

# NOBLE NEWS

MARCH 2025

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**March 11:**

Regular Council Meeting

**March 25:**

Regular Council Meeting

## IMPORTANT DATES

**March 9:**

Day light Saving Time Begins:  
Set clock 1 Hour forward

**March 13:**

Job Fair

**March 30:**

Utilities Due

## CAO's Message



Well, first fake Spring came and went as we started March with an absolutely beautiful weekend! I hope you all were able to enjoy the weather and get outside. Don't forget to Spring ahead March 9<sup>th</sup> with Daylight Savings!

The Picture Butte Chamber of Commerce is putting on a Job Fair on March 13, at the Nobleford Community Complex. Doors open at 4:00 pm and it goes until 7:00 pm. Come down and see what great opportunities are out there!

Have you ever considered running for Council? While it is a large commitment, it is also very rewarding experience. Elected officials have an opportunity to have their voices heard by representing the interests of the residents of Nobleford. Come to the office to get a nomination package or visit our website for more information.

If you are eligible to vote this year, please visit [voterlink.ab.ca](http://voterlink.ab.ca) to register to vote. It is an easy process that takes very little time now, but can save you a lot of time on election day!

Do not hesitate to contact me at [cao@nobleford.ca](mailto:cao@nobleford.ca), or feel free to chat with me in person at the Town office. My door is always open!

Steven Leusink, CPA, CA  
Chief Administrative Officer



## Councillor's Corner

2025 is shaping up to be an interesting year! What do we need to throw into the mix to make it even more interesting? How about a municipal election? Are you considering joining the Town Council? Let me give you a quick rundown of the election process, roles and responsibilities of a Town Councillor, and my own experience after being on council for almost 2 full terms.

First and foremost, to be eligible for election you must be eligible to vote, have been a resident of the local jurisdiction for six months before nomination day, and not be ineligible for other reasons under the elections act. I strongly encourage anyone interested to go down to the town office and pick up a nomination package. Everything you need to know about the election and running for Town Council is available to all residents. The deadline to submit your nomination papers is September 22, 2025. Election day will be October 20, 2025 and the election results will be announced October 24, 2025.

The responsibility of a Town Councillor is to represent members of the community, create policies and bylaws, direct economic growth, consider and contribute to the community strategic plan, and finally to attend council meetings and committee meetings. If there is one thing I could say about the responsibility of a councillor, however, is that they must consider the welfare of every member of the municipality. I have learned that there are challenges and rewards to being an elected official. Some of the rewards include: contributing to the growth of the town, adding value to discussions about policy and the strategic plan, participating in conferences and meeting other councillors from all over Alberta, and learning about governance and representing my community. Some challenges include: representing myself authentically but also considering what's best for the town, dealing with criticism from different outlets such as social media, and sometimes the time commitments are restricting.

If you are considering running for a seat on town council, please feel free to attend council meetings, reach out to the CAO Steven Leusink at the Town office, or even contact me if you have any questions. I would be happy to answer questions and share more about my experience as a two-term elected official.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Jensen



## Public Notices

- Thinking about running for Town Council? Nominations are now open, stop by the Town Office to pickup a nomination package.
- The 2025 Garbage Collection schedule is now available on the Town's website under "Resident Information".

**JOB FAIR**

03/13/2025  
4:00PM - 7:00PM

Location  
122 KIPP STREET  
NOBLEFORD  
COMMUNITY COMPLEX

Phone number  
403-824-3555

Website  
WWW.PICTUREBUTTECHAMBERS.CA

**2025 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME INFO**

*Spring Forward*

March 9, 2025  
at 2:00 am

\* Clock moves an hour ahead. \* Check and replace smoke detector batteries.



# CAREGIVER CAFÉ

## WHAT

In this class, parents/caregivers will meet new friends and be part of meaningful conversations about parenting and child development.  
Komm to spazieren und mit deinen Kindern spielen.

## WHEN

**Mondays, March 10 - May 26**  
**10:00-11:30 am**  
(No class April 21 & May 19)

## WHERE

**Nobleford FCSS**  
231 King Street, Nobleford

## REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Childcare available.  
**Susy**  
403-915-7136 Text / Call /   
Susy.Hiebert@fcss.ca



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# STAY & PLAY

## WHAT

In this drop-in program, parents/caregivers and their children 0-6 years, engage together in self-guided and structured play, which encourages healthy attachment and development.

## WHEN

**Thursdays, January 16 - June 26**  
**9:30-11:30 am**

## WHERE

**Nobleford FCSS**  
231 King Street, Nobleford

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Susy**  
403-915-7136 Text / Call /   
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# SENIOR SPEAKERS SERIES

## WHAT

The speaker series are offered by the FCSS Senior Services team in collaboration with local organizations. The purpose of these presentations is to strengthen and enrich the well-being in rural seniors.

**Presentation Topic: Power of Attorney & Estate Planning**  
Presented by Stringam Law

## WHEN

**Monday, March 10**  
**10:30 - 11:30 am**

## WHERE

**Picture Butte Community Centre**  
607 Hwy Avenue N, Picture Butte

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Cindy**  
403-915-7063  
Cindy.Laww@fcss.ca



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# DO CREW JR

## WHAT

In this program, **youth ages 11-14**, will develop skills in leadership, communication, and teamwork. Youth will then apply those skills by volunteering in their community.

## WHEN

**Tuesdays, January 21 - June 17**  
**3:30 - 5:00 pm**

## WHERE

**Nobleford FCSS**  
231 King St, Nobleford, AB

## REGISTRATION REQUIRED

**Madison**  
587-394-2187  
Madison.Hanson@fcss.ca



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# DROP-IN TAX CLINIC

## WHAT

FREE drop-in tax support for basic, non-complex tax returns.

**No appointment necessary.**

Income threshold eligibility:

FAMILY SIZE	TOTAL FAMILY INCOME
1 person.....	\$35,000
2 persons.....	\$45,000
3 persons.....	\$47,500
4 persons.....	\$50,000
5 persons.....	\$52,500
More than 5 persons.....	\$52,500 plus \$2,500 for each additional person

## WHEN

• **Fridays from 1:00 - 3:00 pm**  
March 7 - April 25

## WHERE

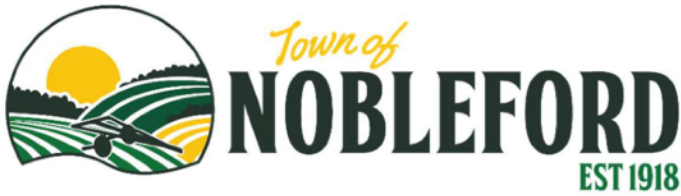
**Barons Senior Drop-in Centre**  
129 Main St Barons

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Madison**  
587-394-2187  
Madison.hanson@fcss.ca



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## **Important information regarding our upcoming *Municipal Election!***

All eligible Albertans are encouraged to register before the Municipal Election on October 20, 2025, to make voting more efficient for them— no need to spend extra time registering at the voting station!

Visit [www.voterlink.ab.ca](http://www.voterlink.ab.ca) to register.

The deadline to be registered before 2025's Municipal Election is on September 15, 2025.

**- Please note that an Alberta Driver's License or an Identification card is required to register to vote -**

Upon registering, all the information you provide will be used for electoral purposes only. It will be shared with your municipality for their electoral purposes as required by Alberta Provincial Legislation.

Registered voters will receive important updates from Elections Alberta after a provincial- or by-election is called; including personalized mailed voter information cards that tell you where, when, and how to vote in upcoming provincial elections.

### **Information on what to expect when visiting *Voterlink.ab.ca*:**

You will be asked to enter your last name, date of birth, and postal code. A quick search regarding your current registration status will be done to see:

- If your registration is up-to-date - you are ready to vote.
- If your registration is out-of-date, or (for example, if you have recently moved or changed your name since you previously registered), you must re-register.
- If you have not registered before - you can register now.

You will be asked if you are a Canadian Citizen, over the age of 18 years, and ordinarily reside in Canada. Then you must add your driver's license number (a 9-digit number listed above the barcode) OR your identification card number, your last name as it appears on your license or card, and your given name(s) or initial(s) as they appear on your license or card.

After that, you are asked to confirm your personal information and address. A confirmation that the registration is complete will then follow.



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**Let's go Running - for Town Council!**

**Become a part of the *Town of Nobleford Council***

**If you are passionate about making a difference and improving your community, consider joining the Town of Nobleford Council.**

**Local councils need leaders who reflect the diverse nature of their communities and understand what matters to local people. They are responsible for ensuring communities run as smoothly and efficiently as possible, giving citizens the ability to access services and programs they need to live safe and healthy lives.**

**Local councils have arguably the biggest impact on people's day-to-day lives. They represent the views of local people and businesses to ensure the community gets the right services, supporting residents or businesses with an issue, or helping to shape the community by driving new ideas.**

What is a council: A council is a group of people who come together to consult, deliberate, or make decisions.

What does our council do for us: Local Councils are concerned with matters close to our homes. They work with local people and partners, such as businesses and other organizations, to agree and deliver on priorities such as building regulations and development, local environmental issues, waste disposal, and many community services.

Who can become a councillor: There are no special qualifications to become a councillor other than a desire and enthusiasm to serve your community. If you are eligible to vote at an election for your council, you can stand as a candidate for election to the council.

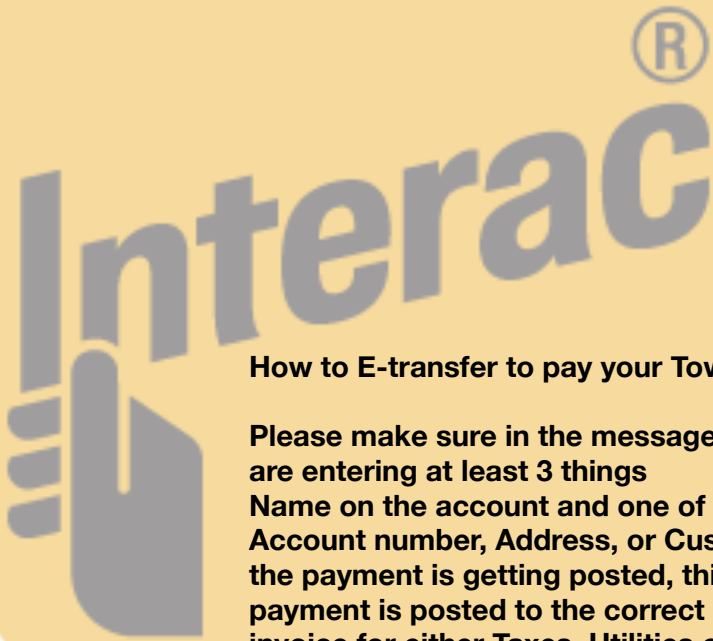
Who would make a good councillor: Someone who is honest and trustworthy, so that the public has confidence that you will do your best to make trusted decisions, and represent your community in a way which reflects its values and ideals. Someone with time to attend meetings, which generally consist of 2 Regular Council Meetings in most months, held every second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m., and additional meetings as needed.

What if a councillor cannot commit to a 4-year term: Being part of a council is a volunteer position and of course, we hope that our future councillors can commit for at least one term. However - lives change, and sometimes councillors must leave the council before the term is done, which is justifiable.

**Interested?** Here is the link to our town's website for information on election: <https://nobleford.ca/p/election>

Publication of "What Every Councillor Needs to Know", council member's handbook [2025]":

<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/d2ad5ce4-5e86-45ea-8cb9-d67ead21e7ae/resource/0db6f9cf-f41d-46f9-9329-a93bcace7412/download/ma-what-every-councillor-needs-to-know-council-members-handbook-2025.pdf>



### How to E-transfer to pay your Town bills

Please make sure in the message box of the E-transfer you are entering at least 3 things

Name on the account and one of the following:

Account number, Address, or Customer number and where the payment is getting posted, this insures that the payment is posted to the correct account for the proper invoice for either Taxes, Utilities or Invoices from the town ie... Sewer Clean, Business license, Pet license.

Thank you

# e-Transfer



# Pre-Auth

**The Town of Nobleford now has Pre-Authorized Debit available to make paying your bills easy, get your Utilities or TIPP program payments set up for Pre-Authorized Debit. For more Info Contact the Town Office.**

