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**2018**

**GUIDE FOR RESIDENTS IN THE NEWLY  
ANNEXED AREA**



# **WELCOME to Millet's Guide for Residents in the newly annexed area**

This publication has been developed to help you have a better understanding of Millet.

Within this guide, you will find:

- Key contact information
- Information on Emergency Services
- Information on Millet elected officials
- Details about your property taxes
  - Land Use zoning information
  - Business licensing details
    - Lifestyle impacts
    - Solid waste disposal
    - School information
  - Frequently asked questions

Incoming residents from Wetaskiwin County have always been part of our community. You have participated in local events, shopped within Millet, and visited our facilities. While the municipal boundaries have changed, there should be little change to your lifestyle.

**LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN BEST SERVE YOU!**

## KEY CONTACTS

Millet Town office is located at 5120-50 Street. The office hours are Monday-Friday 8:30am- 4:30pm, closed 12-1pm for lunch. Phone 780-387-4554.

For any inquiries regarding public services (roads, water sewer etc.) please contact our Director of Public Services at 780-387-4180.

For any inquiries regarding development, please contact the Development Department at 780-387-4554.

Our website has up to date information, please have a look at [www.millet.ca](http://www.millet.ca)

### Emergency Services



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|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| • 911 Emergency.....                  | 911            |
| • RCMP Complaint line.....            | 780-312-7267   |
| • Millet Community Peace Officer..... | 780-216-1073   |
| • Alberta One Call.....               | 1-800-242-3447 |
| • Poison Control.....                 | 1-800-332-1414 |
| • Millet Fire Department.....         | 911            |



## **PROPERTY TAXES**

### **Landowner Taxation Transition**

For the purpose of taxation, properties that lie within the annexation area and to which the farm land assessment class or the residential assessment class has been assigned, for the next 10 years;

- a) **Must be assessed by the Town of Millet on the same basis as if the property had remained in the County of Wetaskiwin, and**
- b) **Be taxed by the Town of Millet using the tax rate established under section 354 of the Act by the County of Wetaskiwin No. 10 or the Town of Millet, whichever is lower, for property of the same assessment class.**

When a portion of the annexed land becomes a new parcel, by subdivision, separation of title by registered plan of subdivision or instrument, or is redesigned, at the request of the landowner to another designation, or when the property is connected to water and sanitary sewer services, the above ceases to apply at the end of that taxation year. Once this ceases the property then must be assessed and taxed in the same manner as other property of the same assessment class in the Town of Millet.

**Assessments are sent in the middle of May and all taxes are due on JUNE 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. An 18% penalty will apply on all outstanding taxes TWICE a year, being July 1<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to apply for pre-authorized payments, please ensure that your application is returned prior to Dec 10<sup>th</sup> to ensure pre-authorized payments for the following year.**

## **LAND USE ZONING**

In accordance with the Municipal Government Act, Wetaskiwin County Land Use Bylaw, in effect as of January 1, 2018 shall continue to govern the newly annexed area until proposed development in newly annexed area does not meet the purpose of the applicable land use district, or its permitted and discretionary uses. If this occurs, the landowner shall submit an application to redistrict the lands to an appropriate land use district pursuant to the Town of Millet Land Use Consolidated Bylaw #2015/03.

It is Millet's intention that when the newly annexed lands are incorporated into Millet's Land Use Bylaw, the regulations will allow for the same land uses and development standards as those currently provided for under Wetaskiwin County Land Use Bylaw.

Owners within the newly annexed area will be able to continue to use their land in the same manner they did before annexation.

## **DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Millet's annexation was to secure predominantly undeveloped lands to foster future urban growth. Millet intends to encourage development in the newly annexed lands in a planned and orderly fashion.

Detailed long-range planning will be undertaken over future years to address specific land use designations and development requirements. Any zoning and bylaw changes would include consultation with the public and residents of the affected areas.

## **SOLID WASTE**

Residents have a card for the transfer station that expires on August 31, 2018. These cards will be honored until that date. The Town is working with our garbage and recycling contractor to have the new lands added in the residential waste pick up program for September, 2018. If you would like to be a part of this program please contact the administration office for a new resident solid waste service.

## **BUSINESS LICENSES**

All businesses conducting business within the Town of Millet are required to obtain a business license. If you would like to discuss your particular situation, please call 780-387-4554.

## **HUNTING and FIREARMS**

The discharge of firearms, firecrackers and fireworks is strictly prohibited in the Town of Millet, as per Bylaw 2007/11.

## **OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES**

Off-Highway vehicles will only be permitted on private lands within the annexed area. New residents will have to follow the Town of Millet Off-Highway Vehicles bylaw #2009/06 that states:

No person shall operate an Off Highway Vehicle on or in any parkland within the Town of Millet.

No owner of an Off Highway Vehicle shall allow anyone to operate the vehicle on or in any parkland within the Town of Millet.

No person shall operate an Off Highway Vehicle on a sidewalk or boulevard.

## **ANIMAL CONTROL**

The Town of Millet Animal Bylaw 2012/08, states that “No person(s) shall allow more than two (2) dogs to be sheltered, owned, kept or possessed at one civic address without written permission from the Town.” The County of Wetaskiwin allows four (4) dogs at each residence. The Town has agreed to allow up to four (4) existing dogs, as of January 1, 2018, on the newly annexed lands to remain. Owners are required to come in and obtain a dog tag for all dogs at their residence, at no cost.

Once the situation changes, if a new dog is adopted or an existing dog passes away, the resident will then have to follow the current Animal bylaw and obtain a license, at the cost of \$80 lifetime, and will only be permitted the two (2) dogs at one civic address.

## **FIREPITS AND BURNING**

All firepits require a permit and must be inspected by the Millet Fire Department. There is no cost for the permit. An application can be picked up at the Town office or online at [www.millet.ca](http://www.millet.ca). There will be no open fires permitted in the Town.

## **ADDRESSING**

The Town of Millet will be issuing each new legal location of lands a new civic address. The Town will also work with residents to ensure the proper people are informed of the address change.



**SCHOOLS**

There is no interruption in the current schooling for any residents within the annexed areas. Griffith-Scott school houses Kindergarten – Grade 8 students. Griffiths-Scott School is located in the Town of Millet and draws students from the surrounding acreage developments and agricultural community as well as the Town.

Griffith-Scott School..... 780-387-4101

**HIGHSCHOOLS**

Wetaskiwin Composite High School..... 780-352-2295

Leduc Composite High School..... 780-986-2248

**SCHOOL BOARD CONTACTS**

Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools ..... 780-352-6018

Black Gold Regional School Division..... 780-955-6025

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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### **When did the annexation become effective?**

The annexation became effective on January 1, 2018.

### **Where can I view the Province's decision?**

View the Government of Alberta Order in Council at  
<http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/documents/mgb/63.pdf>

### **Who do I speak to if I have any further questions about this process?**

Affected residents can contact the Town of Millet office at 780-387-4554.

### **What about emergency service coverage?**

Millet Fire Department is well positioned to provide emergency services to the annexed area, as they always have in the past. The current staffing more than meets response needs.

### **Where is the newly annexed area?**

The newly annexed area is the area that has been annexed, effective January 1, 2018. Please see map on page 11.



## ***MEET YOUR TOWN COUNCIL 2017-2021***



***Mayor Tony Wadsworth***

Tony Wadsworth emigrated from Liverpool, England to Alberta, Canada 40 years ago. During his business career, he managed the Insurance and Risk Management Programs of Municipalities across Alberta and has consulted with other municipalities throughout Canada. He has served on Millet Town Council for 9 years, the last 2 of which have been as Mayor. Tony has been involved with Millet Soccer Association since it began in 1990 and, to this day, still organizes the Annual Millet Classic Soccer Tournament held every June.



***Councillor Robin Brooks***

This is Robin Brooks first term on Council. Robin is married, with a blended family consisting of 7 children and 7 grandchildren. He has lived in Millet for 13 years. Retired. Recent member of the Millet and District Lions Club. Hobbies are renovations and wood working.



***Councillor Mike Storey***

I was born and raised in the famous little Town of Eatonia, Saskatchewan (named after T.C.Eaton). I moved to Alberta in 1969 and articulated as a Chartered Accountant. In 1971 I went to work for Gulf Canada doing accounting at their Pincher Creek Gas Plant. In January, 1975, I began my municipal career at the Town of Pincher Creek. With stops in Brooks as Treasurer and Didsbury and Millet as Chief Administrative Officer, my 43 year municipal career now has me as Director of Finance for the Town of Calmar. Married since 2009 to my wife Joy, we share 4 children with families and enjoy our 9 grandchildren. Joy and I are avid sports fans and argue a lot as we cheer on our favorite football, hockey and baseball teams all of which are not the same teams. I look forward to the privilege of serving the residents of Millet.



***Councillor Carol Sadoroszny***

Carol is most known for her position as Chair of the CIB Committee, thanks to her tireless efforts she has made Millet the Prettiest Little Town in Canada. Carol worked for the Town of Millet in the utilities and development departments for 9 years, after retiring she ran for a seat on Council in 2013 and was elected. Carol is very active on many committees throughout Town. This is her second term as a Councillor for the Town of Millet. She looks forward to serving the residents of the Town of Millet.



***Councillor Pat Garrett***

When looking for a place to call home, both my husband Art and myself originally from the Stettler area; decided to raise our children in small town Alberta, Millet. We moved to Millet in 1986, with our children Michael and Rochelle. It all started with my son wanting to join Beavers; I became Rainbow and never looked back. From that time on I was involved in a number of groups and organizations; starting with Scouts, Recreation Board, Minor ball; and then Council. I have been a Town Councillor for over 25 years; and have had the opportunity to be part of most areas pertaining to Council involvement. My major emphasis is Marketing, Promoting and Policing. Some of the committees I am now active with; Tourism, Historical Society, Land Fill Authority, Water Commission Board and Municipal Planning. I have helped initiate and set up policing projects from; Wetaskiwin and District Victim Services Program, a Community Advisory Committee, and Citizens on Patrol. It has been both a pleasure and privilege to be an ambassador for the Town of Millet and I am working for you.



***Councillor Doug Peel***

My wife Jackie and I have lived in Millet for 23 years. I have volunteered many hours for Millet Scouts, Millet and Griffiths Scott schools, Millet Soccer and with my wife, Millet in Bloom. I work full time for Air Canada at the International airport as well as your town Councillor. I also play in a band called Slap Water. You might have seen us at the Millet Firefly Festival. I represent the Town of Millet on the Yellowhead Regional Library board as well as the Town of Millet Library board. I look forward to serving my second term as your town Councillor.



***Councillor Vicki Pyle***

My husband and I moved to Millet in 2003 when his family purchased the local grocery store.

I started out volunteering for tourism and recreational committees shortly after and now am a board member on the Wetaskiwin Regional Chamber of Commerce. I am a strong advocate for supporting local businesses and organizations so the community can thrive and grow. I have two children, whom are learning to be great community ambassadors themselves as I encourage them to participate in as many volunteer opportunities as possible. I am grateful for the opportunity to represent the residents, families and business owners of Millet.

All members of Council can be contacted through [millet@millet.ca](mailto:millet@millet.ca). Regular scheduled Council meetings are held at the Town Office on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. All regular Council meetings are open to the public, except In-Camera sessions. Council Agendas are prepared the Friday prior to a Council Meeting. Those wishing to place items on the agenda must have the information into the administration office PRIOR to 10am on the Friday before the scheduled meeting. Information may be dropped off or emailed to [millet@millet.ca](mailto:millet@millet.ca)