Town of Blaine Lake January 2009 Newsletter

WATER RATE INCREASE

Effective January 1st, 2009 water rates will increase to \$31.90/month, waste rates will increase to \$9.95/month and sewage rates will remain at \$10.00/month. The monthly billing amount will be \$51.85 for 3300 gallons of water. If more water is consumed than the 3300 gallons the overage will be charged at a rate of \$0.96 /100 gallons.

ANNUAL WATER BILLINGS

The option of being billed annually for water, sewer and waste disposal service is available to all local residents. People choosing to pay this way are billed for the entire year in January and given a 5% discount. The only time a person would receive a bill or need to pay more than this is when their quarterly consumption exceeds the maximum usage of 9900 gallons per quarter, and then they are just billed for the overage. This year the annual billing will be \$597.06 (including the discount).

Any resident interested in being billed for water, sewer and garbage on an annual basis (once per year) should contact the Town office immediately as bills are issued the beginning of January.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER

Dog licenses are due in January 2009.

The license fees are:

- \$10.00 for a spayed or neutered non-restricted dog;
- \$25.00 for a non-restricted dog that is not spayed or neutered;
- \$55.00 for a restricted dog (including Pit bull terriers, Doberman pinschers, Rottweilers, Bull
- Mastiffs, Wolf cross, Coyote cross, American Staffordshire, Bulldogs or any trained guard dog).

Any licenses that are not renewed by February 28th, 2009 will have a \$10.00 penalty added to them. If you no longer have your dog, please contact the Town Office at 497-2531 and let us know.

SNOW REMOVAL

Please do not clear snow from your lots onto the streets. This practice creates a hazard to vehicle and pedestrian traffic. RCMP will be enforcing Section 22 of the Highways & Transportation Act which prohibits placing of any objects that may obstruct or interfere with public access of the street.

The Town has designated several spots where residents can haul snow from their lots to. Please contact the Town Office at 497-2531 for these locations. By placing the snow in these specific places we hope to be able to control some of the spring run-off.

Thank you for your co-operation

SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS

To accommodate snow removal from the sidewalks please park vehicles at least 1 foot away from the sidewalk. This ensures clearance for the quad and blade. Thank you!

FIRST AID/CPR/AED COURSE

On January 16th, 17th, and 18th, at the Blaine Lake Composite School. For more information contact Diana Woytiuk at 497-2275

BLAINE LAKE SENIORS' ASSOCIATION

The Blaine Lake Seniors' Association extends a sincere "thank you" to the BLEDCO Directors for their pledge of \$1,500.00 towards our building project. Your donation is very much appreciated.

Any non-profit organization that has a community event they would like included in the Town's monthly newsletter or on the website should contact the Town office by not later than the 20th of the month. We will try and include your event!