



TOWN NEWSLETTER

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Tax Rate Bylaw 934/23

Council approved a **3.5% tax rate increase** for 2023. The total amount to be raised through general taxation is \$1,472,748.

Of the general taxation amount, \$518,000 is allocated for capital reserves, and \$123,500 is for debt repayment.

Requisitions

Municipalities are required to collect and remit requisitions directly to the provincial government and seniors housing authorities. The following requisitions were levied for 2023:

Alberta Education
\$331,000

Police Funding Model
\$45,000

Seniors Foundation
\$12,000

Assessment Changes

Assessment increased by 4.0% in Bassano.

DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES

To advance our vision to be the most attractive and affordable urban community under 2,500 in Alberta where industry leaders want to invest, where tourists come for a new experience, and where people choose to live, work, and play, council committed to residential housing and development incentives to stimulate growth and to reduce the housing shortage.

BUILD Bassano – Residential Vacant Land Development Incentive Policy

This is a termed development incentive (one-year). The term begins after completing the legislative steps to notify the public of the Town's intention to sell lands under fair market value.

1. Each parcel of vacant residential land is available for purchase and development in accordance with LUB 921/21. Each parcel of vacant land has a fair market value. The list price shall be reduced during the term of this policy as follows:
 - a. Vacant land zoned Residential (R1) may be purchased for five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) – *fair market value averaged \$45,000.*
 - b. Vacant land zoned Residential Manufactured (RM) may be purchased for three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) – *fair market value averaged \$30,000.*
2. To take advantage of the land incentive, the purchaser is required to build within one-year.
3. There is an opportunity to receive a municipal tax credit on development in accordance with the incentive.

The public may petition the reduced land value offering by June 9, 2023.

For more information about the development incentive or petition requirements, contact Amanda Davis, CAO at cao@bassano.ca or 403-641-3788. Information is also available at bassano.ca.

REVITALIZATION DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE 1

The purpose of the revitalization development incentive is to improve the condition of a privately owned vacant, abandoned, derelict, or poorly conditioned properties in the Town within the terms of the Land Use Bylaw.

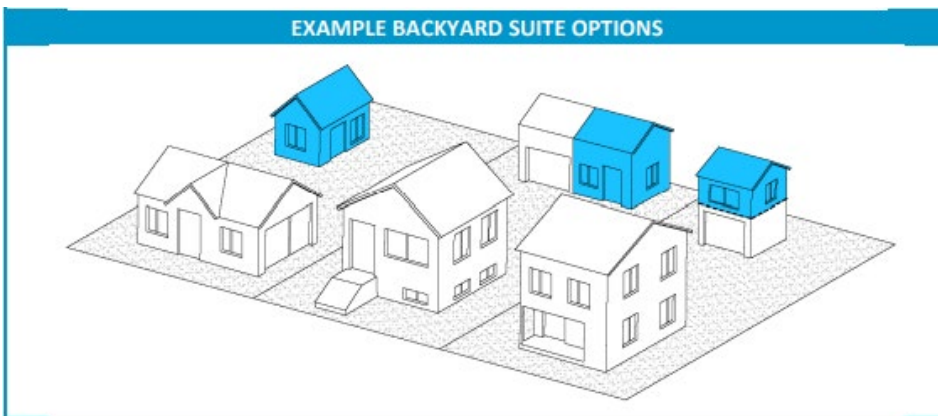
Any option may be applied for under the revitalization development incentive:

1. Demolish a privately owned, vacant, abandoned, derelict, poorly conditioned residential property – bring the area to a developable state.
2. Renovate a privately owned, vacant, abandoned, derelict, or poorly conditioned residential property. The complete renovation must result in a viable residential property. The complete renovation must include interior and exterior upgrades to bring the property into compliance under the Alberta Building Code with refreshed landscaping where applicable.
3. A complete or partial demolition, with a complete or full rebuild of a privately owned, vacant, abandoned, derelict, or poorly conditioned residential property. The renovation must include interior and exterior upgrades to bring the property into compliance under the Alberta Building Code with refreshed landscaping where applicable.

Eligible revitalized properties may **access up to \$10,000 in municipal tax credits.**

BACKYARD SUITE DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE 2

Build a new backyard suite or convert an existing structure in accordance with the Land Use Bylaw and receive **up to \$10,000 in municipal tax credits.**



TAX RECOVERY PROPERTIES FOR SALE

The Town is now the registered owner of three properties – listing available at bassano.ca. Contact the Town Office to arrange viewings (business hours).

1. 701 – 2nd Avenue – zoned Residential (R1) - \$41,000 – incentive eligible
2. 242 – 3rd Avenue – zoned R1 - \$32,000 – incentive eligible
3. 415 – 2nd Avenue – zoned Main Street Commercial - \$30,000

Paper Free Tax and Utility Bills

Let's save together, sign up for paper free tax and utility bills. For this year only, save on the \$5.00 monthly processing fee.

Forms are available online or at the office. Contact Christine Petkau, Finance and Legislative Services Coordinator at 403-641-3788 or town@bassano.ca for more.

Road Closure Bylaw 933/23

A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 8, 2023, 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office to address the closure of an undeveloped roadway behind Bassano Vac Services and the Bassano Car Wash between 3rd Avenue and 4th Avenue.

The Town will sell the land at fair market value to the applicant to consolidate the area to create a larger parcel. Road closures like this can be triggered when early day planners anticipated the need for a road the Town had it registered. If the area is not needed, it can be closed and re-designated.

Regular council meeting to follow. Everyone welcome.

Camp at Home

Non-power/tent sites -
\$20/night or \$500/month

Power sites - \$25/night
or \$650/month

Traffic Bylaw 876/18 Reminder

Residents are not permitted to park a motorhome, RV, trailer, RV on the road unless it is properly hooked to a vehicle. When hooked to a vehicle, it cannot block intersection visibility.

Bylaw Enforcement Officers will be monitoring this.

Fire Bylaw 931/23 Reminder

Plan your first backyard fire this summer by getting a fire pit permit. This is required for public safety.

One-time permit fee is \$25.

Details at bassano.ca or by contacting the Town Office.

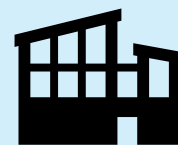
Land Use Bylaw 921/21

Check with the Town Office before building this summer. Permits are typically required for decks, sheds, and garages. Requirements for fences too.

NEW Community Hall Rental Rates

All Community Hall rental rates have been updated for 2023.

- Kitchen only - \$150
- Hall no kitchen/bar - \$350
- Hall with kitchen/bar - \$500
- Funerals - \$175
- Greenspace when booked - \$0



Are you planning a wedding, family reunion, function, or event?

Take advantage of the Community Hall, Greenspace and Campground. Rent the entire area on a long weekend for \$1,450, add one day for +\$450.

Rent the Community Hall, and Greenspace for the entire weekend for \$800, add one day for + 300.

OUTDOOR POOL OPENS JUNE 1

Schedules and Swimming Lessons Online bassano.ca or 403-641-4025

FCSS Programs



Rural Pop-up

FCSS in collaboration with SPEC welcomes Rural Pop Up, formerly known as the Parents and Tots program. Offered the third Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. at the Community Hall for parents and guardians of children aged 0-6. This program provides structured and unstructured play that will help develop social, emotional, and sensory skills. This program is a FREE service to the community - come on out and enjoy a morning of growth and connection.

Mental Health Walk, Chalk, Talk



Mental Health affects 5/5 Canadians every day, it is integrated into our daily living, our relationships our employment and our view of the world yet most of the time it is a taboo subject. FCSS invites the Community to join us on May 18, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the greenspace at the Community Hall to a walk, talk, and to colour the streets with chalk. Help us promote positive mental health by creating a supportive community. Games, refreshments, and snacks will be provided. Everyone, and every age welcome.

Bike Rodeo

Send your children with bikes to school on June 27 the Bike Rodeo. The program teaches young riders about safety, equipment, road safety and safe practices.



SMALL TOWN SMOKE DOWN: BASSANO, AB PRESENTS

SHOW UP & SHOW OFF AUTO SHOW



JUNE 3, 2023 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

THE SMALL TOWN SMOKE DOWN BBQ COMPETITION IS EXPANDING TO INCLUDE THE SHOW UP AND SHOW OFF AUTO SHOW AT 502 2 AVENUE, BASSANO.

CARS, TRUCKS, BIG RIGS, AND BIKES WELCOME. OPEN TO ALL MAKES AND MODELS.

**PRE REGISTER AT
BASSANO.CA/STSD-BBQ-COMPETITION/
\$10.00 PER ENTRY**

THIS EVENT IS JAM PACKED WITH ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES INCLUDING A PANCAKE BREAKFAST, LIVE MUSIC, BEER GARDENS, STREET MARKET, AMATEUR STEAK COOK-OFF, KIDS BBQ COMPETITION, AND MORE!



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
WARD WALLACE AT 403-633-1170.**



ATTENTION

We are still looking for food vendors for the Small Town Smoke Down. Call 403-641-3788 if interested!

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**ANNUAL SPRING
CLEAN UP**

MAY 18 - 22, 2023

Clean-up information will be posted shortly.



JOIN US!



FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL SMALL TOWN SMOKE DOWN BBQ COMPETITION JUNE 2-4, 2023 AT THE BASSANO COMMUNITY HALL & HOMECOMING CAMPGROUND.

JUNE 2

Bassano Arts Council, Bassano Masonic Lodge and Bassano Royal Purple are hosting a BBQ beef dinner and live music event!
Cocktails @ 5:30pm - Dinner @ 6pm - Live Music @ 7:30pm

Tickets are available at the Town Office, Bassano Pharmacy and Pioneer Gas Co-op. Ages 12+ \$18, Ages 6-11 \$12, Ages 0-5 free.

JUNE 3

We are kicking off the day right with a Pancake Breakfast from 9am-11am. Tickets are \$8 each. Everyone is welcome!

Ever wanted to go underneath the Bassano Dam? The Eastern Irrigation District is hosting Dam Tours @ 4:30 p.m. Attendees can register at the information booth on the event grounds. There are only 40 spots available. Registration is first come first serve.

Enjoy what our local artisans and businesses have to offer! The street market will be open 9am-6pm.

JUNE 3

You spoke and we listened! This year's tasting booth will include BBQ samples cooked by professional competitors. Both beef and pork!

Calling all grill masters! Register for our Amateur Steak Cook Off and earn bragging rights by grilling the best steak in town. Bring your own self contained BBQ - Steaks are provided. Visit our website or visit the Town Office to register.

Did you hear?! We are hosting a live music showcase in green space the to celebrate our local musical talent. Bring your lawn chairs and cash for the beer gardens and 50/50 tickets.

JUNE 4

Observe professional BBQers in action! Roam the event grounds to see the cutting edge BBQ equipment and enter into our raffle to win a smoker! We will have an outdoor fire pit and seating to cheer on the participants.

All proceeds will go to the Bassano Outdoor Pool Liner Replacement Project.

For more information call the Town Office at 403-641-3788 or visit bassano.ca/stsd-bbq-competition/ Full event schedule is coming soon!

**WATCH THEM HERE,
WATCH THEM LIVE!**

**THE 2023 RODEO IS GOING PRO
IN BASSANO
JUNE 23-25, 2023**

**VOLUNTEERS AND SPECTATORS
WANTED - INFO TO FOLLOW**

