

TOWN NEWS—NOVEMBER

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

November 3rd - Swear in Ceremony
November 10th & 24th @ 7:00pm
Regular Council Meeting

MUNICIPAL ENFORCEMENT

LINE

For all your Bylaw concerns
403-625-2248

CLOSURE

Stavely Office & Public Works will
be closed Nov 11th
Commercial pick-up—Wed Nov 12

STAVELY GARBAGE BINS & FUTURE CHANGES

Upcoming Changes to Garbage and Recycling Collection in Stavely

The Town of Stavely will soon be introducing **garbage bins** for all residents.

This change is being made to meet Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S) standards — meaning our Public Works staff will no longer be handling garbage bags manually. The new bins will help keep our staff safe and make garbage collection more efficient.

Recycling Coming in 2026

Under new **Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)** regulations from the Province of Alberta, all municipalities are required to begin **curbside recycling programs by October 2026**.

What is EPR?

EPR stands for **Extended Producer Responsibility** — it means that the companies who make and sell packaging and paper products are now responsible for funding and managing the recycling of those materials, instead of municipalities.

In Alberta, the program is being coordinated by **Circular Materials**, a not-for-profit organization that works on behalf of producers to manage the collection and recycling of packaging and paper products. Circular Materials will oversee how recycling services are provided in every village, town and city in Alberta, including bin types, pickup schedules, and acceptable materials.

Because of this province-wide change, **recycling bins will be introduced in Stavely by October 2026**. Please note that the Town will **NOT OPERATE OR MANAGE** the recycling program directly — it will be managed through Circular Materials and the provincial EPR system using approved recycling service providers.

Change to Front Street Pickup

As part of these updates, garbage collection will move from alley pickup to front street pickup.

This change is being made in preparation for the upcoming recycling bin rollout in 2026. The recycling trucks that will be used under the new program are larger and most likely won't fit in many of our town's alleys, which would mean garbage and recycling would need to be placed in two different locations.

To avoid confusion for residents and Public Works, and to create a smoother transition once recycling begins, both garbage and future recycling bins will be collected from the front street. **Additionally**, some alleys in town are too narrow for safe and consistent garbage bin access.

Why These Changes Are Happening Now

Introducing garbage bins and switching to front street pickup now allows Stavely to:

- Meet OH&S safety standards for staff
- Prepare for the province-wide EPR recycling rollout
- Ensure consistent, efficient service for residents
- Prevent confusion once recycling begins in 2026

We appreciate everyone's understanding as we make these important updates to keep our community safe, sustainable, and ready for the future.

RECYCLING REMINDER

The recycling depot has been moved!

The depot is now located behind the Public Works Shop on 52nd St. The depot can be accessed by the gravel road shown in the picture. Turn right (North) when heading to Hwy 2 prior to the Stop Sign.

The e-waste shed will be moved at the end of **October** to the same location shown.

If you are unsure if you can recycle an item please contact Public Works 403-549-3944 or review the signage at the depot. Items such as tires/rims are not accepted at the recycling depot but public works can pick them up separately from your home.

THE RECYCLING DEPOT IS MONITORED VIA SURVEILLANCE VIDEO 24/7



Recycling Depot & E-Waste Shed



Best Route to recycling Depot & E-Waste Shed



55th Ave heading W to Hwy 2

FIREWORKS FUND

Thank you for your bottle donations, our fireworks fund has increased by \$1537 since April making our grand total \$12,736!

Every 5 years the Town of Stavelly holds a celebration in town with a parade, events, fireworks and much more! All bottles donated go towards the firework fund.

Make sure to join Stavelly in our next celebration— August 2027!

If you want to donate your bottles leave them in the electronics shed at the recycling depot.

VACANT LOT FEES

New Water & Sewer Bylaw #890 - Effective January 1st, 2026

Dear Residents and Property Owners,

The Town of Stavelly would like to inform you that Town Council has recently passed Water & Sewer Utility Bylaw #890. This new bylaw includes several updates regarding utility billing and service charges.

Please be advised that, under Section 11.7 of Bylaw #890, effective January 1, 2026, all properties within the Town of Stavelly – including vacant lots and inactive properties – will be subject to the monthly flat fees associated with water and sewer services.

This change ensures that utility infrastructure costs are shared equitably among all property owners, supporting the ongoing maintenance and improvement of our essential water and sewer systems.

We understand this may represent a change for some property owners, and we encourage you to review the full bylaw for more details. A copy of Bylaw #890 is available at the Town Office and can also be accessed online at www.stavelly.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes, please do not hesitate to contact the Town Office at 403-549-3761 or cao@stavelly.ca.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued support in maintaining a sustainable and efficient utility system in our community.

GARBAGE BIN ROLL-OUT

The rest of residential properties will receive their garbage bins on the week of November 4th-7th.

Pick-up will commence the following Monday— November 10th

- Each household will receive one bin, matched to your civic address. The Town is providing your first bin at no cost. Care for it responsibly— replacement bins will be available for a fee.
- Pickup will now be from the curb in front of your house, on your main street. Garbage will no longer be collected from alleys.
- Collection day remains Monday.
- Utility fees will not change.
- If you absolutely need a second bin the Town can accommodate same—although an extra fee will be added to your utilities monthly.
- An information sheet will be attached inside your bin lid upon delivery for easy reference.

Collection has been going well but we would like to remind residents to keep your garbage BAGGED.

The force of the garbage bin's arm can throw loose garbage on the street causing a mess.

STAVELY FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Stavelly Fire Department is still recruiting volunteer Fire Fighters. If you are interested stop by the Town Office during regular business hours to collect a recruitment package or contact Fire Chief Ben Blakely

403-549-3965 or fire@stavelly.ca