



WINTER ISSUE 2014

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 OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
 Closed Statutory Holidays

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 Emergency Services Contact Information
 Corman Park Police Service – Phone: 306-242-8808
 Warman RCMP (West of River) – Phone: 306-975-1670
 Saskatoon RCMP (East of River) – Phone: 306-975-5173

CURRENT TAX PAYMENTS & ARREARS

Current Taxes Payment Due by 5:00 pm, December 31, 2014

Payment of current taxes is due and required to be made by every taxpayer at the office of the RM Treasurer no later than the close of business, 5:00 pm, on December 31, 2014.

Payments in transit will NOT be deemed as being received. A payment is not deemed to have been made until it is actually received by the RM Treasurer. To avoid penalties, payments must be received by December 31, 2014 prior to 5:00 pm.

It is the landowners' responsibility to ensure that payment was sufficient and that no balance, interest or arrears, is outstanding. Contact the RM office at (306) 242-9303 to confirm receipt of payment.

Tax Arrears Payment

Outstanding taxes, payments made after 5:00 pm on December 31, 2014, are subject to a 1% per month (12% annually) penalty which will be applied January 1st and each month thereafter.

TAX PAYMENT OPTIONS

Pay your 2014 Property Taxes using any of these payment options: internet or telephone banking through financial institutions, by mail, or in person. The RM office is open Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. A 24 hour drop-off is located outside the main entrance into the RM office. **Please include your account number when making a payment.**

TIPPS

The RM offers a Tax Installment Payment Plan Service (TIPPS) Program. TIPPS is a monthly automatic withdrawal payment plan, which alleviates the pressure of paying taxes in a lump sum in December or the additional cost of interest, in the case of a late payment. For more information regarding TIPPS, contact the RM office at (306) 242-9303, or visit www.rmcormanpark.ca.

Reminder to residents currently on TIPPS, the final payment in December may change, to ensure no outstanding amount and no interest is incurred on January 1, 2015.

RECEIPTING

Effective January 1, 2014, the RM of Corman Park No. 344 discontinued automatically issuing receipts for tax, utility and accounts receivable payments.

Residents can request receipts to be sent electronically or via regular mail. Contact the RM office at (306) 242-9303 to request a receipt.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

With Christmas getting closer, our office hours during the Holiday Season are listed below, any changes will be noted on our website www.rmcormanpark.ca, or phone the office at (306) 242-9303.

December 22 and 23 – Regular Hours, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
 Christmas Eve – 8:30 am to 3:00 pm
 Christmas Day – CLOSED
 Boxing Day – CLOSED
 December 29 and 30 – Regular Hours, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
 New Years' Eve – 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
 New Years' Day – CLOSED
 January 2, 2015 – Regular Hours 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

COUNCIL MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

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2015 PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Council Meetings are held at 111 Pinehouse Drive, Saskatoon and begin at 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated. Meeting agendas and past meeting minutes can always be found online at www.rmcormanpark.ca.

JANUARY 5, 2015	JUNE 15, 2015
JANUARY 19, 2015	JULY 20, 2015
FEBRUARY 2, 2015	AUGUST 17, 2015
FEBRUARY 17, 2015	SEPTEMBER 21, 2015
MARCH 2, 2015	OCTOBER 5, 2015
MARCH 16, 2015	OCTOBER 19, 2015
APRIL 7, 2015	NOVEMBER 2, 2015
APRIL 20, 2015	NOVEMBER 16, 2015
MAY 4, 2015	DECEMBER 7, 2015
MAY 19, 2015	DECEMBER 21, 2015

GARBAGE & DUMPING/LITTERING

Increasingly, there are more and more complaints regarding dumping of garbage along roadways and in ditches throughout the R.M. Residents are asked to report any such activity to the Corman Park Police Service at (306) 242-8808.

The Corman Park Police Service will investigate garbage complaints to ascertain if any charges can be laid and have been successful in laying such charges in the past. Fines can amount to as much as \$2,000 plus cleanup costs.

FIRE SUPPRESSION

The RM has seen invoices in excess of \$20,000; Please ensure you have adequate fire-fighting insurance. Coverage should include cost of suppressing the fire (trucks, labour, etc.) as well as loss of property. Talk to your insurance broker for details.

Effective January 1, 2014 SGI provided the following Fire Suppression and Vehicle Extrication rate increase. The rate increase is based on the 2013 Consumer Price Index for Saskatchewan of 1.5%. The current hourly rates are:

PRODUCTIVE CALL	\$852.00
NON-PRODUCTIVE CALL	\$511.00

Reminder: Do not burn in very windy or dry weather and always provide extensive fire guarding before proceeding with a controlled burn. Failure to do so is a contravention of the Prairie and Forest Fires Act.

If you will be conducting a controlled burn, please contact the **Controlled Burn Line** at **1-866-822-8522**.

SOUTH CORMAN PARK LANDFILL

The South Corman Park Landfill has been sold to Green Prairie Environmental. The new operators will continue to provide household waste and recycling services for the residents of the RM of Corman Park No. 344.

Regular hours of operation are Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. For more information please contact the landfill directly at 1-844-55GPENV (1-844-554-7368) or visit www.brenvironmental.com.

SNOW REMOVAL

As with previous years, the RM will offer snow removal services; fees are:

TIME	COST
0 TO 15 MINUTES	\$50.00
16 TO 30 MINUTES	\$100.00
31 TO 45 MINUTES	\$150.00
HOURLY RATE	\$200.00

Snow removal signs are available at the RM office. Please remember that snow removal is done after all primary roads have been cleared and there is no guarantee when our Public Works crews will get your driveway cleared.

Residents: Be advised that plowing snow onto or across municipal right-of-ways is not a permitted practice.

This can cause a serious safety issue for motorists and result in potential liability costs for the party who placed the materials on a municipal right-of-way.

Individuals in contravention will have the snow removed from the roadway by municipal crews and all expenses incurred shall be borne solely by the responsible party. Please refer to Bylaw No. 06/13.

BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

The RM supports a diverse array of agricultural, industrial, commercial, residential and recreational land use options, with regulations in place to ensure ratepayers are able to enjoy the rural quality of life. There are a number of permits and approvals required for placement of fill on your property, development of a residence or outbuildings, constructing a commercial or industrial building, renovations to existing buildings, operating a home based business or running an intensive agricultural operation.

Council has recently provided support to make a concerted effort to enforce bylaw infractions within the RM through enforcement of our Official Community Plans, Zoning Bylaws, Nuisance Abatement Bylaws and other RM bylaws. This will include enforcement of businesses operating without approval and developments and/or buildings that have gone up without RM approval.

If you are unsure if a development, use or building has RM approval, please contact the office at (306) 242-9303 for a search of our records or visit www.rm-cormanpark.ca for a listing of our bylaws, application forms and relevant rules or regulations to bring your property into compliance.

SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH (P4G) REGIONAL PLAN

The Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G) is a recently formalized collaborative which includes political and administrative representation from the partnering municipalities of the RM, cities of Saskatoon, Warman and Martensville, the town of Osler and the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) in an advisory role. The P4G communities have come together to develop a Regional Plan that will provide a long term view and plan for land use and servicing that is regional in scope.

The P4G has hired the consulting firm, O2 Planning + Design Inc. (O2), to develop a Regional Plan for the Saskatoon area. O2 is a Calgary-based global practice with extensive urban and regional planning expertise. The firm will work closely with a recently hired project manager for the development of the P4G Regional Plan.

Stakeholder and community engagement will be a key part of the P4G Regional Plan process. In the coming months, the RM and P4G will announce how citizens and stakeholders can become involved. For more information on the Regional Plan please visit www.rm-cormanpark.ca where you can find a link to the project website.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

Request your electronic copy of the quarterly newsletter and additional updates from the RM. To begin receiving the newsletter via email, visit the RM website at www.rm-cormanpark.ca/page/NewsletterSignUp or contact rm344@rm-cormanpark.ca. Please include your name, mailing address and email address.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

From Reeve Harwood, all Council Members and staff of the RM of Corman Park No. 344:

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We look forward to seeing you in 2015.

