

RM Corman Park Division 2

NEWSLETTER



Happy New Year Division 2 Residents.

Joe Hargrave, a resident of Division 2, is the new RM of Corman Park Reeve. Joe brings a lot of experience to the RM as a former Provincial MLA and Cabinet Minister with the Government of Saskatchewan. I look forward to working with Joe.



SCP SCHOOL

We are excited to share that the Ministry of Education has announced approval for a major renovation project at South Corman Park School to transform it into a Kindergarten - Grade 12 school. This was part of the Spring budget day announcement from the Government of Saskatchewan.

4.9% Tax Increase

Council approved a 4.9% tax increase for 2024. Your councillor (Division 2) was in favour of a different more flexible, equitable approach to increasing the RM of Corman Park's revenue in order to continue to offer the highest level of services possible.

I will continue working hard to advocate for this approach in 2025. Keeping taxes at a minimum is one of my biggest priorities!

TIPPS

The RM of Corman Park offers a Tax Installment 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 later payment. For additional information regarding TIPPS, contact the RM office at 306-242-9303 or visit www.rm-cormanpark.ca

FIRE FIGHTING SERVICES/CHARGES

It is important to mention the need to have ' Fire Fighting Insurance'. If you are new to the RM and are not familiar with this subject please contact me. You must have separate Fire Fighting Insurance from regular Fire Insurance. Some residents have been unprepared and as a result have received large invoices. Please contact your insurance broker to ensure sufficient coverage for your property. Council is currently in the process of reviewing and revising our Fire Services Bylaw so please stay tuned for the new bylaw in 2025. The RM website will always have the most recent Fire Services Bylaw in the Bylaw section of the RM website.

COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL FIRE BYLAW

Any landowner planning to have a controlled burn on their property MUST call the controlled burn hotline at 1-866-404-4911. Failure to do so may result in fines and/or fire department response charges. The controlled burn office will advise the proper department of the date, time, and location of the burn. Review a map of the fire department boundaries at <http://rm-cormanpark.ca/151/Fire-Protection>

Remember - you could have a neighbour or someone passing by that sees the smoke and calls in a fire. If you have not called in a controlled burn you will be responsible for charges by the responding fire department.

NEW DEVELOPMENT

A new 2.5 Acre Development is proposed for the SW corner of Clarence and Grasswood. 40 Acres, 16 lots.

STAY IN THE KNOW!

Stay updated on RM of Corman Park and community information. Join Councillor Saleski's mailing list to receive future newsletters, emails and election dates.

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SOUTH CORMAN PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The South Corman Park Community Association was approved for \$180,000 of Municipal Reserve funding to complete much needed repairs to the Log Cabin and Sports Dome, as well as upgrading the ball diamond to serve as a home base for the new River Pirates Baseball Association this past spring. This work is complete and has provided much needed repairs to bridge the gap until the school expansion build has begun and we can start work on a new community recreation center fundraising campaign!

BIKE & ROAD SAFETY

I am advocating for biking/walking paths for our children's safety as well as all of our safety. This would be along main corridors (Clarence, Grasswood and Baker road). I will keep you informed as we move forward in this endeavor.

Drivers please stay diligent on the roads as many of our South Corman Park School students utilize bikes for transportation to school. This is becoming increasingly dangerous. I believe we will have to begin looking at biking/walking paths on our major corridors as the population and traffic in the division continues to increase.

GARBAGE IN DITCHES

When you see garbage, appliances or furniture in our ditches or on the road, please contact the Public Works department with the location specifics and it will be picked up and disposed of.

Email: publicworks@rmcormanpark.ca or call 306-975-1655

DOGS AT LARGE

Dogs running at large is an ongoing issue in Division 2. Bylaw No. 32/20 states that no dog shall run at large in the Municipality and, for the purpose of this bylaw, a dog shall be deemed to be running at large when it is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner or occupant of said land and is not under control. We now have a full time Bylaw Officer with the RM that will be following up and enforcing bylaws such as this in the municipality.



OCP - OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

The RM approved a new OCP in 2024. Division 2 in its entirety has been designated as Country Residential in its land use designation. This means that the smallest lot size can be 1/2 of an acre. I do not and did not support this, and as such I was the only Councillor that voted against adopting the OCP. I will work in 2025 to address this country residential land use designation. I firmly believe we have too many challenges, including potable water and sewer, for this kind of density. Please stay involved in the process and make your Councillors and RM staff aware of your thoughts when the time is appropriate.

GRASS MOWING/DITCHES

Currently the RM does two complete ditch mows per year. I am advocating for three to four ditch mows per year in Division 2 due to density. The frequency that our ditches are dug up for utility work leads to heavy weed growth that requires more frequent mows. Keeping ditches mowed is the best way to control weed growth.

POTABLE WELLS/SEPTIC SYSTEMS

If your household is on a well for potable water our aquifer is under stress and I strongly encourage you to have your water professionally tested.