

RM OF BLAINE LAKE No. 434 Saskatchewan

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Division 1 Councillor : Michael Chudskov
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Elected Division 3 Councillor : Courtney Swystun
Officials Division 4 Councillor : Alan Lavoie
Division 5 Councillor : Tim Stupnikoff
Division 6 Councillor : Glenn Lamontagne

Municipal Office Regular Hours

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12:00-1:00 for Lunch)
Monday to Thursday
Closed Fridays, Weekends, and Statutory Holidays

Office Closures

New Year's Day Family Day Good Friday Victoria Day
Canada Day Saskatchewan Day Labour Day
Thanksgiving Day Remembrance Day Christmas Eve
Christmas Day Boxing Day

PAYMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE AT THE RM

Electronically : Telpay : CIBC online Banking
: E-Transfer (call office before sending funds)
Cash and cheques are accepted as well.

If the office is closed, please use the mail-drop box on the front of the building.

If you have any RM-related comments or concerns, please put them in writing and address it to the Reeve and Council. You may mail, e-mail, or drop it off at the office. Include as much detail and information as possible. Please submit to the office the Thursday before the next Council Meeting.

Landfill Transfer Station

RM Ratepayers can utilize this service for FREE - however, you will need to know your land location to do so.

Summer Hours (April 1st-Sept 30th)

Wednesday's - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12-1)
Saturday's - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12-1)
Transfer station will close once temperature reaches -30C or +30C

Winter Hours (Oct 1st-Mar 31st)

Wednesday's - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12-1)
Saturday's - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Closed from 12-1)



Development Permits and Zoning Queries

A development permit (approval) is required for all development and improvement within the RM. To ensure a timely process, please ensure your application has all the information required (i.e. site plan with measurements). Allow for a minimum of 3-5 weeks for processing. Please do not start your project until you have the permit approval from Council. Development and Permit Applications are available at the office as well as on our website. Please contact the office if you may have questions.

Development approval occurs at regular Council Meetings. Submit your application 4+ business days prior to the regular Council meeting to ensure it is considered.



The Municipal Mill Rate for 2021 is set at 6.7 mills.

If you find any errors on your Tax Notice, please contact the office immediately.

2021 Tax Discounts

The Municipality offer the discounts for early payment of taxes

AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
6%	6%	4%	2%	0%

Strychnine is being slowly phased out. Please contact the office for more information.

Strychnine: \$12/bottle RM Maps : \$15.00 each
Grid Maps : \$3 each

We are waiting to hear back from SARM if there will be a replacement product for Strychnine.

CUSTOM WORK/ SNOW REMOVAL

If you require any custom work to be done on your property, please complete a 2021/2022 waiver (**required yearly**). Waiver is available online and at the office. **Fees are set annually**. Refer to waiver and rates included with this newsletter for rates and policy. Contact office if any questions.

The 2020 Financial Audit is available on our website. Please visit the office if you would prefer to view a hard copy.

2021 Council Meeting Dates

Sept 21 Oct 19 Nov 16 Dec 21

May-Sept meetings will start @ 8:00 a.m.

Seeding/Harvest months will start @ 7:00 a.m.

Remainder months will start @ 9:00 a.m.

* Locations will be determined by current Covid 19 Restrictions *

CONTROLLED BURNING

Please be advised that it is **your** responsibility to let Saskatchewan Environment know if you are going to have a controlled burn.

To prevent unwanted firefighting charges, please call 1-866-404-4911 BEFORE burning to report a controlled burn.

Fire Insurance Reminder

Please ensure that you have adequate fire insurance on your property and home. Don't make the mistake of assuming that it is automatically included in your policy.

Make sure your coverage is adequate to cover fire department costs.

FIRE RATES 2021

Pumper Truck	1st Hr	\$500.00
Pumper Truck	Add. Hrs	\$200.00
Tanker Truck	1st Hr	\$500.00
Tanker Truck	Add. Hrs	\$200.00
Bush Truck	1st Hr	\$400.00
Bush Truck	Add. Hrs	\$150.00
Fire Chief	Hourly	\$30.00
Firefighter(s)	Hourly	\$25.00
Foam Concentrate		\$200.00

*** These prices are subject to change. Please contact the office for current fire rates.***

Please contact the office or check our website if there are any current Fire Bans in place.



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INVASIVE/PROHIBITED/NOXIOUS WEEDS

If you have any concerns regarding these, please contact the office. We will gather your information to determine if our Weed Inspector will require an investigation.

Interested in attending a Council meeting?

You may attend as an observer during public meetings, no appointment necessary.

If you would like to be a delegate, please contact Administration in writing to request your appointment.

Contact the office for more information.

Website

If there is anything you would like to see included on our website, please send us an email and we will do our best to get it available for your viewing.

RM Signs and Property

The destruction of RM signs and roads is considered mischief, and the removal or theft of signs constitutes theft under \$5,000.00. Both are CRIMINAL CHARGES. Signs are costly to our RM ratepayers. We ask for the public's assistance to report known incidences of such matters. You can report to:

Blaine Lake RCMP : (306) 497-3600

RCMP Non-Emergency Line : (306) 310-RCMP (7267)

Crime Stoppers : 1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

Emergency : 911

If you have any photos of scenery or attractions within our community and would like to share them, please email them in!



Would you like to receive these newsletters by email?

Please send us an email to rm434@sasktel.net. Include in your subject line "Please add me to your mailing list".

Farming the RM Ditches

All landowners may farm adjoining road allowances up to the base of the ditch of the road. It is important that all engineered roads retain the structure of the road and the ditch profile. Please do not damage the back slopes, ditch profile and the road shoulder. Any damage to crop, fence or any other items located on the said road allowance is strictly the responsibility of the adjacent landowner. Where grass has been sprayed out through farming operations, the cost of the reseeding from the base of the ditch or toe (8.0 meters from the shoulder) to the shoulder of the road will be initially borne by the RM.

All future reseeding efforts after the initial reseeding efforts by the RM will be borne by the landowner responsible.

SaskAlert is the Government of Saskatchewan's emergency public alerting program that provides critical information on emergencies in real time, so you can take action to protect yourself, your family, and your property.

For more information, call Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency at (306) 787-3774.

Passing RM Public Works Employees

Please slow down to 60 km/h on roadways when passing our employees. Whether or not they are working inside/outside of equipment. If you see someone driving at unsafe speeds around our employees, please report it to the RCMP at (306) 310-7267(RCMP)



Beaver Control

The RM of Blaine Lake participates in the Beaver Control Program. Please submit your contact information, a copy of your valid Trapper's License, as well as the Trapper Verification form to the RM office.

Please note that payment will be made only upon submission of approved documents. Please contact the office for more information.

Contact the office for Custom Work, Gravel, Mowing, Photocopying, etc.

Dust Control Rebate

The RM offers a Dust Control Rebate to RM #434 ratepayers as follows:

- > 25% cost reimbursement for dust control. Applications will need to be preapproved by Council, up to a maximum of \$200.00 per site;
- > Ratepayers are responsible to make the necessary arrangements with their own chosen contractor;
- > Ratepayer is responsible to notify the RM Administration office prior to application;
- > Ratepayer acknowledges that the RM Public Works will still need to maintain the public roads as necessary.

Encroaching on RM Roads

Please do not encroach on municipal roads with farm equipment in locations where there are ponds and sloughs, and during wet conditions.

Tax Enforcement

Payments must be received by the Municipal Office on or before the last business day of the month to be eligible for that month's discount. Taxes are due and payable at the time the taxes are levied. All balances on the tax account become arrears as of January 1st of the following year and are subject to a 1% penalty per month. Further, tax accounts with arrears are subject to tax enforcement.

Pest Control Products

Pest control products for mice and rats are available to ratepayers of the RM at no cost.

Please contact the office for products available.



If you have an expired Road Lease with the RM, please contact the office to begin the renewal process.

TURN IN POACHERS AND POLLUTERS

1-800-667-7561

SaskTel Cell#5555

Please contact our office of any road conditions that will need to be attended to (i.e. ruts, washboard, etc.). If the office is closed, please leave a detailed message of the location on our message machine. Thank you!

Road Haul/Maintenance Agreements are MANDATORY in the RM of Blaine Lake No. 434. Please contact the office if you require one.

Moving Soon?

Please contact the RM office to update your address.

Thank you!

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