

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARBORFIELD NO. 456 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

JULY 2022

TAX NOTICES

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

Please find enclosed your 2022 tax notice(s). The uniform mill rate remains at 11.0 for 2022, same as in 2021, and a lower mill rate factor (0.6) was implemented for residential properties. For more information on Tax Tools, please visit our website.

Discounts were approved again, 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.

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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.



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.

The RM of Arborfield would like to thank Bob Reavie for his 20 years of service as the APAS Representative.

We would like to introduce Ryan Edwards, the new APAS representative for the RM of Arborfield.

NEW Arborfield Library Hours

Please note that the Library hours have changed. The new hours are:

Tuesday 10:30am – 6:00pm

Wednesday 9:30am – 4:00 pm

2021 PROJECTS

With being a drier season in 2021, the R.M. was able to install or fix many culverts within the municipality to improve drainage and help with future possible flooding.

The biggest project was done in the fall. New culverts and road grading was done on the Peesane grid at Burnout Creek (SE-01-46-12-W2), with funding assistance from the Federal Gas Tax Program.



CULVERT SALES

The R.M. of Arborfield shop keeps a supply of culverts in inventory for R.M. projects. If a ratepayer is interested in purchasing culverts from the R.M. at cost, please notify your council or the administration office before May of each year so that your order may be included in our inventory purchase. Any culverts needed after the order is placed is subject to availability.

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 the RM 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 notice to the RM Administration Office or to the RM Councilor 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

The R.M. Office has updated maps available for purchase. This reflects any new ownership changes since 2021 and the updated Assessment Values.

Prices:

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

The 2021 Audited Financial Statement
for the R.M of Arborfield No.456 was completed.

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