

Phone: 204-437-2284 or
204-437-2060

office@rmofpiney.mb.ca

Hours: Monday – Friday

8:30am – 12:00pm

12:45pm – 4:30pm



Rural Municipality of
PINEY

Need to Contact your Councillor?

Wayne Anderson: 204-527-0569

Ken Prociw: 204-429-2143

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April 2025

MONTHLY REMINDERS

Holiday Office Closure

The RM Office is Closed for Easter on Friday, April 18th and Monday April 21st, 2025.



Agricultural Land Lease

The RM of Piney is seeking proposals and prices on an eight (8) year rental for the following section of land:

- SE ¼ 1-1-11EPM – 172 acres (Piney airport property)

Proposals, including proposed price per year must be received by Thursday, April 17th, 2025 by 3:00pm at the RM office. The lease is valid from May 1st, 2025 until December 31st, 2032.

Proposals are to be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled: "Proposal for Agricultural Lease", submitted by _____.

Please visit our website or call the office for more details.

<https://rmofpiney.mb.ca/category/news-notice/municipal/>

Regular Council Meetings

NEW START TIME!

The RM of Piney regular meetings of Council held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, will now be held during regular office hours.

Starting April 8th, 2025, regular meetings will commence at 9:00 am, instead of 7:00 pm until further notice.

Burning Permits Required

April 1st – November 15th

Under the authority of the Wildfires Act, open fires are prohibited from April 1st to November 15th except under a burning permit or in enclosed approved fire pits.

Burning Permits can only be obtained from your local Conservation Office.

Sprague: 204-437-2348 / Steinbach: 204-346-6110

No burning is allowed before 6:00pm or when winds exceed 15 km/hr unless authorized by MB Conservation.

Manitoba



Conservation

https://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation_fire/Restrictions/index.html

Road Weight Restrictions

Resolution No. 435

Effective: March 17th, 2025

The RM of Piney has imposed a 65% weight restriction of normal loading as of March 17th, 2025 on the following road sections:

- Menisino North MM (Rd 59E) from PTH 12 to PR 201
- Whitemouth Lake Rd MM (Rd 21N) PR 210 to Rd 74E
- St.Labre Rd (Rd 27N & 63E) PR 210 to Whitemouth Lake Rd (Rd 21)
- Vassar North - Vassar to Whitemouth Lake Rd (Rd 20N)
- Vassar East Rd 6N from Vassar East Access to PR 308
 - Municipal Road 12N from PTH 12 to PR 210

Restrictions will remain in effect until further notice.

RM of Piney Forest Tours

The RM is excited to announce, forest tours with Bob Austman will be offered again this year.

Tours tentatively scheduled for May, June, and September.

Look for more details in the upcoming newsletters!

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Value-Added Manufacturing Opportunities

With Sunrise Corner's abundant natural resources and positive business climate, there are significant opportunities within the Value-Added Manufacturing sector for investment, business growth and diversification. Niche value-added manufacturing is one of Sunrise Corner's emerging sectors and is projected to be a critical economic driver moving forward. It is based on our region's diverse marketplace, high-value raw materials, and a strong entrepreneurial community.

Why is Sunrise Corner an incredible place to invest in value-added manufacturing?

Return on Investment. Sunrise Corner benefits from having some of the most affordable land prices in Manitoba and low hydroelectricity costs, reducing both capital and operational expenses. Businesses will benefit from immediate access to an abundance of natural resources like agricultural products, timber and peat moss with reduced costs related to transportation.

Access to Water. Manitoba has one of the largest freshwater aquifers in the world, capable of meeting business investment needs and requirements. Water production companies in our region have been recognized globally for the purest and best tasting spring water.

Infrastructure and Access to Markets. Convenient access to the United States, Ontario and the Canadian mid-west markets through efficient road and rail infrastructure is an important asset to businesses looking to scale-up or scale-out their operations. We are also strategically positioned in the southeast corner of Manitoba with major investments delivering fiber optic technology to better connect our communities.

Talented Workforce. Operating a business here in Sunrise Corner means access to a skilled and experienced workforce. Rooted in agrifood, transportation and logistics the region is poised for growth, expansion and the strengthening of this core to emerge as a dynamic hub of businesses supporting innovation and growth in value-added manufacturing.

Ready to start your next business opportunity in Sunrise Corner? Whether you're interested in furniture product manufacturing; pulp, paper & packaging production; prefabrication & modular construction; supply chain & logistics management; biomass production, storage & distribution; transportation equipment manufacturing; fabricated metal product manufacturing; or outdoor recreation equipment manufacturing, we'd love to hear from you.

We invite you to book a one-on-one meeting to discuss how we can support your business and investment objectives in Sunrise Corner, where we can show you how to take advantage of our streamlined and low-cost development environment, business development services and available incentives in the Value-Added Manufacturing sector.

Monique Chenier

monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

PROTECTIVE SERVICES



Sprague RCMP

Hope everyone had a good March season and continue to do so as we move into April.

This past month we have seen a much higher than average amount of collisions and more serious ones. I just want to make sure everyone on the road is doing their part to drive safe. Now that the snow is coming and going, road conditions can become very dangerous. Also, with the lack of snow, deer on the side of the highway can be harder to spot especially at night. Driving slower can give more time to react therefore avoiding evasive action that can lead to rollovers and serious accidents. I ask that you remain vigilant on the roads as we do not want to see any more people injured due to avoidable circumstances. If you happen to witness a collision or find one while driving, make sure that emergency services are contacted. Don't assume someone else has made the call, as that can lead to a delay in their arrival. Every moment counts in these kinds of situations so making the call can save a life. Thank you all!

For all non-emergency matters including Criminal Record Checks, please contact the Sprague RCMP Detachment at (204) 437-2041. Our admin for Criminal Record Checks work from Wednesday and Thursday 9-5. Should you require immediate Police assistance you can call (204) 437-2222 or 911 in the case of an emergency.

Cst. Mitchell Butler
Sprague RCMP

Transfer Stations

The Rural Municipality of Piney requires disposal of all renovation/demolition materials and other large projects be approved by the RM before dumping at any/all Transfer Station(s).

All materials must be separated and placed in the appropriate labeled area.

Large loads will not be accepted, unless approved by the RM office.

Please contact the RM office for more details:

Martin Van Osch or Harold Grawberger
204-437-2284

2025 Community Grants



Large Grant:

Sprague & District Historical Museum - \$10,000

Recreation Grants District 1:

Middlebro Community Club - \$4,375
South Junction Community Club - \$4,375
Sprague Community Center &
Evergreen Senior Social Club - \$8,750

Recreation Grants District 2:

Badger Community Association - \$4,000
Piney Community Center - \$6,750
Vassar Community Recreation Centre - \$6,750

Recreation Grants District 3:

Sandilands Community Club - \$2,790
St. Labre 200 - \$6,210
Woodridge Community Club - \$8,500

Cultural & Community Identity Grants:

Piney Community Center - \$2,000
Sandilands Community Club - \$1,000
Sprague & District Historical Museum - \$1,000
Vassar Community Recreation Centre - \$1,000
Woodridge Community Club - \$2,000

Event Grants

Carrick Community Club
Carrick Days - \$750

Middlebro Community Club
Outdoorsman's Dinner & Auction - \$750

Sandilands Community Club
Summer Picnic Party - \$250

South Junction Community Club
Canada Day Celebrations - \$2,500

Sprague & District Historical Museum
Opening Picnic and Indigenous Building Opening - \$750

Sprague Community Center
Sprague Fest and Show & Shine Car Show - \$750

St. Labre 200
Gelly Ball - \$750

Vassar Community Recreation Centre
Summer Camp hosted by VCRC - \$1,000

Woodridge Community Club
125th Anniversary - \$1,500

Vassar & Sandilands Dump Hours

Burnable Yard Waste Only!

Vassar and Sandilands waste disposal sites will be open from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM on the following days:

VASSAR:

Saturday, May 3rd, 2025
Saturday, May 10th, 2025

SANDILANDS:

Sunday, May 4th, 2025
Sunday, May 11th, 2025

Only yard waste such as trees, flax straw, grass, leaves, branches and natural debris are accepted.

Household garbage, recycling, or any non-burnable debris will not be accepted at these dump sites.

Financial Plan Hearing

Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 at 9:00 am

The RM of Piney council will be presenting their financial plan for the fiscal year 2025 at a public hearing on May 13th, 2025 at 9:00am in the RM of Piney Council Chambers in Vassar. Please join us in person or to attend virtually, contact martin@rmofpiney.mb.ca.

Council will hear any person who has questions, make a representation, or register any objections to the financial plan. Copies of the financial plan are available for review during our regular office hours.



BreastCheck Cancer Screening Clinic

SPRAGUE

East Broderland Primary Health Care Centre

Date: APRIL 22 - 24, 2025

Women age 50-74 should call for an appointment: 1-955-952-4325

Limited appointments. Dates are subject to change.

1-855-95-CHECK • cancercares.mb.ca/breastcheck

HAPPY EARTH DAY
April 22



April Events

**Middlebro Spring Sale and Poker Derby
Texas Holdem Tournament**
Saturday, April 5th, 2025 10:00am – 3:00pm
Middlebro Community Hall

Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Thursday, April 10th, 2025 at 7:00pm
RM Piney Council Chambers in Vassar
Members & Non-members welcome

Southeast Farmer's Market
Saturday, April 19th, 2025 from 10:00am – 2:00pm
Pine Grove Seniors in South Junction

Sprague & District Historical Museum AGM
Tuesday, April 22nd, 2025, at 7:00pm
Sprague Community Centre

Stay and Play
9:30am – 11:30am

Ross L. Gray School Library
Tuesday, April 15th
Tuesday, April 22nd
Tuesday, April 29th

(April 29th will be the last drop-in for this school year)

Sandilands Community Club AGM
Sunday, May 4th, 2025, at 2:00pm
Sandilands Park

Piney Mud Run
Saturday, May 31st, 2025
Piney

Service Canada
First Tuesday of the Month from 10:00am – 3:00pm
East Borderland Primary Health Care Centre, Sprague

Exercise for Fun & Health
Mondays & Thursdays at 9:30am
Pine Grove Seniors Club in South Junction

"Meet Your Neighbours" – Coffee Groups
Mondays at 1pm – Pine Grove Seniors in S.J.
Thursdays at 1pm – Evergreen Seniors in Sprague

Floor Curling, Pickle Ball & Archery
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays
Piney Community Centre

Woodridge Wellness Wednesdays
Every Wednesday from 1:00 – 4:00pm
Woodridge Community Club

Moms & Tots
Thursdays from 10am to 12pm
Woodridge Community Hall



YOUTH NIGHT!
WOODRIDGE COMMUNITY CLUB
69 DENIS STREET
A FUN, SAFE PLACE FOR YOUTH TO BUILD COMMUNITY
AGE EXTENDED! AGES 10-17 WELCOME!
Wednesday, April 9th 7:30 - 9:00 PM
APRIL IS SPORTS NIGHT!
COMPLIMENTARY SNACK PROVIDED
CONNECT WITH US!
Instagram: woodridge_community_club
Facebook: Woodridge Community Club
Email: woodridgecommunityclub0@gmail.com



Sprague & District Historical Museum
Sunday Lunch Fundraiser
Sunday, April 27, 2025 11 am - 2:30 pm

We need community support to replace the 93-year old siding on the Full Gospel Red Church on the museum grounds.



RED CHURCH FUNDRAISER **ACTIVITIES**
Sunday April 27, 2025
11 am - 2:30 pm
Sprague Community Hall

- Luncheon: homemade soup (5 varieties), sandwiches, salad, pickles and pies, along with chips, cheese, tea, coffee, juice, etc.
- Red Church history slide show
- Entertainment
- Raffle

13 & over: \$15
5-12 years: \$5
4 & under: free

Donations gratefully accepted. Thank you for your support!