



## FEBRUARY TOWN TIDBITS

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**Please note that you are receiving the Town Tidbits in advance of your utility bill. Your utility bill will follow at a later date in a separate email.**

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### NEW WEBSITE

The Town of Wainwright is pleased to announce the launch of our new website. Please visit [www.wainwright.ca](http://www.wainwright.ca) to see the new and improved website.

The website has been developed to fit various browsers i.e. desktop, laptop, tablet, smartphone and many new features have been added to the website including a Meetings Calendar which shows the Council agenda packages and minutes. A search button is front and centre on the home page so that users can easily type in what they are looking for. The most searched items can also be found quickly via the quick links on the homepage. An updated Events Calendar is available for community groups to enter their events onto to promote their activities.



[www.wainwright.ca](http://www.wainwright.ca)



Visit our **NEW** website!

### **A FRIENDLY REMINDER**

The Town of Wainwright takes pride in fostering a peaceful and well-balanced community. As such, we would like to draw your attention to the Noise Bylaw 2005-15, designed to ensure the well-being of all residents.

According to this bylaw, designated “Quiet Hours” are in effect from 10 PM to 7 AM daily. We kindly request your cooperation in respecting these hours to create a comfortable living environment for everyone. Your consideration towards your neighbours is greatly appreciated.

Furthermore, within the Noise Bylaw, there is a specific provision related to “Snow Removal”. In commercial and industrial areas situated within 200 feet of residential districts, snow removal activities are not to take place between the hours of 12 AM and 6 AM. This measure is intended to minimize disruptions to the residential community during those crucial resting hours.

For your convenience, the complete Noise Bylaw is available for reference on the Town's website at [www.wainwright.ca](http://www.wainwright.ca). We encourage all residents to familiarize themselves with the bylaw to contribute to the overall quality of life in our town. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making Wainwright a great place to call home.

## BUSINESS LICENSE REMINDER

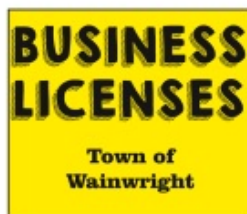
Business license renewals have been mailed out. The deadline to pay your renewal was **January 31, 2024**.

You may pay by mail, credit card on the Town website or app or in person at the Town Office. Failure to renew may result in fines and penalties and/or cancellation of your business license.

Please visit [www.wainwright.ca](http://www.wainwright.ca) for further information on business licensing.



Click on the below image to view larger version of Business License Frequently Asked Questions.



**Our goal is to help you obtain your business license quickly. We are committed to making the process as simple and streamlined as possible!**

### Contact Us

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Planning & Development  
1018 - 2nd Street  
Wainwright, AB T9W 1R1

**Phone**  
780-842-3381

**Fax**  
780-842-2898

**Online**  
[www.wainwright.ca](http://www.wainwright.ca)




## FREQUENTLY ASKED Questions

To operate and/or advertise a business in the Town of Wainwright you are required to obtain a business license. A person found operating without a license may receive a bylaw fine.

### Why does Wainwright require business licenses?

A business license allows the Town to ensure that public health and safety regulations are addressed by businesses when the public has access.

### Does every business need a development permit?

 Home based occupations require development permits as this is considered a discretionary use. (The development permit is a one-time cost only.)

### Do I require any other permits?

Prior to making any major renovations at your new business premises, it should be noted that a development permit is required for a change of use. A building permit may also be required.

### What are the benefits for a business owner when a business license is obtained?

- It is a good investment, is relatively inexpensive and can be used as a tax write-off.
- It can protect it's owners against certain types of liability.
- It shows your customers that you are a legitimate business that complies with local laws & regulations.
- It offers validation and gives you the documentation necessary to apply for a business bank account and/or business loans if needed.
- It provides free advertising in the Wainwright business directory on the Town's website.
- It provides business knowledge and support from the Town's Economic Development Department, which wants to develop and nurture success in the business sector.

### How does business licensing benefit my community?

- It provides a fair environment for all businesses operating in the Town of Wainwright.
- It provides a registration system where a community can track its economic development and businesses can use the registry as a resource for business planning.
- It allows the Town to work closely with the Provincial Government to track businesses that may require additional regulations.
- It ensures that public health and safety regulations are addressed by businesses when the public has access.
- When combined with the development approval process, it ensures that building codes have been adhered to and zoning and other restrictions have been enforced.

### When do I need to get a business license?

You are required to obtain your business license prior to opening your door to the public. This license is to be prominently displayed in your place of business.

This applies to all retail and commercial establishments, management and professional firms, home based businesses and bed and breakfasts.

### You should not operate your business until you receive your printed business license.

### How do I obtain a business license?

You may apply for a business license from the Town in person or by mail. The business license form is available online or at the Town Office.

Payment can be made via cash, cheque, debit or by credit card on the Town website or app.

## BUSINESS LICENSE FEES

Category of Business	License (Annual)	After July 1
Resident - In Town Commercial	\$100	\$50
Resident - Home Based	\$150	\$75
Out of Town	\$200	\$100
Weekly	\$50	
Home/Office Occupation Permit	\$150	

### Who must apply for a business license?

The owner of the business, or anyone who has authority to sign on the owner's behalf, can apply for the business license. Land owner permission is required.

### How long does it take to get a license?

The time required to process a business license application depends on the approvals required for your business operation. A license is typically issued within 7 to 10 business days, but may take longer.

**The Fire Department  
has been responding  
to a large quantity of  
false alarms.**

**Our firefighters' time  
is precious so please  
make efforts to  
eliminate false alarms  
& have your security  
company contact  
you first.**

**Recurring false alarms  
will result in charges  
to the homeowner/  
resident.**



2024 Utility Rates	
<b>Gas</b>	
Cost of Gas	(Gas Alberta Rates)
Variable Rate / GJ	\$1.36
<b>Carbon Tax / GJ</b>	
Jan - Mar 2024	\$3.33
Apr 2024 - Estimate	\$4.10
Fixed Monthly Rate	\$26.75
<b>Water</b>	
Cost of Water / m3	\$2.32
Variable Rate / m3	\$0.99
Fixed Monthly Rate	\$20.25
<b>Sewer</b>	
Residential Fixed Monthly Rate	\$20.75
<b>Commercial</b>	
Fixed Monthly Rate	\$20.75
Variable Rate / m3	\$1.07
<b>Garbage</b>	
Residential Fixed Monthly Rate	\$15.05
<b>Recycling</b>	
Residential Fixed Monthly Rate	\$6.74
<b>Stormwater (no change)</b>	
Residential Fixed Monthly Rate	\$5.00
Commercial Fixed Monthly Rate	\$10.00

Please click on above image to view larger version of 2024 Utility Rates.

## COMMUNIPLEX FITNESS GUIDE

View the Communiplex Winter Swimming Fitness Program Guide below:

[CPlex Winter Swimming Fitness Program Guide](#)



# Charcuterie Box Workshop

Tuesday, February 13

6:30 - 8:30pm

Out of Office



Wainwright Golf Course  
1505-2nd Street



\$65 per box  
(max 2 people)

Limited  
spots



As with all  
our events,  
**NO MINORS**  
please!

Learn how to create a fancy charcuterie  
box for 2, just in time to enjoy on  
Valentines Day!

*Presented by Vera's Catering*

Register online at <https://bit.ly/3U2gXMX>

Registration deadline is February 9, 2024

Contact Carley Herbert at 780.842.3381 or

[cherbert@wainwright.ca](mailto:cherbert@wainwright.ca)

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FAMILY DAY EVENTS

**FREE**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

# FAMILY DAY

- \* BOUNCE HOUSES
- \* SNACKS
- \* CRAFTS
- \* NAIL PAINTING STATION
- \* AND MORE!



**GARRISON FITNESS  
CENTER**



**FEBRUARY 19**



**10:00 - 12:00**



wainwrightonwellness



CANADIAN FORCES CANADIENNES  
WAINWRIGHT



# FAMILY DAY

Feb 19  
2024



Public Swim 2-5 pm



Weight Room & Courts 2-5 pm

Public Skating 2-5 pm  
VCU Financial Arena



Public Shinny 2-5 pm  
Vision Credit Union Arena

Wainwright Parks & Recreation

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BUSINESS GROWTH IN RURAL COMMUNITIES FEATURING  
JIM HOLE





JOIN US FOR TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO SEE

# JIM HOLE


FARMING, HORTICULTURALIST & AGRICULTURE EXPERT


Brought to you in partnership with the Town of Wainwright, Wainwright Economic Development, the M.D. of Wainwright, and the Wainwright Rotary

## INNOVATIONS & STRATEGIES FOR HORTICULTURE


### BUSINESS GROWTH IN RURAL COMMUNITIES

A WAINWRIGHT & DISTRICT BUSINESS LUNCHEON

 **TUESDAY**  
March 5th, 2024

 **LUNCH 11:30AM**  
**PRESENTATION 12:00PM - 12:50PM**

 **WAINWRIGHT COMMUNIPLEX**  
700 - 2 AVE

 **\$20/PERSON**

 **CARLEY HERBERT**  
CHERBERT@WAINWRIGHT.CA  
780-842-3381



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER TODAY!

**TUESDAY**  
March 5th, 2024



**REGISTRATION OPENS AT 6:15PM**  
**PRESENTATION AND Q & A 6:45 PM - 8:15PM**



**PRAIRIE ROSE**  
731 2 AVE



**\$10/PERSON**  
DESSERT INCLUDED

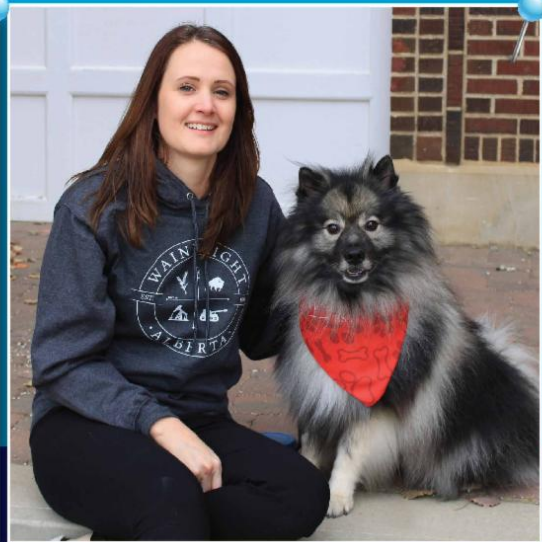


**SHELBY ORACHESKI**  
SORACHESKI@MDWAINWRIGHT.CA  
780-842-4454



REGISTER BY CONTACTING SHELBY BY EMAIL OR PHONE. REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON MONDAY MARCH 4TH.





## Apparel

Adult Hoodies.....	\$50
Adult Golf Shirts.....	\$35
Tanks.....	\$32
Adult T-Shirt.....	\$30
Adult Snapback Hats.....	\$27
Youth T-Shirt.....	\$22
Adult Toques.....	\$20
Adult Flexfit Hats.....	\$20
Youth Snapback Hats.....	\$20
Bandana.....	\$10



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## EMAIL ADDRESS NEEDED

We encourage residents to go paperless! If you are still getting your utility bill in the mail (or if you use online banking or auto pay and get a copy in the mail) please contact the Town Office at 780.842.3381 or email [utilities@wainwright.ca](mailto:utilities@wainwright.ca) to provide your email address.

Connect with us



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