



2016 NEWSLETTER

Regular Meetings of council are held at the municipal office on the second Tuesday of each month commencing at 8:00 a.m. in spring and summer months, and 10:00 a.m. in winter months.

The members of the Council of the RM of Saltcoats No. 213 can be found on the R.M. of Saltcoats Website - <http://rmsaltcoats.ca>

The administration office is located at 104 Commercial Street in Saltcoats. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Mill Rates - 2016:

Municipal Mill Rate – 12.6 mills

Residential Mill Rate Factor - 0.60 (7.56 mills for residential)

School Division Mill Rates - Agriculture Property - 2.67 mills

- Residential Property - 5.03 mills

- Commercial Property - 8.28 mills

- Resource(oil/gas/mines) – 11.04 mills

Discounts and incentives are not applicable to Education Property Tax.

We will still offer discount on prompt payment of municipal taxes.

Discounts for 2016 are as follows:

September Discount - 5%, October Discount - 4%, November Discount - 2%
and December Discount - 0%

Online Banking/Tax Payments

Ratepayers of the RM of Saltcoats No. 213 can now pay their property taxes through the Cornerstone Credit Union website.

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Town of Saltcoats Landfill:

As of January 1, 2016 the Town of Saltcoats stopped accepting household garbage at the Saltcoats Landfill as they have implemented a curb side garbage pickup program in Town with garbage disposed at the Yorkton Landfill.

The Council of the R.M. of Saltcoats No. 213 made arrangements with Ottenbreit Sanitation Services (2002) Ltd. to supply containers at the Saltcoats Landfill for disposal of household bagged garbage by R.M. ratepayers and residents. A recycling container has also be placed at the landfill and Council strongly encourages residents to recycle whenever possible.

The following items may be placed inside the recycle container:

Paper:

- Computer/photocopy paper, flyers, junk mail and catalogues, telephone directories, letterhead, stationary and newspapers.

Cardboard:

- Cardboard boxes(please fold/breakdown boxes before putting them into the bin), box board boxes(shoe/cereal boxes) milk cartons(not plastic)

The following items will not be accepted:

- Tin/Aluminum cans, plastic beverage bottles, plastic grocery bags, Styrofoam, glass, wood, wire, hazardous chemical containers or oil containers and ceramics.

The Landfill has a Gate Keeper and has been instructed not to let anything other than bagged household garbage into the containers. Anything other than bagged household waste will be refused and you will have to take it back home. Unless it is recyclables, in that case it will be allowed in the recycle bin. You will be instructed by the Gate Keeper which bins to dispose of your waste and/or recyclables.

Garbage from the containers will be hauled to the Yorkton Landfill on a regular basis, as an agreement was signed with the City of Yorkton for the disposal of waste from these containers.

As an agreement has been signed with the City of Yorkton, ratepayers and residents of the R.M. of Saltcoats No. 213 will also be allowed access to the City Landfill to dispose of residential refuse. There will be a charge based on tonnage and/or a minimum fee per visit.

There are restrictions on what can be disposed at the City Landfill. Please call 306-786-7499 for additional information. Alternatively, arrangements can be made for the placement of containers at your residence for a monthly fee through Ottenbreit Sanitation Services. Rates will depend on size of container and frequency of pickups. For more information call 306-783-6995.

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Landfill Hours

For updates, or more information and hours of operation please check the R.M.'s website <http://rmsaltcoats.ca> or call the R.M. Office at 306-744-2202.

Provincial Rat Eradication Program(PREP)

The Provincial Rat Eradication Program was established in the spring of 2010. Its goal is to promote uniformity and consistency in rat control methods toward the eradication of rats in Saskatchewan. **Provincial Rat Eradication Program(PREP)** To accomplish this goal each site/yard within an RM where agriculture produce is stored or where livestock or poultry are housed must be inspected by the RM's Pest Control Officer (PCO) on an annual basis.

The RM's PCO is Garrett Keyowski if you wish to contact anytime during the year, his phone is 306-782-2683 or 306-621-5900.

When the PCO arrives for an inspection sometime this fall, and if you so choose you can ask him to do a physical inspection with you if you have any concerns about possible infestation.

Spring Road Restrictions

Every spring the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure issues Minister orders for the placement of road restriction throughout the Province. All RM's in the Province are automatically included in the order, unless we decide to opt out of the Ministerial Order. In the past the RM of Saltcoats has elected to opt out. However, with the excess moisture over the past few years and the high water table the roads in the spring are experiencing many surface breaks from frost boils.

In future year's council will be monitoring the road conditions very close and if they are experiencing soft spots and surface breaks, council will have no choice but to place weight restrictions as per the Ministers Spring Road Restrictions. Please contact the RM Office to determine if road restrictions have been placed or go the following website - <http://www.highways.gov.sk.ca/restrictions/>

Rural Civic Addressing System

Council is currently considering adopting the "**Standardized System of Rural Civic Addressing System**" designed by the Province of Saskatchewan and 911. Civic Addressing is a province-wide standardized system of identifying and locating properties associated with human activity by establishing a unique access point location (driveway). This system will assist emergency providers such as the police, fire and ambulance in finding your home or business quickly. **This civic address will be entered into the Emergency Service Provider's computer system and will then provide your address which is a more accurate way to locate your property than a legal description.**

A rural address system will be based off the range road and township road network. Address numbers increase going North for Township Roads and West for Range Roads.

Address Examples

22243 Rge Rd 2035

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The Township
Road number to the
South of the Property

43

The Property
Access lot Number
based on its location
along the road

2035

The number of the
Range Road that property resides.

201374 Twp Rd 243

2013

The Range
Road number to the
East of the Property

74

The Property
Access lot Number
based on its location
along the road

243

The number of the
Township Road that property resides.

All Civic signs will 45cm x 25cm (18" x 10"), the numbers will be white with a blue background. The signs will be posted within 15 meters of the travelled portion of the municipal or provincial highway from which the principal building is accessed.(At the end of your lane). The bottom of the numerals should be posted a minimum of 1.2 meters above grade.(47 inches).

Council will be seeking feedback on this system from ratepayers of the RM of Saltcoats, to determine if the signage policy should be adopted and made mandatory for all residents for the placement of these signs at their respective yards. We will be seeking input until March 31, 2017. If this system is implemented, the RM will be responsible for costs associated with purchasing these signs.

There will be a sign at the RM Office for your viewing and the following Councillor's will be displaying the signs at the end of their respective driveways:

Don Taylor(SE-22-22-1-2), Scott Haas(NW-28-22-2-2), Vernon Glaicar(NW-17-22-3-2) and Les Trowell(NE-16-24-1-2).