

# **TOWN OF MILESTONE - 2018**

## **MUNICIPAL CAPITAL PROJECTS & INFRASTRUCTURE**

The upgrade to the Water Plant is essentially complete. There are a few little items remaining, such as landscaping the exterior, and smaller things like door trim etc to complete the inside. We would like to thank everyone for their patience for the duration of this project. We feel that the end product was definitely worth the wait. This is a new system and we are drawing from two new wells so there are likely to be a few kinks and hiccups along the way but we will address those as they happen. We would like to ask the residents of the Town to be mindful of watering their lawns and gardens. The much needed rain has certainly helped but prior to the rain, excessive watering put a great deal of strain on the town reservoir. Also if you haven't disconnected your water softener and r/o system yet, they should no longer be needed.

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### *2018 Budget and Tax Policy Information*

The 2018 Operating and Capital Budget was considered and passed by the Council of the Town of Milestone on April 10, 2018.

The following Tax Policy information was passed and applied to the Total Taxable Assessment for the Town of Milestone is 54,237,940:

2018 Municipal Mill rate -4.597 mills

Base Tax - \$215.00 - Ag Land, Res Land, Comm Land

Base Tax - \$815.00 Land& Improvements - Ag, Res, Comm

Applying the above Tax Policy to the Taxable Assessment results in a Municipal Tax Levy of approximately \$513,246

Municipal Operating Revenues, excluding any capital grant allocations that may be received, total \$982,347; Operating expenses, excluding depreciation of asset calculations and capital purchases total \$980,993.

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**Payment options:** Tax and utility payments can be made online thru most financial institutions. Additionally, for your convenience, we offer a pre-authorized payment program. Please contact Arlene at the Town Office if you are interested in setting up pre-authorized payments or if you have any questions with regards to online payments.

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**BACK LANES:** Rain hasn't been an issue for some time but recently we've been fortunate to have some moisture again. The Town does not maintain back lanes, so please avoid back lanes after a rainfall as the lanes get rutted up and in some instances adjacent private property has been damaged. Council is requesting your cooperation.

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## **Landfill, Garbage Pickup & Recycling**

### **(Weather permitting and excluding Statutory Holidays):**

WEDNESDAYS: 9:00 am TO 12:00 NOON  
SATURDAYS: 8:00 am TO 10:00 am

### **MILESTONE LANDFILL – IMPORTANT CHANGES**

Saskatchewan Environment has recently stepped up compliance enforcement for all **WASTE DISPOSAL SITES (Landfills)** in the Province. Many communities are starting to modify current landfill practices in response to these warnings. Milestone was identified in a compliance inspection last August and a number of activities were identified as non-compliant. Non-compliance by the town will result in significant fines and possible closure of the site. As a result of these issues, a more stringent supervision of the Landfill by Town of Milestone staff will be in effect. Continued violations could lead to closure of the landfill.

### **GARBAGE PICKUP**

Garbage pickup in the residential areas is currently scheduled for Friday mornings. Residents may have noticed the times for pick up has fluctuated occasionally and some residents have missed pickup. There are a number of neighboring communities on the same pick up schedule as the Town of Milestone so demand and load size may affect the times of pick up for our community. When Loraas was first contracted for residential pick up, residents were informed to have the garbage bins placed at the curb by 7am or the night before if possible.

### **Town Truck(s)**

**The old garbage truck is currently parked by the fire hall and is to be used for grass clippings and compostable materials only. The 3 ton truck will be left there for trees only. The Town crew will lend out the 3 ton during weekdays and we would like to ensure the truck is accessible to all residents beside the fire hall on weekends**

**When the recycling bin is full please notify the Town Office.** Arrangements will be made to have the bin replaced. This is usually 1 or a 2-day turn around. Please flatten all cardboard. (Do not place full boxes of flattened cardboard in the bins – place them in individually, this creates less bulk.). **Please do not place recyclable material beside the bin – BE PATIENT: WAIT UNTIL THE BIN IS REPLACED**

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## **Yearly Compliance Report for Drinking Water**

Saskatchewan Environment “Drinking Water Quality and Compliance Regulations” requires that at least once a year waterworks owners (The Town of Milestone) provide notification to consumers of the quality of water produced and supplied, as well as information on the performance of the waterworks in submitting samples as required by the “Permit To Operate Waterworks”. This is to notify, pursuant to these regulations, that a summary of the Town of Milestone’s water quality and sample submission compliance record for the January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 time period is now available at the town office. This information can also be seen on line at [www.saskh20.ca](http://www.saskh20.ca).

Members of the council are as follows:

Mayor: Jeff Brown

Councilors: Mike Gallais, Judy Moorhead, Rena Ohrt, Mike Sjodin, Greg Treleaven & Ian Wourms.