Voices of the Village May 2024 NEWSLETTER



Council passes 2024 Operational and Capital Budgets

At the April 15th, 2024 Regular Village Council Meeting, the Council for the Village of Marwayne approved the 2024 Operational and Capital Budgets. Given the increase in the Village's assessment, the 2024 budget is up \$15,482 with a total of \$518,366 to be collected through municipal taxation. Council adopted Bylaw 600-24 and 601-24 authorizing the 2024 rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property. The 2024 minimum parcel levy remains set to \$950, the residential mill rate remains at 10.8 and the non-residential mill rate remains at 14.7 for the current fiscal year. Although the budget is higher than prior years, residents should not notice a significant change on their tax notices unless their assessment has increased or decreased in comparison to prior years.

Residents and business owners alike should expect to receive their tax notices mid May. Please be aware that taxes for both residential and commercial properties are due in full on or before June 30th, 2024. Failure to remit payment by the deadline will result in a 12% penalty being applied on July 1st, 2024 to any outstanding balance. An additional penalty of 6% will be applied for all accounts remaining unpaid as of January 1st, 2025. To assist our residents in their understanding of their notice of assessment we have prepared and will be including an information sheet in your respective tax notice envelope. Should you not be in receipt of your tax notice by the end of May, please contact our office. Failure to receive your tax notice does not exempt you from paying. Furthermore, given the ongoing delays at land titles, persons who purchased property in 2024 may or may not receive a tax notice. We strongly encourage you to discuss what payments were made and what amounts are outstanding with the lawyer who assisted you with your real estate transaction.

Important Dates

MEETINGS & DEADLINES

SERVICES

Council May 13 Blue Bag Recycling May 2, 16 & 30 Office Closed May 20 **EVENTS Brighter Beginnings** May 8 & 22 Community Garage Sale May 4 **Comets Hockey Meeting** May 7 & 14 Hall Movie Night May 10 Treasure Hunt MJS Graduation May 24 May 11 Marwayne Street Dance June 5 Lea Park Rodeo June 7,8 & 9

Operating Hours & Contacts

In Person Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am—4:30pm

Office open Mondays and Fridays but staff work remotely. Drop box available 24/7

After Hours Water/Sewer Emergencies:	Wilson Curtis Carry Grant	780-205-2993 780-214-7933
Health and Safety Emergencies:	Kitscoty RCMP RCMP, EMS, FIRE	780-846-2870 911

For all non-emergency inquiries, or to file a complaint, please contact the Kitscoty RCMP at 780-846-2897

Summer Transfer Station Hours	Wednesday	2:00pm—7:00pm
(May-Oct)	Saturday	10:00am—2:00pm
Residential garbage pickup:	Thursdays	7:00am

During inclement weather, please call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission at 780-853-5561 to get updates as to whether or not transfer stations are open.

Council Contacts:

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Sunday, May 12th



Council Meeting Highlights

- Metrix Group LLP. presented the 2023 Audited Financial Statements at the April 15th, 2024 Village Council Meeting. Our auditors did not identify any control deficiencies that they deemed to be significant to internal controls over financial reporting. The 2023 financial statements have been approved and are posted on our website. The Village of Marwayne's financial position remains strong for the foreseeable future.
- The Village's total assessment for 2024 is \$41,459,120—an increase of \$1,154,730 over 2023. As a result of this change to our assessment, Council did not increase the 2024 mill rates. The rates of taxation remain the same in 2024 as they were in 2023, as per the bylaws outlined below.
- Council gave all three readings to Bylaw No. 600-24 (Rates of Taxation), being a bylaw to authorize the rates of taxation to be levied against assessable property for the 2024 taxation year and impose a penalty on all taxes remaining unpaid. Notably, the 2024 deadline for the payment of taxes is June 30th. Any taxes received after the deadline will be subject to a 12% penalty as of July 1st, and a subsequent 6% on January 1st, 2025.
- Council also gave all three readings to Bylaw No. 601-24 (Special Culture and Recreation Rates of Taxation), being a bylaw to authorize the Annual Special Culture and Recreation Rates of Taxation to be levied against all properties for the Marwayne Agriplex Debenture Payments. The 2024 levy on all properties is \$74.60.
- Council reviewed and approved the 2024 Capital and Operational Budgets. Some of the 2024 capital projects include:

Railway Avenue from Centre Street to 1st Street North

3rd Street North from 3rd Avenue North to 4th Avenue North

2nd Street South from 2nd Avenue to 3rd Avenue

Revitalization of the basketball courts next to the arena

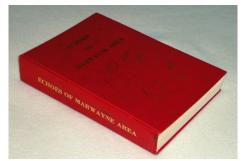
Transfer Station Summer Hours

May I—Oct 31

Wednesday 2:00 pm—7:00 pm

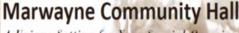
Saturday 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Marwayne History Books



The newest edition of the Marwayne History Book is now available. The cost is only \$50.00. Please contact Sharon Kneen by phone at 780-872-0011 for more information. Take advantage of this great opportunity to receive a piece of Marwayne's history today!





A Unique Setting for Your Special Occasion

Consider the beautiful, quiet location of the Marwayne Community Hall

- Banquet seating for 375 in main hall
- Large meeting room with table-seating for 80, or use it to serve buffet-style banquet
- Large covered patio backs onto nature, accessible from main hall
- Modern, beautiful bathrooms
- Stange with dressing rooms & washrooms
- Excellent sound room with A/V equipment
- Camping on site or just 10 minutes north at Lea Park
- Just a 30 minute drive from Lloydminster

Contact 780-847-3962

For more information visit marwayne.ca



VILLAGE OF M LOTS FOR SALE

Have you visited our Website?

Please visit <u>Marwayne.ca</u> for all kinds of information about living in our great community.

Click the News & Events tab to find current and past Newsletters in digital format.





ATTENTION

WITH SPRING FAST APPROACHING, WE JUST WANTED TO REMIND YOU OF SOME STEPS TO ENSURE A SMOOTH CART COLLECTION PROCESS.

1. YOUR CART MUST BE OUT BY 7 AM ON YOUR COLLECTION DAY.

2.WHEELS ALWAYS TO THE CURB, PLEASE! MAKE SURE BIN IS FACING FORWARD SO THE TRUCK ARMS CAN GRAB IT

3. NO PARKING IN FRONT OF OR WITHIN 1 METRE OF THE CART.

4. KEEP BINS 1 METRE AWAY FROM OTHER CARTS OR OBSTRUCTIONS SO THE ARMS CAN ACCESS THE BIN PROPERLY.

5. THE LID MUST BE CLOSED. OVERFLOWING CARTS WILL NOT BE EMPTIED.

6. AVOID OVERLOADING CARTS – THE TRUCK ARMS CAN ONLY LIFT A CERTAIN WEIGHT.

EXTRA BAGS OUTSIDE THE CART WILL NOT BE PICKED UP





TOO CLOSE TOGETHER



TOO CLOSE TO TRAILER



BAG OUT OF BIN

TOO FAR FROM ROAD



OVER LOADED



BAG OUT OF BIN

Marwayne Cemetery Clean-Up

Monday, May 6th at 6 pm



This includes leveling gravesites and planting grass on these sites. Please bring rakes.

All help would be gratefully appreciated.

COMMUNITY WIDE GARAGE SALE



Saturday May 4



How it works:

- If you are interested in having a garage sale in your yard on this day please contact us at the Village administration office.
- We will post all the listings on Facebook, on our website and around town a few days before the big day.
- On May 4th, make sure to advertise your big sale! Create bright signs with balloons (making sure to remove after the sale).

You can contact us by phone at 780-847-3962 or by email at admin@marwayne.ca during regular working business hours to add your home or business to our list for maximum exposure!



MARWAYNE SPRING CLEANUP

Treasure Hunt will be Saturday May 11, 2024 for one day only

How it works:

Treasure Hunt is for reusable items! The stuff you know is still good but you don't want anymore. The treasure hunt is your opportunity to recycle appliances, furniture and other large items that can be re-used by someone else.

- Put your treasures on your FRONT Boulevard on May 11
- Residents are encouraged to tour around town looking for treasures to take home and the best part is they are free!
- Some acceptable items are: fridges, stoves, freezers, furniture, sinks, dishwashers, snow blowers, lawnmowers, patio furniture, barbecues, windows, bikes.... (If they are not in working order, please put a sign on item)

Do NOT put regular garbage, renovation materials, or your yard clean up bags as these will not be picked up. Additional information can be found at https://www.vermilion-river.com/ living here/waste transfer sites.html

If big items are not picked up, Public Works staff will come around on Monday, May 13 to assess what needs to be hauled to the dump. To save time and money, the Public Works department will only assess and pick up off a street <u>ONCE</u> so be sure to have your items out by 8 am May 13

REMEMBER we WILL NOT pick up anything that can be placed in your large waste bins. This is <u>ONLY</u> for **Big Items**. Some items that will not be picked up by the Village are: Shingles, Gyp Roc, cement/concrete, car parts or motors of any kind, animal waste, etc...

Please note during this week your items may be left on your boulevard for a few days while the Public Works Department is clearing other places in town.

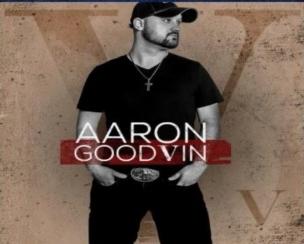
Transfer Station Hours: Wednesday 2pm-7pm & Saturday 10am-2pm.



Marwayne Arena presents Drink for the Rink Featuring AARON GOODVIN OPENING GARRETT GREGORY

SATURDAY JUNE 22 MARWAYNE ARENA 7:30 PM - Doors open at 6:30

\$60.00 – 12& Under Free Tables of 8 available Silent Auction



Contact Slim Needham:780-522-2233 Hike Applegate:780-875-0238 Tickets sold on eventbrite.ca or from any arena board member

PROCEEDS TO MARWAYNE ARENA

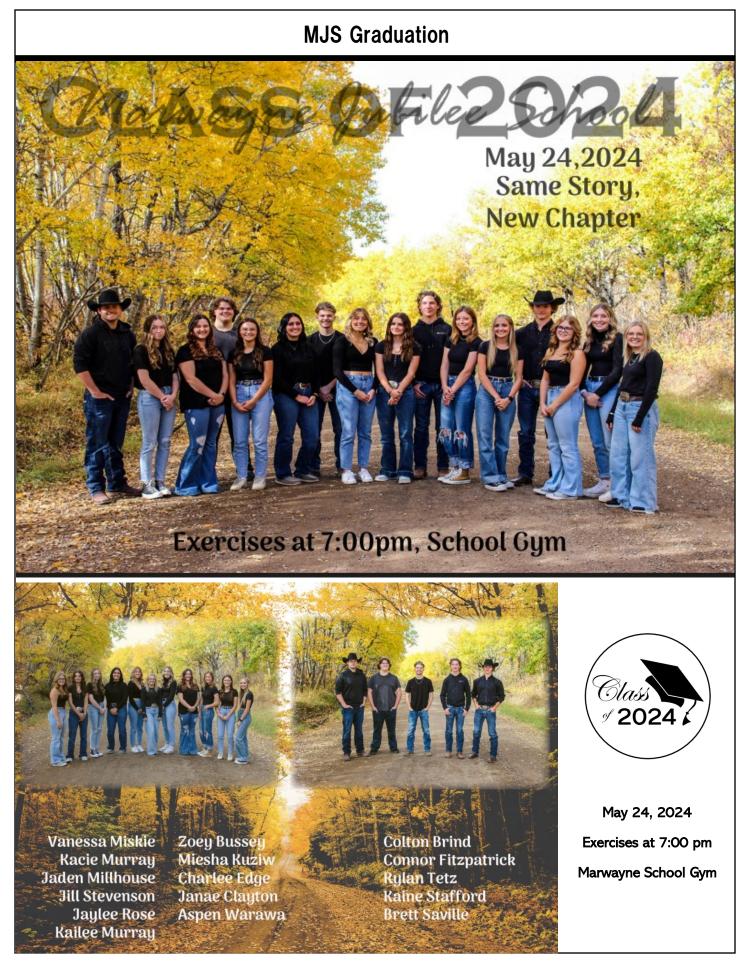
Volunteers Needed for Marwayne's 100th Birthday Celebration!

The Village of Marwayne will be turning 100 in the year 2026!

We are looking for ideas, volunteers, vendors, etc. to partner with us to make the 100th birthday celebration a big success!

We encourage anyone interested in joining the planning committee to contact the Village office today at 780-847-3962.





NAVIGATING GRIEF WITH A SELF-COMPASSIONATE LENS

How would you speak to a friend going through a difficult time? Now, think about how you speak to yourself going through a difficult time? Perhaps there is a difference in the tone of voice and level compassion in the way you speak to your friend when compared with your internal conversations. This example is commonly used to explore the topic of self-compassion.

Dr. Kristin Neff is known as being a pioneer in self-compassion. She explains self-compassion in the following way: "Instead of mercilessly judging and criticizing yourself for various inadequacies or shortcomings, self-compassion means you are kind and understanding when confronted with personal failings – after all, who ever said you were supposed to be perfect?" Adopting a self-compassionate lens when navigating your journey through grief can help to ease levels of stress and give yourself a much needed break.

There are three main elements of self-compassion. The first is self-kindness vs. self-judgement. Dr. Neff discusses the need to approach ourselves during times of suffering in a way that is warm and helpful instead of cold and harsh. By creating inner support, we are better able to cope with challenges. There are many challenges that come up throughout the grieving process, so practicing self-kindness and speaking to ourselves in a supportive way can help remind us that we are doing the best we can with a difficult situation.

The second element of self-compassion is common humanity vs. isolation. Dr. Neff explains that when humans suffer, there is a tendency to feel like we are the only person in the world who is going through the difficult experience. In reality, everyone must move through various challenges and everyone experiences suffering in one way or another. Rather than isolate ourselves, we need to remind ourselves that the human experience of suffering is shared by others. This aligns well with many tips for grieving that relate to connecting with safe supports.

The third element of self-compassion is mindfulness vs. over-identification. Dr. Neff describes the need to take a balanced and mindful approach to suffering. It is not helpful to suppress or ignore our suffering or put too much emphasis on it. If we try to step outside of our experience and view it like a close friend would, then we can find a new perspective. Using mindfulness throughout the grieving process can allow us to turn towards our pain and accept it, while preventing ourselves from "over-identifying" with difficult thoughts and feelings associated with grief.

To learn more about self-compassion, you may find it helpful to visit Dr. Neff's website: www.self-compassion.org .

Submitted by: Walking Through Grief Society

Funded by FCSS; City of Lloydminster, Towns of Vermilion and Wainwright, Villages of Kitscoty and Marwayne and County of Vermilion River.



Marwayne Dance Association

AGM & Registration

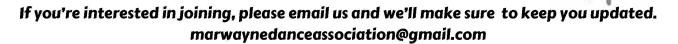
Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2024 7:00pm Marwayne Hall

Offering Classes in

Creative Movement, 5-6 year old comp. classes, Tap, Ballet, Jazz, Lyrical, Modern, Musical Theatre, Technique, Recreational Hip Hop & Ballet/Jazz

Enrollment will determine what classes will run

Please register by attending the meeting



Save the Date – Wednesday, June 5th, 2024!

Senior Week Celebration

Located at 5202-51 street – Kitscoty Community Hall

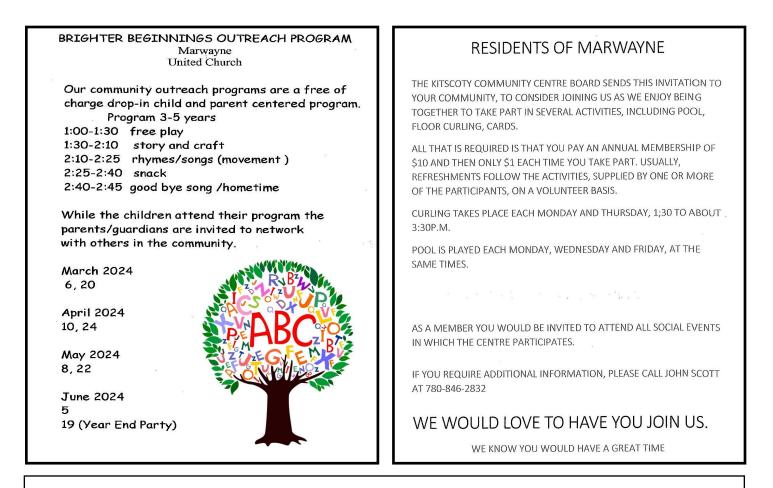
County of Vermilion River, Town of Vermilion, Villages of Marwayne, Kitscoty and Paradise Valley, Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) will be hosting the Annual Senior Week Celebration on

Wednesday, June 5th, 2024.

Watch for posters and further details in May

More information contact Senior Support Coordinator Shirley McRobert at 780.581.2414 or email smcrobert@vermilion.ca.





A Pastor's Gleanings

I was visiting with a lady whose instrument panel on her vehicle was not working properly. The speedometer, fuel gauge and oil pressure gauges were faulty. A busy mom in a busy family; it would be a while before it went into the shop for repairs. She was describing how it was no longer comfortable driving. "I fueled up on Friday I should be fine." She thought as she drove on her way to an important appointment "Oh no! my husband took this car to North Battleford Saturday." 20 kms from home and 30 from the next fuel station, running just on time, she said the drive isn't as usual. She would wonder anxiously, "Did he refuel?"

There things we trust and things we don't. We can generally trust fuel a gauge; maybe not the weather forecast, news reports, or rumors at the coffee shop with the same confidence.

So, call into question the reliability of the Bible, God's Word. Men have for centuries done all they can to discredit it, to prove it unreliable. Still, it verifies itself to be true. Modern science has helped us acquire an ever-increasing body of evidence of its reliability. As Josh McDowell writes in his book "Evidence That Requires A Verdict" the substantiation of the Bible can be confirmed by evidence. Evidence that, according noted trial lawyer W Mark Lanier, is submissible in court.

As you look into those ancient words that have guided us for so long. I believe, by the evidence I've experienced, you will find you will be driving with much less anxiety. "You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on the you, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock." Isaiah 26:3&4

His Word is reliable, it will do what it was given to do.

Bethel Lutheran Church Lea Park, services Sundays at 10:30, Pastors Kevin Nelson 780 872 0070, and Ed Parke 780 808 5026.

Marwayne Public Library



<u>Thank You</u> to ev e ryo n e who came ou t to th e Lun ch eo n at th e Sen i o rs Cen tre o n April 2 4th.

It was a hu ge suc c ess!



The 12TH Annual Marwayne PBR and the Marwayne Arena would like to extend a very heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our amazing sponsors! It was a record breaking year, and that wasn't possible without these amazing companies and people!





BEAUTY FROM BEES UFA-SELTE FUELS REDHEAD EQUIPMENT GOLD HORSE CASINO DOUBLE EDGE RENTALS NORTHERN LIVESTOCK SALES CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES SPARKY INDUSTRIES JGL LIVESTOCK RBW WASTE MANAGEMENT FUSION TANK SERVICES BORDER CITY CONCRETE MARKSMEN VEGETATION SA

RUBBER ROCK RESOURCES RIVERHILL ENTERPRISES VEETEE FEEDERS BRANDED WESTERN WEAR MITCHCO ENVIRONMENTAL MERIDIAN SOURCE S MERIDIAN SURVEYS KLASSEN INDUSTRIES AGAT LABORATORIES SECURE ENERGY NUWAVE INDUSTRIES HAMES RIDGE FARMS SAUNDERS REPAIR AND SERVICE







LEA PARK GOLF CLUB

We are opening this month!

Check out our website <u>leaparkgolf.com</u> and Social Media pages for opening dates and times!

We have some really exciting projects that we have been working on for the golf course to make it that much better! Come see us this summer and check them out!

Community Movie Night

Last one of the School Year



Friday May 10th 2024, 7 o'clock Marwayne Community Hall Admission Free \$5 Popcorn and Pop

Comets Hockey



Players Meeting

May 7, 7:30 p.m.

Curling Rink

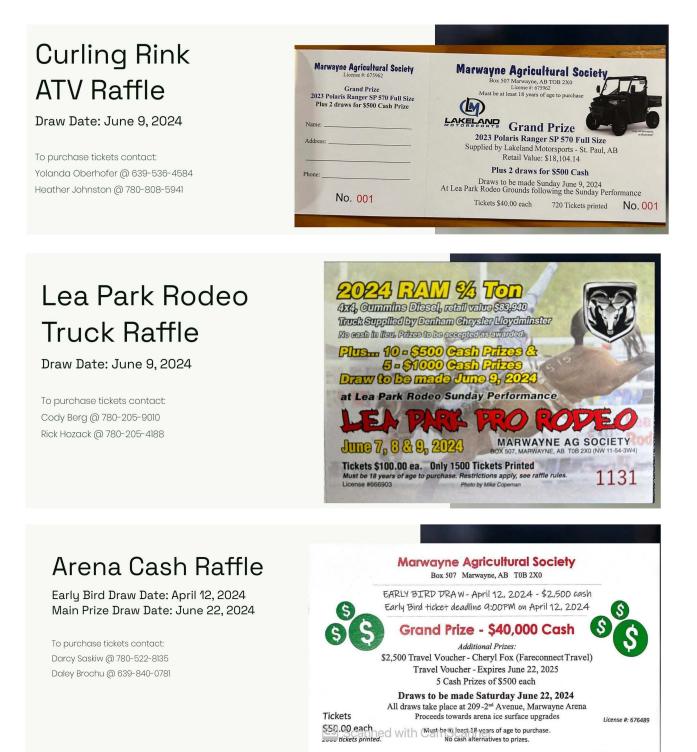
Board Meeting to Elect

Executives

May 14, 7:30 p.m.

Arena

Marwayne Agricultural Society Current Raffle Tickets and Info for where to purchase!! All tickets available at Home Hardware in Marwayne or contact #'s listed



Marwayne Ag Society

May Update

We are wrapping up on our winter activities and rolling full speed into spring events, fundraisers and working hard on the upgrades planned for the arena and curling rink.

Thank you to everyone who attended the PBR in April, it was a huge success once again! Huge thanks to the organizing committee, arena board, volunteers and all of the sponsors for making this event so successful and a big part of our community! Funds raised from this event primarily go towards the operation costs of our arena.

The curling rink will be hosting pub nights throughout the Oilers playoffs, keep an eye on their social media pages or look for the sandwich boards up advertising when the rink is open. On May 4 for the community wide garage sale, the curling rink will be setup right full of tables and garage sale goods to buy! We are sold out of physical tables but if you would like to rent a spot and bring your own tables please contact Yolanda @ 639-536-4584.

Coming up next look forward the Street Dance on Wednesday June 5 to kick of rodeo week! Thank you to Anna Mueller and Jamie Day for stepping up to run this event.

Rodeo kicks off Friday night and runs through Sunday. Draws for both the truck raffle and side by side raffle will be made on Sunday June 9 following completion of the rodeo performance. So if you don't have your tickets yet, now is the time to get them!! All tickets available at Home Hardware in Marwayne.

On Saturday of the rodeo weekend make sure to hit up the Pancake Breakfast from 8AM-10AM at the Marwayne Arena. A delicious breakfast for just the price of \$5!! Thanks to Bobby Calder for her work organizing this event.

Then we have 2 weeks to recover from the Rodeo and be ready to dance away the night and Drink for the Rink at the concert on June 22nd at the Marwayne Arena. Aaron Goodvin and Garret Greggory will have a great show and take us through the night. Silent auction at the event as well. Get your tickets at Eventbrite or contact Slim Needham @ 780-522-2223 for corporate tables. Cash draw for \$40,000 will take place at the concert as well! Tickets available at Home Hardware.

Following the concert, work will then begin on the arena. Task Force committees have been working hard to have the logistics and fundraising in place for this project. The project includes removing the entire ice surface and brine lines, surrounding boards and glass and bleachers and then replacing all of these items. The goal is for this project to be completed for late fall 2024.

Huge thanks to ADAMA for the recent \$10,000 grant we received towards the ice plant project! This will be phase 2 following the arena project.

Marwayne AG Society PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SATURDAY JUNE 8 MARWAYNE ARENA 8:00AM-10:00AM \$5.00 PER PLATE



