



# Ripples

Corporation of the Village of South River



April/May 2019

## What You Need To Know For Spring

**Street Sweeping:** Public Works will begin sweeping streets and sidewalks as weather permits. It's a good idea to close your windows when you see crews working in your neighbourhood. You might want to hold off on some of your spring cleaning; wait to wash your windows and hang your laundry until the sweeping is finished.

**Spring Compost Pick-up:** Public Works will pick up composting on **May 6th, 13th, 21st and 27th**. Leaves and needles need to be bagged and branches must be bundled into manageable lengths. When bagging your leaves, please give consideration to using the more environmentally friendly option of paper leaf bags.

**Large Item Pick-up** The next Large Item Pick-up is **Monday, April 29th**. That means you have to register your items by contacting the municipal office no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24th. Please call 386-2573 to provide your list of items for pick-up. This service is meant for large bulky items, not a large quantity of small items. Remember no Hazardous Material items and no appliances or steel. This service is provided by an outside contractor, therefore we cannot register items for pick-up after April 24th, no exceptions. Additional dates for Large Item Pick-up are: **August 19th & November 4th**.



The municipal office will be closed **Friday, April 19th, Monday, April 22nd and Monday, May 20th**.



## Water Main Flushing Schedule

Flushing of water mains for regular maintenance may take place in **April**, **weather permitting**.

Water quantity and colour may fluctuate while this work is being completed. If you see public works staff working on the hydrants in your area, do not run your water.

It usually takes approximately **5 to 10 weekdays** to flush the whole system. Flushing is

normally scheduled to happen through the night beginning at approximately 12 midnight to minimize the inconvenience to customers. Flushing may extend into daytime hours due to circumstances beyond the control of the village. Please plan your household tasks accordingly. For your convenience, it is suggested to store some water in advance to use in the event there is an interruption of water

pressure or colour. It may also be advisable to shower in the evenings before flushing begins. Once the flushing is complete, it is recommended to clean the screens on your taps and if necessary let a cold water tap run outside until any coloured water has cleared. You might also want to flush your hot water tank properly.

### 2019 Tax & Water Due

#### Dates Remaining

### TAXES

Friday, June 28, 2019  
Monday, September 30, 2019  
Friday, November 29, 2019

### WATER

Wednesday, May 15, 2019  
Monday, July 15, 2019  
Monday, September 16, 2019  
Friday, November 15, 2019

*Interest is added monthly beginning on the first day of default.*

*\*These dates are subject to change.*

*The 2018 Annual Reports for the South River Water Treatment Plant are available for public viewing at the South River Municipal office.*

## Adopt A Planter

Council is looking for anyone who may be interested in watering one of the flower planters around our community. Tending to the flowers is needed particularly on the weekends. If you would like to adopt a planter in front of your business or residence, please contact the municipal office @ (705)386-2573.

Council would be pleased to receive your assistance in beautifying our community.





Registration forms for the South River - Machar Day Camp are now available. You can get a copy at the municipal office or print one from our website.

Registrations are accepted on a first come, first served basis and must include payment to reserve your space.



Call the Municipal office to reserve a plot in the Community Garden.



**Fire Permits** are required year round in the Village of South River and are available at the South River Municipal office during regular business hours.



## Happy Retirement!

Council and staff wish to congratulate Bart Wood, Chief Public Works Operator as he retires from a 25 year career with the Village of South River.

*Council of the Village of South River invites you to join them*

*for an Open House celebration*

**Friday, April 5th, 2019**  
**2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

*in the South River Council Chambers*

*Acknowledgements at 2:30 p.m.*

*Light refreshments and social to follow.*

Please join us as we wish Bart much success and joy in his future endeavours.

Bob Dell will be taking on the role of Public Works Chief Operator.

The South River - Machar Fire Department would like to remind residents to be safe around waterways this time of year. Lake and river ice is unpredictable and water levels are rising. Please use extreme caution.

## Code Red

If you haven't already done so, take a moment to sign up for **Code Red**.

Code Red can inform you about local emergency situations, water related priorities such as boil water advisories or water conservation requirements,

etc.

When a Code Red message is sent, those who have signed up for the service receive the message instantly. In order to receive these messages, you must sign-up for the service. Call the South River—Machar

Fire Department @ (705)386-0066 for more information or to sign-up. You can also sign-up online at [www.srmfd.com](http://www.srmfd.com).

When you receive a Code Red message, it will come from a 1-855 phone number, don't mistake it for a telemarketer.

The welcomed warmer weather is revealing some garbage that was blown around during the winter months. Please take a moment to pick up the debris laying in your area of the neighbourhood to help keep our community clean.

## Caring For Your Pets



Dog and cat tags are available at the municipal office.

Pet owners are also reminded they are required to clean-up after their pets as stipulated in

By-law# 30-2015. Remember to **STOOP & SCOOP!**

Have you checked out the South River - Machar Union Public Library lately? There are lots of exciting thing happening there. Visit their new website [www.olsn.ca/srmupl](http://www.olsn.ca/srmupl) and be sure to visit them in person to pick up the latest book, check out the DVD collection or take part in an exciting activity or workshop.



## Don't Forget To Pay Your Taxes & Water!



The due date for the first installment of the 2019 Interim Tax Bill is Friday, March 29th and the second installment is due on Friday, June 28th. Please keep a copy of all tax receipts, there is a fee of \$25.00 for duplicate copies of receipts, bills, etc.

If you are preparing your income tax return and need your 2018 property tax values, please refer to your 2018 Final Tax Bill. You can also find your 2018 Tax Levy at the top of your 2019 Interim Tax Bill. If your taxes are in arrears, don't procrastinate. Please contact

the municipal office to make payment arrangements to avoid additional interest being added to your account.

Water accounts that fall into arrears will receive a notice of arrears and according to by-law 5-2014 are eligible to have the water service shut off.