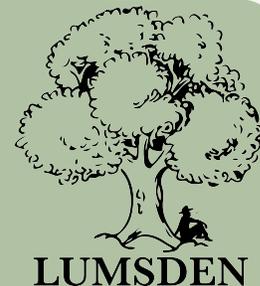


April/May 2025

Lumsden



Hometown Highlights



A note from our Mayor

Welcome to our second issue of Lumsden's newsletter, Hometown Highlights!

Council has asked our administration to publish the newsletters bimonthly going forward. Watch for new issues published for:

- June & July
- August & September
- October & November
- December

Don't forget to visit our website for much, much more!

Verne Barber
Mayor

www.townoflumsden.ca



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Mayor's Message

After a long, snowy winter that seems never-ending, I want to take this opportunity to recognize the volunteers who helped us get through these challenging months. To Cam and the entire LSA Board, thank you for the outstanding job managing our rinks. A huge thank you to long-time curling rink manager Darrell Brandt and first-year skating rink manager Liam Brennan and his staff. Our rinks are truly second to none.

Congratulations to the executive of LBMHA for providing an opportunity for hundreds of local youth to participate in hockey. Thank you to all the coaches, managers, on and off-ice officials, players, parents, and fans for another great season. Special congratulations to the U18A Lions for winning back-to-back provincial banners and to the U15AA Lynx for a great season culminating in a provincial banner. Last but certainly not least, congratulations to the Monarchs for another season of entertaining senior hockey and winning a fifth league championship in six seasons.

See you at the ballpark.

Mayor Barber

Important Dates



Council Meetings

6:30 pm

300 James Street North

Via Zoom Mtg No. 291 261 3627

- April 8
- April 22
- May 6
- May 20



Municipal Office Closure

Easter Weekend

- April 18 & 21



Community Garage Sale

Organized by the Lumsden Library

- May 24



Lions Bingo Fundraiser

Doors open at 6:15 pm

Bingo starts at 7:00 pm

Centennial Hall (Basement)

\$5 for 2 Bingo Cards

- Friday, April 11

Follow the *Lumsden Lions* and the *Town of Lumsden* on Facebook for more information.

Local Updates

Utility Bills
Due on:

April 30th

Time to trim
hedges and
branches that
have overgrown
the sidewalks!

Local vendor
spaces
available for
Scarecrow
Market!

Reminder:
All dogs must
have a valid
Town license

Local Updates

Lumsden Summer Swim Program 50th Anniversary!

The 2025 Lumsden Summer Swim Program registration open on June 1st.

Session 1: July 7 to July 18

Session 2: August 5 to August 15



Registration forms will be available on our website at <https://townoflumsden.ca/p/swimming>.

King Charles III Coronation Medal

Two special recipients in Lumsden have been awarded with the King Charles III Coronation Medal. This medal is awarded to those who have made a significant contribution to Canada or to a particular province, territory, region of, or community in, Canada.

On March 4, 2025, Verne Barber and Larry Skidmore received this prestigious medal.

Congratulations Verne & Larry!



Local Updates



What is an "EMO"?



EMO is an acronym for **Emergency Management Organization**. An EMO provides the framework for a community to deal with significant emergency events that have the potential to exceed the normal capacity of one single entity to respond. Put simply, an EMO coordinates actions from a variety of sources to ensure that the response to an emergency event meets the key objectives of:

- saving lives and reducing suffering;
- protecting the environment and property;
- maintaining public confidence;
- reducing economic and social losses; and,
- supporting timely and comprehensive recovery.

Like other jurisdictions, Saskatchewan is increasingly challenged by the possibility of both natural and human-induced emergency events that can have a considerable impact on people, property, critical infrastructure, the environment and the economy. Natural disasters such as weather events and fires, and human-induced disasters like terrorism and hazardous materials spills, pose ongoing threats to our overall well-being. The possibility of these threats occurring serves as a constant reminder of the need for emergency preparedness.

Saskatchewan's *Emergency Planning Act* describes the responsibility of the local government authority to direct and control emergency planning and responses within its jurisdictional boundaries. The Act directs municipalities to establish an EMO including, appointing an emergency measures coordinator and instituting a local planning committee. The planning committee is subsequently charged with overseeing a municipal emergency plan, to identify which necessary services are available during an emergency (including those that may be obtained through mutual aid agreements or similar arrangements with other agencies) and to outline how and when those services and resources will be activated and deployed to respond to an emergency.

In August 2023, the Town of Lumsden and the RM of Lumsden No. 189 partnered to formally establish a combined Lumsden and District Emergency Management Organization. To guide the activities of the combined EMO, Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator positions were created and staffed. There are many benefits to be derived from this partnership but probably none more critical than the efficient use of available resources. Particularly since both the Town and the RM rely upon common emergency responders like the RCMP, Lumsden & District Fire Department and local medical first responders, it is important that efforts be effectively coordinated to tackle a significant emergency. This is vital if the event has potential impact throughout the area and emergency responders need to be dispatched to more than one location. A shared EMO with common objectives and reporting systems, ensures response actions and procedures are consistent and consistently applied, regardless of which municipality the emergency is occurring within.

Emergencies may vary in scope and intensity from small, localized incidents to multi-jurisdictional disasters impacting people, property, infrastructure and the environment. The operation of the Lumsden and District Emergency Management Organization will not prevent nor reduce the possibility of an emergency occurring. What it can do however, is ensure the delivery of coordinated actions to respond to any emergency event within its purview promptly, effectively and safely.

If you have questions or need more information, contact:

Nancy Cherney, Coordinator
Lumsden & District Emergency Management Organization
email: LumsdenEMO@lumsden.ca

Public Notices

Drinking Water Quality and Compliance Annual Notice to Consumers

Introduction

Saskatchewan Environment (SE) requires that at least once each year waterworks owners provide notification to consumers of the quality of water produced and supplied as well as information on the performance of the waterworks in submitting samples as required by a Minister's Order or Permit to operate a waterworks. The following is a summary of the **Town of Lumsden** water quality and sample submission compliance record for the *January 1st to December 31, 2024*, time period. This report was completed on *January 21, 2025*. Readers should refer to SE's "Municipal Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Guidelines, November 2002, EPB 202" for more information on minimum sample submission requirements and the meaning of type of sample. Permit requirements for a specific waterworks may require more sampling than outlined in the department's monitoring guidelines. If consumers need more information on the nature and significance of specific water tests, for example: "What is the significance of Selenium in a water supply?", more detailed information is available from: <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/environmental-health/water-and-wastewater-management>

Water Quality Standards

Bacteriological Quality

Parameter/Location	Limit	Regular Samples Required	Regular Samples Submitted	# of Positive Regular Submitted (%)
Total Coliform and Background Bacteria	0 Organisms/100 mL Less than 200/100 mL	52	52	0 (0%)

Water Disinfection – Chlorine Residual in Distribution System for Test Results Submitted with Bacteriological Samples

Parameter	Minimum Limit	Free Chlorine Residual Range	Total Chlorine Residual Range	# Tests Submitted	# Inadequate Chlorine (%)	# Adequate Chlorine (%)
Chlorine Residual	0.1 mg/L free OR 0.5 mg/L total	0.11-0.84 mg/l	0.51-1.24 mg/l	52	0	52(100%)

Water Disinfection - Free Chlorine Residual for Water Entering Distribution System from Waterworks Records- From Water Treatment Plant Records

Parameter	Minimum Limit (mg/L)	Test Level Range	# Tests Performed	# Tests Not Meeting Requirements
Free Chlorine Residual	at least 0.15	0.50-1.88 mg/l	365	0

A minimum of 0.15 milligrams per litre (mg/L) free chlorine residual is required for water entering the distribution system. Tests are normally performed on a daily basis by the waterworks operator and are recorded in operation records. This data includes the number of free chlorine residual tests performed, the overall range of free chlorine residual (highest and lowest recorded values) and the number of tests and percentage of results not meeting the minimum requirement of 0.15 mg/L free chlorine residual.

Turbidity – From Water Treatment Plant Records and Distribution System

Parameter	Limit (NTU)	Test Level Range	# Tests Not Meeting Requirements	Maximum Turbidity (NTU)	# Tests Required	# Tests Performed
At Plant	1.0	0.050-0.280	0	0.280	365	365
Dist. System	1.0	0.07-0.36	0	0.36	52	365

Turbidity is a measure of water treatment efficiency. Turbidity measures the clarity of the drinking water and is generally Reported in nephelometric units (NTU). All waterworks are required to monitor turbidity at the water treatment plant. The Frequency of measurement varies from daily for small systems to continuous for larger waterworks.

Chemical – Health Category

All waterworks serving fewer than 5000 persons are required to submit water samples for SE's Chemical Health category once every 2 years. The Chemical Health category includes analysis for arsenic, barium, boron, cadmium, chromium, fluoride, lead, nitrate, selenium and uranium.

Public Notices

The last sample for Chemical Health analysis was required in 2023 and submitted on **February 23 2023**. Sample results indicated that the Town of Lumsden water quality was within the provincial drinking water quality standards for the Chemical Health analysis.

Chemical – Health Category (continued)

Parameter	Limit MAC (mg/L)	Limit IMAC (mg/L)	Sample Result(s)	# Samples Exceeding Limit	
Arsenic	10 ug/L		1 ug/L	0	* Results expressed as average values for communities or waterworks that fluoridate drinking water supplies or those with elevated concentrations of fluoride or nitrates.
Barium	<1000 ug/L		4.2 ug/L	0	
Boron		5.0	0.2 mg/L	0	
Cadmium	<5 ug/L		< 0.15 ug/L	0	
Chromium	<50 ug/L		< 0.19 ug/L	0	
Fluoride (avg*)	<1.5 mg/L		0.24 mg/L	0	
Lead	<10 ug/L		0.20 ug/L	0	
Nitrate (avg.*)	<45.0 mg/L		3.4 mg/L	0	
Selenium	<10 ug/L		<1.13 ug/L	0	
Uranium	<20 ug/L		3.2 ug/L	0	

Chemical – Trihalomethanes (THMs)

Parameter	THMs Limit (ug/L)	Sample Result (average)	# Samples Required	# Samples Submitted
Trihalomethanes	100	50.5 ug/L	1	1

Note: Only water supplies derived from surface water or groundwater under the influence of surface water are required to monitor for THMs. Waterworks using groundwater sources beyond the influence of surface water do not need to report THMs since sampling/analysis will not likely have been performed. (2021 Lumsden's permit changed to include a THM test.)

General Chemical

Parameter	Aesthetic Objectives * (mg/L)	Sample Results (average)	# Samples Required	# Samples Submitted
Alkalinity	<500	377	1	1
Bicarbonate	No Objective	460	1	1
Calcium	No Objective	177	1	1
Carbonate	No Objective	0	1	1
Chloride	<250	31.5	1	1
Conductivity	<2300	1608	1	1
Hardness	<800	878	1	1
Magnesium	<200	106	1	1
PH	No Objective	7.6	1	1
Sodium	<300	100	1	1
Sulfate	500	543.2	1	1
Total dissolved Solids	<1500	1432	1	1

All waterworks serving fewer than 5000 persons are required to submit water samples for SE's General Chemical category once every two years if a ground water source and once per three months every second year if a surface water or blended surface/groundwater source. The General Chemical category includes analysis for alkalinity, bicarbonate, calcium, carbonate, chloride, conductivity, hardness (as CaCO₃), magnesium, sodium, sulphate and total dissolved solids.

The last sample for General Chemical analysis was required in 2023 and submitted on **February 17, 2023**. This sample was within the provincial aesthetic objectives for the General Chemical category.

*Objectives apply to certain characteristics of, or substances found in water for human consumptive or hygienic use. The presence of these substances will affect the acceptance of water by consumers and/or interfere with the practice of supplying good quality water. Compliance with drinking water aesthetic objectives is not mandatory as these objectives are in the range where they do not constitute a health hazard. The aesthetic objectives for several parameters (including hardness as CaCO₃, magnesium, sodium and total dissolved solids) consider regional differences in drinking water sources and quality.

More information on water quality and sample submission performance may be obtained from:

Town of Lumsden Telephone (306) 731-2404 Facsimile Number 731-3572
 Box 160
 Lumsden, SK E-mail address town.lumsden@sasktel.net
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Website Highlights



Meeting Agendas & Minutes

Stay "in the know" with all municipal business by following the Town of Lumsden Council agendas and minutes.

Find them on our website, here: [Agendas and Minutes](#)

New Town Map

Have you seen our new digital map of the Town of Lumsden?

Visit our website, here: [New Map](#)



Facility Rentals

Lumsden has a variety of options for rental spaces, whether you need a place for a meeting or a party!

For more information, visit our website, here: [Facility Rentals](#)

Events Calendar

Don't miss a beat! Visit our events calendar, here: [Events Calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

- June 21: Peony Show & Spring Festival
- September 1: Duck Derby
- September 20: Scarecrow Festival

Public Works & Utilities



Landfill Hours

Wednesdays:

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Thursdays:

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

(April 1 - November 1 only)

Fridays:

12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays:

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Please don't flush wipes!

Even if labeled "flushable," wipes, including baby wipes, should not be flushed down the toilet as they often don't break down like toilet paper and can cause clogs in pipes and sewer systems.



TOWN OF LUMSDEN

BULK WATER KEY FOB

- Key fobs for sale, \$25 per fob.
- Key fob balances can be reloaded online with a credit card or in the office using cash, cheque or debit.
- Tap the key fob to start filling water, tap again to stop.
- \$1 for 38 imperial gallons of potable water.

Key Fobs Available

Key fobs can be purchased at the Town office. Fobs make it easy to keep track of how much water you are purchasing and to manage your balance through an online account. Additional funds can be added to the Fob by using a credit card on your secure online account, or making a payment in the Municipal Office.

Fill Station Location:

200 River Street, Lumsden, SK

Public Works & Utilities

APRIL 2025

SOUTH OF THE TRACKS

GREEN = GARBAGE

BLUE = RECYCLING



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If you would like a printable version of the garbage and recycle calendars visit our website, here: [Public Works](#)

Public Works & Utilities

MAY 2025

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Recreation & Culture

April 2025



Lumsden Public Library
Program & Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
One eRead Canada begins: <i>Valid</i> by Chris Bergeron 	National Poetry Month begins	1 Games Club 3:30PM	2 Minecraft 3:30PM Knit Night 7:00PM	3 Mother Goose 10AM After School Craft 3:30PM	4 Storytime 10AM	5 Home Alone Course 12:30-4:30
6 	7 One Book, One Province begins: <i>Bread & Water</i> by dee Hobsbawn- Smith	8 Games Club 3:30PM	9 Minecraft 3:30PM Knit Night 7:00PM	10 Mother Goose 10AM After School Craft 3:30PM	11 Storytime 10AM Easter Egg Decorating 3:30PM	12 Easter Egg Decorating 1PM
13	14	15 Games Club 3:30PM Easter Egg Decorating 1PM	16 Minecraft 3:30PM	17 Mother Goose 10AM After School Craft 3:30PM	18 Closed for Good Friday	19
20	21	22 Games Club 3:30PM	23 Minecraft 3:30PM	24 Mother Goose 10AM After School Craft 3:30PM	25 Storytime 10AM	26 Baking Class 1:00PM
27 Canadian Children's Book Week: April	28	29 Games Club 3:30PM Book Club 7:00PM You Never Know Tom Selleck	30 Minecraft 3:30PM			

The Lumsden & District Museum is accepting donations for their annual garage sale. Check them out on social media for more information & to arrange drop off!

LUMSDEN AND DISTRICT MUSEUM

Our annual garage sale is happening in May!

Got some goodies to share? We'd love your donations! Send us a message to schedule your drop-off appointment!



Recreation & Culture



BINGO COMMUNITY EVENT

\$5.00/2 BINGO
CARDS

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CARDS

CASH ONLY
NO BINGO DABBER
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PROCEEDS OF THIS BINGO WILL GO TOWARDS PROGRAMMING AT THE
LUMSDEN LIBRARY.

CASH PRIZES | FAMILY | CANTEEN
FUN

FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH, 2025
LUMSDEN HALL BASEMENT

DOORS OPEN AT 6:15.
BINGO FUN BEGINS AT 7:00

Recreation & Culture

The Town of Lumsden and
The Lumsden & District Lions Club

Present the

"Annual Senior Appreciation Night"



Bryan Sklar and the Texpistols

Lumsden Centennial Hall

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

306 731 2404

Seniors can sign up at the Lumsden Municipal Office & Dew Drop In
FREE



Happy ½ Hour 5:30 pm

Supper catered by **RETRO FOOD BAR** 6 pm

Show 7 pm



Planning & Development



Do I need a permit for that?

Reminder – Permits Required for Projects

To save time and money, apply for a Development Permit and Building Permit before starting your project. The Planning and Development Department will guide you through the process, and if applicable, initiate a Plan Review by our Building Officials with Professional Building Inspections Inc. (PBI). PBI will assess your project under the current building standards and if your project is exempt, or needs more information, it will be determined at that time.

Saskatchewan's Construction.Codes.Act, requires a building permit in most situations, including:

- Demolishing or Relocating a Building
- Change of Use or Occupancy of a Building
- Roof Mounted Solar Panels
- Secondary Suites
- Basement Development
- Additions to existing buildings
- Renovations and alterations affecting structural or safety features of a Building
- Decks and platforms more than 300 mm (12") above ground level
- Retaining Walls more than 600 mm (24") in height
- Any New Construction

Permits are not typically required for:

- Replacement of materials like shingles or siding, or cosmetic upgrades not affected the structure or safety features of the building
- Accessory building less than 10 m² (i.e. garden shed); to a maximum of one per lot.

Process:

1. Make a Development Permit Application
2. Once the Development Permit is approved, make a Building Permit Application
3. PBI will undertake the Plan Review for the Project
4. If approved, the Building Permit will be issued
5. Contractor/Owner contacts PBI to request inspections at the steps outlined in the Plan Review.

Development and Building Permit Application Forms are available on our website. If you have any questions or need assistance, please email town.lumsden@sasktel.net or call 306-731-2404 to set up an appointment to discuss your project.

Planning & Development

TOWN OF LUMSDEN PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Lumsden intends to adopt a bylaw under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw No. 15-2002, known as the Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT

Bylaw No. 2024-16 proposes to enhance the public notice procedures for zoning bylaw amendments by providing written notice by regular mail to assessed owners of property within a one hundred (100) metre radius of the land proposed for rezoning, a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the public hearing. As well as requiring a notification sign to be erected on the land proposed for rezoning.

AFFECTED LANDS

All lands within the Town may be affected by the proposed amendment to the zoning bylaw.

REASON

The reason for the amendment is to enhance public notice requirements on rezoning applications to better inform the public of zoning changes within the community.

INSPECTION

Any person may inspect the bylaw online at www.lumsden.ca or at the Lumsden Municipal Office, located at 300 James Street North, in the Town of Lumsden, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM (open through the noon hour) from Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays. Copies are available at cost.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 7:30pm**, in Council Chambers at the Lumsden Municipal Office located at 300 James Street North and via Zoom Videoconference, to hear any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaw. Council will also consider written comments received or delivered to the municipal office prior to the hearing. For further information, or to receive a Zoom link to attend the meeting virtually, please contact the Town at (306) 731-2404 or town.lumsden@sasktel.net

Issued at the Town of Lumsden this 3rd day February of 2025.

Aimee Bryck, Director of Planning & Development



Spring has “sprung” in Saskatchewan!
A busy 2025 construction season awaits.
If you’re getting ready to dig, be sure to
locate underground facilities first.

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The Town of Lumsden and
RM of Lumsden No. 189

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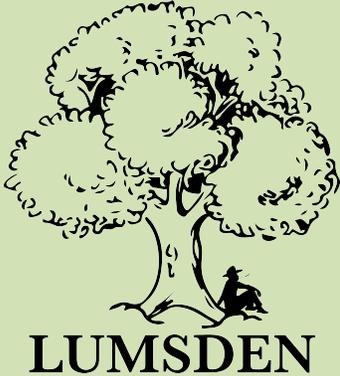
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