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Corman Park Police Service – Phone: 306-242-8808
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NEW WEBSITE

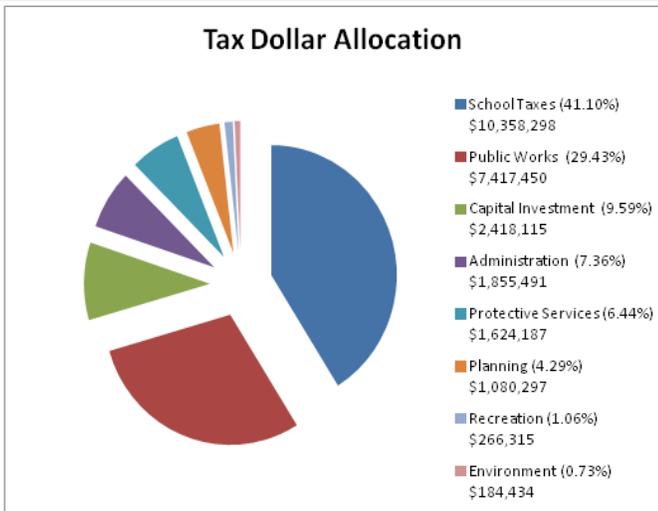
The RM of Corman Park has recently updated its website www.rmcormanpark.ca and within the new design you are able to sign up to receive announcements of important information sent to you through email or text message. Information could include: fire bans; inclement weather alerts, road closures; water system service notices, and can also include being notified when there are bids for tenders and upcoming committee and council meetings. You can also sign up to receive your newsletters via text or email.

There is a “How Do I...” section that covers topics such as applying for employment opportunities, applying for funding, signing up for alerts and notifications, and finding agendas and minutes from council and committee meetings.

Did you know? In addition to the TIPPS program, we accept Cash, Cheques, Money Orders and Debit Card payments at the office. We are also set up as a vendor for on-line banking and telephone payments .

SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH (P4G) REGIONAL PLAN UPDATE

2016 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS



The P4G Regional Plan is currently underway and upon completion will provide a coordinated plan for future rural and urban land use, development and servicing in the Region. An Open House was held in February 2016 where a draft Regional Land Use Map and draft Land Use Categories comprised of intended, interim and prohibited uses, were released for public feedback and consultation. Once the engagement information is compiled, the consultant and municipalities will discuss changes to the draft Regional Land Use Map and draft Land Use Categories so please submit any comments you have on the draft Land Use Map and Categories. At this time, the RM is not being asked to approve a Regional Land Use Map or the P4G Regional Plan; an approval was given by the P4G Regional Oversight Committee (political representatives from each municipality) to go to public consultation only. More discussions are required by the P4G based on the information and feedback that the R.M. has received. In addition, servicing information and governance structures will also be discussed by the P4G in the coming months as part of the Regional Plan project. There will be more open houses and engagement opportunities at a later date. For more information and updates on the P4G Regional Plan, visit www.partnershipforgrowth.ca or contact SaskatoonP4G@o2design.com

Budget Highlights for 2016 include:

- Hard Surface Road Projects of \$1,071,656 and Gravel Supply Inventory of \$1,638,108
- Purchase of two new graders and a crawler dozer at a cost of \$777,500 to replace aging fleet
- Contribution of \$400,000 for the purchase of new fire trucks to be used in the RM of Corman Park and surrounding area
- Capital costs of \$361,656 for the completion of the new public works shop
- Addition of water generator for the Grasswood Water Utility area for improved safety and emergency preparedness

SASKATOON FREEWAY UPDATE

TIPPS

The RM offers a Tax Installment Payment Plan Service (TIPPS) Program. TIPPS is a monthly automatic withdrawal payment plan, which alleviates the pressure of paying taxes in a lump sum in December or the additional cost of interest, in the case of a late payment. For more information regarding TIPPS, www.rmcormanpark.ca

The Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure (MHI) is currently reviewing options for the Saskatoon Freeway (previously the Perimeter Highway) within the west and southeastern portions of the R.M. These portions are from Highways No. 7 to No. 14 in the west and from Highway No. 11 to south of Highway No. 5 in the southeast. Until the general location study is complete, there are subdivision and development restrictions in place for properties within the study area; please contact the Planning Department for more information and to determine if these restrictions apply to your property.

Reminder to residents currently on TIPPS, the final payment in December may change to ensure your tax account balance is paid in full.

The general location study also included an optional scope of work looking at a potential bridge crossing over the river in the southwest portion of the RM. MHI has determined that a bridge crossing is not practical well into the future and has removed this work from the study. The subdivision and

development restrictions that were in place for landowners within the southwest portion of the RM between Highway No. 11 and east side of the river and Highway No. 60 and the west side of the river has now been revised. Please contact the Planning Department for more information and to determine if any restrictions apply to your property. Currently there is no timeline for when construction will begin on the Saskatoon Freeway; however there will be future public engagement opportunities and Open Houses regarding the project in the future. More information found at http://www.highways.gov.sk.ca/Saskatoon_Freeway

Did you know? Your Public Works Department maintains over 1,030 miles of road? This includes: 82 miles of paved Roads, 54 miles of Chipseal roads and 894 miles of gravel roads.

Did you know? *Did you know that there are certain restrictions and requirements before placing a sea-can container on your property?* For example, no matter where you are located in Corman Park, a development permit is required prior to placing the sea-can container on your property and it is not allowed within the front yard of any property. In certain areas, such as multi-parcel country residential subdivisions, not only are permits needed but the number of sea-can containers is restricted. Even if you are located in industrial areas, permits are required. If you currently have an unpermitted sea-can container on your property or would like to place one in the future, please contact the Planning Department to ensure you have the appropriate approvals in place as enforcement actions are currently underway within the RM.

2016 PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Council Meetings are held at 111 Pinehouse Drive, Saskatoon and begin at 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated. Meeting agendas, past meeting minutes and recorded meeting audio can be found online at www.rm.cormanpark.ca

APRIL 18, 2016	OCTOBER 3, 2016
MAY 2, 2016	OCTOBER 17, 2016
MAY 16, 2016	NOVEMBER 7, 2016
JUNE 20, 2016	NOVEMBER 21, 2016
JULY 18, 2016	DECEMBER 5, 2016
AUGUST 15, 2016	DECEMBER 19, 2016
SEPTEMBER 19, 2016	

WEST CONNECTOR ROUTE UPDATE

The West Connector Route Feasibility Study will assess the feasibility of different route options that will improve traffic flow in the Saskatoon region until the Saskatoon Freeway is constructed. Some of the potential options include existing and proposed routes within the RM and the City of Saskatoon (City) along our shared western boundary. The project is funded by the Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure (MHI), RM and City and an open house was held in December 2015 and more public engagement opportunities to comment on the study are anticipated in the future. Currently, properties within the study area may be subject to subdivision or development restrictions; please contact the Planning Department for more information and to determine if any restrictions apply to your property. More information can be found at www.highways.gov.sk.ca/Saskatoon_west-connector

FIRE SUPPRESSION

The RM has seen firefighting invoices in excess of **\$25,000.00** so please ensure you have adequate fire-fighting insurance. Coverage should include cost of suppressing the fire (trucks, labour, etc.) as well as loss of property. The current hourly rate for each responding department is \$887.00 per hour for a productive call and \$533.00 per hour for a non-productive call. The cost of firefighting is the liability of the *property owner* so talk to your insurance broker to ensure sufficient coverage.

Important! Do not burn in very windy or dry weather and always provide extensive fire guarding before proceeding with a controlled burn. Failure to do so is a contravention of *The Prairie and Forest Fires Act*.

Any landowner planning to have a controlled burn on their property should call the **Controlled Burn Number:**

1-866-404-4911

The Controlled Burn Office will advise the proper department of the date, time and location of the burn.

Review a map of the fire department boundaries here: <http://www.rm.cormanpark.ca/DocumentCenter/View/69>

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Did you know? When the RM has a fire ban in effect, ALL open flames are banned, including fire pits and burning barrels.

HISTORICAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE RM

The Old *Bone Trail* was a short but common route connecting smaller settlements southwest of Saskatoon to the city's bone market. Merchants and settlers began to collect and sell BISON bones until the animals became virtually extinct in the late 1880s. The bones were collected in Saskatoon and sold to buyers in the United States for use in fertilizer, or as a coloring agent in paint and ink; the average return for a tonne of bison bones was \$8. Homesteaders replaced bone merchants on the trail after 1900, particularly Barr colonists passing through Saskatoon en route to Lloydminster, AB – taken from *The Encyclopedia of Saskatchewan*