

# R.M. of Moosomin No. 121

## 2014 Newsletter

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### Office Hours:

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### Council Members:

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### Council Meetings:

Council meetings are generally held the second Thursday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in the Municipal Office in Moosomin.

If you would like the opportunity to speak to council, please make an appointment by contacting the office at least one week before the date of the meeting.

### Public Works Information:

Shop Phone # - 435-2824  
Foreman – Ken Giesbrecht  
Maintenance.–Bobby Stevens  
Maintenance -- Lorne Baily  
Maintenance- Blake Kennedy

### PROVINCIAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PDAP)

The RM of Moosomin declared a state of emergency on Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> due to the excessive rainfall and subsequent flooding. The councillors and public works department did, and continue to do, an excellent job of monitoring roads and fixing where necessary!

PDAP “helps residents, small business owners, owners of agricultural operations and communities recover from the effects of severe weather. PDAP provides financial assistance to claimants for uninsurable essential property damaged as a result of natural disasters such as tornadoes, floods and other kinds of severe weather. PDAP is not meant to replace home or business property insurance from a private company. PDAP covers damage to property that isn’t covered by private insurance, or where insurance to that property isn’t available at a reasonable cost. Assistance is provided to pre-disaster condition only. It’s important to remember that PDAP is meant to help provide the essentials for life, not lifestyle.”

***PDAP Private Property Application Forms as well as Application Guidelines may be picked up at the RM Office during business hours.***

### Thank You.....

- ❖ **For your patience as the maintenance employees try to get the road infrastructure back to normal conditions.**
- ❖ **To those who have endured temporary access to your property while the water was flowing too much to repair your road. Council knows that the repairs didn’t happen as soon as some would have liked but everyone tried their best.**
- ❖ **Also to those that understood that we have no control over Mother Nature and that we were also at her mercy.**

### QUICK REMINDERS

**Gravelling** - The R.M. does not accommodate private gravelling. Please contact private contractors for your project needs.

**RM Maps** – Maps are available from the office at \$8.00/map.

**Mowing**- Has begun and we ask that you ensure gates are swung into your property to prevent damage to your gate and municipal equipment.

**Passing Municipal Equipment/Workers**- We request that when passing municipal equipment and workers that your speed be reduced to 60km/h.

**Snow Pushing/Ridging**- Snow can not be pushed out onto the municipal roads it causes safety issues for traffic. Please keep it to your own property.

### DID YOU KNOW .....

Royal Bank and Conexus Credit Union customers can now **PAY for taxes and custom work** using ONLINE Banking? **Our Online Banking name is Moosomin No 121 (RM).**

## **Permits**

### **Development permits**

-Every person shall apply for a development permit before commencing any development within the municipality, so that Site and Building Setback Requirements of the Zoning Bylaw are being met. (i.e.: all farm buildings- grain storage, machine sheds, residence or additions to, linear public utilities, and oil wells to name a few)

### **Building Permits**

The municipality has contracted the services of Meridian Inspections Ltd. as its' building official.

Building permits must be applied and approved for country residential homes and light and heavy commercial/industrial.

Plans of the development must accompany the application and inspections will be completed by the building official periodically throughout the construction process.

### **Rural Plumbing & Onsite Sewage**

*These permits are also required for any new installations and are approved by the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region.*

*Applications are available for pick up at the RM office.*

If you are planning a controlled burn please call

**1-866-404-4911**

So you are not billed unnecessarily!!

### **Reminder of Yearly Notification for Users of Non-potable Wells**

Please be advised that the health region no longer monitors the bacteriologic water quality of Non-potable wells. Therefore water from municipal wells in the R.M., available to the public, is not treated or tested and is considered unsafe for human consumption. **DO NOT USE** this water for drinking, cooking, food preparation and oral hygiene purposes

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We are collecting emails addresses for all ratepayers as well as contact numbers. This information is being collected for the Emergency Measures Manual and will be used in case of emergency and also to communicate with you when needed. Councillors will be providing you with an Emergency Measures Kit in the near future and will be collecting the necessary information from you.

## **2014 Mill Rate**

The Municipal Mill Rate has remained at 9.5 mills for 2014. Although there has been changes to the mill rate factors so some of you will see a difference in your tax bill

Keep in mind that the provincial government has removed the application of discounts for early payment on the educational portion.

Organic landowners please send the municipality a letter on an annual basis indicating the current status of your organic quarters so that our information on file is kept updated.

## **Drainage Issues**

Water continues to be an issue for many and the continued drainage has caused many issues both for fellow ratepayers as well as the municipality. Please remember it is illegal to ditch/drain water off your land to someone else's land. Also, it is illegal to dig ditches in the RM road right-of-way. Drainage projects that remove or lessen water flow on your land require the approval of Saskatchewan Watershed Authority so the impact on neighboring landowners can be minimized.

**FALL 2014 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**  
Election day will be held on  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2014**  
for councillors representing  
even number districts and  
by-election for Reeve.

### **Gopher & Beaver Control Programs**

Gophers- 2% strychnine is available at the municipal office. The Ministry of Agriculture announced the permanent registration in March 2012. Rebate program still available. Forms can be picked up at the office.

Beavers- the RM has a \$30.00 bounty on beavers again for 2014. Area councillors must confirm the kill for payment.