



Moving Ahead

This summer we continue to move ahead on the 2015-18 strategic plan

Environment

Our priorities for 2016 and 2017 include improving waste reduction. Garbage has changed so we need to as well! We are currently studying best practice in recycling and solid waste management and evaluating how we handle solid waste.

We will look at different options and cost them in hopes of developing a modern waste management program for the sake of today's families and future generations. This fall we will consult with the public and decide on a plan of action.

What would encourage you to recycle more?

Answer this survey question at rmofstclements.com/survey

- ☐ Recycling pickup at my home
- ☐ Conveniently located recycling bins
- ☐ Not having to sort and separate recyclables
- ☐ 24 hour access to recycling
- ☐ If you would accept more items
- ☐ I don't recycle

Recreation

Council is moving forward on recreation on two fronts:

1. We are in the process of hiring a senior recreation specialist to help us develop new facilities and recreation opportunities.
2. We have awarded a contract to landscape architects Scatcliff Miller Murray to work with a volunteer group to develop recreation recommendations for south St. Clements, to be presented to the RM Council this fall.

Thanks to the 308 people who filled out an 8 question survey about recreation options for south St. Clements. Full survey report is at rmofstclements.com/SSCrecreation

Better Roads

Nature wasn't road maintenance-friendly this spring. Heavy rains in early March hampered our spring road maintenance routine and often caused rough roads. An early snow melt resulted in a long period of dusty gravel roads because we had to wait for the road weight restrictions to lift before we could add new gravel and dust control product.

Yearly road maintenance is almost complete and we have begun road work throughout the entire RM at an unprecedented level.

- Gravel roads needing the most serious repair have been identified and are being repaired.
- Engineering analysis for the Dunning and McKay Road paving projects is underway.
- We are conducting a study of all hard surface roads to develop a multi-year road improvement plan.
- Roads scheduled for paving are expected to be tendered by the end of July, with the work being completed in August or September.

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RM OF ST. CLEMENTS PROPERTY TAX FACTS 2016

How can I pay my taxes?

Online

Pay online through your financial institution's website.

Contact your financial institution if you are not sure how to do this; online bill payments are set up slightly differently at different financial institutions.

- Generally, you would login to your financial institution's website to make the payment.
- Add the RM of St. Clements as a bill payee using your 10 digit roll number as your account number.
- For this service we have partnered with BMO, TD Canada Trust, CIBC, Manitoba Credit Unions, RBC, Scotia Bank Group.

REMINDER: Online payments take 3-5 business days to process. If you are paying online, to avoid a late payment charge we recommend paying by Tuesday, October 21, 2016.

In person at the RM office

- Office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.
- The RM office is located at 1043 Kittson Road in East Selkirk.
- For after-hours payments, use the mail slot at the back door (top of the stairs) of the RM office.

Payment methods

- Cheque* (payable to the RM of St. Clements)
- Cash
- Interac: *Check with your financial institution to make sure your purchase limit is high enough for the amount you wish to pay.*

Please note: We currently do not accept credit card payments.

*** NSF (non-sufficient funds) cheques will not be considered payment and will incur a \$25 service charge.**

Pre-authorized payments (PAP)

- PAPs are regular payments drawn monthly, quarterly or annually from your financial institution. This can be set up at the RM office.
- Payments made before May 31, 2016 **will not be recorded on your tax bill** but have been credited to your tax account.
- Review regularly to ensure proper payments are being made; you are still responsible if your financial institution makes an error.

By mail

Send cheque payable to the *RM of St. Clements*:

Box 2, Group 35, RR 1
East Selkirk, Manitoba
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When are taxes due?

Property taxes in the RM of St. Clements are due Monday, October 31, 2016.

What if I'm late paying?

Penalties of 1.25% will be added on the first day of every month that taxes are in arrears. Properties that are in arrears for more than two years are subject to tax sale proceedings.

Tax statements

- Tax statements are mailed out in the mid-summer of every year.
- Tax statements are sent to the address the RM has on file.
- If you didn't receive a tax statement, you are still responsible for paying your property taxes. Contact the RM office at 204-482-3300 to request a copy.
- It is the property owner's responsibility to ensure that the RM of St. Clements has the correct mailing address.
- If you are on the Pre-authorized Payment (PAP) plan, you will still receive a tax statement. The balance will show payment to May 31, 2016 but **your account has been credited.**

Moving in or out?

Let the Municipal office know of any change in ownership or mailing address in order to ensure that the tax statement is properly forwarded.

If ownership changed after the tax statement was issued, please forward the tax statement to the current owner or return it immediately to the Municipal office.

The property owner is responsible for tax payment even if they didn't receive a statement and are liable for penalties arising from late payment.

How do I get the Education Property Tax Credit (EPTCA)?

The EPTCA Application form is available on the Department of Finance website (<https://www.gov.mb.ca/finance/tao/eptc.html>) or at the Municipal office.

To qualify for the EPTCA:

1. The property must be your principal residence.
and
2. You must have occupied it as of January 1, 2016.
and
3. You must not be receiving the credit for another residence.

This credit must be reported on your 2016 income tax return when claiming the education property tax credit. The application must be filed on or before November 15, 2016.

East Beaches Heritage Wing

Join the almost 2000 people who have visited East Beaches Heritage Wing this summer and learn about Lake Winnipeg, early inhabitants of the area and the glory days of Grand Beach.

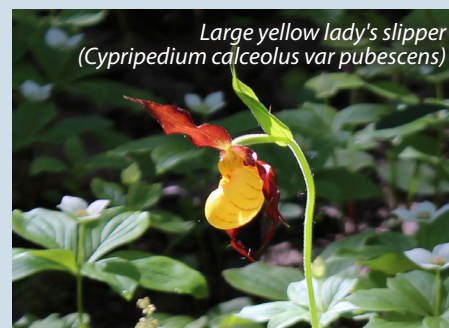


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Brokenhead Wetlands Interpretive Trail Now Open

A very unique trail and Manitoba's latest opened on June 22, 2016 in the RM of St. Clements. Brokenhead Wetland Interpretive Trail is located off Highway 59, 2 km north of Stead Road and 1 km south of the Hwy 12 junction. Learn more about the trail at debwendon.org.



This self-guiding, disability-accessible trail and boardwalk features 1.6 km of cedar boardwalk that winds through a balsam fir forest, a white cedar bog and a rare fen.

Interpretation signs are in English and Ojibway and highlight the importance of the rare wetland and the biodiversity of the area which includes orchids, carnivorous plants and many other rare plants.

Four nodes feature the main theme of the interpretation which is the cultural significance of the

wetland to the local Ojibway and what it can teach us about purpose, respect, balance, and interconnection.

This trail is adjacent to the 1240 hectare Brokenhead Ecological Wetland Ecological Preserve established in 2005. This Preserve contains 28 species of orchids, 8 species of carnivorous plants, and is habitat for 23 rare plants.

This trail is the result of the vision, hard work and collaboration of many partners including the province of Manitoba, Brokenhead Ojibway Nation, Manitoba Model Forest, Native Orchid Conservation Inc., and Eastside Aboriginal Sustainable Tourism Inc.



Landfill and transfer station summer hours

Questions about waste disposal or recycling?

Contact the Landfill Office at 204-766-2388 or phone toll-free at 1-866-205-8914

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Libau Landfill	Closed	Closed	9 am – 5 pm	9 am – 5 pm	9 am – 5 pm	9 am – 5 pm	9 am – 5 pm
Dunning Transfer Station	9 am – 5 pm	11 am – 7 pm	Closed	Closed	11 am – 7 pm	11 am – 7 pm	9 am – 5 pm
Clark Transfer Station	9 am – 5 pm	11 am – 7 pm	Closed	Closed	11 am – 7 pm	11 am – 7 pm	9 am – 5 pm
Grand Marais Transfer Station	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm	Closed	Closed	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm
Gull Lake Transfer Station	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm	Closed	Closed	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm	10 am – 6 pm

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Drainage: What's new

This has been an exceptionally wet spring and summer in the RM of St. Clements. When wet weather hits, staff and Council members are alerted to many drainage problems within the 2897 km of ditches and drains throughout the municipality.

We have reacted, first by hiring a full time surveying student to help gather data to allow for the development of the best solution for each drainage problem.

Further, Council has authorized additional funds in the 2016 budget to outsource additional surveying and planning in expectation that 2017 will see a record amount of drainage work completed.

Drainage works have been occurring, and will continue to occur until freeze up. Drainage projects are prioritized by reviewing available information about the problem and determining if the problem is safety-related, economic or cosmetic in nature.

Now let's all hope the rain takes a break for a few weeks.

QUESTIONS?

Visit our website at www.rmofstclements.com or contact the RM office by phone at 204-482-3300, by e-mail at info@rmofstclements.com or drop by.

How to reach your Mayor or Councillor

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Pay utility bills online

Did you know that you can now pay your water and sewer bills online through your financial institution?

Login to your financial institution's website to make the payment. Contact them if you are not sure how to do this.

Use your utility account number to set up the bill payment account.

For this service we have partnered with:

- BMO
- TD Canada Trust
- CIBC
- Manitoba Credit Unions
- RBC
- Scotia Bank Group



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Contact us 24/7

When you need us for a municipal emergency, we are available day and night at 204-482-3300