Council & Staff

May we ask anyone needing to contact Municipal Staff and Council to abide by the following courtesies.

Municipal Staff is available during the week from Monday to Friday during regular business hours to answer questions and concerns. Please do not contact them at their homes.

Some of our councillors have employment or businesses they run on a day-to-day basis. These are not places they are prepared to give you their full attention, have time to give you or a private spot to discuss matters. Please contact the Reeve and Councilor by phoning their listed number and leave a message with your topic, your contact information and a time to get a hold of you. They will return your call as soon as possible. If you prefer to email please send it to rm440@sasktel.net at anytime.

Reeve

Glenn Goodfellow 306-823-4560

Division 1 Trevor McCrea 306-398-2912

Division 3

2 306-398-2895 Division 4 leton Vincent Murphy

Bernadette Poppleton 306-823-4530

> **Division 5** Floyd Whitney 306-823-4742

> > If you are unsure which councillor you should be talking with please contact the Municipal Office, we can help!

Freemont TRANSFER SITE

Located 5.5 miles East and 1.5 miles South of Neilburg

Summer Hours begin the First Wednesday after May 1.

Wednesdays • 11am to 7pm Saturdays • 9am to 1pm

Winter Hours begin on the September Long Weekend.

Wednesdays • 9am to 5pm Saturdays • 9am to 1pm

Please Note

On January 1, 2015 tipping fees increased.

Garbage Tags stayed at \$1.00 plus GST

Receipts are not issued at the Transfer Site. Receipts are issued at the beginning of the month for the previous months tipping through the Municipal Office. Due to administration costs receipts will not be issued for fees less than \$10.00.

R.M. Maps



Municipal maps are available with the 2013 assessment figures. Maps are \$15.00 each plus GST.

R.M. of Hillsdale No. 440

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www.rmofhillsdale.com

The Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440 website has been in development for quite some time. We are very pleased to say that it is now live! On June 26, 2015 the website has been available for everyone to access by visiting www.rmofhillsdale.com. Compiling the information for this site has been difficult and time consuming. Unfortunately, it very often made it's way to the back of the to do list. Writing, organizing and deciding how information was to be made available for our ratepayers

and customers was an overwhelming task.

If you feel there is information you would like to see on the website, please email or contact the Municipal Office and we will consider it for future updates.

As always our staff and council will be happy to answer municipal questions but feel free to utilize the material we have included on the website.

Orange Zone

As spring is arriving, our employees will be out working on the roads. For the safety of our workers we want to remind everyone the speed limit for passing workers is 60 km/hr.

Keep in mind a single grader is a work site. Kindly reduce speed when meeting or passing workers.

The Traffic Safety Act states "No person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed greater than 60 km/hr when passing a highway worker or flag person; or any highway equipment occupied by a highway worker, whose presence on the highway is marked in a manner determined in the regulations made by the board." The definition of highway includes all municipal roads.

Please **SLOW DOWN** in the Orange Zone.

Division 6 Chip Chibri 306-823-4228

Division 2

Jerry Petovello

306-398-2709

Subdivision Process

The subdivision process has changed in recent years and we would like to inform you of the timelines and what the process involves.

How long does it take to get a subdivision application approved?

Each application is different and more complex applications take longer. The average time for all types of subdivision application is about 65 days. If an application is in complete and final form, legislation allows a subdivision approving authority 90 days in which to make a decision after which applicants may be asked to grant more review time, or file an appeal to have a decision rendered.

Why do I need a surveyor or planner for an application?

Surveyors and planners have the resources and expertise needed to prepare applications that include all the information needed for a decision to be made.

Why can't I use a Metes & Bounds description?

The Saskatchewan Land Registration Office no longer accepts these types of land descriptions. They were eliminated when all the district Land Titles Offices converted to the LAND computer registration system.

Are there any regulations

affecting the number of parcels into which a quarter section may be divided in a RM?

Different rural municipalities have different requirements in their development plan, Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaws for subdividing quarter sections. The rationale for controlling the amount of subdivision is based on the provision of local services (e.g. roads & school buses), the availability of water, site suitability for sewage disposal, and compatibility with surrounding land uses. To find out how may parcels you may have, you must contact the local RM office about what its bylaws allow. In the Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440 the Official Community Plan will allow for two single parcel residential subdivisions per quarter section.

Control Burns

From April 1 to October 31 every year Burning Permits are required. Call the Municipal Office for your permit number before you burn.

ALL YEAR ROUND you are required to call the Control Burn Hotline at 1-866-404-4911.

- You will be asked the following questions:
- Land Location RM Number Location Details
- Fire Service Provider How Long the burn is going to last
- Your name and contact number
- You will also need to call back when the burn is completed.

Reporting your controlled burn will save you money, because if Control Burn has not been informed of your fire and 911 is called you will be BILLED.

New Recycle Bins

If you haven't been into Neilburg lately to do your recycling you may not have noticed there have been new bins placed at the Railway Avenue Recycle Centre and new guidelines for recycling.

Cardboard, Paper, Mixed Paper and Newsprint all go in the same bin! No need to separate...however you still have to fold down your cardboard boxes!!! Plastics and Tin Cans are also now placed in the same bin. Please wash and remove tin can labels, crush cans when possible. Plastics with the number 1, 2, 4, 5 & 7 are acceptable. Please wash, remove lids and flatten. Items **NOT** for recycling are Styrofoam, tinfoil, plastic wrap, motor oil, pesticide or paint containers. For more information please visit www.wywra.ca.

Municipal Road why won't the municipality build my road?

A municipality has discretion over when roads may be built depending on its budget and over the construction and maintenance standards. No law exists that requires a municipality to build any road. Each situation is unique and subject to a municipalities discretion.

RM of Hillsdale Undeveloped Road Allowance Policy - Farmer

This policy is to help in the organizing and budgeting purposes for field access roads, all access requests will have to be in writing with a sketch of what work they desire to be completed. Application for road development to be submitted by April 1 of the calendar year, all requests will be weighted based on the below criteria, any requests are unable to be completed in the calendar year the forms will be kept on file to be looked at in future budget years and will be assessed each year. The width of the road must be constructed or upgraded to a width to allow vehicles or towed

implements with no form of transport which can narrow their width. If no other route is available to access field, driving through your own property is considered access. On non through roads, gravel cost will be shared with adjacent land owners with all having to comply. The Municipality will endeavor to organize roads that are being built in close proximity to save on mobilization costs. Ranking Griteria

- Willingness of adjacent land owners to work with the RM ex. moving fence, picking stones, dealing with brush piles 40%
- Number of ratepayers benefiting from the improvement 20%
- Standard of current access 25%
- Through road vs. dead end 15%