

ECKVILLE

“Community of Choice”

VISION

A vibrant, safe and growing community of choice for citizens and business.

MISSION STATEMENT

Progressive Spirit: to follow through with the Vision of the Town with a strong focus to develop strategies for high standards for quality of life, values, social and economical opportunities, growth, volunteerism, relationships with people, community, and surrounding municipalities.

Economic Vibrancy: providing for the preservation of the natural environment, beauty of the Town, and a base for business, education, recreation, residential neighbourhoods, commercial and industrial development, protective services, marketing the advantages and amenities of the Town.

Oppportunity: to plan and build for the future with a positive outlook to achieve a sustainable community that is diverse and capable of meeting the changing needs and priorities of the citizens in the community.

Proper Fiscal Management: appropriate use of funds to support effective and efficient operations, capital infrastructure, programs and services that are managed responsibly while at the same time having a predictable impact on the ratepayer and ensuring that they are getting the best value for their tax dollar.

Leadership: quality leadership that includes all decisions being based on research and analysis with input from staff, the community, and other stakeholders. Communicating and promoting a positive image for the Town.

Environmental Responsibility: conservation and preservation of the natural environment for the wellness of the community, sound infrastructure systems that are safe, efficient, and reliable including, but not limited to, roads, buildings, water, sewer, solid waste, parks, and protective services.

ECKVILLE HISTORY

The name Eckville commemorates Arthur E. T. Eckford. The original landowner of "Old Eckville", Mr. Eckford emigrated from Ireland to the district in 1902. In 1905, he donated land for a store and a post office. By 1908, the Hamlet included a hotel, cheese factory, blacksmith shop, and a school across the river. In 1912 when the Canadian National Railroad completed its line $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Eckville, people and businesses moved to establish "New Eckville" at its present location.

Eckville was incorporated as a Village in 1921 and became a town in 1966. The Town celebrated its 75th Anniversary in June 1996 and was most honored to have in attendance several members of the Eckford family. A Time Capsule Monument was unveiled to commemorate the event. The capsule contains current day memorabilia that will be opened in 2046.

Well-known explorer, Anthony Henday, has referred to the Eckville area in his travels. He is reported to have been told by his Cree Indian guides that the hill northwest of Eckville offered his last view of the "Shining Mountains" as he travelled east. Hence, the name "Last Hill" was given to the hill and a local creek. One of the golf courses, located on the hill, has also adopted the name.

ANNUAL ECKVILLE EVENTS

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| February | Winter Ice Carnival |
| May | Bull-Arena |
| June | Eckville Amateur Rodeo Parade & Chili Cook-Off |
| July | Canada Day Celebrations |
| August | Dance Jamboree |
| October | David Thompson Snow Riders Grass Drags Halloween Party |
| December | Tree Lighting Festival |

TOWN OF ECKVILLE

GARBAGE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING

Garbage Disposal...

We ask for the cooperation of all residents and businesses to assist the Town by remembering the following guidelines for garbage disposal:

White Goods. The Town Shop accepts refrigerators, stoves, freezers, dishwashers, washers, and dryers. You must first pay a fee at the Town office, and only upon proof of purchase to Public Works staff, can you drop your white goods off at the Town yard.

Dry Rubble. All dry rubble is to be taken to the transfer site. This includes furniture, mattresses, and microwaves.

Brush and Branches. The Town prefers all brush and branches be taken to the Transfer Site; however, if this is not possible, we ask that you take them to the north end of the Town Shop yard where they can be dropped.

Compost. The composting pile is located at the Public Works yard and is available to the public anytime. We ask that you drop off your grass clippings, garden waste, leaves, organics, and anything else that can be composted.

Cardboard. The Recycling Depot has a spot for cardboard, and we ask that you use the depot for disposal of your cardboard items. If you find it too inconvenient to prepare your cardboard for the Recycling Depot, there is a drop-off for cardboard at Eckville Super Service.

Recycling Depot...

The Town encourages residents of Eckville to use the recycling bins at the corner of 50th Street south of the Credit Union. Following are items that are acceptable at the Recycling Depot:

Paper. Newspapers, inserts, magazines, catalogues, writing paper, computer paper, cards, junk mail, paper bags, envelopes, paperback and hardcover books (remove hard covers), phone books, paper egg cartons. Place shredded paper in a separate bag.

Cardboard. Flattened, corrugated cardboard boxes, food boxes (remove and discard liner), milk cartons (rinse and flatten), shoe boxes, brown paper bags, juice boxes. **Large cardboard must be cut to three or four foot lengths and tied with a string.**

Metals. No loose lids - trap inside can or discard. Clean tin cans (soup, juice, etc.), aluminum containers (pie plates), aluminum cans (beverages).

Glass. Empty, clean, and discard lids - labels are okay. Jars and bottles ONLY, i.e., pickle, jam, ketchup, or beverages. No other type of glass is acceptable.

Plastic. Discard caps and lids then empty, rinse, and squish. Household cleaner bottles, soft drink and beverage bottles, detergent or fabric softener bottles, plastic bottles, milk jugs, margarine, yogurt containers are all acceptable. Be sure plastic contains a recycle symbol.

The following items are NOT acceptable for recycling:

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| Aerosol containers | dead animals | grass clippings | leaves |
| Propane tanks | chemicals, oils | motor oil container | organics |
| Foil containers of any kind | hazardous waste | ceramics, plate glass | mirrors |

E-Waste...

This includes televisions, computers, computer components, and computer peripherals (components that hook up directly to a computer such as monitors, keyboards, mice, etc.). Located at the back of Power's Enterprises at 5114-50th Street.

CONTACT NUMBERS

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| ATCO (natural gas) | (403) 310-5678 |
| DIRECT ENERGY (natural gas retailer) | 1-866-420-3174 |
| FORTIS ALBERTA (electricity) | (403) 310-9473 |
| EPCOR (electricity retailer) | (403) 310-4300 |
| TELUS (telephone) | (403) 342-6111 |
| PERSONA (cable TV) | 1-800-465-1000 |
| ALBERTA ONE CALL | 1-800-242-3447 |
| PERMIT INFORMATION LINE | 1-866-421-6929 |
| ALBERTA PERMIT PRO | (403) 343-2777 |
| IJD (permits) | (403) 346-6533 |

TOWN OF ECKVILLE

Town Office

5023-51st Avenue, P.O. Box 578, Eckville, AB T0M 0X0

Phone: (403) 746-2171 Fax: (403) 746-2900 Website: www.eckville.com

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (closed between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m.)

Property Taxes

Taxes are levied in late May or early June and are due by August 31. Property owners have the option of signing up for a Tax Prepayment Plan. Automatic debit is also available. Please inquire at the Town Office.

Utilities – Water/Sewer/Garbage

Town utilities are billed bimonthly (every 2 months). Presently, a flat rate is charged for residential properties, while most commercial properties are metered.

| Monthly Base Rate | Residential | Commercial |
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| Water | \$11.70 | \$14.05 |
| Sewer | \$16.80 | \$17.40 |
| Garbage | \$20.50 | \$29.55 |
| | | \$88.65 (three X weekly) |

Residential garbage pick-up is Wednesday. Commercial garbage pick-up is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Streets with a back alley have large garbage bins which are shared by four to six residence or businesses. Residents on streets without back allies are provided with individual garbage totes. The following items are not to be put into garbage bins or totes:

Wood / plywood / 2 X 4s

Building materials

TVs, microwaves

Paint cans

Rugs, carpets

Furniture

Metal

Used oil

Computer components

Propane bottles

Car batteries/tires/parts

Tree branches/compost

Waste Transfer Site

The Waste Transfer Site is located East off Highway 766 on Rainy Creek Road.

Phone: (403) 746-5740

Hours of Operation: Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 am. To 6:00 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Building / Development

Building and/or development permits are required for most construction. Please inquire at the Town Office.

Town Bylaws

The Town of Eckville Bylaws can be viewed at the Town Office or on the website at www.eckville.com.

Eckville Community Centre

Community hall bookings are taken at the Town Office.

TOWN OF ECKVILLE FEES

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| Business License | \$20 |
| Dog / Cat Licenses | \$20 (spayed / neutered) - \$15 before 01/31 \$40 - \$30 before 01/31 |
| Development Permits | \$50 |
| Building Permits | Based on cost of project |

Frequently Used Numbers

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| Arena | 746-2033 |
| Community Health Centre | 746-2201 |
| Dog Catcher (Animal Services) | 347-2388 |
| Eckville Elementary School | 746-2297 |
| Eckville Junior/Senior High School | 746-2236 |
| Eckville Medical Clinic | 746-2002 |
| Eckville Municipal Library | 746-3240 |
| Eckville Town Office | 746-2171 |
| Eckville Public Works | 746-2335 |
| Waste Transfer Station | 746-5740 |

Community Services

(Information, Referral, Youth Foundation, Adult Day Support, Summer Programs,
Santa's Anonymous, Preventative Programming/Funding)

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| Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) | 746-3177 |
| Neighborhood Place | 746-2446 |

Helpful Numbers

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| Emergency | 911 |
| Parent Help Line | 1-888-603-9100 |
| Kids Help Phone | 1-800-668-6868 |
| Crises Help Line | 1-800-779-5057 |
| RCMP / Victim Services | (403) 887-3334 |

TOWN OF ECKVILLE

Animal Licensing Guidelines

A Pet Owner Shall...

- Obtain a license for all pets from January to December and renew each year
- Provide pet with a collar to affix license tag which shall be worn when pet is off premises
- Replace lost license tags
- Ensure no more than two (2) cats and two (2) dogs per residence
- Inform Town Office if pet no longer resides at residence

A Pet Owner is Guilty of an Offence if...

- Owner fails to obtain license for pet
- Pet is off owner premises without a collar or license tag
- Owner harbours more than two (2) cats and two (2) dogs
- Pet is female and in heat, yet not confined in owner residence
- Pet defecates on any public or private property other than that of its owner if owner fails to immediately remove such defecation
- Pet is allowed on any school ground, playground, or parkland
- Pet barks or howls so as to cause disturbance
- Pet causes damage to public or private property
- Pet chases or threatens any person, animal, bicycle, or motor vehicle
- Pet attacks or bites any person or animal

Bylaw Enforcement may Seize and Impound...

- Every pet running at large
- Every pet without a collar and tag while off the premises of owner
- Every pet found on a parkland
- Every female pet in heat not confined and housed
- Where there are more than two (2) cats and two (2) dogs harboured, may request such pets to be removed, within a reasonable time

Fees and Facts...

Male/Female Pet \$40
Neutered/Spayed Pet \$20

Fees reduced if paid prior to January 31:

Male/Female Pet \$30
Neutered/Spayed Pet \$15

- It is the responsibility of the owner of any pet to provide a veterinarian certificate indicating the pet has been neutered or spayed.
- If the license is purchased in December, the amount paid shall be for the following year.
- If the license tag is lost, it can be replaced by the Town for \$2.
- Any new resident or first-time pet owner shall pay the same rates.
- Pet licenses are not transferrable.
- No pet owner shall be entitled to a license rebate.

Penalties...

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| Fail to obtain pet license | \$50 |
| Pet fails to wear collar with tag | \$50 |
| More than two (2) cats or dogs | \$50 |
| Pet running at large | \$50 |
| Fail to confine female in heat | \$50 |
| Fail to remove defecation | \$50 |
| Pet on parkland/playground | \$50 |
| Permit pet to bark or howl | \$50 |
| Damage to property | \$50 |
| Chase or threaten | \$100 |
| Bite person or animal | \$250 |
| Interfere with enforcement | \$50 |
| More than two (2) livestock | \$50 |

Remember....

All pet licensing information is kept on file and forwarded to Bylaw Enforcement at Alberta Animal Services and updated regularly.

If you no longer own a pet that was previously licensed, it is important that you inform the Town of Eckville or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer may issue you a ticket for an unlicensed pet that no longer exists.



FAMILY & COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

“Where People are the Difference”

F.C.S.S. sponsors and/or provides funding for community-based programs, services, and social initiatives with a focus on prevention that enhances the well-being of individuals, families, and the community as a whole. F.C.S.S. is funded through a partnership between the Province of Alberta and the Town of Eckville.

Contact: Heather Allen, FCSS Director, Box 39, Eckville, AB T0M 0X0
Phone: (403) 746-3177 Fax: (403) 746-2900 Email: fcss@pent.net

Hours of Operation: Monday to Thursday from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

FCSS....

- Is preventative in nature
- Enhances, strengthens and stabilizes family and community life
- Helps people develop interpersonal and group skills which enhance relationships.
- Helps people to develop independence and strengthens coping skills
- Promotes volunteerism
- Encourages and facilitates cooperation and coordination
- Promotes, encourages, and facilitates the development of stronger communities
- Promotes citizen participation
- Enables local decision making

SERVICES

Information & Referral

Information regarding programs and services for seniors and families (both locally and regionally) is available at the FCSS office.

Lifeline

A personal, emergency response system designed for use by the elderly, ill, or disabled so they can remain in their own homes.

Assist with Completing Forms

Federal / Provincial forms, income tax, etc.

Food Bank

Hours of Operation: Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

After house emergency: (403) 746-3131

Eckville Food Bank Policy: The maximum number of hampers in a 12-month period is 12, depending on the client's situation. There should be at least 4 weeks between hampers.

All clients must provide identification for everyone in the household. We will accept AHC cards, but prefer picture ID for adults and birth certificates for children. All clients must provide verification of income with AISH/SFI card, pay stub, Government assistance documents. All clients must provide proof of address with a current piece of mail or a lease agreement. If a client requests a hamper and has reached the maximum and persists in asking for

one and/or claims dire need, the final decision will be made at the discretion of the Eckville Food Bank. Please contact the FCSS office for more information at (403) 746-3177.

Limited funds are also available to community groups and organizations for projects within the FCSS mandate. For more information, contact the FCSS office at (403)746-3177.

PLEASE NOTE: FCSS does not provide direct financial assistance to sustain an individual or family, i.e., provision of food, clothing, shelter, or financial aid. These are ineligible for FCSS funding.

Eckville FCSS is also affiliated with and/or provides funding for the following:

- Eckville Adult Day Support Program
- Eckville Community Youth Society
- Eckville Interagency Committee
- Eckville Children's Playgroup
- Eckville Playschool
- Eckville Santa's Anonymous
- Eckville Community Development Association
- Volunteer Training & Appreciation
- Fall Registration Fair
- Seniors Programs
- Youth Programs
- Educational & Awareness Workshops
- Eckville Community Calendar
- Eckville Greeter Package
- Eckville Parent Link

"Prevention is the single most important domestic activity this Nation can engage in today!"

Jack Pransky

The following information is also easily accessible on our Website:

**Town of Eckville – Agendas, Minutes, Bylaws, Policies, Calendar, Contact
Community – Links, Photo Gallery, Calendar**

Business - Directories (alphabetized/categorized), Licensing

Town of Eckville Maps – Civic, Planning & Development