



RM of Beaver River

No. 622

Providing ratepayers with
current and correct information
pertaining to the RM

May 2021

www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca 159 Main Street, Pierceland 306-839-2060

The 2021 Assessment Roll

As per Ministerial orders, the Assessment Roll for 2021 will remain open from April 20 to June 21.

Now is the time to check your assessment value. If you have any questions regarding your assessment:

- 1) If you have any questions regarding assessed values, call Darwyn (Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency) (306) 446-7665.
- 2) If you disagree with the assessed value(s), you may appeal your assessment by completing the required form on the back of the assessment notice and mailing it to:

Western Municipal Consulting Ltd.,
Attn: Secretary,
PO Box 149,
Meota, SK S0M 1X0

on or before 4:00 p.m. June 21, 2021 along with the required \$200.00 (cheque) fee per property. Please make cheque payable to: The RM of Beaver River. If your appeal is successful, your fee will be returned.

- 3) If you have any additional questions or concerns please call the RM Office at (306) 839-2060.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT DOES NOT EQUAL PROPERTY TAX

SAMA's role in determining assessed value for properties is just the first part of a process established by provincial legislation. The second part is application of provincial government established tax policy, such as property classes and percentage of value, and statutory exemptions. The third and final part of the process involves municipalities annually determining the local mill rate based on local budget needs. The province sets the mill rate for the education sector. Municipalities then multiply the taxable assessment by the local mill rate to produce property tax levies, also known as your property tax bill.

****Please note: The only time you can appeal is now until June 21 on your property tax assessment, you CANNOT appeal your tax bill.****

Lakeshore Subdivision Reminders:

31502
HWY 55

Civic Address Signs

The application form for a civic address can be found on the RM website, under the Policies and Bylaws tab, then click on RM Forms, Civic Addressing Application Form. You may choose to have your own sign made or civic address signs are available for order through the RM office. A cheque made payable to GPR Signs in the amount of \$55.50 should accompany your application if you want us to order your sign for you.

Visitors to the Lakeshore Subdivisions

As per RM Bylaw 2-14:

"A second temporary motor home or trailer home will be allowed as a visitor to the site for a period of no more than 21 consecutive days within a calendar year."

Property Tax Percentages of Value Updated for 2021

Government Relations Minister Don McMorris announced the percentages of value to be applied to properties starting in 2021, as part of the revaluation cycle across the province.

For 2021, the percentage of value for commercial, industrial, elevator, railway, resource and pipeline properties will be 85 per cent compared to 100 per cent set in 2017 when the previous revaluation occurred.

"This change improves tax fairness by narrowing the range of percentages of value that apply to property assessments," McMorris said. "The adjustment also recognizes the COVID-19 challenges faced by businesses and industries so they remain competitive to help create jobs for Saskatchewan families."

All other percentages of value remain unchanged from the previous revaluation cycle:

- Non-arable (range or pasture) land at 45 per cent.
- Other (cultivated) agricultural land at 55 per cent.
- Residential, multi-unit residential and seasonal residential at 80 per cent.

Education property tax mill rates are determined as part of the annual provincial government budget process.

Provincial legislation requires all Saskatchewan properties be revalued every four years, since their values change over time. Along with this update, the provincial government reviews the percentages of value for different types of property.

The assessed value of a property (calculated by an appraiser) multiplied by a percentage of value determines its taxable assessment. The taxable assessment is then multiplied by a mill rate (as established by municipalities for the municipal portion and the provincial government for the education portion) to determine the amount of property tax owed.

GRAVEL HAUL & SPREAD TENDER, 2021

The RM of Beaver River No. 622 hereby invites tenders from qualified contractors in order to award a contract for the following:

Hauling and spreading of approximately 20,000 tonnes of road gravel to complete 2021 municipal road maintenance program.

The 2021 gravel program will encompass 2 quarries with hauling/spreading volumes as described below:

- 1) RM Pit – N.E. 21-61-25-W3 (Approx. 5 miles South of Pierceland on Highway 21 and 4 miles East on TWP 621A):
Haul/Spread from Stockpile: Approx. 10,000 tonnes (Hauler responsible for supplying personnel, equipment, and scale for all loading)
- 2) RM Pit – N.E. 14-61-21-W3 (Approx. 3.5 miles South of Highway 55 on RR 3212):
Haul/Spread from Stockpile: Approx. 10,000 tonnes (Hauler responsible for supplying personnel, equipment, and scale for all loading)

Please provide quotes based on the assumption that the RM of Beaver River No. 622 will supply personnel for gravel checking.

The Contractor shall furnish all labour and equipment to perform the work as specified herein. Bids must be based on legal road weights. Minimum of 6 trucks, the municipality reserves the right to stop daily hauling operation at such time(s) when 3 or less trucks are available.

The municipality reserves the right to stop hauling operation during periods of inclement weather when, in the opinion of the municipality or gravel checker, the roads are susceptible to structural or surface damage.

We wish to invite tenders from contractors who are capable of completing the contract per the following timeline:

Spring 2021 (dependent upon weather and current COVID pandemic)

In order to provide a semblance of consistency in the tendering process, we ask that you please complete the tender form attached to the tender document available at the RM office or on our website www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca, and attach additional descriptions as requested.

Tenders are to be received at the RM of Beaver River office no later than 4:00 P.M. CST, May 19, 2021.

The lowest or any tender is not necessarily accepted.

For further information related to this tender, please call Nicole Neufeld, Administrator @ 306-839-2060.

Attention Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Members

-Crop reports will be mailed out asap.

-Upcoming Hail Deadlines

June 15: Last day to file crop reports

June 30: Last day for new applicants to apply for coverage with SMHI

-If you did not withdraw from the SMHI hail program as at March 31, 2020 you are required to file your crop report on or before June 15th, 2020. Failure to do so may result in an appointed official completing a certified crop report on your behalf for a fee.

For more information please contact Nicole Neufeld at the RM office.



Property Revaluation Year

Provincial legislation requires all properties in Saskatchewan be revalued once every four years. For the 2021 revaluation, the base date used for assessment values is January 1, 2019. This ensures assessed values are more current, as property values change over time.

For additional information on this year's revaluation please go to our website www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca to access the following documents:

- ◆ [How Property Assessment Works in Saskatchewan](#)
- ◆ [Understanding Assessment](#)
- ◆ [2021 Municipality Info Sheet](#)

Please feel free to call the RM office 306-839-2060

or

the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) 306-446-7665
if you have any questions.

Burn Permits

Burn permits are required **April 1 to October 31**.

1. No burning of any material shall be allowed within the boundaries of the Municipality from April 1 to October 31, without the prior obtainment of a burning permit. Failure to obtain a permit could result in a fire department callout and monetary charges to the landowner.
2. The permit shall be issued from the RM office free of charge.
3. The RM retains the right to refuse to issue or cancel burning permit if council feels that conditions are not suitable to burn.
4. The following condition shall be indicated on permit: "The landowner is totally responsible for the fire until it is completely extinguished."

Council may at any time impose a fire ban.



Next RM Council meeting
May 20, 2021
8:30 am



The RM of Beaver River will be closed
Monday May 24, 2021
for the Victoria Day Holiday

Regular RM Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm

Pest Control

2% Strychnine concentrate is available for purchase at the RM of Beaver River office in Pierceland. The cost is 306.90 per case of 24 bottles

(Smaller quantities available by request.)

Please use and store Strychnine responsibly.

New Tax Exemption Information

Effective January 1, 2021 Section 293 of *The Municipalities Act* was amended, removing farm dwelling exemption in unorganized hamlets.

(o) "hamlet" means: (i) an unincorporated community with: (A) five or more occupied dwellings individually situated on lots, blocks or parcels; and (B) at least 10 subdivided lots, blocks or parcels, the majority of which are an average size of less than one acre; or (ii) any unincorporated area declared to be a hamlet by order of the minister pursuant to this Act or any former Act providing for the establishment of hamlets;

Dust Control

If you apply Calcium Chloride on the municipal road in front of your property please notify the RM office so the grader operators can then be notified.



REEVE AND COUNCIL CONTACT NUMBERS

Reeve: Kevin Turchyn	(C) 306-839-4425
Division 1: Matthew Wiatr	(C) 306-819-0440
Division 2: Brent Bender	(C) 306-238-7755
Division 3: Dwayne Degenhardt	(H) 306-238-4427
	(C) 780-812-8701
Division 4: Les Kruckowski	(C) 306-821-7047
Division 5: Lorne Wyss	(H) 306-839-2038
	(C) 306-839-7766
Division 6: Wayne Rewega	(H) 306-839-2073
	(C) 306-839-7886
Administrator: Nicole Neufeld	306-839-2060
RM Office:	306-839-2060
Lac des Iles Utilities Office:	306-839-2066

1. The first spring flowers are typically lilacs, irises, lilies, tulips, daffodils, and dandelions.
2. According to Greek myth, the return of spring coincides with the return of Persephone, the daughter of Demeter, who is the goddess of plants and fertility.
3. During the spring, birds are more vocal as they sing to attract mates and warn away rivals.
4. The early Egyptians built the Great Sphinx so that it points directly toward the rising sun on the spring equinox.
5. Honeybees are more likely to swarm during the spring. They swarm as a way to start new colonies from successful ones. Surprisingly, swarming honeybees are very docile and the most friendly they will ever be all year.
6. How do you get rid of pesky mosquitos? Hire a bat! Bats can consume up to 3000 insects nightly.
7. Tadpoles have no lungs, they have gills. They grow lungs before they mature into a frog.

And finally,

8. Earthworms have five hearts!



