

NEWSLETTER

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Municipal Corner:

We would like to welcome our newest member of Council Kristen Rubeniuk

We would like to welcome one of our newest businesses to town,



located at 26 Main Street N, Gilbert Plains, contact, owner, Janelle Dutchyshen at 204-572-5427 to book an appointment

2025 Financial Plan Hearing



Gilbert Plains Municipality will be presenting its Financial Plan for 2025 on April 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Richardson Pioneer Community Hall.

This presentation will include the details of the 2025 budget, how it compares to prior years, how the municipality is progressing, details on capital projects and plans, and financial reporting.

Copies of the Financial Plan are available at the Municipal Office for inspection, via email by emailing <u>cao@gilbertplains.com</u>, or on our website at <u>www.gilbertplains.com</u>

REMINDER pets MUST be on a leash and controlled in public places at all times.



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By-Election

With the resignation of Crystal Bates from Council, a by-election will be taking place.

Nominations began on March 21, 2025 and close on April 22, 2025. Election Day being May 28, 2025.

For more information please contact Senior Elections Officer, Sandra Falk at <u>seogilbertplains@gmail.com</u> or 1-204-768-0069



Dust Control

2025 Dust Control Program

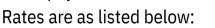
Gilbert Plains Municipality will once again be offering to apply dust suppressant at the expense of the property owners who request it to be applied. Regardless if you've had dust suppressant applied in the past, you must fill put a dust suppressant application and payment must be made in full.

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All requests and full payment for application of dust control must reach the municipal office by 4:00 p.m. on May 30, 2025. The dust suppressant is a prebooked custom application and the product is preordered, no requests for dust suppressant will be accepted after that date.

The Public Works Department will schedule the application of dust suppressant once gravel has been applied (if required). Site preparation will take place shortly before dust suppressant application. For any questions, please contact Public Works Manager, Ryan Paziuk at 204-548-2370 or email <u>publicworks@gilbertplains.com</u>

Length	width	Dust Control
Feet	12' or 16'	Cost
200	12	\$204.00
200	16	\$272.00
300	12	\$306.00
300	16	\$408.00
400	12	\$408.00
400	16	\$544.00
500	12	\$510.00
500	16	\$680.00
600	12	\$612.00
600	16	\$816.00



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Letter to Agricultural Producers:

Gilbert Plains Municipality has recently committed to addressing the flooding and drainage issues throughout the municipality and will be taking on a large drainage project over the next few years. In this project, the municipality will be surveying all municipal waterways and ditches in order to make a drainage plan that benefits the entire municipality. With that being said, please be advised that the Gilbert Plains Municipality will be reclaiming many road allowances that agricultural producers have been encroaching on over the years in order to ensure adequate drainage. Please consider this your notice that should any crops be planted within the 99 foot municipal road allowance (south of the correction line) or the 66 foot road allowance (north of the correction line), the municipality may remove them without notice or compensation should they be a hinderance to the ongoing drainage project. We appreciate your cooperation as we work towards addressing the many drainage concerns within the municipality.

Drainage Policy:

On any given year, the municipality receives many drainage requests from landowners. As the municipality works through and prioritizes its projects for the annual drainage plan, many smaller projects are deemed to not have as much benefit to the overall municipal drainage system compared to others. These projects are often left on the drainage list for several years. The municipality would like to offer an alternate to the landowners wanting these minor drainage projects to be completed in a timely manner. This "two-tiered drainage policy" should help attain this goal. The purpose of this policy is to; a) allow property owners to fund drainage or perform minor drainage requests in municipal ditches, and b) establish guidelines through defined process to perform this work. This policy will ensure a fair and equitable process to get the work done safely and according to the standards of the Gilbert Plains Municipality and provincial regulations. For more information or to receive a copy of this policy, please contact the municipal office.

Road Use Bylaw:

Council has given third reading and passed a new Road Use Bylaw which allows the municipality to charge companies for the maintenance, repair, restoration, and for the shortening of the lifetime of municipal roads.

Agricultural producers are exempt from the Transport License and fees portion of the bylaw however, producers may be fined for travelling on closed roads without following the proper procedures. For more information or to receive a copy of this policy, please contact the municipal office. ilbert plains Heart of the Parkland

Gilbert Plains Fire Department would like to remind everyone of the following:

- BURN PERMITS are REQUIRED YEAR-ROUND
- Hey are free of charge
- **Available from The Municipal Office during office hours**
- Once a burn permit is in place, before burning, please be mindful of wind conditions, always have a fireguard, never leave a fire unattended, and ensure there is a nearby water source.

The ONE and <u>ONLY</u> time when a burn permit is not required is when the fire is contained in a structure that is enclosed on all sides that consists of non-combustible material and covered with a non-combustible grate or mesh screen.

Gilbert Plains Waste Disposal Site Hours

Summer Hours (May 1 - September 30) Monday: Closed Tuesday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Wednesday: 10:00 am - 7:00 pm Thursday: Closed Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm Saturday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Sunday: Closed

Winter Hours (October 1 - April 30) Monday: Closed Tuesday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Wednesday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday: Closed Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Sunday: Closed

Centennial Park Campground:

Located in a valley on the west side of town, the Gilbert Plains Centennial Park is home to the golf course, as well as a picnic area, campgrounds, splash park, and playground. The park is situated on the gentle Valley River, suitable for swimming, rafting and canoeing. Centennial Park Campground welcomes campers with sites being available from May 15 - September 30.

This link will direct you to our booking site for campsites: https://www.campspot.com/book/gilbertplainscentennialpark

