TOWN OF LEADER NEWS BULLETIN - September 2025

Council and the Town Office have been busy initiating a few projects during the first half of 2025. Sharing the progress and implementation of these projects is part of Council's duty to remain transparent and keep tax payers informed about the ongoing efforts to improve infrastructure and strength the community.

- 1. Water Main Renewal Plan All departments of the Town have been working with ASI Engineers to create a plan for replacing the ageing waterlines throughout town. The plan is complete and is entering the next phase which is presenting the plan to the residents and businesses of Leader. The Town will be hosting a Town Hall in the fall to present the plan and to have a discussion with those in attendance on how this will impact property owners and the different financing possibilities. The plan cost the Town \$18,000 but will be of great benefit to the proper execution of the line replacement and assist greatly when applying for grant funding.
- 2. **Manhole Restoration** New Line Technologies was in Town the last week of August to complete restoration repairs on 10 manholes that the Public Works Department have deemed to be in the greatest need. The repairs will cost \$35,500 and lengthen the useful life of these assets.
- 3. Water Test Wells The Town has contracted Beckie Hydrogeologists to conduct a ground water investigation for potential infiltration wells to be utilized by the Town of Leader. This project has come to light due to the continued low water levels in the South Sask. River and the concerns over a secure water supply for the Town. Up to six test wells will be drilled along the river, looking for water being supplied by river aquifers. The initial cost of the hydrogeological work and test drilling will cost the Town \$146,000. The Water Security Agency has offered the Town funding in the form of a 50/50 cost share up to a maximum amount of \$99,500. This will bring down the total cost for the Town to \$73,000. If the wells are successful, Council will be considering the next stage of developing the wells for operation.
- 4. Housing Incentive Policy Council is aware of the lack of housing, especially rentals, within the Town of Leader. They know the importance of having these developments available to attract and retain residents and workers. With this knowledge, they are actively creating a housing incentive policy that will, hopefully, attract developers and interested parties to develop these housing needs in Leader. The Policy presents incentives such as tax abatements, capital grants, and guarantee of service installations around the property. Council continues to work at building this Policy and will have a final draft available in the coming months. To compliment the Housing Incentive Policy, Council is also reviewing a Housing Reserve Fund Policy to ensure that funding is in place to cover the costs these initiatives offer.
- 5. **Compaction Policy** Council is working with ASI Engineers to prepare a Compaction Policy for use when the Public Works Department and outside contractors excavate under the roadways in Leader. Proper compaction is vital to the integrity of the asphalt that is laid over these excavated sites. There will be two different components with this policy that deal with small excavated sites versus large excavated sites (i.e waterline replacements). This policy was a \$4,000 investment by the Town to address concerns over sinking and failing road conditions.
- 6. **Additional Healthcare Housing** Council was approached by the Leader & District Healthcare Foundation to assist with the purchase of an additional residence to be used by new doctors and other healthcare practitioners when they move to Leader. The Town of Leader contributed \$30,000 towards the purchase of this property.

The Town of Leader Council continues to work on addressing the needs of taxpayers. Council members can be contacted by email, listed on page 3 of this bulletin.

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TOWN OF LEADER

GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICK-UP SCHEDULE

July 2025

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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September 2025

October 2025

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November 2025

December 2025

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GARBAGE PICK UP

RECYCLE PICK UP

ELECTRONIC WASTE DROP-OFF

(Town Shop, 302 Hwy 21 S 9am-noon & 1pm-5pm)

TRANSFER STATION HOURS OF OPERATION

Summer Hours (Apr 1 - Oct 31) (closed on STAT holidays) Mon & Wed: 2:00 - 6:00

Mon & Wed: 2:00 - 6:00 Sat: 10:00 - 12:00 & 1:00 - 6:30 Winter Hours (Nov 1 - Mar 31) (closed on STAT holidays)

Wed & Sat: 1:00 - 4:30

TRANSFER STATION HOURS OF OPERATION

Summer Hours (Apr 1 - Oct 31)

Mon & Wed: 2pm - 6pm Sat: 10am - Noon & 1pm - 6:30pm

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday- 8:30am - Noon & 1:00pm - 4:30pm Closed Weekends & Stat Holidays

GARBAGE PICK-UP

Please have your bin on the street by 7:00am.

Tuesday, September 2

Tuesday, September 16

Tuesday, September 30

RECYCLING PICK-UP

Please have your bin on the street by 7:00am.

Thursday, September 4
Thursday, September 18

ELECTRONIC WASTE DROP-OFF

(Town Shop - 302 Highway 21 South / 9am - noon & 1pm - 5pm)

Monday, September 29

Council News

The latest minutes from Leader Town council

July 15, 2025

The regular meeting of Council was held on July 15th with Mayor Aaron Wenzel, Councillors Dustin Heatcoat, Riley Feiffer, Dustin Bischoff, Craig Tondevold, Isabelle Blohm and John-Mark Bredeson, and Administrator Erin Romanuik.

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm, the agenda was approved, and the minutes of the June 17 regular meeting and the June 25 Recreation meeting were approved as presented.

Mrs. Rhona Clary entered the Council Chambers at 7:15 pm to provide an update on the construction of the walking trail and exited the Chambers at 7:25 pm.

It was moved to enter into an agreement with the Water Security Agency for grant funding to assist in the cost of drilling test water wells along the South Saskatchewan River. This funding agreement shall cover 50% of the costs, up to \$99,500.00.

The Mayor received approval to write a letter to the R.C.M.P. stating Council's concerns over the continued staffing shortage a the Leader Detachment.

Council reviewed and approved the recipient list for the Towns allotted Sask. Lottery Funds.

The insurance policy was reviewed and the CAO was directed to make the noted changes to the policy.

Council convened to a closed session at 8:40 pm to discuss matters in regards to Human Resources. They reconvened to regular session at 9:01 pm.

The Financial Report was accepted as presented, capital and general accounts are to be paid and the correspondence was read.

Bylaw No. 03/25 being a bylaw of the Town of Leader to regulate the keeping of chickens in an urban area was introduced and given a first reading.

Mayor Wenzel adjourned the meeting at 9:47pm.

August 5, 2025

The regular meeting of Council was held on August 5th with Mayor Aaron Wenzel, Councillors Dustin Heatcoat, Riley Feiffer, Dustin Bischoff and John-Mark Bredeson, and Administrator Erin Romanuik.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, the agenda was approved, and the minutes of the July 15 regular meeting and the June 24 General Government meeting were approved as presented.

Council approved and declared that the Annual Waterworks Information was prepared on July 29 and the information has been provided to consumers.

It was moved to increase the wage for the Tourist Booth Operator by fifty cents per hour in accordance with the application made to the Canada Summer Jobs funding.

Council convened to a closed session at 8:07 pm to discuss matters in regards to Human Resources. They reconvened to regular session at 8:27 pm.

The Administrator Report was accepted, the Financial Report was accepted as presented, capital and general accounts are to be paid and the correspondence was read.

Mayor Wenzel adjourned the meeting at 8:49pm.



Isabelle Blohm

Council Contacts

Committee Chair Aaron Wenzel wenzel@leader.ca Councillors Dustin Heatcoat heatcoat@leader.ca Riley Feiffer feiffer@leader.ca **Dustin Bischoff** bischoff@leader.ca Craig Tondevold tondevold@leader.ca

John-Mark Bredeson <u>bredeson@leader.ca</u>

blohm@leader.ca

General Government **Protective Services** Transportation Environmental Recreation Utilities



An evening to display/sell art pieces from our local artistic talent.
Looking for all types of art, crafts, knitting etc. Please text/call Lee 306-628-7887 to book.

Wednesday 3rd September,2025 5:00pm-7:00pm

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These are personal matters that should first be addressed through respectful conversation:

- Noise between set quiet hours (e.g. music, parties)
- Fence disagreements (placement, maintenance, etc.)
- Tree branches overhanging property lines
- Parking in front of homes (unless violating specific bylaws)
- Pets on private property (unless aggressive or creating a repeated nuisance)

Tip: Most of these can be resolved with a friendly conversation before involving the Town.

Town-Related Concerns

These are issues that fall under Town bylaws and regulations. Please contact the Town Office if you have concerns about:

- Nuisance properties (e.g. excessive junk, uncut grass, unsafe structures)
- Unlicensed or derelict vehicles on private property
- Excessive noise during quiet hours, or frequent disturbances
- Animal control (e.g. stray, aggressive, or excessive number of pets)
- Parking violations or blocking of driveways/alleys
- Untidy or unsightly yards that may affect public health or safety
- Burning complaints, illegal fires, or smoke nuisances
- · Zoning, building without permits, or bylaw enforcement

Need Help? If you're unsure where your concern fits, please contact the Town Office. We're happy to help clarify and direct your concern to the right place.

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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS TOWN OF LEADER OFFICE SEPTEMBER1-23, 2025













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FOR SALE BY TENDER

(deadline amended)

The Town of Leader is now accepting tenders from interested parties for the sale of Public Works Vehicles as listed below. All bids may be subject to GST and PST. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

Bidders are responsible for verifying the condition and operation of the vehicle prior to bidding. The vehicle is **sold as Is, where Is** with no warranties.

The deadline for receipt of tenders is September 10, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Tenders must be sealed and marked "2009 GMC Sierra Tender". Tenders are to be sent

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2000	CMC	Sierra	1500

Details:

- Automatic, 5.3 L gas engine
- 4x4
- Regular cab with 8' box
- 277,530 km
- VIN #1GTEK14C09Z121842

Condition:

Body is in poor condition; Engine and drive train in fair condition

Location:

Leader, SK – Town of Leader Public Works Shop

Viewing:

Available for viewing between 9:00 am - 4:30 pm; call 306-628-3868







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2001 Ford F150 XLT

Details:

- Automatic, 4.6 L gas engine
- Rear wheel drive
- 4x4
- Extended cab with 6' box
- 210,770 km
- VIN #2FTRX17WX1CA65743

 Body, engine, and drive train in poor condition

Condition:

Leader, SK – Town of Leader Public Works Shop

Viewing:

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PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN

NOW HIRING

The Town of Leader is currently seeking applications for the position of PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN.

Qualifications Required:

- Valid Class 5 driver's license
- Working knowledge of computers
- Experience with supervision and management of staff
- Water Treatment Distribution Level 2 certification*

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- Waste Water Treatment & Collection Level 1 certification*
- Supervisory Certificate*
- WHIMIS, TDG, Confined Spaces and Ground Disturbance*

*Denotes qualifications that may be obtained within the first two years of employment.

This is a full-time, permanent position with full benefits. The wage scale for this position is in accordance with the Town of Leader/SEIU-West Collective Agreement. The successful candidate will be required to enroll in the SEIU-West Union.

Applications for this position will be received until a suitable candidate is hired and can be sent to: cao@leader.ca.

We thank all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

A COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTION CAN BE OBTAINED BY VISITING WWW.LEADER.CA OR BY CALLING THE TOWN OFFICE AT 306-628-3868.

Urban Hen Bylaw Update

The Urban Hen Bylaw was read a second time at the August 19 Council Meeting. The Bylaw received a motion to be read a third and final time, however the motion was not seconded. The motion was declared lost and did not proceed to discuss or vote.

This Bylaw has been defeated.





LEADER TRANSFER STATION

www.leader.ca

The Transfer Station bins have been filling up quickly lately, costing the Town approx. \$900 each time a bin is emptied.

It is important that users of the Transfer Station are separating the materials they are disposing of. **Metal and wood must be removed from all items** before being placed in the bins. The metal and wood have separate disposal areas at the Transfer Station.

Those caught improperly disposing of materials will be charged a clean up fee and risk having their access to the facility revoked.

LEADER RESIDENTS & SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

The WSCH Ladies Auxiliary of Leader, Sask. is moving forward with their intent to resurface the main patio area with rubber paving at the Leader & District Integrated Healthcare Facility - Long Term Care. This patio is adjacent and accessed through the main activity room at the Senior's home and has disintegrated to the point of becoming a potential tripping hazard. The Auxiliary would also like to move forward with the purchase of new patio chairs that are user friendly for the residents with mobility issues. If anyone would like to donate to this much needed upgrade, the Seniors and Auxiliary would be extremely grateful and tax receipts will be issued. Thank you in advance! Please contact any auxiliary member or Della at 628-7593.

Secretary/Treasurer Della Mertin



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, September 8
7:00 pm
Leader Community Hall
Meeting Room



Minor Hockey parents not in attendance will have a \$50 fee added to their child's hockey registration.

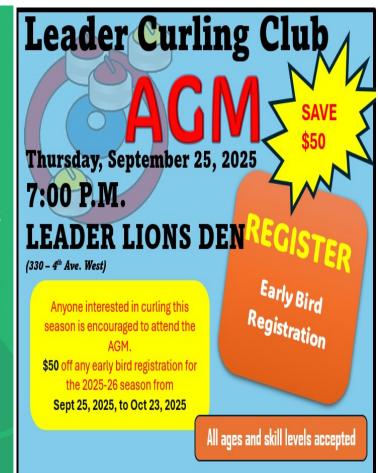
Leader Eco Centre



Drop Off Courtesies

Before dropping off used oil, antifreeze, filters and plastics containers at the Leader Eco Centre please consider the following courtesies:

- Confirm what materials are accepted;
- Inquire about the availability of a drum pump, if needed;
- Ask the Attendant if the amount of your used oil is too large for the facility, if so please contact a Registered Collector who can arrange pick-up at your place.
- Ensure your used oil is not contaminated with such things as water, anti-freeze, paint or solvent.



Welcome
back to
school
students,
teachers
and staff!



WHAT'S HAPPENING A column used to promote non-profit community events as well as a bonus promo for our advertisers. If you would like to have your non-profit event listed here please contact the Town Office. Summer Reading Club Library Dollars need to be spent by September 5. Leader Library Hours starting Sept 1: Mon: 1pm-6pm, Tues, Wed & Thurs: 9am-noon & 1pm-5pm, Fri: 9am-noon & 1pm-4pm Sept 16 Kaleidoscope Book Club - Leader Library - 7pm Foodbank Day - To register or for more information please call: 639-932-7446 Sept 18 Sept 18 Member BBQ (Potluck salad & desserts) - Leader Friendship Centre - 6pm Sept 22 Soup Day - Leader Friendship Centre—11:30am—1:00pm Sept 24 Bingo - Leader Friendship Centre - Doors Open @ 6:15pm, Bingo Starts @ 7:00pm