



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2024

2024 BUSINESS LICENSES DUE

2024 BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS

Invoices due
February 29, 2024

Payment methods



pinchercreek.ca | reception@pinchercreek.ca | 403-627-3156

Business License Renewals have been mailed and are due February 29, 2024. Once payment has been received, your license will be provided to you. All invoices that have not been paid in full on February 29 will receive a \$25.00 late payment penalty.

Payments can be made: In office with cash, debit, or cheque; By cheque mailed or dropped in the office drop-box; or By credit online at <http://pinchercreek.ca/residents/payment.php>

As per Business Licensing Bylaw 1550-11, no person shall carry on any trade, occupation, calling or business without first being the holder of a Town of Pincher Creek business license. A business license must be paid in full in order to be considered valid.

If you are no longer operating your business, please notify the Town in writing at reception@pinchercreek.ca.

For more information, visit <http://pinchercreek.ca/town/licences.php>

UTILITIES AND PROPERTY TAXES

RENTALS AND UTILITY BILLING

As of December 6, 2023, renters may not have their names added to the utility bills. Going forward, only the homeowner's name(s) may appear on a utility invoice with the Town of Pincher Creek. Property owners that rent their property are responsible for ensuring their tenants have the required information if they will be responsible for paying the Town's utilities.

INVOICES, RECEIPTS, AND ACCOUNT HISTORIES

Missing one of your invoices or requiring a receipt or an account history printed? We can help you with that! Our administrative team is happy to help you with your needs. Please note, there is a \$5.00 charge for each property/invoice/history printed.

ASSESSMENT NOTICES COMING SOON

The Property Assessment Notices will be mailed in March; watch for your notice in your mailbox! Property owners have 60 days from the assessment date to appeal their property assessment. Property owners can only appeal their property assessment, NOT their property taxes. The Property Tax Notice will then be mailed in May, indicating your total taxes owing.

As a reminder, the Town of Pincher Creek no longer issues a "Combined Property Assessment and Tax Notice." Property owners will now receive a Property Assessment Notice separate from the Property Tax Notice.

Notices will be posted on our website, in the newspaper, and on social media when the Property Assessment Notices are mailed.

CRESTVIEW LODGE SUITES

Did you know?

Crestview Lodge currently has several vacant suites (single & double) available. Please contact the Resident Services Manager for more information or for an application form if interested. Suites are for seniors aged 65 and over.

Call 403-627-3833 Ext 2

2024 DOG LICENSE RENEWALS



2024 Dog licenses are now available for renewal/purchase at the Town office.

In accordance with the Animal Control Bylaw, every person who owns, keeps or harbours any dog shall register the dog and obtain a dog license from the Town. Such license shall be renewed each calendar year. The license tag shall be attached to the collar worn by such animals at all times.

License fees:

- Spayed or Neutered | \$15.00 annually | \$150.00 lifetime
- Others | \$30.00 annually | \$300.00 lifetime
- Replacement tag | \$10.00
- Information Update | \$10.00
- Service Dogs | No charge
- Dangerous Dog | \$500.00 annually
- Guard Dog | \$25.00 annually



NOW HIRING! CAMPGROUND HOST

The Veteran's Memorial Campground is situated adjacent to the beautiful Pincher Creek in the Town of Pincher Creek. It has 8 fully serviced campsites with Sewer, Water, and power, 11 sites with power, and multiple tenting sites available, each site is provided with a picnic table and fire pit. There is also a shower/washroom building, potable water outlet, sewage dumping station, and covered camp shelter, and free Wifi. The campground is located to the following amenities: Indoor Swimming Pool/Slide and Hot Tub, Spray Park, Tennis Courts, Bike/Skate Park, Municipal Library, Kootenai Brown Pioneer Museum, 9-Hole Golf Course, Bowling, Skating Arena, multiple shopping and eating establishments, and an excellent network of Trails. The Town of Pincher Creek is centrally located to several popular tourist destinations including (but not limited to) Waterton Lakes National Park, Frank Slide, Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump, Castle Provincial Park and Castle Mountain Ski Hill.

Responsibilities include

- Receiving calls and booking reservations at the Campground.
- Cleaning of Washroom, shelter facilities and camp sites.
- Accepting Cash, debit, and credit Card payments.
- Selling and ordering Firewood
- Providing patrons with an enjoyable atmosphere at the Campground, and be knowledgeable on all local events.
- Be available at the Campground as required (or make alternate arrangements) to take drop-in reservations, and answer questions from people staying at the Campground.
- The successful host will be responsible for providing their own accommodation/trailer.
- Reservations will be accepted by a phone provided to the host starting March 1st.
- The campground will be open to the public from May 15-September 30 each year (weather dependant).

Closing Date: February 21st, 2024 or until suitable candidate(s) are found.

Monthly Stipend to be negotiated with successful candidate.

A Host Campsite and all utilities will be provided at no cost.

Submit Resume to:

Adam Grose – Town of Pincher Creek Recreation Manager
895 Main Street, Box 159
Pincher Creek, Alberta TOK 1W0
Email: recmanager@pinchercreek.ca

RECREATION PROGRAMMING

SPRING ACTIVITY REGISTRATION NIGHT



The poster features a vertical green ribbon on the left side with four circular images: a baseball bat and ball, a soccer ball, a group of people exercising, and a person playing golf. At the bottom left of the ribbon is the Town of Pincher Creek logo. The main text is in purple and black, with 'SPRING' in purple, 'ACTIVITY REGISTRATION' in black, and 'NIGHT' in blue. Below the title, it says 'Calling Groups/Organizations to Participate'. The event details are listed with icons: 'THURSDAY MARCH 7' with a calendar icon, 'TIME 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm' with a clock icon, and 'POOL LOBBY 895 MAIN STREET' with a location pin icon. A green rounded rectangle at the bottom contains contact information for booking a table.

SPRING ACTIVITY REGISTRATION NIGHT

Calling Groups/Organizations to Participate

THURSDAY 
MARCH 7

TIME 
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

POOL LOBBY 
895 MAIN STREET

To Book a Table contact
Recreation Office 403 627 4322
or rec@pinchercreek.ca

Register the whole family for spring and summer activities in one place and at one time. A list of all the activities, organizations, and events that are attending will be available closer to the event. This evening will save you time and help you get organized for spring!

If your group would like to book a table at Registration Night, please contact the Rec Office 403-627-4322 or rec@pinchercreek.ca.

LENDING PROGRAM

Did you know that you can borrow snowshoes, cross country skis, and skates from the Pincher Creek Municipal Library (with your library card) and the MCC Arena?

To contact the library for more information, call 403-627-3813 or stop by the library or arena at 895/867 Main Street and borrow yours today!



WINTER WALK DAY

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February 7, 2024

Don your jerseys and head out for a winter walk!



Don your jerseys and head out for Winter Walk Day on February 7, 2024!

WINTER SOLES WALK

Thursdays | 10:00am | 1 hour

Beginning February 22 | Meet in the Pool Lobby at 895 Main Street

- Guided walk – explore different neighborhoods and trails of Pincher Creek
- Everyone is welcome
- Meet new friends, walk, and chat
- Walking buddies
- Wear appropriate footwear for conditions and walking poles/cleats if you wish
- Cold tolerance up to -15°

Contact Rhonda at the Recreation Office for more information and for the meeting location each week.
403-627-4322

PICKLEBALL SCHEDULE

Town Hall Gym | 962 St. John Avenue
Mondays | Wednesdays | Fridays
1:00pm - 3:00pm

Canyon School | 408 Victoria Street
Wednesdays
6:00pm - 8:00pm

Matthew Halton High School
February 2, 9, 16, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
7:00pm - 9:00pm



SPONSORED FAMILY SKATE - VISION CREDIT UNION

FREE!



FEB 19

1-3 PM

Vision Credit Union

**SPONSORED
FAMILY SKATE**

MCC Arena
867 Main Street



February 19 | 1:00pm - 3:00pm
MCC Arena | 867 Main Street

Thank you to Vision Credit Union for sponsoring this family skate!



SYNCLINE GUIDES

GUIDED SNOWSHOW ADVENTURES

Enjoy and experience the Syncline Trail system with a professional guide. Your 3 hour snowshoe will take you through various terrain and sights to enjoy. This outdoor adventure can be enjoyed by first timers to the experienced snowshoe. Get your tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/syncline-guided-snowshoe-tickets-754850808087?aff=oddtcreator>

CROSS COUNTRY SKI ADVENTURES

- Beginner to experience skiers welcome
- Arrival at the staging area (warming hut) 15 minutes prior to guided ski
- Waiver from Uplift Adventures will be required - guide to provide
- Dress appropriately for weather- warm clothing but allows for movement
- Bring your own snack and beverage (1 litre water)
- Provide your own equipment - skis can be borrowed for free from the Pincher Creek Municipal Library 403-627-3813
- Have fun!
- Get your tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/guided-syncline-cross-country-ski-tickets-765769145127?aff=oddtcreator>

DO I NEED A BUSINESS LICENSE?

Businesses operating in the Town of Pincher Creek must hold an active Business License and must renew it every year in January to remain active.

Businesses not located in the Town may require a Business License to operate within the Town's boundaries, this would include general contractors (construction industry) and hawkers/peddlers.

A business is generally known as a Home Occupation Class 1 or 2, Commercial Use from Retails Sales to Restaurants, or Industrial Use from Manufacturing to Outdoor Storage; businesses provide services and/or sell goods for the purpose of profit.

Certain professions are exempted of requiring a Business License from the Town of Pincher Creek by different pieces of legislation. A list of those professions is below:

Agrologist
Architect
Engineer

Engineer-in-training
Geoscientist
Geoscientist-in-training

Professional Technologist
Chiropractor
Dental Assistant

Dental Hygienist
Dental Surgeon
Dental Technologist
Dentist
Denturist
Hearing Aid Practitioner
Combined Laboratory
and X-ray Technologist
Licensed Practical Nurse
Medical Diagnostic
and Therapeutic Technologist

Naturopath
Occupational Therapist
Optician
Optometrist
Pharmacists
and Pharmacy Technician
Physical Therapist
Physicians, Surgeons
and Osteopaths
Medical Laboratory
Technologist

Podiatrist
Psychologist
Registered Dietitians
and Registered Nutritionists
Registered Nurse
Registered Psychiatric
and Mental Deficiency Nurse
Respiratory Therapist
Social Workers
Speech-Language Pathologist
and Audiologists
Insurance Agents
and Adjusters
Land Surveyor
Barrister & Solicitor
Student-at-Law
Alberta Shorthand Reporters

Certified Management
Consultants
Human Ecologist
and Home Economist
Information Systems

Professional
Landscape Architects
Local Government Managers
Municipal Assessor
Professional Biologists
Professional Chemists
Professional Electrical
Contractors and
Master Electricians
Professional Planner
School Business Officials
Supply Chain Management
Certified General Accountants

Certified Management
Accountants
Chartered Accountants
Registered Professional
Foresters
Registered Professional
Forest Technologists
Veterinarian
Veterinary Student

Unless specifically exempted under the Business License Bylaw, any business advertising or operating within the Town without an active Business License could face penalties as described with the Business Licence Bylaw. View the Business Licensing Bylaw at <http://pinchercreek.ca/town/bylaws.php>

Having a Business License shows your customers that you are a legitimate business that complies with local laws and regulations.

Find a copy of the Business License Application at <http://pinchercreek.ca/town/licences.php> or pick one up at the Town Office.

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SUITES AVAILABLE FOR OCCUPANCY

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LIFEGUARD COURSES

Registration for the following courses can be found at www.pinchercreek.ca/swim or by calling the pool at 403-627-2565.

BRONZE MEDALLION COURSE

February 20 – 24 | \$160

Prerequisite: Minimum 13 years of age *or* Bronze Star certification (need not be current).

Judgment, knowledge, skill, and fitness – the four components of water rescue – form the basis of Bronze Medallion training. Candidates acquire the assessment and problem-solving skills needed to make good decisions in, on, and around the water. Bronze Medallion is a prerequisite for assistant lifeguard training in Bronze Cross.

BRONZE CROSS COURSE

April 2 – 4 | \$143

Prerequisite: [Bronze Medallion](#) and Lifesaving Society [Emergency](#) or [Standard First Aid](#) certifications (need not be current)

Bronze Cross begins the transition from lifesaving to lifeguarding and prepares candidates for responsibilities as assistant lifeguards. Candidates strengthen and expand their lifesaving skills and begin to apply the principles and techniques of active surveillance in aquatic facilities. Bronze Cross emphasizes the importance of teamwork and communication in preventing and responding to aquatic emergencies. Bronze Cross is a prerequisite for advanced training in the Society's National Lifeguard and leadership certification programs.

NATIONAL LIFEGUARD COURSE

April 12 – 14 & April 19 – 21 | \$367

Prerequisites: Minimum 15 years of age. [Bronze Cross](#) certification and Lifesaving Society [Standard First Aid](#) (need not be current)

National Lifeguard - Pool certification is designed to develop the fundamental values, judgment, knowledge, skills and fitness required by lifeguards. The National Lifeguard course emphasizes the lifeguarding skills, principles and practices, and the decision-making processes that will assist the lifeguard to provide effective safety supervision in swimming pool environments.

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION

BECOME A HOMESTAY FAMILY

The Holy Spirit Catholic School Division is looking for short term (October to December) and longer term (September to June) homestay families.

Host Families Provide:

- Private Bedroom
- 3 wholesome meals per day plus snacks
- Quiet, bright study space
- Access to common areas
- Laundry
- Emotional/academic support
- Interaction with family members
- Participation in family activities
- Internet connection

Host Family Benefits:

- Learn another culture's traditions and customs
- Share Canadian culture with your student
- Create lasting memories and experiences
- Spend more family time together
- Develop a new friendship with your student
- Receive \$900 monthly to cover expenses
- Build an interest in culture, language and future travel opportunities for you and your family

For more information, contact Joy Warren, Homestay Coordinator at 403-330-7382 or homestay@holyspirit.ab.ca

