

# R.M. of Leask No. 464

## Newsletter

July 2023

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| Reeve:                 | Craig Hamilton  | 1-306-827-7835                 |
| Councillor Division 1: | Vacant          |                                |
| Councillor Division 2: | Real Diehl      | 306-226-4318 or 306-466-7866   |
| Councillor Division 3: | Gordon Stieb    | 306-466-2708 or 1-780-837-0460 |
| Councillor Division 4: | Joan Sanftleben | 306-466-2455 or 306-497-7311   |
| Councillor Division 5: | Ron Haworth     | 1-306-371-1538                 |
| Councillor Division 6: | Clarke Gossen   | 1-306-321-6791                 |

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Administrator:** Donna Goertzen

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**Public Works Administrator**

**Administrative Assistant:** Sheila Kiszka

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**Superintendent of Public Works:** Jayson Smith

**2023 Mill Rate:** There have been changes to the 2023 Tax Levy: Mill Rate set at 10.3 mills and Mill Rate Factors AG- 1.040, RES- .8600 and COM 1.750. The R.M. continues to offer discounts on early payments of **municipal** taxes at the rates of: 6% July and August, 5% September, 4% October and 2% November. There is no discount offered for December.

**Tax Payment Options:** We have several options for payments: **Cash, Cheques, Debit.** You may also make payments online via **E-transfer** to [rmleask.464@sasktel.net](mailto:rmleask.464@sasktel.net), or **Electronic Payments** through TD, BMO, or Credit Union branches. Please contact the R.M. office for further information, or in regards to alternative payment options (ie. installments).

**Development & Building Permits:** A development permit approval is required for all development/improvements in the R.M. **prior** to beginning your project. Permit approvals may take from 2 to 5 weeks. Please contact the R.M. office for more information or refer to the website.

**Custom Work & Snow Removal:** As of June 22, 2023, custom work/services for ratepayers will be discontinued. Those with snow removal prepayments will be refunded.

**Snow Clearing:** Please do not push the snow from your driveway across R.M. roads as it may create ridges and the piles may create sight line issues along the roads.

**Gopher Control:** As strychnine is now prohibited, please contact the R.M. office or visit the website for acceptable gopher control products and prices. Note: rat poison is still available to ratepayers.

**Fire Insurance Reminder:** Please ensure you have fire fighting insurance coverage on your property and home. Current firefighting rates are available on our website.

**Fire False Alarms:** Due to the increased number of false alarms, or “stand downs,” the R.M. will now charge a \$500.00 fee. Those with security systems should contact their provider to establish a working standard prior to dispatching fire services.

**Burning:** Please be advised that it is **your** responsibility to let Saskatchewan Environment know if you are going to have a controlled burn. To prevent unwanted firefighting charges, please call **Controlled Burn line** at **1-866-404-4911** before burning to report a controlled fire.

**Website:** Please visit the [rmleask.ca](http://rmleask.ca) website for updates and information on the following: Fire Ban orders, Council Meeting information, Zoning Bylaws & Planning and Development services, Agendas & Minutes, Bylaws & Policies, as well as information from Municipal partners such as: RCMP, Municipal Hail, and Watersheds.

**Alert Text Messaging Service:** The R.M. office is to provide future large-scale notifications via text message network. In order to be placed on the text list, the enclosed permission form must be completed and returned to the office.

**Council Meetings:** Regular Council meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month. Please contact the R.M. office in regards to material intended for inclusion on the agenda.

**Transfer Station: Summer Hours** (May 1<sup>st</sup> to Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> Sundays & Mondays 3:00-7:00pm) **Winter Hours** (Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> Sundays 1:00-4:00pm)  
Available to R.M. ratepayers only. Tipping fees apply; see website for rates.

**Pest Control Officer:** Tanner Paslawski at 1-306-812-9226

**Weed Inspector:** Alana Gunsch at 1-306-292-8987

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