TOWN OF MORRIS

Home of the Manitoba Stampede

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Mayor's Christmas Message



When asked to write the holiday message for our winter town newsletter, I am typically surprised that, yet another year has passed. The last five years have been very eventful, with a pandemic, a flood closure, a drought, and numerous other risks of flooding and disruption. Yet our community remains resilient, and we meet each of these challenges as they arise.

In 2023, I saw our community continuing to take steps to build for the future. We saw two great citizen-led initiatives come to fruition, with the Willow Park project and multi-sports courts projects being built. We were fortunate to receive a grant that is allowing us to provide zero-entry to our local swimming pool. And the Manitoba Stampede was fantastic, with multiple sell-outs and positive feedback from attendees.

As Council, we have continued to work on marketing of the industrial park, and meeting with residential and business developers to show them what opportunities are here in Morris. And years of lobbying the Provincial government for a solution to child-care shortages in our community resulted in the award of a fully Provincial funded \$2M facility that will benefit our families for generations to come.

Looking forward, we expect 2024 to be full of more significant activity. I expect to see a major announcement related to an innovative economic development partnership we are building with the RMs of Montcalm and Emerson-Franklin that includes both industry and government partners. After a decade of missed starts, I believe we will see real progress on supportive housing in the coming year. Looking forward, we hope the partnerships we have continued to build will bear fruit, with the announcements on residential and business development.

On behalf of the Town Council and Staff, I would like to wish everyone a happy and memorable holiday season, encourage everyone to appreciate the good things that have happened in 2023, and to look forward to the exciting opportunities that 2024 will bring.

Scott Crick, Mayor Town of Morris

Save The Date

- December 2- Breakfast with Santa 9:00am-11:30am at the Morris Multiplex
- February 3 Winter Carnival & Cancer care

Town of Morris Holiday Hours

- December 25-January 1-Closed
- January 2 Reopening
- February 19 Closed Louis Riel Day

Town Council Meeting

- 12/21
- 1/25
- 2/22
- Committee as a whole
 - 12/14
 - 1/11
 - 2/8

**Operation Red Nose has started advertising for the Christmas Season you can visit their Facebook page at:

www.facebook.com/operationrednosest.malo Operation Red Nose: 204-347-5518

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Morris Christmas Cheer

To donate to the Christmas Cheer Board, please mail monetary donations over \$50, made payable to the Town of Morris to P.O Box 28 and under \$50 to the Cheer Board directly to P.O Box 304.

Christmas Cheer Hamper applications can be found on the Town of Morris Website.

Public Works Corner

-Please do not park vehicles on the street after a snowfall. This creates snow clearing difficulties for Public Works.

-Public Works will clear driveway windrows once the street has been graded. This may take a few passes, so thank you in advance for your patience.

Please remember to take garbage/recycling/compost bins off the street once they have been picked up.
The outdoor rink and toboggan hill will be put up according to the weather.

-Please follow the Town of Morris Public Works department on Facebook & Instagram for all the up-todate information.

Morris Curling Club



Open League: Mondays @ 7:00pm Junior Curling: Tuesdays @ 5:00 – 6:30pm Stick League: Wednesday @ 7:00pm & 8:15pm Rec League:

Thursdays @ 10:00am For more information, can be found by emailing: <u>morristrainingcentre@gmail.com</u> or calling **204-746-2271**

Driving in Winter-Regional Connections Immigration services

Local driving instructor to teach about Canadian winters and conditions! Wednesday November 22nd 10:00am-11:30am @Community Futures, 220 Main Street Morris

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Multiplex

-Public skating, Shinny and Ice availability can be found at:

www.townofmorris.ca/morris_multiplex/eventcalendar/category/arena/

-To book ice contact Arien at:

facilitiesmanager@townofmorris.ca or call

204-746-6622

-Hall & Kitchen availability can be found at: www.townofmorris.ca/morris_multiplex/eventcalendar/

-For booking or more information contact: admin@morrismultiplex.ca or call **204-746-2832**

Animal Control

Gentle reminder to all dog owners.

-We all love to take our dog(s) out for a walk around town or playing with them at the dog park, but please remember to pick up after your furry companion -Remember to license your dogs and cats through the Town office by calling 204-746-2531 or email info@townofmorris.ca.

-The Town of Morris Animal Control By-Law No. 06.20 prohibits dogs and cats at large.

Support Local

Let's remember to support our community and small businesses by shopping locally this holiday season.

Stay in the know!

Stay up to date with latest Town of Morris information by signing up for text or e-mail updates on our website at <u>www.townofmorris.ca</u>

If you or someone you know is without access to social media, please call the Town office (204-746-2531) to have them placed on our call list.

