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TOWN NEWSLETTER

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NEWS

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2026/27 Council Elections

The following appointments were made at the October 13, 2026 Organizational Meeting.
Mike Wetzstein, Mayor
Mike Phillips, Dep. Mayor
Gary Lee, Councillor
Matthew Loewen, Councillor

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Council meetings will remain on the second Monday of each month unless otherwise posted at 6:30 PM at the Town Office. **Join Us!**

Regular Council Meeting
Nov 16, 2026, at 6:30 PM
Public Forum, at 5:30 PM

Regular Council Meeting
Dec 14, 2026, at 6:30 PM

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RCMP Mountie Memos are always up to date on the hompage of the town website.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

https://alberta.ca/build-an-emergency-kit

TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE

The Town of Bassano announces that Councillor Sydney Miller has resigned from the Bassano Town Council, effective October 13, 2026. On behalf of council and the community, Mayor Wetzstein expressed appreciation for Councillor Miller's services and contributions during her time on council.

" We thank Councillor Miller for her dedication and commitment to serving the residents of Bassano. Council wishes her all the best in future endeavours"

The vacancy will be filled through a by-election, with the successful candidate serving the remainder of the current Council term. Residents are encouraged to stay tuned for further information regarding nominations, election procedures, candidate eligibility, important dates, and voting opportunities. Additional details will be shared as they become available. Residents interested in running as a candidate are encouraged to contact cao@bassano.ca for more information.

♻ Recycling Has Started in Bassano!

The Town of Bassano's curbside recycling program began on October 14, 2026! Recycling collection will take place **every other Wednesday**, while regular garbage collection will continue on a weekly basis.

Upcoming Recycling Pickup Dates:

- November 11, 2026
- November 25, 2026
- December 9, 2026
- December 23, 2026

What Can Go in Your Blue Bin?

Residents are reminded to place only accepted recyclable materials in their blue bins. Please ensure materials are sorted according to the program guidelines to help keep our recycling program running smoothly.
Accepted materials generally include paper and cardboard, plastic containers, metal cans, and cartons. Please ensure items are empty and prepared according to the program guidelines.

What Cannot Go in Your Blue Bin?

Organics, toys, clothing, and hazardous materials should not be placed in your recycling bin. When in doubt, check the program guidelines before placing an item in your bin.

Haven't Received Your Blue Recycling Bin?

If you have not yet received your blue recycling bin, please contact the Town Office at **403-641-3788**, and arrangements will be made to have one delivered.
For a complete list of accepted materials and additional recycling information, please visit Circular Materials.

Go Paperless and Get a Free Town of Bassano Mug!

The Town of Bassano is encouraging residents to make the switch to **e-billing!** Signing up is a convenient way to receive your utility bills electronically, help reduce paper waste, and keep your bills organized. Plus, **as a thank-you for signing up, you'll receive a FREE Town of Bassano mug!**

Signing up is easy! Visit **www.bassano.ca** and navigate to **Serving You → Forms → Utilities and Taxes** to sign up for e-billing.

Ready to go paperless? If you have any questions or need assistance signing up, contact the Town Office at **403-641-3788**.

Go paperless — it pays, and you get a mug!

SAVE THE DATE - DATE CHANGE!
2027 SMALL TOWN SMOKE DOWN

DUE TO CONFLICTING EVENTS WE HAVE MOVED THE EVENT TO JUNE 4-6, 2027! STAY TUNED FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION IN THE NEW YEAR!

Year-End Reminder – Outstanding Tax Accounts

Please ensure that all outstanding property tax balances, regardless of the amount, are paid by the deadline below to avoid additional penalties. Any balances remaining unpaid after the deadline will be subject to a 12% penalty.

Payment Deadline: December 31, 2026

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, e-transfer to town@bassano.ca or at most financial institutions. If you have any questions please contact the undersigned at 403-641-3788 or town@bassano.ca.

Thank you!

WINTER, yes, we all know it is coming...

A friendly reminder to:

- Not push the snow from your driveway/yard onto the street. This creates a driving hazard.
- Keep your vehicles off the street when the snow clean-up crew is active.
- Always keep your sidewalks shoveled. We have lots of winter walkers that rely on clear sidewalks.
- Not place extension cords over the sidewalks as it is a tripping hazard.

SNOWBIRDS! If your home is going to be vacant for long periods of time, please contact the town to turn off the water at the curb to prevent water line freezing!

We've heard a lot about Cats, Cats, Cats in recent months. From stray or feral cats to domesticated cats roaming free in Town. Help control the cat population by spaying and neutering your animals. Refrain from domesticating stray/feral cats unless you plan to adopt or care for them responsibly. Remember to keep cats on private property not roaming the Town or disrupting your neighbors' peace and enjoyment.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN

As we move into the final months of 2026, the Town of Bassano would like to thank residents for continuing to make our community a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family. With winter approaching, we encourage everyone to take a few moments to prepare their homes and properties for colder weather, stay informed about Town updates, and look for opportunities to support local businesses, organizations, and community events.

We wish everyone a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season!

— Town of Bassano

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS

BASSANO WILLING WORKERS

Community Turkey Supper – Nov. 2, 4:30–7 p.m.
Join the Bassano Willing Workers at the Community Hall for a community turkey supper.
Christmas Craft Sale and Luncheon – Nov. 14, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
Get into the Christmas spirit at the Willing Workers Christmas Craft Sale and Luncheon at the Community Hall. Browse local crafts and enjoy a festive community gathering.

BASSANO LEGION REMEMBRANCE DAY COMMUNITY SERVICE – Nov. 11

Join us at the Community Hall for the Bassano Legion's Remembrance Day Community Service as we honour and remember those who served and sacrificed for our country.
Poppies are available at the office!

BASSANO PIONEER DAMSITERS DROP-IN CENTRE

Music Jam Session – Nov. 18
Join the community for a fun afternoon of music and fellowship.
Potluck Supper – Nov. 29
Bring a dish to share and enjoy an evening of food and fellowship with the community.

PLAYFAIR LODGE CHRISTMAS MARKET – Nov. 26

Visit us from 1–4 p.m. for the Playfair Lodge Christmas Market.

BASSANO LIBRARY FACEBOOK FUNDRAISER AUCTION– Starts Nov. 26 @8PM–Ends Dec. 3 @8PM

To participate, join their Facebook group: "Bassano Memorial Library Fundraising Group.

CHRISTMAS MAGIC – Dec. 2

Join us on Main Street, at the Community Hall, and at Homecoming Campground to take part in the Christmas festivities and celebrate the holiday season.

OLD MACMILLER FARM REDNECK BUS TOUR – TINSEL & TWANG – Dec. 5

Take a tour of the Newell Region, visiting craft fairs, Piston Broke Brewing, Christmas lights, local eats, and more. Ticket sales close Dec. 1. Visit www.oldmacmillerfarm.com to reserve your seat.

BASSANO ELKS CHRISTMAS MARKET – Dec. 5

Join us at the Community Hall from 10 a.m.–4 p.m. for the Bassano Elks Christmas Market.

BASSANO SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT – Dec. 9

Join us at 5:30 p.m. for the Bassano School Christmas Concert and enjoy an evening of holiday performances. Last day of school is – Dec. 18.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Celebration Choir – Nov. 27
Join the Celebration Choir in partnership with Gem Church for a festive musical celebration.
Knox Memorial Angel Service – Dec. 6
Join Knox Presbyterian Church for the annual Memorial Angel Service.
Knox Family Christmas Program – Dec. 13
Celebrate the Christmas season with the Knox family Christmas program.
Community Christmas Vesper Service – Dec. 15
Join the community for a special Christmas Vesper Service at Knox Presbyterian Church.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – PRESBYTERIAN AND CATHOLIC – Dec. 20

Christmas Service – 9 a.m. – Dec. 20
Join St. Columbia Roman Catholic Church for Christmas Service.
Christmas Carols and Scriptures Service – 11 a.m. – Dec. 20
Celebrate the Christmas season with carols and scripture readings at Knox Church.

BASSANO ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS

Over the Moon – Christmas on the Range – Dec. 3
Celebrate the season with the Bassano Arts Council's *Over the Moon – Christmas on the Range*.
The Unfaithful Servants – Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m.
Join the Bassano Arts Council for an evening of entertainment featuring *The Unfaithful Servants*.

BASSANO FIRE RAPID RESPONSE SOCIETY – OUTDOOR RINK

The outdoor rink is coming back! Stay tuned for updates and get ready to enjoy some winter skating in Bassano.

Want your event or program in the newsletter? Email assistant@bassano.ca for more information.