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# December



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### BUILDING PERMIT CONTEST



OUR PLANNING DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING YOUNG TABERITES PERMITS FOR THEIR HOLIDAY GINGERBREAD HOUSE!

DESIGN YOUR HOUSE ON PAPER, COMPLETE THE PERMIT, AND SANTA'S ELVES WILL JUDGE THE BEST HOUSES IN EACH AGE CATEGORY FOR A NORTH POLE SURPRISE!

#### **PERMITS START NOVEMBER 14TH:**

WWW.TABER.CA/GINGERBREAD

#### **Scheduled Meetings**

The public is welcome to attend:

#### Council

#### Special/Regular Meetings:

December 18th: 3:30 pm @ Council Chambers

Livestreams or recordings of Council meetings: www.taber.ca/livestream

#### Municipal Emergency Management Committee

December 4th: 4:30 pm @ Council Chambers

#### Recreation Board

December 7th: 5:30 pm @ Council Chambers

#### Development Authority (MPC)

December 11th: 1:30 pm @ Council Chambers

#### Library Board

December 14th: 5:15 pm @ Library Board Room

The above dates are subject to changes at any time. See www.taber.ca/calendar for most current meeting info.

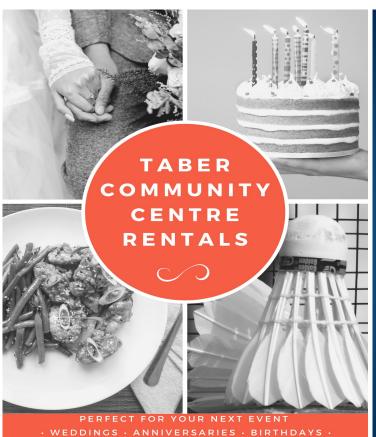
#### **Holiday Closures**

Town Offices will be closed Monday, December 25th & 26th for Christmas Day and Boxing Day

The Transfer Station will be closed Tuesday, December 26th For Boxing Day

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#### **Now Booking Private Large/Small Ice Rentals**

Mon-Fri: 9 AM - 5:30 PM @ the Aquafun Centre: 403-223-5544 (3)

#### **Community Centre \$2 Drop-Ins**

www.taber.ca/dropin

#### **Taber Adult Learning -Volunteer Tutors Needed**

Volunteers enhance the lives of adult learners by teaching skills so they have the opportunity to get a job, be considered for career advancement and increase self-confidence!

Shifts are flexible - usually 2 hours per week.

Call to find out more: 403-223-1169

#### **Online Payments:**

Do you prefer paying Town bills with a credit card? Certain bills and services can be paid for online: www.taber.ca/onlinepayments

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#### **Noon Shinny**

Monday-Thursdays (Large Ice) & Fridays(Small ice-begins Oct 6) Noon-1:00 pm - \$2.00/visit or \$79.50/season

\*Helmets, Gloves, & Shin pads are mandatory for shinny\*

#### **Adult'n Tot**

Fridays (Large Ice) 10-11:30 am - FREE

\*Helmets are STRONGLY recommended\*

#### **Public Skating**

Fridays - (Large Ice) 6:45-7:45 pm - FREE (Sponsored by the Kinsmen Club of Taber)

Saturdays/Sundays-(Small Ice) (Begins-Oct 7) 1-3:00 pm - FREE (Sponsored by the Taber Lions Club)

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MORE INFO: # www.taber.ca/dropin

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### **Lights Ablaze**

Here comes Santa Claus! Our Taber Fire Department is bringing Santa & friends for one night to Taber in our fire engines!

Come out to the various stops to take family photos with Santa, enjoy free hot chocolate, and see our decorated fire engines! The event is completely free to attend, and we hope to see everyone there! All are welcome!

The map for our various stop locations is available at www.taber.ca/
news. Please note that times are APPROXIMATE. We never know
how many people are going to be at each stop, and we don't want to
disappoint anyone by rushing away to our next location. That's why
we'll be posting Santa's location live on our Facebook (@TaberFire)
on December 16th so you know where we're headed next!

If we have time we may drive down streets (this isn't guaranteed in case our stops are busy with families), but the best way to see us is to come directly to our various stops around town. See you there!



# Download Our Free Recycling App





## WATER SAVING TIP #67

To cut down on the number of items to wash, use the same water glass all day.

## **Service Requests**

We have an online Service Request tool where you can request different topics from our various departments. You can submit service requests any time at

www.taber.ca/servicerequests

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## **Taber Public Library**

\*Leaving Canada – The Mennonite Migration to Mexico is a travelling exhibit produced by Mennonite Heritage Village, Mennonite Historical Society of Canada and the Plett Foundation and can be viewed now until early January during library hours.

- ⋄ Fri Dec 1 Letters to Santa from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. Kids of all ages can come write their letters to Santa and we will make sure he receives them in time for Christmas. Cookies are also part of the afternoon! This is a drop in program and you do not have to stay the duration of program.
- ♦ Sat Dec 2 Global Drums workshop and Christmas Concert. The workshop is from 3-4 pm in the Program Room and the concert begins at 6:30 pm in the main library. They both are free and open to everyone. Global Drums is students from the University of Lethbridge Music Department and look forward to performing to audiences of all ages.
- ♦ Dec 5 Dec 16 Book Sale Many new or gently used items (books, puzzles, dvd's and cd's)
- ♦ Thur Dec 7 Book Worm Book Club meeting at 11:00 am. New members are welcome to join at any time.
- ♦ Fri Dec 8 \* Postponed Please note that the program Celebrations Around the World is postponed until later in the New Year. Please watch for new date and time.
- Wed Dec 13 Senior Speaker Series at 10:30 am and the topic will be "Back in the Day" with the Taber Irrigation Impact Museum leading the talk.
- ♦ Wed Dec 13 Circle Jam from 6:00 8:00 pm. This is for anyone that loves music. Come sing play or hum along. Performers are asked to bring sheet music.
- ♦ Fri Dec 15 Family Movie Night at 6:30 pm. The movie will be "Spiderman: Into the Spider Verse". Popcorn is provided but you can bring your own snacks.
- ♦ Sat Dec 16 Eagle Spirit Nest Craft Day tba Begins at 10:00 am and you must pre-register as supplies are limited.
- ♦ Thur Dec 21 Christmas Story Time with guest speaker Jessi Neufeld at 11:00 am. There will be stories, songs snacks and more!

Our Christmas holiday hours are Dec 25 and Dec 26 we are closed. Normal business hours all other days.

# **Emergency Preparedness Tips: Holiday Safety**

As you deck the halls this holiday season, we're giving you some tips on how to stay safe from fires. All information is sourced from the National Fire Protection Association.

#### **Christmas Tree Safety:**

- Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.
- Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 5 centimetres from the base of the trunk. Make sure the tree is at least one metre away from any heat source like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents, or lights.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.
- When lighting the tree, use lights that have the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before going to bed.
- Did you know that one of every three home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems?

#### Candle Safety:

- Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed. Avoid the use of candles in the bedroom and other areas where people may fall asleep.
- Keep candles at least 1 foot (30 centimetres) away from anything that can burn.
- Think about using flameless candles in your home.
- If you do burn candles, make sure that you use candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over easily.
- Did you know that December is the peak month for home candle fires? More than 1/3 of home candle fires started in the bedroom, and 3 out of 5 candle fires start when things that can burn are too close to the candle.

For more info, visit nfpa.org/education

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