.**

**Page 16 of Bylaw #659 contains the Best Practices Guidelines for the Keeping of Hens.**

**Council has recently amended the animal control bylaw by putting in penalties for keeping of an excessive number of animals.** The fine is \$150.00 per occurrence for harboring more than three cats at any time; more than three dogs at any time; and more than four hens at any time.

This amending bylaw was passed at the March 25th Council meeting.

**The Village of Berwyn is pleased to offer e-transfer to pay water and sewer bills, or municipal taxes.** Please remember to state your name and account in the notes section of the e-transfer website. No password is required, as we have auto deposit set up. Make sure to send your transfer to the current address –

[finance@berwyn.ca](mailto:finance@berwyn.ca)

Feel free to call us at the Village Office.



We continue to charge \$10.00 per month in situations where the water meters are not recording consumption. Our public works staff are continuing to deal with this issue.

We are looking sending out our **monthly utility bills by e-mail.**

Let us know if you would use that service, and we'll obtain your e-mail address from you.

Next village council meeting will be held on April 8th, 2021 via ZOOM at 7:00pm

If you would like to attend please contact our CAO Greg at 780-338-3922

## WITH SPRING AROUND THE CORNER HERE ARE JUST A FEW "HOUSEKEEPING" BYLAWS THAT YOU SHOULD REMEMBER.

- No Person shall be allowed to keep or maintain an unlicensed, dismantled, or derelict vehicle to remain on a site or a street in a residential district for more than forty-eight (48) hours;
- any excavation, equipment, or construction materials to remain on a site over a period longer than is reasonably necessary for completion of construction;
- No motor vehicle which is incapable of movement under its own power shall be stored in a residential district except  
(a) in an emergency  
(b) for one antique project vehicle and only one project vehicle and which is screened will be allowed in residential districts and;  
(c) derelict vehicles or parts shall not remain uncovered for more than 14 consecutive days.
- No person shall cause or permit land they own or occupied become unsightly this includes but not limited to excessive accumulation of building materials, appliances, household goods, boxes, tires, vehicle parts, garbage or refuse, damaged, dismantled or derelict vehicles whether insured or registered or not.

Please be advised these are just some of the Bylaws. Coming into Spring/Summer you may get sent a notice regarding these items.

Should you have any questions regarding Bylaws please don't hesitate to contact the Village Bylaw Enforcement Officer Angie Konowalyk at (780) 625-9774 or email to [vberwynbylaw@serbnet.com](mailto:vberwynbylaw@serbnet.com).