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July 2015 Newsletter

Council Meeting Cancellations for this Summer

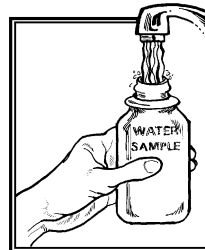
The Regular Council Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, July 28th and Tuesday, August 25th, 2015 have been cancelled.

The Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, July 14th, 2015 at 7pm will be held at the Vassar Hall.



Seine Rat River Conservation Well Water Testing

Seine-Rat River Conservation District will be going door-to-door in the RM of Piney offering **FREE voluntary well water testing** programs to residents in the Roseau River Watershed within the RM.



SRRCD Staff will be going door to door from June 22 through August 28, 2015. All you have to do is answer a few quick questions and allow their professional staff to gather a water sample from a kitchen or outdoor tap. Horizon Laboratory will contact you directly with your results! If you're often away or have a seasonal residence, give them a call and set up a well water sampling appointment.

If you are not a resident in the Roseau River Watershed, well water tests can be done for \$21.26 per sample (only exact cash or cheques made out to Horizon Lab Ltd.). Water bottles and application forms can be picked up in advance at the RM office in Vassar. Samples must be taken the morning the sample is due and dropped off at the RM office before 10am on July 2nd, August 6th, or September 3rd.



For more details, please contact
the Seine-Rat River Conservation District
at 204-425-7877 or 204-424-5845.

Free E-Newsletter Workshop Open to all Businesses in the RM

Looking to connect with your clients?

Learn about an extremely cost efficient way to engage current and prospective clients.

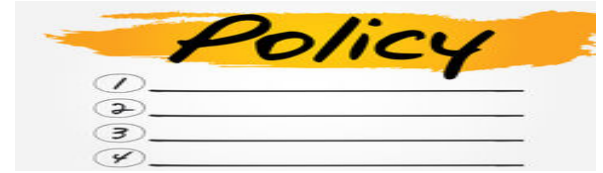
Email newsletter marketing will help you increase sales, build brand awareness, strengthen customer relationships and more!

**Please join us on Wednesday, July 15th, 2015
at 7:00pm – 8:30pm in the Council
Chambers in Vassar.**



Please register with the RM by:
Wednesday, July 8th, 2015
by 4:30pm

Grant Policies



The RM of Piney has 4 new policies in regards to grants in place that can be found on our website www.rmofpiney.mb.ca under Policies. These grants policies include the following:

The **Large Grant Policy** coordinates and develops recreation services and facilities within the municipality. The policy and funds associated with the implementation of this policy are 100% capital development. The purpose of this policy is to provide funds for larger capital projects which will result in meaningful facility and service improvements with broad benefits to all RM ratepayers.

The **Cultural and Community Identity Policy** coordinates and develops cultural and community identity projects within the municipality. The policy and funds associated with the implementation of this policy are 100% capital development. The purpose of this policy is to provide funds for museums or other cultural, historical or community identity projects which will result in meaningful cultural and community identity capital improvements that have a broad benefit to all ratepayers in the RM.

The **Events Policy** provides funding for community events within the municipality. The Policy and funds associated with the implementation of this policy include program delivery. The purpose of this policy is to provide funds for special community events that provide vibrant and diverse community experiences for residents and visitors which will result in meaningful community events such as festivals, community celebrations, and organized sports.

The **Recreation Commission Policy** is for the coordination and development of recreational services and facilities within broad geographical and demographical areas within the RM. The policy and funds associated with the implementation of this policy are 100% recreational based to benefit recreational activities. The purpose of this policy is recreation and event coordination, recreation infrastructure development and promotion. It is community driven and focuses on the needs of everyone in the RM.

Piney Emergency Assistance Teams (P.E.A.T)

My name is Kelly Britton, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Emergency Coordinator for the RM of Piney. As you well know, living in the southeast part of Manitoba we are prone to many Natural Disasters such as forest fires, floods, severe weather like tornadoes, wind storms, and blizzards. Other types of human disasters like Dangerous Goods Accidents are also possible from the Railroad and various Highways, hence community preparedness plans should be in place before a disaster occurs. Communities like Badger have their own community response plan but join forces with other emergency services. Woodridge also has a community response system in place called PEAT. There are some communities with no such plan in place. I find it of utmost importance to meet with these communities to explain the importance and benefits of having a community emergency system in place, to explain to them what PEAT is all about and to hopefully get all communities on board with PEAT before a disaster occurs. I am looking forward to visiting your communities this fall and answering any questions you may have.