

THE RM OF REYNOLDS

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SPRING 2011 NEWSLETTER

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Council Meetings

Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. As dates and times are subject to change, check with the RM office. All council meetings are open to the public, and we welcome all to attend. Attending public are not permitted to interrupt Council proceedings or engage in conversation. If you have a concern, please submit a letter or if you wish to appear as a delegation, call the office for an appointment.

Budget 2011

Copies of the 2011 budget are available at the RM office. Due to last year's increase in assessment, the municipal mill rate will decrease by 1.00 mill. The school division rates will be almost the same as last year. The Financial Plan hearing is scheduled for **April 27th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Hadashville Hall. We encourage everyone to attend to understand how your municipal tax dollars are being spent.

Reynolds Ambulance Service

North East Health Association has agreed to provide training for people interested in becoming Reynolds Ambulance attendants. If you are considering dedicating your time to this rewarding community service, please log on to <http://reyems.thelocaldesigner.net> or contact Vince Silvari at 797-1287.

WhitemouthRiverPlanning District Plan

The proposed development plan has received second reading and was reviewed by the Community Planning District. Comments received from MB Infrastructure and Transportation must be addressed before the plan can move forward.

Burning Permits

Burning Permits are required between April 1st and November 15th. Permits can be obtained at your local MB Conservation Office.

TelPay Service

The RM of Reynolds office has subscribed to Telpay service to enable ratepayers to pay their taxes over the telephone or internet. Further information at www.telpay.ca or 1-800-665-0302

Burn Site Hours

MOLSON 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Saturdays: April 30, May 7, & 14

PRAWDA/ HADASHVILLE from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Saturdays: April 16, 23 & 30 and May 7

RENNIE 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Sundays: April 17, 24 & May 1

STE. RITA 12:00 – 3:00 pm

Saturdays: May 7, 14, 21

RICHER EAST 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Saturdays: May 7 & June 4

The site accepts the following: trees, branches, leaves, straw, unpainted or untreated wood, and burning barrel ashes. NO metal or plastic.

Waste Management Facility

Starting May 2nd the hours of operation for the facility will be: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 8:00 – 4:30 Wednesday 11:30 – 8:00 pm.

The Province of Manitoba has implemented regulations requiring the Waste Management Facility to pay for volumes of waste buried or burned. Gate attendants will advise you if there is an alternative to dumping your waste in the pit, in order to save you money. If you chose not to recycle, there is a \$20.00 fee per residential load. Please understand that the gate attendant must enforce the rules as set by the Province.

If you have concerns about the amount of burning taking place at the Waste Management Facility, please be assured that MB Environment has strict guidelines which allow burning of certain items. Burning reduces the volumes of waste put into the pit, thereby reducing the maintenance and pit construction costs.

Recycling

Recycling depots are located at Richer East, Ste. Rita, Molson, Rennie, Hadashville, Prawda, & East Braintree. These depots are for the collection of plastic, aluminium, newspapers, cardboard, milk & juice cartons, and glass. Appliances, furniture, electronics or demolition material must be taken directly to the Waste Management Facility. In certain areas, there has been a significant increase in the amount of non-recyclables left in recycling sheds. ie: construction material; sofas; appliances; tires

If the abuse of this service continues, council may have to consider removal of sheds in the problem areas.

Think Green & Recycle.

Paperless Council Meetings

Council has agreed to convert to laptop computers instead of large volumes of copied information required for meetings. Office staff is now scanning meeting information, by-laws and relevant information for Council to view at the click of a button. Fortunately, our councillors are enthusiastic about entering an era of new technology and helping save the environment at the same time. The cost per laptop, licensed programs and accessories was \$750.00 each which will be saved through reduced paper costs and freight, copier usage fees and office staff time.

Other Technological Advances

Progress is only possible due to Council's approval for the lease of a copier/printer/scanner/fax machine. Cabinets full of paper are being scanned to hard drives for future reference. Documents of historical value will be scanned and transferred to the MB Archives for safekeeping.

Percy Keillor Memorial Fund

Percy Keillor, a dedicated Reynolds School teacher/principal, Scout Leader, ambulance attendant, and community supporter passed away in January, 2011 after a courageous battle with cancer. A committee has been set up to honour Percy's memory by way of a Percy Keillor (P.A.R.K) Day. Donations in Percy's memory may be made at Sunova Credit Union in Whitemouth or passed on to Trudy Turchyn. An annual fundraiser will be carried out to send the Reynolds School students on field trips with excess funds being used to purchase items of benefit for the community.

Berger Peat Moss

Congratulations to Berger Peat Moss on the recent announcement of a \$1.4 million expansion to their Hadashville plant and harvesting fields.

NoLimits Internet

Congratulations to NoLimits on their purchase of Granite Internet Service. For more information please contact them at 1-866-999-6547 or www.nolimitsinternet.com

Council Indemnities

There has been some misinformation circulated regarding the indemnities and kilometre rate increase approved by Council. In the last ten years, from 2001 to 2011, rates have changed as follows:

	2001	2011
Councillor monthly indemnity:	\$300.	\$500.
Reeve monthly indemnity:	\$350.	\$600.
½ day meeting (4 hrs):	\$50.	\$65.
full day meeting rate (8 hrs):	\$100.	\$130.
Hourly rate:	\$12.00	\$15.

Kilometre rate is set at \$.45/km for meeting km and \$.50/km for public works inspections

Council has agreed that there will be no further increase during the remainder of this term of office.

VLT Funds

In 2010, Council paid out over \$36,000. to community clubs from expected VLT funds. Unfortunately, the Province only granted \$24,000 to the municipality, due to decreased gambling profits. Council will be revisiting their VLT Grant Policy for community clubs, the payout of which was based on the higher grant.

RM of Reynolds Office Staff

Council wishes former CAO Holly Krysko well in the CAO position at the RM of Lakeview, which she started on February 9th, 2011. At the February 24th meeting, Council appointed Trudy Turchyn as CAO.

Flooding

In case of flooding, sandbags are available for pick up at the RM office. Sand will be delivered to sandbagging sites. Recruiting of volunteers is the responsibility of the property occupant. The RM office will maintain a list of volunteers available for sandbagging.

Water Testing

The province is offering free water testing for wells affected by flood waters. Containers and information are available at the RM of Reynolds office.

Water in Ditches

Driveway accesses are property owners' responsibility. If you notice water is not flowing through your culvert, please inspect your culvert and clean debris away from the openings.

Reading Month

Reeve Turchyn's reading at Reynolds School of "A Wedding of Yore from the Packsack of Seven Decades was well received by the students. A copy of the history book was left for the school library.

Census

The 2011 census will be carried out in May. Please complete the forms as many federal and provincial grants are based on a per capita basis. Every person counts.