

Thursday, February 22, 2018

Re: OPTING OUT OF CURBSIDE PICKUP SERVICE

Dear resident of proposed curbside pickup area,

The RM has proposed a curbside waste and recycling collection program in your neighbourhood (details and a map are available on our website at rmofstclements.com/trash). The cost is \$105 per year plus up to 2% per year for a five-year period to be added to residents' annual property tax bill and includes a 240 litre (64 gallon) waste cart and a 360 litre (95 gallon) recycling cart.

Of the 2600 homes in the proposed curbside pickup service area, we know of 244 homeowners that are opposed and would like the option to opt out. Because of this public feedback, the RM is taking this step to explore the feasibility of allowing individual homeowners to opt out.

If you would like to **opt out** of service, please fill out our online form at mofstclements.com/optout **OR** fill out the form on the reverse and return it to the RM Office by Friday, March 9, 2018. Based on the number of residents who choose to opt out, Council will determine whether opting out is economically feasible.

<u>If opting out is feasible</u>, those who opt out **will not** be charged an annual fee on their property taxes and will not receive waste and recycling carts. Residents who opt out will be able to opt in later, but those who are already opted in cannot opt out.

Background

The idea of implementing curbside pickup came out of our waste management study, which discovered that the RM of St. Clements has one of the lowest recycling rates in the province and some of the highest waste management costs. Curbside pickup was recommended as a way to address both of these issues.

A survey of all residents in the fall of 2016 showed about 70% of residents were interested in curbside pickup in the more densely populated areas of the south, so Council decided to investigate curbside pickup further. After determining where the service area would be and the cost for service, the RM did an online survey for residents in the proposed service area about which type of service they would prefer, if any, and received 565 responses. For a population of 2600, this response is considered 95% accurate plus or minus 4%.

Regular public consultation along the way has helped shape this plan and we thank all those who have shared their concerns and ideas. Contact us at info@rmofstclements.com or 204-482-3300 if you have any questions.

Rural Municipality of

Sincerely,

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Opt Out of Curbside Pickup

If you would like to opt out of curbside pickup service:

- Fill out the following form and return it to the RM of St. Clements Municipal Office
 - o In person: 1043 Kittson Road, East Selkirk
 - o By mail: Box 2, Group 35, RR 1, East Selkirk, MB, R0E 0M0

OR

Fill out an online form at <u>rmofstclements.com/optout</u>

Forms must be received by the RM by Friday, March 9, 2018

First and Last Name	
Civic Address	
Roll Number*	
Email Address	
Mailing Address	
Phone Number	
Reason	

^{*} Your roll number can be found on your property tax bill or by calling the RM office at 204-482-3300