



RESORT VILLAGE OF THODE

...your community news

WELCOME SPRING 2012

TIME FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE

◆ Save the Date - May 26, 2012, 10:00am – 2:00pm ◆

A 'Town Hall' meeting is planned for the residents of the Resort Village of Thode and will be held May 26, 2012 at the Shields Hall.

Council, Administration, our staff and the Mayor will be on hand to share their experiences, to also present a snapshot of the accomplishments and a review of the current state of the Village, We face numerous challenges together and we also are fortunate that we also have many opportunities to build a stronger, better and more sustainable community.

We are a small community which itself adds to the quality of life we enjoy however it also causes other issues and constraints. Let's discuss the Vision for our Community and consider our future together. We will present some ideas for the planning process and options for building in the Village in the future. The opportunities, risks and choices we must make in the near term should be considered by all of us and not just Council.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS CONTINUE TO COME IN

The work to develop the entire recreational area in the vicinity of the Village Centre has moved from ideas to actual planning. The concept being presented will take in the range of three to seven years to complete all phases. Council has reviewed concept drawings and is awaiting final changes to the plan.

Some of the plans under review include:

- all season Sport Courts north of the Village Centre for basketball, skating, hockey, badminton and tennis
- tiered decking north and lakeside up to the Village Centre with deck lighting and natural gas heat supply for outdoor events and private functions,
- Washroom facility upgrades and change rooms in the area of the Sport Courts equipped with heat, power and washing services.
- upgraded children's Water Park to be relocated to the southwest of the Village Centre
- Improved, landscaped and expanded beach area with larger swim area Covered band shell adjacent to the beach area and children's Waterpark for seating and shading
- Improvements to lighting, landscaping, stairways and accessibility for strollers and wheelchair access.

We are hoping to continue improvements to make this a better community with more amenities for our families to enjoy and we have established a Community Building Fund and will form a Committee to manage the fundraising and the implementation of the plan without relying on taxes from our community. To date we have raised over \$37,000 and are applying for various matching grants. For more information on how to contribute and the tax savings you may receive please call Jessie at 492-2259.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR COMMUNITY

...we keep looking better and we've only started

Mayor and Council for the Resort Village of Thode wishes to thank all of you that have helped make our community better. All of Council seeks what is best for our community and while some might feel that we don't adequately address their individual concerns we are always reminded that we must always act in the best interests of the community.

While we have seen some changes in recent years and some that required more adjustment than others, many of those changes are bearing fruit.

- Little things like adding lights and stairs at the Village Centre make public services more accessible and safer.
- More use of the Storage Site makes roads more accessible and cleared the south access and Crown lands so that egress in an emergency is available.

ROAD RESURFACING BEING COORDINATED

Please continue to help and keep our streets clear of all vehicles and obstructions to provide ample clearance for road maintenance and garbage removal as well as school bus access.

Cooperation from the community in this regard has been outstanding.

THANK YOU FROM THE STAFF AND COUNCIL

GET CONNECTED!!

Currently about 83% of the village is registered to receive Council minutes, updates and info by email. If you would like to receive this information and your newsletter electronically, please forward your email address to Jessie at

THODE@XPLORNET.CA

RECYCLING WORKS

Our bottle shed is secure again. An opening has been created on the side for you to place your refundable beverage containers. Proceeds will be used to support various community initiatives such as Angel Park equipment, recreational area improvements and enhancements to walking trails and our green spaces.

Other recyclable materials may be placed in the big green bin:

- **Includes:** milk jugs and cartons, detergent bottles, plastic bags and clean food wrap (place inside another bag and tie closed), windshield washer fluid bottles, tetra-pak boxes, tin cans, glass jars or bottles, juice containers, yogurt and margarine containers
 - **Containers** – please rinse and remove all caps and lids, place into the bin loose – do not bag or tie (except plastic bags)
 - **Plastic containers** must have the recycling arrows and a number inside
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- **Items Not Allowed:** motor oil jugs, plastic toys, outdoor lawn furniture, contaminated food wrap, plastic or wire clothes hangers, hazardous chemicals, glass cups or dishes, ashtrays, window glass, auto parts and scrap metals, Styrofoam, plastic pipe, light bulbs, batteries, plastic containers without the recycling arrow and a number inside
 - **Paper and Cardboard** – *please do not bag or tie*
 - **Includes:** newspapers, magazines, catalogues, office paper, envelopes with or without windows, junk mail, cardboard, cereal boxes, tissue boxes, paper towel cores, bathroom tissue cores, paper bags, gift wrap, telephone books, hardcover books with covers and spine removed
 - **Items Not Allowed:** soiled tissues, napkins or paper towel, Styrofoam, waxed paper, food contaminated paper or cardboard, garbage, organics, shredded or confetti paper

NEW LAUNCH GATE AND SECURITY

This spring a new gate has now been installed at the launch site and all users with valid permits that have paid in full for 2011 and 2012 will receive a new key for the locking system. We will change the gate and key system and issue new secure keys free of charge to permitted dock owners. Residents requiring a key for the launch access that don't have a dock site will pay the same \$100.00 for their key each year. Boathouse owners will not be charged for a key.

WASTE WATER PROJECT UPDATE

Many residents are still planning to connect to the sewer system. However, some of the curb stop valves might be inaccessible. Please contact the office so that the Facilities Coordinator can be on site when your contractor is scheduled to connect to the line.

WATER SYSTEM LINES SHOWING AGE

Our water distribution system had recorded consumption of nearly a million gallons of water that is unaccounted for. We repaired some significant leaks in the system this past year, expect more repairs ahead and we continue to monitor consumption data. If you currently have grey water lines please disconnect them. The Village, Sask Ministry of Environment and Saskatoon District Health are using this data to find leaks and/or grey water lines and will be advising of further inspections planned for June or this year.

Speed Limit in our Village

20 KPH

Please drive carefully

VILLAGE CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS, SECURITY, SAFE ACCESS AND LIGHTING *...accessibility and safety key among the Mayor's concerns*

Since 2009, the Mayor and this Council sought to add improvements to the Angel Park area. Parking was added along with two sets of stairs and area lighting. This was intended to allow better access for families and children, parents with strollers and wheelchairs. Obviously, the lighting was intended to enhance the safety of the area.

Our Facilities Coordinator has noticed there has been unauthorised access to the Centre. We have changed the locks to the Centre and are asking our electrician to ensure that there are no faults with breakers or sensors on the new lights. If there are concerns in the future, residents are asked to forward these concerns to Jessie Williams at 306.492.2259 or email to thode@xplornet.ca

STORAGE COMPOUND ACCESS

Council has approved a program to allow paid users of the storage compound to have key access. New locks and 'do not copy' keys are being ordered and you will be contacted when the keys are in. Administration is updating the storage site use agreements and will be requiring a security deposit for the keys. We hope this will offer more convenience for the users of the storage site.

We are also planning for a treed shelter belt and improved fencing around the storage area. It might be possible to begin transplanting trees that we have in our nursery as they had been donated with such needs in mind. Thank you to all the users that have been assisting in keeping the storage and recycling area clean.

BINS IN THE STORAGE COMPOUND ARE FOR RECYCLING ONLY. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY GARBAGE OR HOUSE HOLD WASTE IN OR AROUND THE PUMP HOUSE OR STORAGE AREA



ANGEL PARK *Improvements*







SPORT COURT AND ANGEL PARK UPGRADES
THE FIRST \$50,000 RAISED ALLOWS US TO APPLY FOR MATCHING FUNDING

MULTI USE SPORT COURT WILL INCLUDE HOCKEY AND SKATING RINK, BADMINTON, TENNIS AND BASKETBALL COURTS

PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS, A WADING POOL AND BEACH REVITALIZATION ARE ALSO BEING PROPOSED FOR ANGEL PARK ACCESS, STAIRS AND DECK IMPROVEMENTS ARE PLANNED AS WELL RECEIPTS FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES WILL BE PROVIDED DONATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY BUILDING FUND ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

 *Building a Better Community Together* 

YOUR DONATION TO THE BUILDING FUND AND ANGEL PARK PROJECT IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE. PLEASE CALL 492-2259, AND HELP US BUILD A BETTER COMMUNITY FOR OUR FAMILIES

DO YOU WANT TO JOIN A WINNING TEAM THAT COMMITS TO BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY? THEN WE WANT YOU BE PART OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. PLEASE CALL US AT 492-2259 TO JOIN!

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Council Meetings

Village Centre at 7:00 pm the
Fourth Thursday of each month unless
otherwise notified pursuant to bylaws

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

**TOWN HALL MEETING MAY 26, 2012, AT
SHIELDS HALL AT 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Council Members

Mayor:	Alan Thomarat	492-4637
Deputy:	Cheryl Reid	492-2235
Councillor:	Julie Pineault	492-4941
Councillor:	Tom Boehm	492-2324
Councillor:	Bert Wowchuk	955-2040

Chief Administrative Officer:
Jessie Williams 492-2259

Facilities & Operations Co-ordinator
Michael Grant 492-2205
Mobile 717-3271

VILLAGE CENTRE RENTAL INFORMATION:

Resident Rental Fee - \$100 Plus a \$250 damage deposit is required. The damage deposit will be refunded if the Centre is cleaned after use. Rental agreements are available at the office. .

FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT 492-2259

**OFFICE HOURS – PART TIME
MONDAY TO FRIDAY ONLY**

*To make an appointment please call
Jessie Williams at 492-2259*

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Council Assignments

Finance and Administration

Mayor Thomarat

- * Planning and development
- * Government Relations
- * Accounting/Treasurer
- * Communications (external)
- * Newsletter/Website support

Deputy Mayor Reid

- * Dock Management/Fishing huts
- * Committee liaison and recruitment
- * Bylaw Review Coordinator
- * Greenscape Committee
- * Water and DRWU representative

Community Relations

Councillor Pineault

- * Public Safety, RCMP Liaison
- * Social Committee
- * Fire Department, BEST, EMO
- * Emergency Measures

Utility Services and Facilities

Councillor Boehm

- * Village Centre and Playground
- * Waste Water Management
- * Snow Fence/Ice Rink
- * Shore line preservation

Parks and Environment

Councillor Wowchuk

- * Garbage and Recycling
- * Parks Maintenance *
- * Animal Control
- * Road Maintenance/Parking

*For information regarding Council, Committees,
reports and financials as well as Council minutes
please visit our website at
www.resortvillageofthode.ca*

PLANNING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

SAVE THE DATE

May 26, 2012

Shield Hall

10:00am – 2:00pm



**A Thode Town Hall
Vision & Planning
Our Future Together
Building for Tomorrow**



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FELLOWSHIP -- PRIZES -- LUNCH -- GOLF -- GREAT COMPANY

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