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Rural Municipality of
PINEY



June 2022

MONTHLY REMINDERS

Dust Control

Dust control will be available through the RM. The product is Magnesium Chloride, but we do not guarantee the dust control product being used. For safety reasons, maintenance of RM roads takes priority over any dust control application.

Requests for dust control are made by **pre-payments of \$300 plus GST no later than Friday, July 8th, 2022.** Applications consist of 5 meters of road width x 100 meter strip. The area to be serviced must be staked out prior to application. The RM is not responsible for replacing dust control applications.

Be Aware of All Burn and Travel Bans Issued

Please keep an eye out for the **yellow FIRE BAN notices on all RM of Piney signs when entering the RM.** Check the RM of Piney website: www.rmofpiney.mb.ca and our Facebook page: The Rural Municipality of Piney daily, for burn ban and travel restriction updates.

For any burn bans issued by Conservation & Climate, be sure to check their website for details:
https://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation_fire/Restrictions/

There are currently no burn bans/restrictions in place.

Mailing Address Changes

If you have recently moved or purchased a property, please make sure that the RM office has your correct mailing address.

Thank you!

Canada Day Office Closure

The RM office is closed on Friday, July 1st, 2022.



Thank you for participating in our survey!

We received **72** surveys.

Out of those 72 participants, **92%** said they receive and read the printed monthly newsletter.

**Newsletter
Survey
Results**

"Do you find our Newsletter informative?" **94% said YES!**

"Do you want to see more?" **53% said YES!**

We received many great comments and suggestions.

Caution Men at Work

During the year when our Public Works employees are out working on the roads, limit your speed when passing workers to **60 km/hr.**



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.*

Kindly reduce speed when meeting or passing our workers.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN!

HAPPY
Father's Day

Thank you to our community members for your help in keeping our roads/ditches clean. Your efforts don't go un-noticed. We appreciate all your hard work!





Economic Development

Step 5: Understand Your Financials

People start businesses for all kinds of reasons, but bottom-line, the business needs to make a profit to be sustainable. Whether it's a solopreneur's full-time livelihood or starting a business with employees, the owner must understand the financial aspects of their business. It's time to create a financial plan.

Capital Costs:

It's important to first know exactly what it's going to cost to get your business up and running. Capital costs are fixed, one-time expenses that are incurred on the purchase of land, buildings, construction, and equipment used in the production of goods or provision of services. For example, if you want to start a graphic design business, you would invest in a computer with design software, a desk and chair, and a website and business cards to promote your business. If you want to open a hardware store, you'll have to buy or construct a building, purchase inventory and a point-of-sale system, and maybe even buy a truck for product deliveries.

Operating Expenses:

Even if every business doesn't have capital costs (some already own what they need to start), every business will have operating expenses. These are the monthly costs of running your business. For the graphic design firm, operating expenses will include salaries, internet costs, advertising, rent or mortgage for office space, and more. For the hardware store, it will include staffing costs, insurance, utilities, and interest payments on the debt used to buy the building and inventory.

Financial Plan:

The financial plan truly is the most important part of your business plan because it identifies your financing needs and shows the profit potential of your business. A financial plan includes these financial statements: Income Statement which compares your revenues and expenses to see if you are going to make any money; Monthly Cash Flow Statement which compares how much cash will be coming in versus how much you will be spending; and the Balance Sheet which compares what you own to what you owe. This is often the most difficult part for entrepreneurs, but don't fret – there's help available from organizations like Community Futures Triple R, Futurpreneur, and Sunrise Corner.

No matter what stage your business is at, I'd love to hear from you. If you'd like to discuss some ideas or get help narrowing down the options, feel free to reach out.

Monique Chenier

monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

COMMUNITY TRANSIT PLANNING



Representatives from all corners of the RM of Piney and Buffalo Point First Nation are needed to identify how to implement and operate a successful transit community van.

Based on the representatives' preferences, several meetings are expected between June and September.

If you are interested in participating or have any other questions, please email CGpiney@gmail.com or call the RM of Piney office at 204-437-2284.

Purpose:

To recommend operating protocols and policies to a Transit Management Board to successfully implement and operate a community transit service in the RM of Piney and Buffalo Point First Nation. Topics may include, but not limited to, service delivery, fares, communication, drivers, routes and scheduling.

Community Transit Planning Membership:

To encompass as much as possible, a composition which accurately reflects the diversity of the people in the RM of Piney and Buffalo Point First Nation. This includes diversity of perspective, expertise, gender, ethnicity and geography.

Topics for logistical discussions include:

- Fixed routes or on-demand only; availability during week; how to share in large physical area;
- Fares set per km, per destination;
- Volunteer drivers or paid drivers;
- How to communicate with passengers;
- How many wheelchairs need to be accommodated?

Our transit goal is to provide a sustainable, cost effective mode of travel to be able to continue to live in Southeast Manitoba communities and have access to services, to socialize, to work and to learn. Being able to access services not available locally rather than being compelled to move elsewhere.

Connie Gamble



You're Invited PRCC Monthly Meeting

June 9, 2022 at 7 pm

Hybrid Meeting

attend in person at RM office in Vassar or via Zoom

www.pineyregionalchamber.com

PUBLIC INPUT

The RM will host
public input
meetings at 7:00 pm
on the following
dates and
locations:

June 20, 2022
Piney Over 40
Club

June 21, 2022
Sprague
Evergreen
Seniors Club

June 22, 2022
Woodridge
Community Club



Strategic Plan Review

The reason to engage in municipal strategic planning is that it provides direction and focus in a written document. Having a clearly mission and vision enables the municipality to develop a strategic plan that is a literal roadmap for success. It is our guiding document into how we create healthy communities into the future.

MISSION

Our municipal government strives to provide common-sense service delivery that sustains a varied economy and communities that foster multi-generational families. Our mission is to implement responsible governance for all; focused on family, communities and a diversified economy.

VISION

To create a safe, healthy and prosperous environment to live, work and play in; and to encourage sustainable development that will complement and enhance the way of life for all.

STRATEGIC TOPICS

- ↗ Engage in effective **COMMUNICATION** with Council, staff, community and stakeholders about the RM;
- ↗ Be responsive to growth and development trends in **COMMUNITY PLANNING**;
- ↗ Provide **SUSTAINABLE GOVERNANCE** based on informed decisions;
- ↗ Balance **ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY** with exceptional rural quality of life;
- ↗ Match resources with **SERVICE** goals, needs and expectations of the people in our community;
- ↗ Support the common goal of improving people's lives in **HEALTHY INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES**;
- ↗ Better understand vulnerabilities of our municipality through **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**;

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- ❖ Provide services in a fair, efficient, understandable manner;
- ❖ Engage in regional networking and/or partnerships to keep costs affordable and/or expand options;
- ❖ Incorporate sustainability in our actions;
- ❖ Maintain stable mill rates to minimize future tax impacts;
- ❖ Actively seek grants & alternate to non-tax revenue funding sources to support community initiatives;
- ❖ Use and implement evolving technology to provide better services to the public and facilitate their needs;

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RM of Piney Zoning By-Law Review

The RM of Piney is in the process of reviewing and updating the Zoning By-Law #122/2017 to bring it into conformity with the RM of Piney Development Plan. This will include a review of the existing Zoning By-Law, mapping against the policies and land use designations in the development plan and sharing the plan with stakeholders for feedback and input.

What is the Zoning By-Law?

A Zoning By-Law sets out specific rules and regulations that govern the use and development of land throughout the Municipality. The new Zoning By-Law will address new trends and ensure that the By-Law is compliant with the RM of Piney Development Plan.

Why are we updating the Zoning By-Law?

- Bring into compliance with the newly adopted RM of Piney Development Plan
 - To address new growth needs and trends
 - Update the existing plan

What is the Process?

The Draft Zoning By-Law will be created. This draft By-Law will reflect the RM of Piney Development Plan and will update the By-Law where needed. The draft will be shared with stakeholders for comment. Changes will be made in response to stakeholder input. Then the By-Law will go through the formal adoption phase and public hearing. We anticipate completion of this project by September 2022.

How can I get involved?

If you would like to be involved in the process
or want more information, please contact:

Allison Driedger
204-392-3849

bluestemdevelopment@gmail.com



Municipal Emergency Coordinator

Well, we certainly have had our share of rain in the last few weeks.

A quick review of the weather forecast for the month of June yielded the following forecast:

Southern Manitoba will experience temperatures between a low of 17°C and high of 22°C. There's going to be many days of rain during the month of June totalling approximately 4.5 inches. We should expect an average of 15 to 22 days of rain, so be sure to bring along a waterproof jacket to stay dry this month! On the bright side, it appears that the risk of more overland flooding is minimal. Additionally, our risk of wildfire should be low during the month of June.

I have been routinely meeting with Manitoba EMO representatives and I believe we're very lucky to have had as little flooding as we have. Many RMs are in a State of Local Emergency with some including the mandatory evacuation of ratepayers.

Richard Gamble
Municipal Emergency Coordinator
204-905-3740

Thank You Ross L Gray School!



Volunteers from Ross L Gray School sandbagging for one of our residents near Sprague.

**MUNICIPAL ROAD
WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS
LIFTED!**

JUNE 1ST, 2022



Private Well Water Testing

Thursday, June 16th, 2022

The Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District will be assisting residents with private well water testing for the presence of *E. coli* & coliform bacteria. The provincially subsidized cost of private well water testing is **\$25.00**, including tax. Each legal location is eligible for one sample per well at the subsidized rate. Regular rate is \$30.00. Payment may be submitted by cash or cheque **ONLY**, with cheques made payable to **Horizon Lab Ltd.** Horizon Lab is offering a new expedited service. Customers can pay an extra \$10 to have their bacteria water test report sent by the next business day.

Water sample bottles & application forms can be picked up in advance at the RM office.

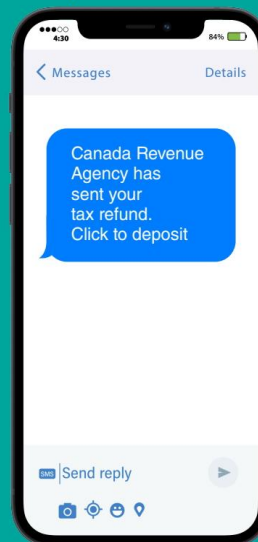
Samples must be taken on June 16th and dropped off at the RM office prior to 10:00am. Only those samples that are accompanied by correct payment and completed forms will be accepted.

Please contact SRRWD at 204-326-1030 or 204-425-7877, by emailing roseau@srrwd.ca, or at: www.srrwd.ca

slam the scam!

**LISTEN TO YOUR
VOICE OF REASON
BEFORE YOU ACT.**

**Did the Canada
Revenue Agency really
text or email you?**



The CRA does contact Canadians. But **scammers can imitate us** to try and get your personal information.

Here's what you can do to **be scam smart**:

- ✓ Take a minute and question why the CRA needs your personal information.
- ✓ Check if you have new mail in My Account or My Business Account.
- ✓ Learn what to expect if the CRA contacts you.
- ✓ When in doubt – delete, delete, delete!

Visit Canada.ca/be-scam-smart to learn more.

BORDER LAND SCHOOL DIVISION
 Student Services
 120 9th Street NW Altona MB R0G 0B1
 Phone: 204-324-6491 Website: www.blstd.ca

BLSD Monthly Newsletter – June 2022

Please refer to the RM of Piney Electronic Newsletter and the Ross L. Gray School Website for the full version

Frozen Fruit Kabobs!



- * These cool tasty treats are a great way to introduce new fruits to your children.
- * Use craft sticks and kid-friendly knives for safety.
- * For easy skewering, put the fruit slices flat on the cutting board and poke the craft stick down into each slice.
- * Be sure to make plenty because EVERYONE will love them!

Summer Fun and Summer-Safe

That Sun. So warm and wonderful. (also potentially harmful)
 As you and your family run into summer, don't forget to...

- Be/Play in the shade when possible.
- Plan indoor activities around midday when UV rays are strongest.
- Wear a hat.
- Wear sunglasses for eye protection.
- Use sunscreen. Remember to cover ears, noses, lips, and the tops of feet.



Vassar Pool 2022 Swimming Lessons

We are back with 3 sessions of lessons!

We are now running Swim For Life through the Lifesaving Society!
 We will also have Swim Patrol, Bronze courses, Lifeguarding and Instructor courses!

For specific times, please visit us online at facebook or by email at vassarpool.rmpiney@gmail.com

Session 1
July
11th-22nd
Session 2
July 25th-
Aug 5th
Session 3
August
8th-19th

Registration will begin Wednesday May 18th at 9am by email or phone (204-807-2159)

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Friday, June 24th 2:00pm

CLASS OF
2022
 GRADUATION

Ross L Gray School - Gym



AN EVENING OF FAMILY FUN!

JULY 1ST 2022

SOUTH JUNCTION COMMUNITY CLUB

**8:30 PM – MEET & GREET
 LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT &
 FARMERS MARKET**

FREE COFFEE, JUICE, CANADA DAY COOKIES, MINI FLAGS, PINS, ETC.

HOT DOGS FOR SALE IN CANTEEN

**10:30 PM (APPROXIMATELY) – SINGING OF O CANADA
 FOLLOWED BY FIREWORKS**

50/50 DRAW AT 10:15 PM

GROUND FOGGED FOR MOSQUITOES

Free Admission

EVENT MADE POSSIBLE WITH GRANTS FROM CANADIAN HERITAGE & THE R.M. OF PINEY.

OTHER DONATIONS TO HELP FUND THIS EVENT CAN BE MADE ON JULY 1ST AT THE SOUTH JUNCTION C.C. GROUNDS



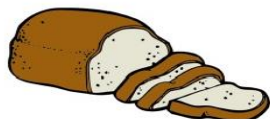
Southeast Farmer's Market

Saturday, June 11, 2022

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Pine Grove Seniors Center
 South Junction, Manitoba**

Indoor Market
 Support our local Food Bank by donating a non-perishable food item.



For more information call
 Jen - 423-2223
 Shawny - 437-2600

**If you can't make it, bake it or grow it...
 You can buy it at the Farmer's Market!**