



RM of Beaver River

No. 622

Providing ratepayers with
current and correct information
pertaining to the RM

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Consider Running for Municipal Council
Citizens guide for candidacy in municipal elections

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On Monday, November 9, 2026, municipal elections will be held for councillors representing even-numbered divisions.

Citizens Guide is available at: <https://publications.saskatchewan.ca/api/v1/products/81959/formats/93984/download>

Other election information is available on the Saskatchewan.ca website.

Candidate Eligibility

- ◆ Is at least 18 years old on the day of the election.
- ◆ Is not disqualified pursuant to this or any other Act.
- ◆ Is a Canadian citizen at the time that he/she submits the nomination paper.
- ◆ Has lived in Saskatchewan for at least six consecutive months immediately preceding the date on which he/she submitted the nomination paper, AND:
- ◆ Lives in Saskatchewan; AND
- ◆ Is eligible to vote in the rural municipality.

To **vote** in an RM election in Saskatchewan, you must:

- be a Canadian citizen;
- be at least 18 years of age and one of the following:
- have lived in the RM (or land now in the RM) for at least three consecutive months immediately preceding the day of the election;
- be the registered owner of property in the RM (or land now in the RM);
- be the assessed person with respect to property situated in the RM (or property now in the RM, refer to Section 207 of The Act);
- be the occupant of a trailer or mobile home in the municipality (or land now situated in the municipality) that is object of a permit required (refer to Section 306 of The Act);
- be the spouse of an eligible voter mentioned in a, b or c; or
- be the chief executive officer of a duly incorporated co-operative, corporation or religious association that is assessed on the last revised assessment roll with respect to property in the RM that is not exempt from taxation.

Where an RM is divided into divisions, each voter is entitled to vote for reeve and one division councillor. The division a person is eligible to vote is determined by the first applicable clause as listed above in points a to f. For example, a person who lives in Division 3 but is the registered owner of property located in Division 4 will vote for the councillor in Division 3 and the reeve.



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Municipalities are the level of government closest to the people, delivering services that residents rely on every day. **Saskatchewan needs citizens to take on leadership roles as council members** to represent their communities and provide direction on policies, programs and services.

Council members are entrusted to make decisions that directly affect the daily lives of residents, families, local business owners and others in the community.

Where to learn more

Learning about your municipality and the roles and responsibilities of a council member will assist you to decide if running for council is the right fit for you.

Scan the QR code or visit saskatchewan.ca for information on running for municipal council, including:

- The purpose of a municipality and role of council
- Information on your municipality and council
- Things to consider before running for council
- Responsibilities and responsible conduct of council members
- How to run for council
- Key documents after you are elected
- Additional municipal election resources

Key standards and values of a council member

- Honesty
- Objectivity
- Respect
- Transparency
- Accountability
- Confidentiality
- Leadership and the Public Interest
- Responsibility



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Mail-in Ballot Voting System

Are you unable to attend the November 9, 2026 General Election for the RM of Beaver River? We offer the option for mail-in ballot registration. If you are unable to register for a ballot in person, a voter's registration form and mail-in ballot declaration can be filled in and witnessed by any of the following:

- ♦ the returning officer (at the municipal office);
- ♦ the deputy returning officer (at the municipal office);

OR

- ♦ an enumerator;
- ♦ a notary public;
- ♦ a commissioner for oaths;
- ♦ any other person authorized to sign oaths; or
- ♦ a lawyer.

****Please ensure you present picture identification to the witness****

Forms can be accessed on www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca

Forward your completed forms to the municipal office by mail, fax or email.

The actual Mail-in Ballots will be mailed out to you before the election and are to be returned by November 9, 2026 to be counted.

November 9, 2026 Election is for the positions of Councillors in Divisions 2, 4, and 6.

Open House by Heartland Oil and Orion Power Solutions

6:30pm to 8:30 pm Thursday October 15 at the Senior Citizen's Hall in Pierceland

Proposed Bitcoin Mining Operations at the Existing Gas Plant

Continuing the site's role in the local community

We want to provide residents and neighbours with clear information about the proposed evolution of operations at the existing gas plant.

The project involves adding Bitcoin mining operations at the existing facility. It is not an artificial intelligence (AI) data centre.

What is changing?

The Bitcoin mining equipment will operate within the existing footprint of the gas plant, which has been operating since 1990. The project is intended to diversify the facility's revenue streams and help support the long-term economic viability of the gas plant.

The proposed Bitcoin mining operation is relatively small at **7 MW**. It is not a 300 MW or 1,000 MW data centre.

What this project does *not* involve

No farmland will be used.

The proposed operation will remain within the existing gas plant footprint and does not require conversion of agricultural land for the mining operation.

No water use for the mining operation.

The Bitcoin mining computers will not require a water supply for their operation.

No connection to the SaskPower grid.

The computers will not be connected to SaskPower for their electricity supply. As a result, the project will not impact household electricity costs.

No connection to SaskEnergy for the generators.

The generators will not be connected to SaskEnergy. We are supplying our own gas from our own local gas wells. Therefore, the project will not impact residential natural-gas costs.

Noise and our commitment to neighbours

We understand that noise is an important concern for people living and working near the facility.

Noise testing will be conducted to assess the operation and identify and address potential noise impacts where necessary.

We also intend to provide public notification and consultation opportunities as the project develops. Our goal is to communicate openly with the community and provide residents with an opportunity to ask questions and raise concerns.

Local economic benefits

The facility has been part of the community since 1990, and we intend to continue being a good corporate citizen.

The project will:

- Continue contributing local property and other applicable taxes.
- Support the long-term economic life of the existing gas plant by diversifying its revenue streams.
- Continue using local labour where possible.
- Create opportunities for local workers during construction.

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Require ongoing local or regional labour for operations and maintenance (O&M) of the Bitcoin mining equipment.

A measured evolution of an existing facility

This project represents an evolution of an existing industrial site, rather than the development of a new large-scale facility on undeveloped farmland.

We recognize that changes to an existing industrial facility can generate questions. We are committed to providing information, listening to community members, and maintaining open communication as the project progresses.

Our objective is to build on the existing gas plant's role in the community while creating another source of economic activity and employment for the region.



Property taxes are due December 31, 2026 but ratepayers can take advantage of discounts on the municipal portion of your taxes by paying early. The school tax portion of your property taxes cannot be discounted.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION, 2015

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Appendix C

FORM H

[Section 66 of the Act]

**Notice of Call for Nominations
(Municipal Elections)**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

Councillor: Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622

Division No. 2, 4, 6

will be received by the undersigned on the 6th day of October, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622, 159 Main Street, Pierceland, Saskatchewan, and during regular business hours on September 21th to October 5th 2026, at the Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622, 159 Main Street, Pierceland, Saskatchewan.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the following location(s):

The Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622 Office, 159 Main Street, Pierceland, Saskatchewan.

Dated this 20^h day of August, 2026.

Debbie Johnson
(Returning Officer)

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



Horses



1. Unlike other mammals that roam the earth, horses sleep standing up so they can always be on the lookout for predators. They lie down only when they need REM sleep. What's more, they sleep using a "buddy system", meaning that while one horse is sleeping, the other stays awake.
2. On average, horses can live up to 25 years, but back in the 1800s, an equine named Old Billy reportedly lived until age 62.
3. A horse can gallop at speeds of 40 to 48 kilometres per hour (or 25 to 30 miles per hour). The fastest known speed by a race horse was 70,76 kilometres per hour (43.97 miles per hour).
4. Ponies aren't horses. You may think these two are the same mammal, but you'd be wrong! The main difference is their height. Horses are generally four feet ten inches (1.47 m) tall, while ponies are smaller than that. Ponies also have different bone structures and conformations that give them their particular stature.
5. Stallions and mares have different numbers of teeth – his 40 to 42 to her 36 to 40. Why? As the leaders of the herd, stallions' canine teeth help them ward off predators and control their groups.
6. That smile horses make isn't actually a smile. It's called the flehmen response, and horses do it to smell their surroundings, especially in regard to pheromones.



REEVE AND COUNCIL CONTACT NUMBERS

Reeve: Kevin Turchyn	(C) 306-839-4425
Division 1: Matthew Wiatr	(C) 306-819-0440
Division 2: Brian Sawatzky	(H) 306-839-2072
Division 3: Dwayne Degenhardt	(C) 780-812-8701
Division 4: Ken Hammett	(C) 780-903-8666
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: Debbie Johnson	306-839-2060
RM Office: RM622@sasktel.net	306-839-2060
Lac des Iles Utilities Office:	306-839-2066

Regular Council Meeting

October 20, 2026

8:30 am

**at the RM of Beaver
River Office in
Pierceland**



**The RM of Beaver River office
will be closed
Monday, October 12, 2026
to celebrate Thanksgiving Day**