



RM of Beaver River No. 622

Providing ratepayers with
current and correct information
pertaining to the RM

December 2021

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

Important Notice

When clearing the snow from your property please **do not** push the snow onto the RM roadway. If the RM grader is called out to remove such snow you will be billed for the grader time to clear this road hazard.

RM Office Holiday Hours

Just a friendly reminder that our office will be **CLOSED** from
December 24, 2021 to January 2, 2022.

We will be **OPEN** January 3rd from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (closed from 12 pm to 1 pm)

If you plan on coming into the office to remit payment for taxes please do so **prior** to our holiday hours. Cheques can be submitted before the holidays and post-dated to December 31, 2021. **All payments postmarked or electronically submitted after December 31, 2021 are subject to penalty.**

RM Transfer Sites Holiday Hours

Both RM transfer sites will have regular hours of operation over the holidays as follows:

December 25 - all sites closed

December 26 - Goodsoil Transfer Site open 10 am to 4 pm

December 28 - Goodsoil Transfer Site open 10 am to 4 pm

December 29 - Pierceland Transfer Site open 10 am to 4 pm

December 31 - all sites closed

January 1 - all sites closed

January 2 - Goodsoil Transfer Site open 10 am to 4 pm





The Administrator, Reeve and RM Councillors have held meetings with our Federal and Provincial representatives regarding ratepayer's concerns with the drought relief programs for ranchers. On November 4, an in person meeting was held with Gary Vidal, MP Desnethé—Missinippi—Churchill River, and on November 19 a Zoom meeting was hosted with MLA for Lloydminster, Colleen Young, MLA for Meadow Lake Jeremy Harrison and Provincial Agriculture Minister David Marit, MLA Wood River.

Reeve Turchyn and RM Council members recognized that the current government programs are appreciated but they fall short for this area of the province where there was severe drought this past summer. Costs to haul livestock feed to the area, if it can be found, are higher than most ranchers can afford to pay. This is causing livestock producers to cull animals they would normally keep.



The RM of Beaver River includes 4 designated highways within its borders. These highways and signage are maintained by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways. Any concerns regarding highways including downed signs can be addressed by calling:

Highways - Customer Service Centre

1-844-SK-HIWAY (1-844-754-4929)

or by going to:

www.Saskatchewan.ca/government/government-structure/ministries/highways

Click on: File an online inquiry or complaint

Due to the number of approaches in the municipality, the RM of Beaver River grader operators do not lift the grader blade at approaches when plowing snow.

RM Property Tax payments for 2021 are due December 31, 2021. Accounts not paid by December 31 are considered in arrears, will be subject to penalty and eventually tax enforcement proceedings.



Thank you to some local farmers for opening up some roads ahead of the graders arrival during the latest large snowfall.

How to get your letter to Santa

Santa and the postal elves are busy this time of year. Send your mail to the North Pole in time to hear back from Santa.



Here's Santa's address

Santa Claus
North Pole
H0H 0H0
Canada



Get a letter back

Include a return address in your letter and Santa will send you a letter back.



Don't miss the deadline

Send your Santa letters **no later than December 10, 2021** to receive a reply before the holidays.

*Wishing everyone a very
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
from the Reeve, Council and
staff of the
RM of Beaver River.*



Q: Did you hear about the man who stole an Advent Calendar?

A: He got 25 days.

Q: What do you call a snowman with a six pack?

A: An abdominal snowman.

Q: What did the peanut butter say to the grape on Christmas?

A: 'Tis the season to be jelly!

Q: Which of Santa's reindeer has the worst manners?

A: Rude-olph!

Q: What does the Gingerbread Man use to make his bed?

A: Cookie sheets!

Q: What's St. Nicholas's favourite measurement in the metric system?

A: The Santameter!



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

Rudolph Was Canadian

If you were born in Canada after 1964, your Christmases probably involved an annual viewing of the "animagic" holiday special, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer". Rankin-Bass, an American production company, created this beloved Christmas program, but did you know that there's a secret Canadian connection? All the characters' voices (with the exception of Sam the Snowman) were performed by Canadian actors, singers and voiceover artists at the RCA Victor Studios in Toronto.



Canada Grows A Lot of Christmas Trees

Did you know our country had 1,872 Christmas tree farms in 2016? According to Statistics Canada, the farms were concentrated in British Columbia, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Christmas Isn't Only Once a Year

In some corners of Canada, it's Christmas 365 days a year. Welcome to Reindeer Station (Northwest Territories), Christmas Island (Nova Scotia), Sled Lake (Saskatchewan), Holly (Ontario), Noel (Nova Scotia), Turkey Point (Ontario) and Snowflake (Manitoba).



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Next RM Council meeting
December 16, 2021 8:30 am
at the RM of Beaver River
Office in Pierceland



Snow Plowing

The RM of Beaver River can be contracted to snow plow your driveway. Prepaid snow plow flags are available at the RM office for \$40 plus GST. A form must also be filled out authorizing the RM to complete this work. The form is available both at the RM office and on the website under Policies & Bylaws, then click on RM Forms. If you purchase a flag and place it at your driveway entrance the work will be done when the grader is in your area.