



Council Meeting Highlights May 2022

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❖ **Swimming Pool Opening Date and Positions**

The final steps of the Wadena Swimming Pool upgrades have started, and the pool is projected to open by June 13th 2022. In person Swimming Lesson Registration will be held at the Rec Centre on June 1st 2022 from 6pm – 8pm

This year's pool staff are Avery McMartin as Pool Supervision Manager, Azlyn Ekstrom, Brooke McMartin, Elizabeth Comfort, Aiden Harvey, Bret Haskey, and Micah Armbruster as Lifeguards.

❖ **McClymont Sportsgrounds and Wadena Campground**

McClymont Sportsgrounds and Wadena Campground are up and running and ready for use!

The Town is now accepting Camping Reservations for the 2022 season from May to September 30th. The Town Campground has six sites that include 30 amp power, water hookup, and a septic dump available on 2nd St. SW. Camping Rate is \$35 per night or \$210 per week.

❖ **Entertainment and Family Fun**

Wadena will be "Movin" and "Shakin" this summer with Entertainment and Family Fun!

▪ **Saturday, June 4**

Town Wide Garage Sale 9a.m. to 4p.m. by Wadena Community Childcare Centre Board
Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

▪ **Saturday, June 18**

Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall
CWE Wrestling Event 5p.m to 9p.m. - Wadena Rec Centre

▪ **Friday, July 1 and Saturday, July 2**

Rosebud Royals 50 Year Reunion - McClymont Sportsgrounds

▪ **July (TBD)**

80's and 90's Theme Event & Cabaret

▪ **Saturday, July 9**

Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

▪ **Saturday, July 23**

Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

▪ **Saturday, August 6**

Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

▪ **August (TBD)**

Wadena & District Museum: Annual Vintage Days

▪ **Saturday, August 20**

Wadena Farmers Market 10a.m. to 2p.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

▪ **Friday, August 26 to Sunday, August 28**

Annual Town & Country Fair (Chucks, Demolition Derby & Cabaret) – McClymont Sportsgrounds

▪ **Saturday, August 27**

Co-op Pancake Breakfast 7a.m. to 10a.m. - Wadena Community Legion Hall

For details on Events, please visit:

Website: townofwadena.com/community_events or

Facebook Page: [Town of Wadena Parks and Recreation](#)



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❖ **Wadena Van Corporation**

The Wadena Van Corporation has revised Van rates as follows:

- Effective June 1, 2022 the rate per km will be \$1.50/km up to 100 km; \$2.25/km over 100 km. Additional charge of \$25.00 per hour for driver.
- Effective July 1, 2022 the rider cost will increase to \$8.00.

Days of Operation “In Town” Trips: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Days of Operation “Out of Town” Trips within a 50 km radius of Wadena:

Tuesday, Thursday, and Weekends (depending on van and driver availability).

If someone has a unique situation where the van is required, please contact 306-338-8270 and the driver will confirm if able to accommodate.

❖ **Central Regional Landfill Hours of Operation**

Days Open Monday, Thursday, Saturday

Summertime Hours

May 1 to the end of October **9 AM to 5 PM**

November to May 1 **9 AM to 4 PM**

For further information please contact Cheryl at 306-338-7718

❖ **Excess & Oversized Household Waste**

Greenland waste and recycle bins are provided to each residence. For excess or oversized household waste, residents can dispose of at the Central Regional Landfill.

❖ **Building Official Services**

Christopher Letendre of B&B Enforcement Services is the Town’s new building official.

Chris can be reached at 306-768-8449 or by email: bbenforcementservices@gmail.com

❖ **Pet License(s) - Animal Control**

Each year a Pet Owner is required to renew pet license(s). All cats and dogs over 4 months old are required to have a license from the Town (Bylaw 14-18). If you haven’t already, please renew or register by bringing your up-to-date documents regarding vaccinations, proof of microchipping, and spay/neuter to the Town office and completing the registration form.

Please Leash Your Pet! Having your pets leashed provides for the safety of your pet, yourself, and other individuals enjoying the outdoors.

To report animal nuisances, the Town’s Animal Control Officer Andy Labdon can be reached 24/7 at 306-338-9006. When reporting an animal nuisance, please contact the Animal Control Officer by phone call and provide your name, phone number, and details.

❖ **Parks and Recreation Employees**

Congratulations to Karlee Leach as Manager of Parks and Recreation/Community Recreation Coordinator. Sadly, Karlee has had to leave sooner than expected for her maternity leave. We are already really missing our Karlee and look forward to her return in 2023! While Karlee is away, Ryan Baker will be filling her position. The Town is fortunate to have Ryan join our team with his



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knowledge and background in project management and construction. For cross training purposes, Ryan has been with the Town the past couple months. Karlee and Ryan were a marvelous duo!

❖ **Recreation Facilities**

The Parks and Recreation men have been working nonstop in performing all sorts of upgrades and maintenance to the Wadena Community Legion Hall and Wadena Recreation Centre. I had the pleasure of being taken on a tour of the facilities and the men have done exceptional work. Thank you Clint, Steve, and Ryan!!

The Legion Hall upgrades, and maintenance include new LED lighting throughout the main hall, all lights in other areas have been fixed and replaced, the hard wood dance floor being refinished, kitchen countertop upgrade, and bathroom countertop upgrade with the installation of new faucets.

The Rec Centre upgrades, and maintenance include new flooring in the mezzanine washrooms & sound booth, lobby floors stripped waxed and polished to a beautiful shimmer, installation of new sound system speakers, and upgrades to sound booth walls & sound system cabinet. The men also plan to refinish the mezzanine floor, refurbish booths to install in lobby, and build a corner nook in lobby.

A "BIG" Thank you to the Wadena Wheelers Rec Hockey Team and Steve Jesmer for their donation of the sound system!

❖ **Fitness Centre Key Card**

There has been a recent change with the Fitness Centre key card deposit. The \$20.00 deposit has changed to a \$20.00 key card purchase. There will no longer be refunds for returned key cards. Existing card holders will continue to renew as usual with no additional key card fee. The \$20.00 key card purchase will apply to new memberships or replacement cards.

❖ **Cemetery and Library Caretaker Tenders**

The Town received five tenders for the cemetery and one for the library. The Cemetery contract was awarded to Tracy Glessing and the Library contract was awarded to Fara Hals-Pinfold.

The Town is thrilled to have them both back again ... and for a two-year term!

❖ **Neilson Trucking and Praireland Trucking**

Although winter has past (we hope), the Town would like to recognize and give a "BIG" Thank you to Neilson Trucking and Praireland Trucking for their ongoing support and availability throughout the winter, and their complimentary snow removals along the creek bed through park area and after the last major snow fall along Highway #35.

❖ **Storm Water Drainage**

The abundance of rain has imposed challenges for some residents. When draining storm water, please consider your neighbors and have your eavestroughs drain to the street. Thank you for your Cooperation!



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❖ **Public Works Men**

The Public Works Men have been busting their rumps between snow removal, street sweeping, grading, crosswalk painting, water & sewer maintenance/testing, arrangements for projects/lagoon dredging, shutting off drip lines, and equipment repair. Great Work Gentlemen!
Thank you Joel, Marshall, Dean, and Lorne!!

❖ **Hydrant Flushing**

Hydrant Flushing is expected to commence the beginning of June and continue until the end of the month. During this time residents may observe some sedimentation and discoloration to their water. The Town apologizes for any inconvenience.

❖ **Dust Control**

Fort Distributors Ltd. will be performing the Town's dust control again this year. The gravel roads need to be graded and then the dust control will be applied. Our hope is to have the dust control performed as early as mid-June, but depending on the weather, it may possibly be as late as mid-July.

❖ **ATV, Dirt Bike, and Snowmobile Users**

Just a reminder to please refrain from driving your ATV and Dirt Bikes through the McClymont Sportsgrounds and Wildcat Battalion Park. Thank you!

❖ **2022 Remaining Regular Meeting Dates**

- June 6th and 20th
- July 18th
- August 15th
- September 6th and 19th
- October 3rd and 17th
- November 7th and 21st
- December 5th and 19th

❖ **Town Office**

Let's not forget the Town Office Girls. My "Good Girls" are the best of the best! The Girls keep the paperwork a flowing, day to day and month to month operations running seamlessly, and best of all they take really good care of me! Thank you Anna, Michele, and Brenda!!

From January to April the workload kept us girls on our toes. Shortly, residents will be receiving their tax notices. To finish out the year tax enforcement, water and sewer rates, and road closures will be the main priorities, along with the day to day and month to month duties. The past couple years tax enforcement as gone by the wayside and needs some immediate care and attention. For the proposed water and sewer rate increase a bylaw for Council's approval and an application to Sask Municipal Board – Local Government Committee need to be prepared. As to road closures, there are a couple old road closures that are lurking in the background and need to be finalized.

On behalf of Council and Staff,
we wish everyone a wonderful summer with your families and friends!



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❖ **Town Office Hours**

The Town of Wadena Office hours – Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

❖ **Town Facilities - Covid 19**

The Town continues to follow the Government of Saskatchewan – Covid 19 Guidelines and Restrictions for the Town Facilities.

REMINDER: Please Leash Your Pet!

A friendly reminder to all pet owners in Wadena that Town bylaw requires pets to be leashed. Complaints continue to be logged regarding dog owners exercising their dogs off leash on Main Street and other areas of town. Even if you think your dog is obedient enough to walk off leash, keeping your dog on a leash keeps your dog safe and keeps other dogs and animals safe.

Recreation Facebook Page

The Town now has a Facebook page specifically to share recreation related information. Find Town of Wadena Parks & Recreation on Facebook and like our page!

Fitness Classes

The Fitness Centre has space available to rent for fitness classes! Available classes and instructor contact information is available on the Fitness Centre calendar on Town's website: townofwadena.com/Facilities/Facility/Details/Fitness-Centre-5 and on the Town of Wadena Parks & Recreation Facebook page. For more information or to book space, contact the Community Recreation Coordinator at 306-338-2145.

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Recycling

Greenland Waste no longer accepts the following materials in blue bins:

- Food containers labelled as #1
- Film plastic (plastic bags, stretch/plastic wrap, softener salt bags, etc.)

NO Dirt Bikes or ATV's at Sportsgrounds

There have been several reports of dirt bikes utilizing the sportsgrounds. At no time, are dirt bikes or ATV's permitted at the sportsgrounds. In addition to not being permitted by the Town, it is also illegal to operate an ATV, including dirt bikes, on public land without a valid driver's



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licence to operate an ATV. Any sightings of dirt bikes or ATV's at the sportsgrounds should be reported to the RCMP.

Saving Water Will Save You Money

It is important for residents to check for water leaks in their home - no one wants to pay for something they don't use! Even the smallest water leak has the potential of causing a large utility bill. The majority of leaks occur in the bathroom and the most common culprit is the toilet. Residents can see if their toilet is leaking by:

- Putting a few drops of food colouring into the toilet tank
- Waiting 15 minutes
- Checking if the water in the toilet bowl has changed colour

If the water has changed colour, the toilet is leaking. The most common cause of a leaking toilet is a worn out flapper valve.

Dripping faucets are another common source of water leaks. In some cases, fixing them can be as easy as tightening the taps. Plumbers can also assist in fixing any water leaks.

REMINDER!

Masks, gloves, wipes of all kinds, napkins, paper towels and tissues etc. clog equipment at the sewage lift station and reduce capacity in sewage pipes. Please dispose of these items in trash. Public Works recently cleared a blockage caused by flushing of masks and gloves. An easy rule of thumb – do not flush anything other than human waste and toilet paper!