

# MUNICIPAL NEWS

## Happy Holidays from Hinton's 2025-2029 Council

*Back row, left to right:* Councillor Dewly Nelson, Councillor Bill McDonald, Councillor Don MacLean.

*Front row, left to right:* Councillor Kristen Chambers, Councillor Natalie Charlton, Mayor Brian LaBerge, Councillor Gail Dunn.



## New Alder Park Playground Ready for You!

In summer 2025, two options were identified for replacing the Alder Park Playground. Residents selected their favourite design, and in November, the Town's contractor installed the preferred design. Go check it out!

Learn more: [hinton.ca/engage](https://hinton.ca/engage)

## Snow Much Fun Weekend: Dec. 19 - 21, 2025

Come out and enjoy the fun!

**Light Up the Night Drone Show:** Dec. 19 (starts at 6 p.m. drones at 8 p.m.), Gordon Moore Park

**Santa's Craft & Giftshop Market:** Dec. 19 (5 - 7:30 p.m.), Dec. 20 & 21 (12:30 - 3:30 p.m.), Hinton Municipal Library

**Skate With Santa:** Dec. 21 (12 - 4 p.m.), Dr. Duncan Murray Recreation Centre

**Swim With Elves:** Dec. 21 (12 - 4 p.m.), Dr. Duncan Murray Recreation Centre



## Budget 2026 Discussions

Council is currently discussing the Town of Hinton's 2026 budget, and deciding which projects to fund. A budget must be approved by December 31, 2025.

The budget has two parts: Operating and Capital. The **Operating Budget** pays for programs and services. The **Capital Budget** pays for infrastructure such as water pipes, snow plows, fire trucks, roads, and buildings. A report will be available in January 2026 summarizing Budget 2026.

More info: [hinton.ca/engage](https://hinton.ca/engage)



## Simplify Billing Go Electronic

As of January 1, 2025, paper invoices cost \$2 per bill. **Sign up for electronic billing** to avoid this charge. Just provide your account number and email address.

☎ 780-865-6014 ✉ [ar@hinton.ca](mailto:ar@hinton.ca)

## Protect Your Assets ... from fraud

'Tis the season for... shopping! Whether you're online or in-store, some of the biggest deals of the year occur in December. But not all offers are what they seem. If it sounds too good to be true, maybe it is. Stay alert and protect yourself from scams and fraud.

More info at FCSS: 780-865-6036 or E: [fcss@hinton.ca](mailto:fcss@hinton.ca)



Feeling connected is essential to community well-being, yet people are spending less time building face-to-face relationships, especially with diverse populations.

Sign up for a free Neighbourhood Connection Kit!

[www.hinton.ca/engage](http://www.hinton.ca/engage)

## Winter is Here!

### 🏠 Help Keep Sidewalks Safe ❄️

Please remove snow and ice from sidewalks fronting your property within 48 hours after the snow stops. ⌚ Keeping sidewalks clear helps prevent accidents and injuries. 😓

### 🚜 Here's How Hinton Plows ❄️

Roads are plowed in priority order so that fire 🚒, police 🚓, and ambulance 🚑 can respond to emergencies.

It can take up to five days ⌚ to clear all the roads after a major snowfall. Thanks for your patience while Town crews work! 💡

## Find Out What's Happening



[www.Hinton.ca/Engage](http://www.Hinton.ca/Engage)



[@HintonAB](https://www.youtube.com/@HintonAB)



[www.Hinton.ca/NotifyMe](http://www.Hinton.ca/NotifyMe)



[Town of Hinton](https://www.facebook.com/TownofHinton)



## Water Meter Installation Underway

Neptune Technology Group is installing mandatory residential water meters in Hinton at no cost to residents.

- Residents will receive a letter from Neptune with a booking reference and instructions.
- Appointments are flexible, including evenings and weekends.
- Meters will be used for billing starting in March 2026.

More info: [hinton.ca/engage](http://hinton.ca/engage)

## Upcoming Events

Dec. 19: Light Up the Night Drone Show @ Gordon Moore Memorial Park

Dec. 19: Last day to sign up as a Neighbourhood Connector. E: [balden@hinton.ca](mailto:balden@hinton.ca) P: 780-817-4881

Dec. 19, 20 & 21: Santa's Craft & Giftshop Market @ Hinton Municipal Library

Dec. 21: Skate With Santa & Swim With Elves @ Dr. Duncan Murray Recreation Centre

More info: [hinton.ca/calendar](http://hinton.ca/calendar)

