



MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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EDITION #2 – ISSUE #2

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Foreman – Michel Cayer 640-9506
Equipment Operators
Paul Bellefleur
Kurtis Bonneau
Larry Haughian
Bernard Joyal (seasonal)
Pest Control Officer
Brian Kuysten 642-3221

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday
7:00am – Noon

RM COUNCIL MEETINGS:

November 8 @ 9:00am
December 13 @ 9:00am
*Meetings are subject to change

RM MUNICIPAL

TAXES are due December 31, 2021. As per Bylaw#6-2007, the penalty on tax arrears collected shall be 1% (12% per year) of the arrears or combined arrears and penalties as the case may be, in each year commencing January 1.

MUNICIPAL HAIL

LAND

WITHDRAWAL

The deadline to withdraw lands from Municipal Hail is **March 31, 2022**. For more information, please contact the RM Administrator.

SNOW REMOVAL

If you would like to register for snow removal for the 2021/22 winter season, please contact the Municipal Office at 306-473-2450.

UPDATE: Targeted Support Sector (TSS) Grant

The Town of Willow Bunch received a TSS grant of \$14,000 to support combined asset management review and system update in collaboration with the RM of Willow Bunch No.42.

A facilitator has been hired and is currently reviewing the RM's and the Town's various assets and compiling data regarding condition, remaining service life, replacement cost etc.

A joint review offers the opportunity for both municipalities to collaborate and identify areas where resources could potentially be shared should it be in the best interests of the municipalities to do so.

On August 26th, 2021 – <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/news-and-media/2021/august/26/municipalities-benefit-from-provincial-targeted-sector-support-funding> released an article in which Mayor Joyal of the Town of Willow Bunch provided a statement indicating an opportunity was identified for the Town and RM to work together on a shared maintenance shop that the RM had already been planning to upgrade. The RM wishes to inform the public that although the opportunity was identified as a possibility no tangible, future plans are in place for a combined maintenance shop.

2021 Canada-Saskatchewan

Drought Response

Initiative is now available for livestock producers. For more information please contact Saskatchewan Crop Insurance at 1-844-723-1211 or email: skdri@scic.ca

SUPPORT SERVICES

WELLBEING COURSE for

Agriculture Producers

Private, Confidential, Convenient, Free, No referral or travel required, Therapist support provided. Learn strategies to manage farm stress, anxiety, depression, anger, build resiliency, improve communication, assertiveness & more.

For more information: The Online Therapy Unit
www.onlinetherapyuser.ca
306-337-3331

FARM & RURAL SUPPORT SERVICES

To provide confidential crisis telephone counselling, support, information and referral services that respond to the needs of rural individuals, youth and families living on the farm or in a rural Saskatchewan community. Toll Free: **1-800-667-4442** 24 hours per day. Seven days per week. **Free and Confidential.** There is no call display.

GRAVEL

Ratepayers wanting to purchase crushed gravel are advised to contact the Foreman, Michel Cayer directly @ 306-640-9506.

CORONACH RCMP MONTHLY STATS REPORT

During the month of **SEPTEMBER**, the **Coronach/Bengough RCMP** responded to **40 calls for service**. There were **9 Criminal Code charges laid**, and **5 traffic tickets issued** in our patrolling area*.

**This includes all of Coronach / Bengough Detachment areas. It goes from US border to two miles North of Crane Valley, and from about 1 mile East of St. Victor to 3 miles East of Ogema.*

RCMP Calls to service included:

- 1 Assault
- 2 Harassing communications
- 2 Mischief
- 1 Unauthorized possession of a weapon
- 1 Possession of stolen property
- 2 Fraud
- 2 Theft under \$5000
- 4 Disturbing the peace
- 2 Motor vehicle collision – minor injuries
- 3 Motor vehicle collision with deer
- 1 Motor vehicle collision – no injuries
- 2 Complaints of cattle on road
- 1 Complaint of speeders through Ormiston
- 1 Complaint of vehicle driving on it's rim
- 3 Fires
- 2 Suspicious person / activity
- 2 911 call – misuse
- 1 911 misdial – no emergency
- 2 Assistance to other agency
- 1 Assistance to EMS
- 1 Mental Health Act
- 2 False alarms
- 1 COVID-19 complaint

SEPTEMBER Criminal Code Charges:

- 1 Assault
- 1 Possession of stolen truck
- 1 Possession of methamphetamine
- 1 Breach probation order
- 4 Fail to comply with undertaking
- 1 Mischief

Traffic tickets and warnings included:

- 5 Speeding tickets issued

CRUMB RUBBER

The crumb rubber that was located in the Jean Louis Legare Regional Park has now been removed and disposed of at no charge to the rate payers. The supplier has removed it.

UPGRADED WEBSITE

The RM of Willow Bunch No.42 and the Town of Willow Bunch have partnered together to have their website upgraded with the financial support of South Sask Ready. The website will remain under the domain:

www.willowbunch.ca

Please note there may be a few glitches as we transition over to the new site and we thank you for your patience as we strive to provide you with a brighter, easier to access site. If you find any anomalies that we should be made aware of, please contact us at your convenience so we can rectify them. Email: rm.42@sasktel.net or wbcdo@sasktel.net or by phone: 306-473-2450. Thank you.

PEST CONTROL

The municipality has contracted Brian Kuysten from St. Victor as our Pest Control Officer, 306-642-3221. The R.M. has always had the policy of free bait for our ratepayers if they have a mouse or rat problem. Please clean up old buildings, granaries with old grain, old bale stacks in effort to declare our municipality rat free. SARM took over pest control. It is now a rat eradication program. Please make sure that old bale stacks are cleaned up as well as used grain bags.

The RM still offers to take down and bury old farm buildings at ½ our custom work rate. The RM will have their pest control officer visit residential sites and sites that store feed or grains twice a year. We ask that ratepayers do their part in helping to eliminate rats in the municipality. The RM does offer mouse and rat poison free of charge to RM Ratepayers.

SASKATCHEWAN RCMP

expands its tools for residents to stay informed and report crime. The **SASKATCHEWAN CRIME WATCH ADVISORY NETWORK** allows Saskatchewan residents to receive credible, accurate and timely crime prevention details from local RCMP detachments. When investigators become aware of an incident or crime, they can issue an advisory via the system, and local residents who have signed up will become aware of what happened in minutes! RCMP detachments across the province have issued over 1,000 advisories. They are aimed at providing network members with timely crime prevention information related to their communities. Equipped with this information, citizens are in a better position to provide tips to their local RCMP detachment or municipal police

service. So far the network has seen successes that can largely be attributed to members of the public, as their responses to advisories lead investigators to solve numerous crimes. For example in March 2021, Morse detachment received a report of a vehicle stolen from a local business. Officers issued an advisory asking citizens to keep an eye out for the vehicle. While police conducted patrols and neighbourhood inquiries to locate the vehicle, a local citizen contacted the detachment to advise about a vehicle matching the description. The citizen confirmed the vehicle's licence plate and guided officers to its location. One person was charged with theft, and the vehicle was recovered and returned to the owner.

Livestock Services of Saskatchewan has also been added to the network to ensure producers are aware of issues specific to livestock thefts, missing livestock and other investigations, related to the industry.

Signing up is free and only takes a few minutes. You chose which agencies you want to receive notifications from and how you want to receive them – by text, email, phone call or the Everbridge mobile app! Visit

www.saskcrimewatch.ca to sign up.

Saskatchewan RCMP introduces new way to report crime online.

The **Online Crime Reporting** tool allows residents with a valid email address and internet connection to report select crimes online via computer or smartphone. When crime is reported to police, it provides a clearer picture of the types and number of crimes occurring in an area. This can launch future police projects and initiatives.

Crime statistics are also one of several components analyzed when determining officer deployments in RCMP detachments and units. Crime reported online is treated the same as crime reported in any other way. The following crimes can be reported with the Online Crime Reporting tool:

* Damage/mischief to property <\$5000

* Theft of bicycle <\$5000

* Theft < \$5000

* Theft from vehicle <\$5000

* Lost or found property

* Damage/mischief to vehicle <\$5000

Incidents must also meet the following conditions to be reported online:

* No witnesses or suspects;

* Item(s) lost or stolen must cost less than \$5000

* Vandalized property that will cost less than \$5000 to repair; and

* There are no items involving personal identity, firearms, license plates or decals.

If an incident does not fall within the reportable incident types, your local RCMP detachment must be contacted. Check out the Online Crime Reporting Tool at:

<https://ocre-sielc.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/saskatchewan/en>.