



R.M. of Marriott No. 317 Annual Ratepayers Newsletter

August 2023

2023 RM Council Members

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MARRIOTT CONNECT

Marriott Connect has been operational for just over a year. This method of communication has proven to be very helpful in notifying ratepayers of upcoming deadlines and ensuring that our ratepayers are receiving important notifications, such as fire ban implementation and removal.

Registration forms can be accessed on the Municipal Website or by visiting or calling the Municipal Office. Pleasant Valley Connect provides the option for everyone to select their preferred method of communication either via e-mail or text message.

If you have previously registered but would like to opt out of receiving notifications, please contact the municipal office

Controlled Burning

1 866-404-4911

All controlled burns must be reported to the Saskatchewan Controlled Burn Centre. In a situation where Fire Services are called to a controlled burn, and the burn has not been reported, the land owner is responsible for all costs associated with the fire call.

It is highly recommended that you contact your insurance provider to ensure that you have adequate fire insurance protection in the event of an incident.

Fire Bans

The municipality has been working alongside the community fire chief to ensure that a Fire Ban and Restrictions are implemented at appropriate times to ensure the safety of our and surrounding municipalities. Upon implementation of the fire ban open fires are not permitted. No person shall light, or start or allow or cause to be lighted, ignited or started a fire of any kind whatsoever in the open air, this includes the lighting or discharge of fireworks.

Office/Shop Information

Street Address: 207 Highway 4 North
Mailing Address: Box 366, Rosetown, SK S0L 2V0
Email Address: rm317@sasktel.net
Phone: 306-882-4030 **Fax:** 306-882-4401
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm 1:00pm-5:00pm
Administrator: Samantha Herring
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Foreman: Ray McNally
Shop Phone: 306 882-3009
Website: www.rm288-317.ca

New Shared Administration Office

We are pleased to work alongside the RM of Pleasant Valley No. 288 to officially provide a home for both municipalities. Construction of the new office is well underway. We are scheduled to be in the new office by October of this year.

The two municipalities will be hosting an open house in the spring of 2024. Watch for updates and notification for the date of the open house.

2023 Mill Rate & Budget

Council has completed the annual task of adopting the 2023 Municipal Operating Budget, and setting the 2023 municipal mill rate(s) accordingly. The Mill Rate has increased as a result of fuel and other economic cost increases.

Ag.-6.2 Mills – Mill Rate Factor: 1 – Agriculture Mill Rate: 6.2 Mills
Res -6.2 Mills – Mill Rate Factor: 1.25 – Residential Mill Rate: 7.75 Mills
Com-6.2 Mills–Mill Rate Factor: 3.0–Commercial Mill Rate: 18.6 Mills

2023 Property Tax Discounts

The following discounts will be provided for the municipal portion of your property tax payments in 2023:

If payment received before the end of Sept.: 5%

If payment received before the end of Oct.: 4%

If payment received before the end of Nov.: 2%

Taxes for the current year become arrears as of January 1, 2024 and a 1% penalty will be added to any unpaid balance on this date and the beginning of each month thereafter.

We want to remind all taxpayers mailing or paying taxes online to pay only the amount owing on taxes. If you are unsure of the total amount, please contact the municipal office.

Scholarships

The RM of Marriott presently offers two cash scholarship opportunities to Grade 12 students residing within the municipality. The J.D. Archibald Scholarship is awarded on aspects of community involvement, sports participation, and other active participation in community and school.

The Howard Powell Award is based on academic achievements. **For additional information on scholarship applications please contact the municipal office.**

Waste Collection Station

The RM of Marriott Transfer Station is open Wednesdays and Sundays from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. excluding statutory holidays and weather permitting.

- All household garbage must be bagged or it cannot be accepted.
- A large bin is on site for larger household items such as chairs, larger furniture and waste **THAT WILL NOT FIT IN THE SMALLER BINS.**
- The large bin is costly to dump and return. We ask that **NO GARBAGE BAGS ARE PLACED IN THE LARGE BIN.**
- Most companies who sell appliances offer a program where they will take the old appliance when the new one is delivered or picked up. Ratepayers are encouraged to dispose of old appliances using this method.

****ALL RECYCLEABLE MATERIAL SHOULD BE PLACED UNBAGGED IN DESIGNATED RECYCLE BINS ****

**** SCRAP METAL is not currently accepted ****

PROHIBITED MATERIALS:

- Hot coals, and ashes are not allowed, dead animals, tires, and all hazardous materials (oils, chemicals, asbestos) are also prohibited and **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- Construction material and demolition debris (including, concrete, bricks, shingles, and large amounts of drywall, will not be accepted. As the station is designed to only accept **HOUSEHOLD** garbage.
- Individuals or businesses needing to deal with large amounts of construction material are encouraged to contact Loraas at (306) 242-2300, or another waste management company and obtain their own bins for these materials.

For complete information regarding collection station rules and regulations please contact the municipal office.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL COLLECTION SITE RULES WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF SERVICE.

Dust Control

This is a reminder that the RM of Marriott requires any ratepayer applying dust control to contact their division councilor for approval of dust control product and to ensure the completion of required road construction or maintenance prior to application.

2022 Financial Statements

The Financial Statement can be viewed in the municipal office or in the following location on the Municipal Website: <https://www.rm288-317.ca/rm-of-marriott/government-admin/financial-statements/>

Municipal Building Permit/Code Inquiries

The RM of Marriott No. 317 has adopted a building bylaw requiring permits for all new residential construction or structurally altering renovation projects.

Building Permit applications can be obtained from the municipal website or by contacting the municipal office.

For all building code questions and inquiries, we ask that ratepayers contact MuniCode Services Ltd. at (306)955-6355.

Pest Control

Our RM Pest Control and Weed Inspector is Owen Zoerb. Owen can be contacted at (306)381-3377.

Bait is available free of charge in limited quantities at the Municipal Office, or by contacting Owen directly. Bait stations are available at the RM Office for a total cost of \$30.75 each.

Gopher Control

The Sustainable Canadian Agriculture Partnership Gopher Control Program, managed by SARM, offers a 50% rebate to ratepayers upon completion of the required claim form.

The municipality will distribute gopher control products at a cost of \$134.00 per 20kg bag. Please note it is the ratepayer's responsibility to attend the office to complete the required claim form in order to receive the rebate.

Building/Structure Setbacks

Just a reminder that all buildings, corrals, and other permanent structures must be at least 150 feet from the centerline of any municipal road; or 300 feet from any intersection.

Before constructing a fence, please be sure to contact your division councilor to discuss distances from road allowances.

Harvest 2023

With Harvest 2023 underway we want to again remind our ratepayers to slow down and use extreme caution when transporting equipment on public roads, and ensure all warning lights are working.

As a reminder, **NO Grain Bags or Bale Wrap** can be disposed of at the RM Transfer Station. It is also illegal to burn grain bags and those caught doing so will be prosecuted.

The RM requests that grain bags are cleaned up and disposed of immediately at designated collection sites **The nearest grain bag recycling facility is the RM of Milden shop located in Milden. Properly rolled up and secured grain bags are accepted from 8:00am-4:00pm on the last Friday of every month.**

Additionally, **please refrain from farming (seeding, spraying, or cultivating) the road allowance ditches on ALL DEVELOPED Road Allowances.** Failure to do so will result in being charged for the reseeded of damaged ditches within the municipal right of way.

On behalf of the RM Council and staff we wish you all a safe harvest season!