

# WHITE CITY NEWSLETTER

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## NEW UTILITY BILLING PROCESS

On February 7, 2011 Council passed a resolution that approves in principle a quarterly utility billing process that involves actual meter readings each quarter.

If we are unable to read your meter, our meter readers will leave a note at your residence requesting you to read your meter in your house and e-mail, phone or drop off your reading at the Town Office.

For those residents planting sod or a new lawn this year, you will notice above average water consumption for those months you are watering.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits are required for decks, detached garages, basement development, and sheds over 100 sq.ft. Permit packages are available at the Town Office or online at [www.whitecity.ca](http://www.whitecity.ca) You must have a building permit before you begin your project.

## DRIVEWAYS

All driveways in White City require a development permit and must be approved by your developer before construction can begin. Please have your driveway plans approved by your developer before applying for a development permit.

## FENCES

When building a fence or planting a hedge it is advised that you measure carefully to determine the exact location of the property lines. Building a fence does not require a development or building permit. Please check with your developer before construction as subdivisions have specific requirements.



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## LANDSCAPING

White City has a natural drainage system. It is extremely important that your landscaping is to grade to ensure proper drainage. Please check with your developer for landscaping requirements for your subdivision. A landscaping deposit of \$1000.00 is available to residents who complete their landscaping requirements. A ditch deposit of \$400 is available once your ditch has been seeded or sod laid. Please contact the Town once you have completed your landscaping, (trees, driveway, grass or sod), the Town will inspect your property and then issue you a cheque once the work is completed and inspected. The landscaping deposit is available to residents who have built after November 2008.

## FLOODS – What to Do

With the amount of snowfall this year and if we have a quick thaw there is the possibility the Town could experience some flooding.

Public Safety Canada has an excellent brochure on floods available electronically at [www.GetPrepared.ca](http://www.GetPrepared.ca)

The Town will keep you posted on the potential of flooding in White City. Please visit our website at [www.whitecity.ca](http://www.whitecity.ca)

## ANNUAL COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

This year's annual Community Garage Sale will be on May 6, 7, and 8<sup>th</sup>. Each resident is responsible for their own garage sale. The Town will be advertising the event in the Leader Post and we will have a sign by Communiskate.

## LEAF PICKUP

Town maintenance staff will be picking up bagged leaves the week of May 9<sup>th</sup>. (Weather permitting) Please have your bags at the curb. Do not overfill your bags. We do not pick up bags that are over 50lbs. If you are interested in leaves for composting, please contact the Town before May 9<sup>th</sup>.

## TREE TRIMMING

The Town will be picking up tree branches the week of May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please have your branches at the curb area in neat piles.

**Provincial regulations prohibits the pruning of Dutch Elm trees from April 1 to August 31 of each year.**

Your role in the management of Dutch Elm disease is a vital one. There are many important steps you can take to help prevent the spread of Dutch Elm disease.

- Keep your own elm trees healthy and properly pruned
- Keep your eyes open for signs of DED in your community's trees.
- Report suspicious trees
- Do not buy, sell, store, transport or use elm firewood



## SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

(For Post Secondary Students)

**Maintenance/Parks Assistant**

3 Positions

Rate of Pay: \$12.00 per hour

(Pending on Work Experience)

12 to 15 weeks – 35 to 40 hours per week

Apply by mail, fax or e-mail to:

Town of White City

c/o Darryle Bulych, Town Foreman

P.O. Box 220 Station Main

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Fax: (306) 781-2194

Email: [townoffice@whitecity.ca](mailto:townoffice@whitecity.ca)

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 1, 2011**

## BACKYARD POOL SAFETY

A backyard pool is a place for families to play together as they cool off from the heat of the summer sun. Nevertheless, they also are a place filled with life-threatening dangers that can turn deadly in an instant.

Every pool owner needs to be aware of the things they must do to ensure the safety of their children, as well as other children in the area, to keep them safe from danger. In addition to teaching your children how to swim and swimming pool safety rules, pool safety includes:

- Fencing
- Pool Covers
- Installing pool safety alarms
- Drains
- Proper storage and use of pool chemicals