

# VILLAGE OF VILNA

## Newsletter

JULY- AUGUST 2022



### COUNCIL NOTES

It's July! We're now on a COUNT DOWN until the Vilna Community's Centennial Home Coming Celebration and Boom Town Days and Fair .....

**AUGUST 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>.**

### **LET'S ALL PITCH IN AND PUT A BRIGHT, SHINY FACE ON THE VILLAGE.**

The waste collection bin program in May was very successful. Three full bins were hauled out.

The recent rains have made everything very green, including all the weeds. I've made a list of properties that needs attention. Help out if you can, give your neighbour a hand if they need.

**AND A FRIENDLY REMINDER .... Property Owners and Tenants are responsible to maintain the boulevards and the back alley** (the grass behind your fence).

Thanks.



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### LIBRARY NEWS AND PROGRAMS

• *Bottle Drive – take your bottles to the Library or the Bottle Depot ..( Let them know it's for the Library).*

- Summer Reading Program – Enchanted Myths and Legends
- Youth Community Safety
- Mental Health Coloring
- Book-A-Librarian (Help with technology, etc.)
- **Membership is FREE**                      **780-636-2077**



### **VILNA CELEBRATES**

**VILNA CENTENNIAL**

and

**VILNA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**BOOMTOWN FAIR DAYS**

**50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**AUGUST 19, 20 & 21, 2022**

*The following is a draft of the weekend events.....*

#### Friday Aug 19

- Ag Fair Bench Show (Cultural Centre)
- Family Movie Night at the School (6-8)
- Jamboree (Cultural Centre)

#### Saturday Aug 20

- Breakfast at Seniors Centre
- Parade
- Opening Ceremonies
- Farmers Market at Cultural Centre (11-4)
- Fire Dep. Vehicle Extraction Demo (1:00)
- Fair Activities and Kids Games
- Cultural Concert (Cultural Centre)
- School Tours (12-3:30)
- Ground Breaking Ceremony (4-4:30) – Centennial Park
- Burial of Time Capsule
- Dinner & Dance (Cultural Centre)
- Fireworks

#### Sunday August 21

- Hope Community Church Breakfast
- Hope Community Church Service
- Junior Fire Fighters Demonstration
- Show & Shine Car Show (12-2)
- Pool Hall Bar-B-Que
- Verbisky Band during the Car Show



**Farmers'  
Market**

### **Farmers Markets**

**Sundays - Noon to 3**

### **Special Boomtown Market**

**August 20**

**(Saturday) 11 – 4**

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## **AROUND THE VILLAGE**

We had a bit of vandalism and graffiti in the Village last month, but I want to thank the kid(s) and their parents for cleaning it up. *Lesson Learned.*

I understand that there have been a few burglaries and thefts. Make sure your property is well secured. The police recommend that you keep your yard well lighted and everything locked up when you're not around.

Thank you, also, for understanding about the necessity to initiate the Boil Water Order when we had the water line break. It's not anything anyone wants but it is necessary when the water is completely shut off because there is always a change for backflow to get into the pipes and contaminate the whole water system. We were fortunate, all the water sample tests came back clean.

**URGENT!!** – If you are flushing: Rubber Gloves, Diapers, Baby/Hygiene wipes, Condoms, Feminine Hygiene Products, Kleenex, Paper Towel, Grease, or any other thing that is not intended to be flushed into the Sewer lines ..... you may suffer the consequences by *backing up your sewer line into your home, plugging the sewer lines and lift pumps or breaking underground piping that may cost thousands of dollars, cause a loss of sewer services to the Village resulting in paying more for sewer disposal utilities.*

### **KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE ...**



**JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>, COFFEE WITH A COP ... Porky's Sidestreet – 10:00 a.m. to 11:00. Bring your questions and concerns.**

The purpose of this initiative is simply to engage with the community, there's no agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know your local RCMP officers.

**RCMP – 780-656-3550 days  
780-656-3691 AFTER HOURS  
EMERGENCIES – 911**

### **LAND USE BYLAW ...**

Attached is a letter indicating that the Village is preparing a new Land Use Bylaw. The existing Bylaw was passed in 1998 and has at least 18 amendments since. It was decided that an update was in order.



- The Land Use Bylaw establishes rules and regulations for land development as well as the process of making decisions for development permit applications.

- The Land Use Bylaw includes land use districts (zones) such as the R1 – Residential, C-Commercial, or M-Light Industrial, as well as zoning for Institutional Development such as schools, lodges, health centres and cultural development.
- Each land use district (zone) has certain land uses that are permitted outright, others are conditional upon approval, and some are prohibited. Examples of land uses include a detached dwelling, merchandise sale, a restaurant or manufacturing.

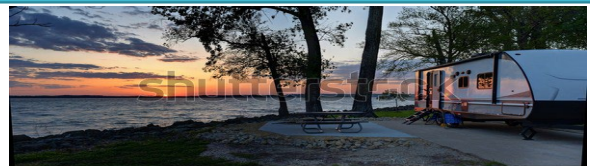
Here are some of the regulations included in a Land Use Bylaw.

- Accessory building (e.g. garage or shed) height, size, placement, exterior design, etc.
- Land use district (zone) for a parcel of land e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc.
- Main building type, size, placement, height, elevation design, etc.
- Parking and landscaping requirements
- Permitted and discretionary uses e.g. residence, business, recreation, park, etc.
- Applications which are exempt from requiring a development permit application
- Sign and fence regulations, etc.

### **Animal Control**

*Thanks for getting your dog(s) registered. I've discovered that there are now at least 22 dogs in the Village. I'm sure there are more, and if you've not yet registered your dog, I'm waiting ...*

- It is the pet owner's responsibility to keep your dog on your property or on a leash. When the dog defecates you are obliged to pick up the excrement.



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### **BONNIE LAKE CAMPGROUND**

For bookings, email or message:  
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780-656-8984

### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

#### **The SUMMER Regular Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 27, 2022**  
**at 5:30 p.m.**

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