

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

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NEWSLETTER

February & March 2020

COUNCIL

Reeve:	
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Manny Sikkenga	674-5784
Councillors:	
Lori Bachman	348-2514
Tim Honke	348-2896
Glenn Malkoske	348-2932

Regular council meetings are on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month commencing at 6:00 pm.

MEETING DATES:

Council – February 11th & 25th
March 10th & 24th

UTILITY DOOR TO DOOR INITIATIVE

Please be advised that Municipal Staff will be doing utility door to door inquiries in February 2020. Each Municipal Representative has identification which will be presented to you prior to entry into your building/s. Our representative will require access to your building/s to complete this task. The goal of this initiative is to enhance the utility delivery service/s to our ratepayers.

R.C.M.P. PUBLIC MEETING

Save the date — April 21, 2020, @ 7:00 p.m. in the Whitemouth Hall for: A public meeting with RCMP Representatives to answer any question/s that you may have on policing in our municipality. This meeting will benefit all ages and we encourage all to attend, and certainly the more families the better.

All <u>local businesses</u> are welcome to put their business on our local directory, this is done through our website.

Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation-(MASC) Farmland Tax Rebate. if you have not received your form yet they are available at the RM office. Deadline to file rebate is March 31, 2020.

OUTSTANDING PROPERTY TAXES MAY BE SUBJECT TO TAX SALE. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE OFFICE.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

REMINDER-DO NOT CALL THE FIRE HALL PHONE NUMBER AS THIS IS AN UNMANNED PHONE, ALWAYS CALL 911 FOR AN EMERGENCY

The Fire Department welcomed 5 new firefighters. They are taking their firefighter basic course this winter.

While it has been a mild winter so far, a reminder to place anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from a heat source. Also, check your smoke alarms once a month.

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The Rural Municipality of Whitemouth Emergency Response Team Know the Risk-Get Prepared

When a winter storm strikes in the form of a blizzard or ice storm, keep informed by listening to weather reports and forecasts on your radios or TVs. Discuss about what you should do, who you could call if needed.

When a winter storm is forecasted, gather a 72 hour emergency kit, winter clothing & boots, extra blankets, battery powered radio, flashlight. Should the power go out, stay indoors, avoid opening doors to keep heat inside. If you have an alternate heat source, if safe to do so, you may be able to help out your neighbor. If extreme amounts of snow and ice are predicted, do not attempt to drive anywhere. Becoming stranded is more dangerous than remaining in your home. Should you live on a farm, shelter your animals, ensure they have ample supplies of food and water. Keep safe everyone. For more info go to www.getprepared.gc.ca

If you have questions contact our Municipal Emergency Co-Ordinator Cathy Dowbyhuz - Cell 204-340-5900. Email - mec@rmwhitemouth.com

BUILDING/DEMOLITION PERMITS

Are you planning on building, renovating or demolishing? A permit issued by RM of Whitemouth Building Inspector/Development Officer Marc Ruta is required prior to commencing any project. Contact Marc at 204-340-6277 or email buildinginspector@rmwhitemouth.com REMEMBER: A demolition permit ensures that the removed structure assessed value is also removed off your taxes.

SNOW REMOVAL

Be advised that "any party who deposits snow upon a highway or the shoulders thereof, may be in contravention of Section 217 (2) of the Highway Traffic Act, which reads as follows: "A person who drops, throws or deposits upon a highway any substance or thing likely to injure a person, animal, or vehicle shall immediately remove it or cause it to be removed." As the practice of cleaning private lanes and driveways and leaving snow on the road and/or shoulders creates hazardous driving conditions. the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth would expect that all residents will comply with the above-mentioned section of the Act. The objective of the winter snow removal and sanding policy is to provide uniform service to the public throughout the Municipality during a normal winter. For unusual or very difficult conditions, the Municipality will restore normal service as soon as available resources permit.

IERHA-UPDATE

Visit our website for the updated Nurse Practitioner and Doctor coverage. For more information contact: Paul Bernard, Regional Director at 204-340-6577 or by email pbarnard@ierha.ca

WRNW WASTE MANAGEMENT

Located at 62125 PTH and is open to the residents of the RM's of Whitemouth and Reynolds, as well as the North Whiteshell at no cost for household garbage and recyclables. Information is available by calling 204-348-2125 or email manager@wrnwwaste.com

Any recycled material that comes to the facility that has not been emptied of its contents is considered contaminated and may be sent to the landfill. This results in the landfill filling up faster and the Facility losing out on the funding available for those recyclables.

WINTER HOURS of operation:

Monday: CLOSED

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday –

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Wednesdays – 11:30 am to 8:00 pm

Any garbage left at the gate will be charged a \$20.00 tipping fee.

TIPPING FEES

Half-ton or half-ton Trailer - \$20.00 One-ton or One-ton trailer - \$45.00 Tandems - \$100.00

Semi-truck Trailer - \$180.00

20 Yard Roll-off - \$200.00

30 Yard Roll-off - \$300.00

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45 Yard Roll-off - \$500.00 60 Yard Roll-off - \$600.00

Community Events

Elma and Rennie Community Clubs

"Goose the Deuce" Chase the Two of Clubs Fridays at The Rennie Hotel Tickets sold from 6:30 to 8:30 pm Draw at 8:45 pm Come out and support these clubs!

Seven Sisters Falls Community Club

Chase the Ace at the Tourist Hotel every Friday Night Ticket sales from 5 - 6:45 pm Draw at 7 pm 50/50 Tickets sponsored by the Eastman SnoPals.

Support your Community!

Eastman SnoPals Poker Derby

Sat, Feb 8^{th} , Registration 9:00am -1:00pm at the Seven Sisters Falls Community Club Hands \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00 All proceeds will be donated to the Canadian Cancer Society

Whitemouth Recreation Association

Whitemouth Stick Curling Bonspiel-March 13th, 14th, & 15th.
Entry fee is \$70 per person (Saturday supper included). To enter your 2 person team-contact Lorraine at 348-7128 or
Anita at 348-2896 before March 6th.
Watch for posters for more information.

Skating rink ice is ready! Open for all to enjoy.

Chase the Ace every Saturday. Tickets are sold from 2 to 5:15 pm with the draw at 5:30 pm. Support your Community!

Rentals to accommodate any size of function. Contact Cathy at 348-3716 or email - cdowbyhu@mymts.net

Whitemouth Library

Winter hours beginning in January:
Monday & Saturday – 11 am to 1 pm
Tuesday & Thursday – 2 pm to 4 pm
Next meeting-February 4th
RM Chambers at 7:00pm
New books:
National Geographic for kids!
"Baby Shark" for the little ones
"A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood"
"The Testaments" second book of
Handmaids Tale
"Who Goes Canoeing with Their Mother-in-Law? The Misguided Tales of an Avid
Paddler, written by a local author

Whitemouth Happy Hours Club

Seniors side at the Whitemouth Hall Soup & Sandwich Lunch every Thursday 11:30 am to 12:30 pm,
Members - \$6.00, Non-members \$8.00.
Jam Session-Friday, Feb 21st - 7:00 pm
Musicians from Beausejour & Richer
Everyone welcome!
For more info – Contact Carol at 348-2627

Whitemouth Municipal Museum

The Museum sponsors the 50/50 Raffle at Chase the Ace at the Whitemouth Hotel every Saturday from 2 to 5:15 pm.

Whitemouth Health Auxiliary

Next meeting-February 24th
Riverbend Manor-6:30pm
Two Bit Auction-March 16th
Riverbend Manor-6:30pm
Bring your quarters! All proceeds go to the
Women shelters in Steinbach & Selkirk

Whitemouth Child Care Centre

Thank you to everybody who bought cash calendars, we are all sold out! The draw will be at 6:30 February 25th, after the Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage Supper. Doors will open at 5:30, tickets are available at HUB insurance. \$7 for adults, \$5 for 10 years and under.

We have received approval to have the Child Care Centre in the Whitemouth School (covering RM of Reynolds and RM of Whitemouth), but no funding from either Sunrise School Division or the Province (yet). We are applying for all grants available and have organized several fundraisers in this community. Thanks to all the other organizations in the area who have shared with us.

Any questions can be directed to: whitemouthchildcare@gmail.com. Or Chair-Melanie Kurlowich, Vice Chair Lauren Proceviat, Secretary Manny Sikkenga or Treasurer Marilyn Ruta.

Whitemouth River Recreation Commission Inc.

Watch for announcements regarding upcoming programs on the WRRC website, www.whitemouthriverrec.com, RM of Whitemouth website www.rmwhitemouth.com, Facebook: www.facebook.com/whitemouthriverrec or email Rec Director Austin Judge at recreationdirector@whitemouthriverrec.com or call 204-348-2221 Ext 106.

4-H Communication Event

The 4-H Communication Event will be held on February 10th, 6:00 pm at the Whitemouth School in the multipurpose room.

4-H members have prepared speeches that they will be competing in, in order to move on to the zones event.

Come out to support the 4-H members!

Volunteering with the WRRC

Volunteering your time and energy provides opportunities to learn more about oneself and helps strengthen one's community. Volunteering can also have enormous positive benefits for people of all ages. Volunteering can help provide insight into different career paths that may be of interest, as well as aid in developing useful job skills. Engaging in volunteering also helps connect you with others, providing opportunities to make new friends and interact with fellow community members. Volunteering doesn't have to involve a long-term commitment either. Even one-time or short-term engagement can help benefit yourself and your community.

In order to be able to offer sports programs, workshops, and various child and youth programming within the RM of Whitemouth, the support of volunteers is vital. We cannot run these programs without assistance.

Thank-you for your consideration! Contact Austin for more information.

Happy Valentine's Day

Happy St. Patrick's Day