

RM of Indian Head No. 156

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm, closed 12:30 – 1:00.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Your council members are:

Reeve	James Woidyla	306-660-7719
Division 1	Darryl Henty	306-695-7480
Division 2	J.R. Craigie	306-695-7682
Division 3	Scott Greiner	306-536-2157
Division 4	Jamie Nagy	306-660-7371
Division 5	Danton Soloducha	306-537-8217
Division 6	Eric Gray	306-695-0586

STAFFING

Our outside employees have been called back to work effective April 11. Returning this year, we have Elmer Meyer and Jeremy Meyer. Randy Tiefenbach and Foreman, Mark Kress are full time with the RM.

DUST CONTROL

Spring has officially sprung and in a few weeks, dust from the roads will be a concern. The RM will be hiring a contractor to put down a dust control product on a few key haul roads that we then bill back to the haulers. Some Ratepayers choose to use the same provider and have dust control applied to the road in front of their residence at their cost. The RM office is happy to facilitate with the contractor if this is a service you would like. To arrange for the application, please call or email the office **prior to May 1, 2023**. It is important to note, once the product has been put down, the road can not be graded.

SASK. LOTTERIES COMMUNITY GRANT

The RM awarded funding to Skate Indian Head, Indian Head Community Football, and Indian Head Elementary SSC for a pickleball program. Monies from Sask. Lotteries are appreciated and put to good use by local community groups.

GRAVEL

Road gravel application will begin soon and be done by B&D Gravel Contractors Ltd. out of Montmartre. In the past the RM has offered to coordinate private gravel delivery and that has been billed via the RM.

Due to gravel supply uncertainty, the RM has discontinued this service and will no longer offer gravel to ratepayers. There are many independent contractors in the area who do sell gravel that you can contact directly.

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PEST CONTROL

Our Pest Control officer, Mike Langlois will also be back to work in the June/July timeframe checking occupied as well as unoccupied yard sites for rat movement and treating as required. As a Ratepayer of this RM, you are eligible for free Rat control products to assist these efforts. We have a supply of Contrac bloc, Ramex and Ratak + on hand. We encourage you to use it to help keep the rodent population at bay in the RM. Strychnine is no longer available for purchase for the gopher population.

GRADE 12 SCHOLARSHIP

The RM provides a \$500 scholarship to a student who has completed grade 12 at Indian Head High School, who will be continuing his/her education at a post secondary educational institution. If you know a Grade 12 student in Indian Head High School, please ensure they contact the school for additional information.

ARE YOU OPERATING A BUSINESS IN THE RM?

The RM is looking for residents to self identify if you are a business operating within the RM. The RM does not currently track business activity in the RM, as such, there are no records to support or promote local businesses. The RM would like to compile a list that can perhaps be shared online to promote businesses and activities taking place within the RM. Please email rm156@sasktel.net with your business name and contact information.

If you are interested in some of your own promotions, the Town of Indian Head is putting together a visitor guide via Grassland News and advertising information can be found attached to this email or by contacting the town at indianheadcdc@sasktel.net, there is a deadline of May 1.

SASKATCHEWAN MUNICIPAL HAIL INSURANCE

I am a licensed agent to sell Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance (SMHI) as well as Additional Municipal Hail Insurance (AMHI) should you require any insurance this year. SMHI is available to anyone who owns the insured land and AMHI is available to anyone with an insurable interest in the land, owner, or renter.

April 30 – Last day to apply for crop exemption

June 15 - Last day to file crop report

June 30 – Last day for new applicants to apply for coverage

DED PREVENTION REMINDER

A reminder that the pruning of elm trees is prohibited from April 1st to August 31st to reduce the risk of Dutch Elm Disease (DED). The elm bark beetles that spread the deadly disease are most active during this period and fresh cut attract them. Regular pruning, outside the ban period, helps keep trees healthy and better able to resist all types of diseases, including Dutch Elm Disease. Removing dead wood also makes trees less attractive to elm bark beetles. Due to the risk of spreading DED, transporting, or storing elm firewood is illegal. Any elm wood should be disposed of promptly by taking it to the landfill. It should not be stored on your property.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

The town of Indian Head has many events coming up that RM Ratepayers have access to as well. Please visit the [Town of Indian Head Community Calendar](#) for information.