

OLIVER NEWS

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IRRIGATION SEASON START-UP

Irrigation Season start date is Tuesday, April 11th, 2023. Irrigation Spray Fill service start date is April 4th, 2023. Water Operators will begin turning on irrigation services on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 for spray fill purposes only.

*NOTE: The exceptions to this are users in System #5 and the former Black Sage Irrigation District where spray fillers are available.

For more information, contact the Public Works Office at 250-485-6213.

PROPERTY TAXES IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Payments of Taxes

- In person at Town Hall - Cash, Cheque (postdated accepted) and Interac.
- Online payments through your financial institution. Your account number is 11 digits starting with 555. **(Allow 3-5 business days for payment delivery or payment may be late).**
- Online Credit Card Payments with a 2.5% service fee application.
- E-transfers are not available or accepted.

Payments & Home Owner Grants due July 4, 2023

- A 10% penalty will be applied to any unpaid property tax account balance including unclaimed home owner grant.

HOME OWNER GRANT

Residents apply for Home Owner Grants through the province online, or by phone. It is fast, easy and secure. When you apply, you will need your SIN, your Folio number or Civic Address to verify your eligibility. A 10% penalty will be applied to your property tax account if your grant application is not received by the tax due date (July 4, 2023).

For more information visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/home-owner-grant>

SPRING CHIPPING

Municipal crews will be collecting branches 1/2" up to 4" diameter for chipping during the week of April 24, 2023. Crews are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes of chipping per residence; therefore, residents will need to make their own arrangements to dispose of large volumes of chipping items. Ensure all material be clean and free of any dirt or metal, i.e. nails or wire, or they will be left behind. No plastic bags allowed, as they cannot be composted. It is preferred that materials be neatly bundled to allow a larger volume to be chipped within the designated time limit. Please place bundles on the boulevard only, as crews will not enter private property.

Place branches curbside by 7:00 a.m., Monday, April 24, 2023.

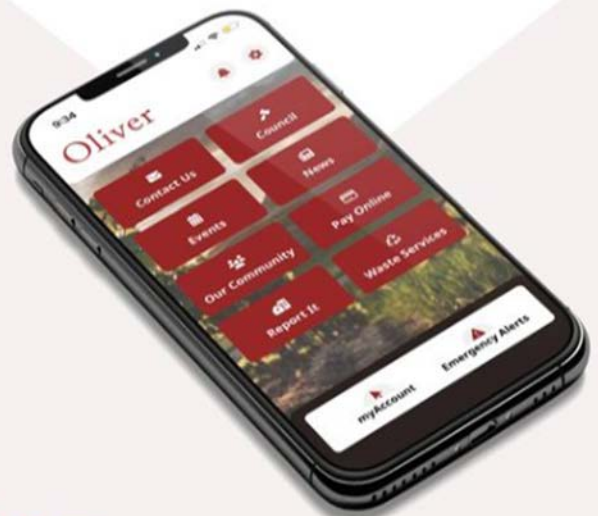
For more information, contact the Town of Oliver's Public Works Office: 250-485-6213.

NEW APP FOR THE TOWN OF OLIVER

Looking for an easy way to stay updated on all the latest news and events in the Town of Oliver? There is an app for that! ➡

Download the Town's new app now to get notifications, access local resources, and find out what is going on in your community!

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2023 SPRING CHIPPING - WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2023

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PUNCTUREVINE

HABITAT

In British Columbia, puncturevine occurs only in the Okanagan Valley, as far north as Vernon, and in the lower Similkameen Valley. It prefers sandy or well-drained soils and readily invades disturbed ground. Puncturevine typically infests vacant lots, gravel parking areas, roadsides, unpaved trails and beaches.

IMPACT & RISKS

- Stiff spines on the fruit readily attach to footwear, clothing, animals, tires, machinery and supplies. They can injure the feet, hides, mouths, eyes, and digestive tracts of livestock.
- The spines can also injure people. They are especially problematic to fruit pickers working in orchards and vineyards.

PREVENTION & MITIGATION

- Monitor your property regularly during the growing season to watch for puncturevine.
- Reduce the amount of bare ground to minimize soil disturbances.
- Re-seed or plant disturbed soils.
- Seedpods can easily attach and be unknowingly transported from one location to another. Long-term control of puncturevine can be achieved by reducing the amount of seeds in the soil. Remove plants before they produce seeds and continue this practice for several years.

TREATMENT & DISPOSAL

- Hand removal or hoeing is effective for controlling small outbreaks.
- Shallow tilling (~2.5 cm deep) of young plants can be effective in larger areas. Deeper tilling is not recommended since this practice may bury seeds which will continue to germinate for several years afterwards.
- Mowing is not an effective method of control.
- Mulch applied prior to germination or when plants are small can effectively suppress outbreaks of puncturevine but it needs to be at least 7-8 cm thick. Some hand removal may additionally be required.

Visit <https://www.oiso.ca/> for more information.



UTILITY INVOICES
WATER LEAK NOTIFICATION
Leak Detected notification on your invoice?

F95 Metered Water Consumption \$0.75 per CMT
1564842924 01/02/22 Current Reading 583.05 17/12/21
Continuous Leak Detected every day for the last 35 days

Data from your water meter indicates a possible water leak. The meter indicates that there has been continuous water flow. This could signify a water appliance that is continuously using water or it could warn of a leaky valve or connection. If accessible, you can monitor the meter yourself using the “**How To Read Your Water Meter**” available on our Online Services page at www.oliver.ca.

Please contact our Utility Technician at 250-485-6253 or email finance@oliver.ca for assistance or more information

ONLINE SERVICES

By registering for our Online Services, you have access to your Property Tax and Utility account information at your convenience. You can check your balances, payments and even your monthly meter read for water consumption.

You can access our Online Services through our app **My Account**, or by visiting our website www.oliver.ca.

TOWN HIRES NEW DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS



The Town of Oliver is pleased to announce the hiring of Kelly Mercer as the incoming Director of Operations effective March 6, 2023. Mercer will be responsible for overseeing the Engineering and Public Works functions including safe planning, development, operations and maintenance of municipal infrastructure.

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