RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WELLINGTON NO.97

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2019 NEWSLETTER

Administration Office

The RM Administration Office is located in Cedoux, SK and is open Monday to Friday 9:00am - 3:30pm, inclusive. There are times where training, conventions or scheduled vacation time may mean the office will be closed, please call ahead if you plan on stopping by.

Council Meetings

Regular council meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 8:00am. On occasion, meeting dates and times may change due to seeding, harvest or other commitments.

Council

 Reeve:
 Kelly Schneider
 306-842-3525

 Division #1:
 David Beach
 306-842-7464

 Division #2:
 Robert Kot
 306-842-1852

 Division #3:
 David Menzies
 306-245-3787

 Division #4:
 Edward Kyrylchuk
 306-536-2632

Please contact your Councillor with any concerns you may have.

<u>Staff</u>

Lead Hand:
Road Maintenance Crew:
Road Maintenance Crew:
Road Maintenance Crew:
Vern Mack
Road Maintenance Crew:
Kolin Piwarski
Heather Wawro

Pest Control Officer (Contracted): Dustin Lang please call 306-424-7719
Weed Inspector (Contracted): Bob Baker please call 306-885-2139

2019 Mill Rates

The 2019 mill rate and variable mill rate factors have been set by Council with no changes being made from last year's values. Municipal and Education mill rates are listed below:

Property Class	Municipal		Public School Divisions	Holy Family RCSSD
Agricultural		0.48 VMRF	1.43 Mill Rate	1.43 Mill Rate
Residential	15.00 Mill	0.70 VMRF	4.12 Mill Rate	4.12 Mill Rate
Commercial/Industrial	Rate	2.10 VMRF	6.27 Mill Rate	6.27 Mill Rate
Resource		2.10 VMRF	9.68 Mill Rate	9.68 Mill Rate

Taxable Assessment x Mill Rate ÷ 1,000 x VMRF = Taxes

Want to Pay Your Taxes Online?

The RM of Wellington No. 97 is set up to accept payment of taxes online through your banking institution! Currently the RM is set up with Credit Unions, TD Canada Trust, Scotiabank and BMO Bank of Montreal. If you don't see your banking institution listed please double check with them as different clearing houses provide this service for many institutions not listed. When looking for the RM's vendor name please start your search with RM OF WELLINGTON or WELLINGTON NO. Your account number is listed in the top right-hand corner of your tax notice. If you bank with Affinity or Conexus Credit Union and your account number is shorter than 4 digits, use zeros to prefix your account number - for example your account number is CAD, you will enter 0CAD as your account number. You are also able to pay taxes by e-Transfer where you can email your payment to rm97@sasktel.net, or continue paying by cheque or cash; debit or credit card payments are not accepted.

Controlled Burns

Don't forget to report <u>ALL</u> controlled burns, please call <u>1-866-404-4911</u> (Provincial Government control burn line) to avoid being charged for an unnecessary fire response. Ensure to call back when the control burn is complete.

Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network

The Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network allows Saskatchewan residents to receive credible, accurate and timely crime prevention information directly from their local RCMP detachment. When a detachment becomes aware of an incident or crime, they can issue an advisory via the system and local resident who have signed up for the program will become aware of what happened within minutes. Signing up to be part of the network is free and only takes a few minutes. You choose which RCMP

detachment area(s) you want to receive notifications from and how you want to receive them, via text message, email, phone call or though the mobile app. Visit www.sarm.ca or https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085619333#/login to sign up. This network, along with existing crime prevention programs and strategies, helps to create an environment where all of us contribute to community safety. Crime prevention is the most effective when we all work together.

Primary Weight Permits

Primary weight permits are available for purchase at the Administration Office for an annual fee of \$100.00/unit. All municipal roads in the municipality are secondary weight roads, unless indicated otherwise and except for the Clearing The Path (CTP) roads (also known as the Correction Line and Pool Road). Purchasing a permit allows ratepayers to haul loads over the secondary weight limit, unless indicated otherwise, on all municipal roads legally within the municipality.

Setback Distances & Development

All buildings, dwellings, structures and shelterbelts are required to be set back a minimum of 150 feet from the centre of any municipal road allowance and 300 feet from any intersection. Development can have tax implications and all development requires a permit. Please stop by the Administration Office to discuss your upcoming development and obtain a no cost Development Permit.

RCMP Non-Emergency Reporting Line

To report non-emergencies across the province, you can call **310-RCMP (7267)**. This number directs you to your local police agency and leaves 911 free for people in emergencies.

Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture & Recreation, 2020

Each year the RM receives a community grant to be given to local non-profit volunteer community groups that get people involved in sport, culture and recreation activities. The deadline for community groups to apply to the RM for a portion of this grant is *May 31, 2020* for activities that will be administered from April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021. If you would like to receive more information regarding program criteria please feel free to contact the Administration Office. The recipients of the 2019 grant were Tyvan Senior Citizens, West Osage Gun & Archery Club and the Weyburn Roller Derby Association.

Things to Be Mindful Of:

- The RM's right of way on most roads in the municipality is 66' or 20m (33' or 10m from the centre of the road on each side). Please keep this in mind when spraying or farming your land which is next to a main municipal road. Having the grass killed off by over spraying in the right of way or farming into the right of way jeopardizes the strength of the road and promotes the growth of weeds.
- Please be aware that Section 18 of *The Stray Animals Regulations*, 1999 sets out the minimum requirements a fence must meet in order for it to be considered a lawful fence. Further to this, Section 19 of the Act states the setbacks a fence needs to be away from crops growing or being harvested (2.5 metres) and haystacks or loose grain (6 metres) to be deemed a lawful fence. These sections can be read in their entirety at http://www.publications.gov.sk.ca/details.cfm?p=1454. Feel free to call the Administration Office with any questions you may have.
- When passing municipal equipment that has its warning lights in operation the speed limit, whether or not it is in motion, is 60km/hr. Also, a driver of a vehicle is required to yield the right of way to the operator of road maintenance and construction equipment that has its warning lights in operation. The safety of our operators and general public are very important. Please be mindful of these items when meeting our municipal equipment. Our operators try their best to pull to the side, when it is safe to do so, to keep traffic flowing.
- Please ensure when finished using any of the four community wells, the switch is in the off position prior to removing the well key from the switch. Failing to do so causes the pump to continue to pump water onto the road wasting water and creating time delays for those hauling water.