

RM of Clayton No. 333

2020

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2020 MILL RATE

The mill rate for 2020 property taxes will remain the same as it was in 2019:

- RM – 10.75 mills
- Hamlet of Swan Plain – 10.00 mills as requested by the organized hamlet board.

2020 SHOP LEVY

Good news! 2020 is the last year for the \$100.00 per parcel shop levy. We have made our last payment on the RM Shop!

e-NOTICES

We offer an e-Notice option for custom letters, tax and assessment notices. If you are interested in receiving notices electronically, contact the municipal office via email. We will send you an email consent form that needs to be filed with us.

PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVES & PENALTIES

At the June 10th Council Meeting, Bylaw No. 2020-01: A Bylaw To Establish Property Tax Incentives and Penalties was passed.

The new discount rates are as follows:

- January – September 3%
- October 1%
- November 1%
- December 0%

The penalty for arrears remains the same at 2% per month, added on the first day of each month.

Please mail your cheque or submit your electronic payments early. Payments that are not received in the office by the last day of the month DO NOT qualify for the discount - the mailing date or the date written on the cheque is not accepted as the payment date.

BEAVER CONTROL PROGRAM

The RM is participating in SARM's 2020-21 Beaver Control Program. The beaver removal must occur between April 1, 2020 and February 15, 2021 to be eligible for the program.

In order to qualify for the \$30/tail beaver bounty, you are required to:

- Fill out the SARM Trapper Verification Form including the date of removal, quantity of nuisance beaver removed and the legal land description where the removal occurred;
- Provide the office or your councillor with a copy of your valid South Saskatchewan Fur License;
- Contact your Divisional Councillor to count and confirm your beaver count;
- Submit the form to the office.

River beaver are NOT eligible for bounty.

CONTROLLED BURN LINE

If you need to burn grass, bush piles or stubble, be well-prepared and have fire guards in place. Report "controlled burns" in order to avoid dispatching firefighters unnecessarily.

Call 1-866-404-4911

24/7 – 365 days/year

You will be asked:

- What is your land location?
- What is your RM number?
- What are you burning?
- How long will your burn last?
- Your name and phone number

If you plan to burn in or within 4.5 kilometers of the provincial forest during the wildfire season (April 1 to October 31), you may also need a burn notification number. These are available from the Ministry of Environment's Wildfire Management Forest Protection Offices.

PROVINCIAL TRAFFIC SAFETY FUND GRANT PROGRAM

The RM of Clayton No. 333 is pleased to announce that we have received a grant through Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant Program for the purchase of Radar Speed Signs.

The speed signs are currently installed in Danbury and will be moved to various locations throughout the municipality.

SPEED LIMITS

Motorists are reminded that, as per Bylaw No. 2017-05, the speed limit in the hamlets of Danbury and Swan Plain is 40 km/hr.

There are over a dozen children under the age of 18 living in Danbury – please drive slowly, attentively and keep them safe.

REMINDER – all other traffic must adhere to 80km/hr speed limit, unless otherwise posted.

HEAVY TRUCK SPEED LIMIT

Bylaw 2019-01 was passed in 2019 - the speed of all vehicles weighing over 7 tons has been restricted to 60 km/hr within our Municipal boundaries.

LEAFY SPURGE

Leafy Spurge has been confirmed in the southern part of the RM & is a noxious weed under the SK Weed Control Act. This perennial spreads quickly & can cause large economic losses if uncontrolled. It contains a toxic milky sap that causes skin irritation in animals & humans.

If you see this weed on your property or RM road allowances, please report it to the office. The Municipal Weed Inspector will contact you to confirm the presence of it & assist you with control measures.

Leafy spurge grows up to 1m tall & has several narrow, smooth edged, waxy leaves attached directly to the stem. Its small flowers appear in clusters & are a dull yellowish green color. Please see picture on right.



PLANNING BYLAWS

The municipality has enlisted the services of a professional planning consultant to help in the development of a new official community plan (OCP) and a zoning bylaw. These tools are intended to guide and manage future land use and development within the municipality.

With the help of the consultant, we will be seeking feedback from ratepayers, businesses, and other important stakeholders on draft bylaws in 2021.

RM REQUESTS AND HAZARD REPORTING

Our RM is 15 townships large and has 464.25 miles of roads not including little dirt roads. If you are aware of something that needs our attention, please contact us.

The proper route of communication is to contact your Councillor or the municipal office via email or phone. We will relay the message to the maintenance department.

ELECTION YEAR

2020 is an election year. The Reeve and Divisions 1, 3, & 5 are up for elections this fall. If you are considering running, call the office for more information. Criminal record checks must accompany nomination forms.

Watch the website for more information and updates on elections due to COVID-19.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, mailed cheques or electronic payments (such as online banking, EFTs and Email Money Transfers) are the preferred methods of making tax and account payments:

- **Telpay:** (online/telephone banking through the Credit Union) Use your RM customer number, which is found on the top right corner of your tax notice, as your account number. Put a zero in front of your customer number if required. When searching for the RM of Clayton, type Clayton and select CLAYTON #333 (RM) TAXES. The other option, CLAYTON #333 (RM) A/R, is for Accounts Receivable payments.
- **E-transfer:** contact the office at 306-594-2832 to set up a security question and answer. Please remember that we need details from you in order to allocate payments to the proper account.
- **Cheques:** (inc. post-dated) can be mailed to:
The RM of Clayton No.333,
Box 220,
Hyas, SK, S0A 1K0
- **Debit or Cash.** Please DO NOT mail cash.

Feel free to call ahead if you don't have the correct payment details. Preparation of cheques and payments in advance will help to limit the time spent in the office. Doors are opened by appointment.

COVID Safety Measures for the Municipal Office

- Sanitize your hands when entering & exiting the office
- Only one (1) person is allowed in the office at a time
- Maintain two (2) meter (or 6 foot) distancing requirements
- Have a mask available in case you are asked to wear it
- Washrooms will not be accessible to the public
- Copying & faxing services are restricted during the pandemic.

DO NOT come to the office if you're sick or feeling unwell.