

# RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARBORFIELD NO. 456 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

JULY 2021

## TAX NOTICES

**CURRENT TAXES ARE DUE DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> IN THE YEAR THEY ARE LEVIED.  
ALL CURRENT TAXES PAID PRIOR TO AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup> ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A 6% DISCOUNT!**

Please find enclosed your 2021 tax notice(s). Council was able to set the mill rate at 11 for 2021, lower than previous years. A discount for early payment of taxes has been offered, rates are as follows:

6% if paid by August 31st; 5% if paid by September 30th; 4% if paid by October 31st; and 2% if paid by November 30th. No discount is offered for payments made in December. A 0.75% penalty per month is charged on arrears.

If making payment by mail and to receive full discount offered for the month in which the payment is intended, please ensure that your envelope is **postmarked** in the month for which you are making payment. Post marked payments will be processed for the month of the post marked date.

Payment options include cash or cheque, e-transfer payment to arbor456@sasktel.net or through the Diamond North Credit Union EFT. Post-dated cheques and/or monthly payments are also accepted.

## CONTACT US

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## COUNCIL MEMBERS

Reeve - Don Underhill  
Division #2/Deputy Reeve - Alois Bronner  
Division #3 - Bernie Carpentier  
Division #4 - Willie Schmitt  
Division #5 - Pat Lussier  
Division #6 - Dillon Gray

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Friday

8:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Saturday & Sunday and Public Holidays:  
Closed

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular council meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 8:00 am. Meeting dates are subject to change periodically.

Please contact the Administrator 3 days prior if an appointment to meet with council is necessary.

For notifications and more information, visit our website and Facebook page.

## COVID-19

The Councillors and Staff of the R.M. of Arborfield would like to thank everyone for their patience during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Masks are no longer mandatory at the municipal office effective July 11, 2021; however, we ask that anyone experiencing flu or cold like symptoms, refrain from visiting the office.



As a rate payer in the R.M. of Arborfield, you are a member of the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan (APAS); Saskatchewan's general farm organization.

APAS serves as the voice of thousands of farmers and ranchers both locally and provincially, as well as on a national level as a member of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

By using your membership card (enclosed), you can save on services such as: Insurance, Accommodations, Farm Learning Resources, Vehicles, Services and Retail.

You can find the following membership rewards online at [www.APAS.ca/my-rewards](http://www.APAS.ca/my-rewards).

## 2020 PROJECTS

In the fall of 2020, the R.M. of Arborfield was able to complete the final 2016 flood project with thanks to funding assistance from the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program. This was a large project involving culvert installations and road work done near the former Zenon Park Ski Hill.

Many other projects were also completed during 2020, including culverts and clay capping, with funding assistance from the Federal Gas Tax Program and the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program. Full list of projects completed is below:

**Culverts:**

NW-12-47-11-W2  
 NW-20-47-10-W2  
 NW-19-47-10-W2  
 NW-23-46-12-W2  
 NE-19-47-12-W2  
 SW-32-47-12-W2

**Clay Capping:**

NW-19-46-11-W2  
 SE-18-48-10-W2



### FIRE & CONTROLLED BURNS

Call **911** in case of fire or emergency.

When planning a controlled burn, ensure you are well-prepared and have fire guards in place. Controlled burns should also be reported to the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) by calling **1-866-404-4911**.

If you do not call the controlled burn number, you may be charged for a fire call if the fire department gets called out.

If you plan to burn in or within 4.5 km of the provincial forest during wildfire season (Apr 1 - Oct 31) you may also need a burn notification number. These are available from the SPSA Office in Hudson Bay.

Fire Bans for the RM of Arborfield are enacted in consultation with the Arborfield Fire Department. Bans may be enacted and rescinded with little notice based on current and forecasted weather conditions. Please follow our Facebook page for the most current information.

### GARBAGE DISPOSAL / RECYCLING

Waste bins are available at the R.M. Shop for \$20/month fee plus a \$20 refundable key deposit.

Applications and keys are available at the Municipal Office during business hours.

The bins are intended for household garbage and recycling only; please do not dump furniture or household items.

Lost or damaged keys will result in loss of deposit. Absolutely no duplication of keys are allowed and anyone misusing the terms of the agreement will be denied access to the bins.

### DUST CONTROL

Individuals or contractors must provide written notice to the RM Administration Office or to the RM Councillor for your division at least ten (10) days prior to the application date in order to ensure the road surface can be prepared prior to the application of the product.

The ratepayer is the one responsible for the dust control costs.

The RM advises their ratepayers that, while the RM allows dust control on the municipal roads, it reserves the right to grade the dust controlled portion of their road any time that the municipality deems necessary.

### R.M OF ARBORFIELD MAPS

R.M. maps will be updated in the spring of 2022.

The current R.M. maps were revised in May, 2020 and are available at the Municipal Office.

**Prices:**

Small 2'x2'	Ratepayer	\$10.00
	Non-ratepayer	\$20.00
Large 2.5'x2.5'	Ratepayer	\$15.00
	Non-ratepayer	\$25.00
Digital Copy	Ratepayer	\$15.00
	Non-ratepayer	\$20.00

**The 2020 Audited Financial Statement**  
 for the R.M of Arborfield No.456 was completed.

Copies are available at the  
 Municipal Office, or on our website.