

R.M. of Loreburn #254

June, 2011

Summer Hours

Hours of Operations.

Monday – Thursday

8.30 am – Noon; 1.00 pm – 4.00 p.m.

Friday: 8.30 – Noon; Closed in the afternoon

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April Meeting Minutes

Donald Chernick and Rod Vollmer will form the fuel tender committee to open fuel tenders on April 13, 2011

Steven South is given a one year leave of absence and we will advertise for a one year seasonal employee. The Administrator will attend the RMAA Convention in Saskatoon on May 16-19./

We will hire Baschuk Construction's Dozer D8 Cat and his operator to assist in stripping at the gravel pit.

Conditional subdivision approval is given on the NE 02/25/05 W3 conditional to the signing of a Servicing Agreement.

We will upgrade our computer/printer systems and also purchase one laptop for the office.

Membership in the MidSask Reda Enterprise is renewed for 2011.

Bylaw No. 03/2011 being a Bylaw to Enter into an Agreement with the Village of Elbow respecting the Provision of Fire Protection was passed.

“Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.”
William James

May Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to purchase the tools and tool box from Steven South for \$2500.00.

The fuel tender was awarded to Rack Petroleum at 101.9 plus GST as they were the lowest tender.

The budget was accepted and the mill rate was set at 10 mills with a mill rate factor on agricultural land of 0.9 and 1.06 on commercial property.

That we upgrade the coin operated machine at the water tank loader to a loonie and toonie machine.

May Meeting Highlights cont.

That we contact Ron & Judi Bell and inform them that the Lakeside RV Trailer Park Ltd subdivision has not be approved for septic field/mound system sewage and that the road accessing the development and the marina is owned by the Department of Highways not the Village of Elbow.

Bylaw No., 04/2011 to Enter into an Agreement with the Village of Hawarden respecting the provision of Fire Protection is adopted.



Contact the RM Office if you wish to use/rent the board room chambers for your organization.

May Special Meeting Minutes

That we hire Andrew J. Lafontaine as operator starting May 16, 2011 and he will be put on a 3 month probationary period.

June Meeting Minutes

Darryl Norrish was given June 17 and Nona Stronski was given June 24th as holidays

Ron Savidan will attend the SPCOA Seminar in Swift Current on June 8th and 9th and council will pay all expenses.

That we will notify all ratepayers that they must contact PA 911 Dispatch at 1-866-404-4911 to report all controlled burns on their property. Failure to do so will result in the property owner being charged for call out if the fire department is inadvertently dispatched to attend these fires.

We will donate \$500 to the Lakeshore rodeo Comjmittee.

That we send our Servicing Agreement with the Jukes subdivision to our Community Planner.

That renew membership in WaterWolf Advisory Planning Commission for 2011.

That we participate in the recycle program with Loraas Disposal and notify residents that effective July 1, 2011 our recycle bin will become a co-mingled recycle bin.

That we send a letter to ratepayers at the Jukes subdivision and in Division 1 to see if they would like to have a disposal/recycle bin placed at their residence for pick up by Loraas Disposal. Each ratepayer wishing to participate would be charged for the service.

That we donate \$100 to the Lakeshore Open Horse Show Heritage Classic.

That we rent a 66" packer from Redhead Equipment on a weekly basis.

That we approve the Development Permit 01/2011 of Richard Devon for the construction of a Quonset on the SW 23/26/05 W3 as it complies with our Zoning Bylaw.

Bylaw 05/2011 being a bylaw to Provide for the Exchange of Dedicated Lands be given first reading. That we hold a public meeting on July 20 @ 2.00 to hear comments on the proposal to exchange municipal reserve.



*"Fear cannot be without hope
nor hope without fear"
Baruch Spinoza.*

Weed Control Act – Introducing New Law

by Clark Brenzil, Provincial Specialist, Weed Control
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The *Weed Control Act*, Saskatchewan's new weed control legislation, is focusing priorities back to new and spreading weeds and away from widely-established weeds.

The Major change in *The Weed Control Act* is the creation of three distinct categories of weeds; Prohibited, noxious and nuisance. Regulated weeds are designated to the categories based on their relative distribution within Saskatchewan and each has a specific set of enforcement objectives. Previous weed control legislation had a single list, with weeds of varying prevalence and importance. The goal of *The Weed Control Act* is to place a higher importance on addressing new weeds in the Prohibited category and weeds that are spreading to uninfested areas, such as those in the Noxious category.

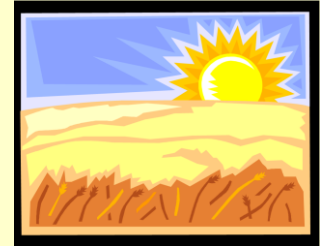
There is still some emphasis on preventing the negligence of one landowner from placing an undue burden on a neighbor for weeds that are already well-established. The Nuisance category contains weeds that are common, but are able to spread easily and aggressively over large areas. The weed species that are designated into each category are found in the Minister's Order Designating Prohibited, Noxious and Nuisance Weeds.

With the introduction of the Prohibited category, also comes the provision for a Prohibited area. This provision replaces the provisions in *The Noxious Weeds Act* for the five weeds with additional powers including bylaw powers. The new provision allows a municipality, through a bylaw, to declare a Prohibited Area, around an infestation of a Prohibited weed. A Prohibited Area allows the municipality to isolate that infestation from animal and machine traffic that would threaten to spread the Prohibited weed while eradication efforts are implemented. The designation of a Prohibited Area can remain in place for up to five years following the last occurrence of the weed at that site.

Another significant change in *The Weed Control Act* is the introduction of an appeal process for all enforcement actions. If an individual feels "aggrieved" by an enforcement action levied by a weed inspector, he/she can initiate an appeal. The appeal is first heard by the municipality and if the appellant still feels their concerns have not been addressed, they may elevate their appeal to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board to make a final ruling.

Fines are still a part of *The Weed Control Act*. As the maximum fine in the previous legislation was no longer a deterrent, it was raised to \$5,000. Fines may only be applied to the nine offences in Section 39 of the Act, as well as the 'tarping' bylaw in section 33.

In addition, the maximum amount that a municipality may recover from a landowner for weed control measures taken as a result of enforcement has been increased and is found in *The Weed Control Regulations*. The process for recovering costs in *The Weed Control Act* is similar to that in the previous legislation.



*"A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others."
Ayn Rand*

Upcoming Events

Lions Farmer's Golf Tournament

July 13, 2011

Elbow Harbor Golf Course.

Homestead Jamboree

August 21, 2011

Coyote Springs Campground, 4 km S of Elbow

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