# Rural Municipality of LeRoy No. 339 August 2015

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#### **Municipal Infrastructure Update**

The RM is continuing to experience significant growth and is undertaking many activities and plans in anticipation of future growth and development. It is anticipated that construction of the roads to service the mine site, including paving, will be completed in the 2015 season.

Please feel free to contact the RM office with any questions or concerns you may have regarding road construction.

#### 2015 Council

Reeve	Jerry McGrath	306-286-3602
Division 1	Christian Amendt	306-287-3785
Division 2	Harlan Block	306-286-3509
Division 3	Donald Williams	306-365-3489
Division 4	Calvin Buhs	306-287-4279
Division 5	Calvin Michel	306-366-4934
Division 6	Allan Moorman	306-682-3343

### Administration

Administrator	Wendy Gowda
Assistant Administrator	Peggy Lynch
Intern	Kristen Lissel
Director of Operations	Brenda Zimmer

Commissioner of Oath and Notary Public services are provided at no cost to ratepayers.

**WEB Site Coming Soon** - Please email your suggestions for website content along with any photos you wish to share.

#### Maintenance

Don Renz	Wilson Pocha
Lloyd Ven Der Buhs	Jacob Jensen
Brendan Haussecker	Brent Silzer

Phone 306-286-3261

Your assistance in reporting trouble spots on roads, signs down or any other maintenance related items is helpful.

#### P.A. 911 Controlled Burn No. 1-866-404-4911

Report all controlled burns to 1-866-404-4911 before burning and upon completion. You will be required to provide your name, phone number, land location, what you are burning and for how long. If an unreported controlled burn is responded to by a fire department, the landowner may be charged for call out costs incurred by the fire department.

#### **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are due on or before December 31, 2015. Arrears remaining unpaid after this date will be charged a 1% penalty per month. When remitting your taxes, please ensure you are paying the discounted amount (if applicable) and quote your customer number/numbers on your cheque. This number can be found on the top right hand corner of the tax notice following your name.

#### **Black Gold Scrap Tire Program**

The RM of Leroy participated in the Black Gold Scrap Tire Program. Over seven thousand tires were collected. Community Groups volunteering their time to this program were LeRoy Leisureland, Raise the Roof, LeRoy Heritage Museum, LeRoy Curling Rink, LeRoy Fire Department and LeRoy School Community Council. The money raised from the program will be distributed to these groups. Hats off to the coordinators and volunteers for a job well done. Special thanks to Ralph and Sandy Hinz for the use of their yard as the collection site along with the countless hours of unloading tires.



#### **Bylaw to Prohibit Obstructions Adjacent to Roads**

In accordance with the bylaw, no person shall plant trees or shrubs or place stone, earth or gravel piles, portable structures, machinery, bins or other objects on private property within 60 meters (197 feet) from the center line of any road or within 90 meters (295 feet) from the intersection of two roads.

The objective of the bylaw is to avoid snow problems on the road and allow for clear sight triangles at intersections. As well, from a safety aspect, if a vehicle leaves the road and enters the ditch it would not then immediately hit objects if it goes out of the road allowance. The wording of "other objects" would include bales or grain bags being piled adjacent to the road allowance.

#### **Weed Control**

Larry Durand has been appointed as the Weed Inspector for the municipality under the authority of *The Weed Control Act*.

Assistance from farmers and landowners to identify and control noxious weeds on their property by picking or chemical methods is appreciated. Please relay any concerns about noxious weeds, such as Scentless Chamomile, to the RM Office whether on private property or within the municipal right of way. Problem areas will be referred to the Weed Inspector. Enforcement costs associated with weed control measures can be recovered from the registered landowner.

#### **Pest Control**

Debra Tokarski is appointed as the Pest Control Officer (PCO) for the municipality under the authority of *The Pest Control Act*.

Deb provides site inspections and distributes product for baiting. Tamper proof bait boxes are available for purchase and distribution through the PCO. Please contact the RM Administration Office for all inquiries into pest control services.

Producers are reminded that grain bags are a potential source for rat infestation and are encouraged to follow the supplier's recommended method for disposal.



#### **Building and Development**

Land use is regulated within the municipality through the Mid Sask Municipal Alliance District Plan, the RM of LeRoy Official Community Plan and the RM of LeRoy Zoning Bylaw.

<u>Development permits</u> are required for all residential, commercial and agricultural development in the municipality.

<u>Building permits</u> are required for all non-farm buildings in the municipality.

The province of Saskatchewan ensures a minimum standard for construction of new buildings under *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act.* The standards of construction follow the National Building Code and provide assurance to all users of the building that the building is safe. The municipality is responsible for the administration and enforcement of these standards. The RM has appointed building officials, licensed by the province, to ensure that buildings under construction or renovation comply with the National Building Code. Plan review and site inspections are provided through the stages of construction. The municipal building bylaw authorizes the municipality to charge the applicant a fee to cover these costs.

Please contact the RM Office prior to commencing any development, site work or building within the RM, and discuss your proposal with the Development Officer. Development proposals will be reviewed, to ensure compliance with the RM's land use policies. Regardless of whether a development or building permit is required, the development must comply with minimal set-back requirements.

The Zoning Bylaw and the Official Community Plan provide guidelines for subdivision in the municipality. *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* and *The Subdivision Regulations* govern the subdivision of land and servicing requirements for new subdivisions. The approving authority for subdivisions in rural Saskatchewan is the Director of Community Planning, Ministry of Government Relations. Recommendations from the RM, MidSask Municipal Alliance, the Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Health, Health Region, and the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency are considered during the subdivision application and review process.

Building and development application forms are available at the RM Office. Subdivision application forms and guides can be obtained at the RM Office, or they can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/Programs-Services/Community-Planning/Subdivision">www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/Programs-Services/Community-Planning/Subdivision</a>.

## Have a safe harvest!