

RM of Meeting Lake No. 466

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Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm open during lunch

Regular Council Meetings:

Every second Thursday of the month

May – October commence at 8:30 am

November – April commence at 10:00 am

If an individual requests to address council on an issue at a meeting, please call the RM office to be scheduled in as a delegate on the agenda.

MUNICIPAL MILL RATE

THE MUNICIPAL MILL RATE FOR 2019 IS SET AT 8.0.

Are drainage approvals necessary on my farm? If you are a landowner who has drainage on your land then you most likely need a drainage approval. Drainage is any action taken, or intended, for the removal or lessening of the amount of water from land, including beaver dam removal and includes deepening, straightening, widening or diversion of the course of a stream, creek, or other watercourse, as well as the construction of dykes.

Please discuss with staff at the Water Security Agency regional office at 306-446-7450 prior to <u>any</u> drainage, as you will most likely need a drainage approval.

Are my drainage works 'grandfathered'? No. No works are grandfathered because all drainage works cause impacts, no matter when they are constructed.

Canadian Agriculture Partnership (CAP)

The Farm Stewardship Program provides information and financial assistance for producers to implement beneficial management practices (BMP) that enhance sustainability and resiliency in the sector

Pre-Approvals Applications:

- Livestock Stewardship
- Riparian Grazing Management
- Native Rangeland Grazing Management
- Permanent Tame Forage
- Permanent Native Forage
- Invasive Plant Biocontrol and Targeted Grazing

Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program is to support the development of secure and sustainable water sources for agricultural use in Saskatchewan, mitigate the impact of drought, and improve public safety and reduce potential groundwater contamination through well decommissioning.

- Dugout, pipeline and well rebate
- Well commissioning and special projects pre-approval.

Review Eligibility Checklists for both programs, each BMP has specific eligibility requirements, you can check website Saskatchewan.ca and search FSP or FRWIP or contact the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377.

RECYCLE PLASTIC GRAIN BAGS

Plastic Grain Bags are now being accepted at the 16 to 43 Waste Management facility west of Hafford www.16-43wastemangement.ca. Please check their website for hours of operation and requirements.

MUNICIPAL MAPS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE COST OF \$15.00 EACH OR \$20.00 FOR LAMINATED. REGULAR MAPS CAN BE MAILED OUT FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$2.00.

Approved Regular and Special Meeting Minutes are posted on line. Council approves previous minutes at the next regular council meeting.

Landfill Hours:

May 1 - October 31

Monday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Wednesday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

November 1- April 30

Monday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Wednesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed Statutory Holidays

Fire Insurance

Coverage –

Ratepayers are
responsible for
any firefighting
charges when
the fire
department is
called for a fire
on your
property.
Please ensure to
have adequate
fire insurance
coverage.

CONTROL BURN CENTRE 1-866-404-4911

Please be aware of the safety issues and consequences of a ratepayer pushing snow from a driveway on to the municipal road or shoulder. Piles of snow left on or near the road can freeze creating a hazardous situation for vehicles and snow removal equipment. This hazard exposes the risk of serious bodily injury and poses the risk of liability for the resulting damages to the party who pushed the snow on the road. Please keep our roads safe.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

Under the Zoning Bylaw, the RM of Meeting Lake No. 466 requires permits to be completed for <u>any</u> new development, construction or demolition on existing properties. Forms available on-line and at the RM office.

BUILDING PERMIT

A building permit is separate from the development permit. A building permit refers to the building construction and compliance with the National Building Code and is governed by the RM Building Bylaw. Permit application forms are available at the RM office and on-line.

Permits will not be issued until all applicable fees are paid.

Seeding of Crops on Municipal Road Allowances is Prohibited.

Council is requesting that ratepayers do not farm/crop main grid municipal road allowance. Starting this year crops will be

cut with mower if it is within the one pass of 15 feet, shoulder

Mowing ditches help control bush and noxious weeds, visibility and reduces drifting on the roads during the winter months.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

PLEASE BE AWARE OF AND IMMEDIATELY REPORT ANY NOXIOUS WEEDS TO THE RM OFFICE. KEEPING THESE DIFFICULT AND INVASIVE WEEDS OUT OF OUR RM IS TO EVERYONE'S BENEFIT.

Animals Roaming at Large

Keeping animals within your property is the responsibility of the owner. If your animals are roaming within the R.M., action may be taken to restrain the animals and all costs incurred in doing so will be the responsibility of the animals' owner.

Approaches

Contact your councillor or RM office prior to building any approaches along right-of ways, as APPROVAL is REQUIRED by council prior to any construction and will be billed for any unauthorized work.

All organic farmers are encouraged to register all their organic lands to the RM office as to let commercial pesticide applicators take the necessary precautions to avoid spray drift onto such lands.

The RM of Meeting Lake does not cover the cost of application on dust control products. Residents interested in purchasing and applying approved dust control products may do so at their expense. Please contact the RM office of location where dust control products were applied so that the grader operator will refrain from grading that portion of road.

Controlled Burning

Always report your planned control burn to avoid possible fire call costs. When burning grass, bush piles, stubble, etc. please be sure you are well-prepared and that you have fire guards in place. Prior to any burning, call into the Control Burn Centre at 1-866-404-4911.