



# THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WHITEMOUTH

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## ***NEWSLETTER***

***February/March 2023***

### **COUNCIL**

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### **PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD**

#### **ORDER NO. 56/19**

**Meter testing**-any consumer who desires and requests that their water meter be tested for accuracy, shall deposit with the utility the sum of \$50.00. If the meter when tested is found to be in excess of the allowable limits, the deposit shall be refunded and the consumers account shall be adjusted for the preceding four months use.

### **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.

### **WERT**

2023 is going to be a busy year for the RM of Whitemouth Emergency Response Team. We are looking forward to continue to educate ourselves and the communities. We hope to host an exercise that will involve you as community members - to have an open house to make you aware of what this program does for the municipality and for the citizens of the RM. Keep your eyes and ears open for future dates for these events. We look forward to seeing you.

Winter is not over yet! We still encourage you keep prepared for what winter can bring. Monitor the weather for impending winter storms. If you have a generator, check to make sure it is in good working condition. Check to see if your 72 hour kit is complete. If you have a vulnerable neighbor, check to see if they need anything. Be safe!

### **BEAVER CONTROL POLICY**

**The RM will be responsible for problem beavers and dams on private lands if municipal drainage is affected. The landowner is responsible for problem beavers and dams on privately owned land if municipal drainage is not affected.**

Regular council meetings are on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, meetings are open to the public.

### **Council Meetings - start time 1:00pm**

**February 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

**March 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

### **2<sup>ND</sup> NOTICE OF OUTSTANDING TAXES WILL BE MAILED OUT IN FEBRUARY**

**ANY OUTSTANDING 2021 AND PRIOR PROPERTY TAXES MAY BE SUBJECT TO TAX SALE**

**PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CASH, CHEQUE, E TRANSFER OR ONLINE BANKING.**

**NOTE: ONLINE BANKING CAN TAKE 2-3 DAYS FOR THE RM OFFICE TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF PAYMENT**

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Congratulations to our Fire Department on being awarded a \$2000.00 grant from Manitoba Ag Days!



Move your clocks ahead 1 hour on March 12

### **WHITEMOUTH-REYNOLDS NORTH WHITESHELL WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY**

Located at 62125 PTH and 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.

#### **WINTER HOURS:**

**Mondays-CLOSED**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Wednesdays – 11:30 am to 8:00 pm

# Community Events

## SEVEN SISTERS COMMUNITY CLUB

Stop by the Community Centre Monday evenings - 6:30 to 7:30 for drop in sports (currently hockey) and indoor activities! First Monday of the month is outdoors only Contact Harmony-204-340-3280 for more information

## WHITEMOUTH RECREATION ASSOCIATION

**STICK CURLING BONSPIEL**-March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Contact Bill Dowbyhuz-348-3716 or Lorraine Henderson-348-7128 to enter your team

Junior Curling Program – Wednesdays @ 4:30  
Contact: Gareth Senkow - 204-345-3161  
Helmets are required.  
Helpers are greatly appreciated.

### **Chase the Ace-**

Saturdays – Whitemouth Community Hall  
Tickets sold from 2:00 pm to 5:15 pm, draw at 5:30 pm.

Skating rink ice is ready!

A huge thank you to all who have helped out with flooding and cleaning the snow off.

Hall Bookings contact-Cathy Dowbyhuz at 348-3716 or email [cdowbyhu@mymts.net](mailto:cdowbyhu@mymts.net)

## WHITEMOUTH LIBRARY

Many thanks to all who helped during the renovations-you know who you are!  
**OPENED Thursdays-7:00pm to 8:30pm**  
**Saturdays-11:00am to 1:00pm**  
We are missing school yearbooks, for Whitemouth – 1966 through to 1973,1997 to 2001 and anything after 2008.  
For Elma we only have 1960.  
If anybody is willing to donate any of those years, it would be greatly appreciated.  
There are lots of jigsaw puzzles for sale, good as new!  
We have the book “Spare” by Prince Harry available for borrowing.  
Later in the spring we will start taking donations of books again.

## WHITEMOUTH MUSEUM

We are looking forward to a new year of activities!  
Currently looking for volunteers to fill two positions on the Board –  
Secretary & Events Co-Ordinator  
Please call 348-7731 or email [museum.whitemouth@gmail.com](mailto:museum.whitemouth@gmail.com)

## WHITEMOUTH HAPPY HOURS

Soup and Sandwich -Thursdays, Noon to 1:00 pm, Whitemouth Community Centre  
Members-\$7.00, Non-members-\$9.00  
Annual membership-\$15.00  
Informative presentations, social aspects.  
Various group trips are scheduled and music to be performed as well.

## JAM SESSIONS - 7:00pm-9:00pm

**Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>,**  
Lunch is provided.  
Donation jar will be set up.  
**Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>,**  
Special meat draw will be held.  
Tickets for meat draw \$2.00.  
1<sup>st</sup> package \$250.00 value, 2<sup>nd</sup> package \$150.00 value and 3<sup>rd</sup> package \$75.00 value  
Hot meal available: \$10.00 for ages 12+ and \$5.00 for 11 and under.  
Contact: Janet – 204-348-2213 or Sheila – 204-348-2942 for reservations for hot meal.

## TWO RIVERS SERVICE TO SENIORS

Alzheimer & Dementia  
Caregiver Support Group-  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month,  
Lutheran Church, 135 Henderson Ave  
6:00 pm to 7:30pm  
Contact Lois Malmquist – 204-348-4610

## Info Session - WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN AND WHY

You need to be informed on legal, financial, assistance, housing, resources etc  
Date, time and place to be announced, watch for posters and on Facebook.

## **Sgt Wilson Band - appearing once again all the way from Amsterdam!**

Date, time and place to announced, watch for posters and on Facebook.

Need help with cleaning house, snow blowing, getting to medical appointments or to pick up groceries or have questions,  
Contact Lois Malmquist – 204-348-4610  
From 8:30am – 3:30pm, Tuesday to Friday

## **Canada Revenue Agency Presentation**

Lisa Herie will be speaking about Seniors Benefits & Credit programs on Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:45pm, following the Soup & Sandwich at the Happy Hours Club (Whitemouth Community Hall)  
For more info contact-Marilyn-204-348-7191 ext 4240 or [email-msitar@ierha.ca](mailto:email-msitar@ierha.ca)

**NOTE-presentation is FREE, there is a charge for the meal should you wish to attend the lunch**

**GET BETTER TOGETHER**-Do you struggle with a chronic health condition? FREE 6 week program designed to help you learn to manage your health concerns with more confidence. Pending sufficient registration, program will start March/April Contact Marilyn - 204-348-7191 ext 4240 or email - [msitar@ierha.ca](mailto:msitar@ierha.ca)

## **STEPPIN' UP WITH CONFIDENCE**

Steppin' Up is an exercise program for mature adults, led by seniors, for seniors! Meet for some simple stretching, strengthening, a little bit of cardio and a lot of laughs! Exercise modifications provided, and do only what you are comfortable doing. Please bring inside shoes, yoga mat, water bottle.

## **FREE**

One great program, 2 locations to choose from:

### **Steppin' Up with Grit**

Seven Sisters Falls Community Centre  
Mondays - 10:00 am-10:45 am  
For more info, call Grit at 204-213-0882

### **Steppin' Up with Debbie & Lois**

Whitemouth Community Hall  
Wednesdays – 10:30am-11:15am  
For more info, call Debbie at 204-348-2608

Thank you to the amazing volunteers leading these programs and to our community halls for their support. Support also provided through Active Aging MB, Healthy Together Now & the RM of Whitemouth

## **ACTIVITY UPDATE**

### **String Art Heart Valentine Craft**

Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-8:30pm  
\$5.00 per person, all supplies included.

Spring Break is from March 27<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>,  
Watch for programming on the RM website

For anyone new to the area our Recreation Dept office is downstairs at the RM office. Interested in outdoor activities- we have a variety of winter equipment for loan.  
[Email: corie@whitemouthriverrec.com](mailto:corie@whitemouthriverrec.com) or  
Text: 204-509-2840

