



Strategic Plan and Survey

Enclosed with your interim tax bill was a survey. In June of 2023 a new strategic plan was adopted. You can read it on our website at www.southeriver.ca. We would like your feedback on various topics to help us allocate and plan for the betterment of our community. Please complete this survey that was included with your interim tax bill or on our website. Paper copies can be dropped off at the office.

Waste & Recycling Information

Seasonal Compost

Collection is scheduled to take place on **May 6th, 13th, 21st and 27th**. This service is for the collection of lawn rakings, leaves and small bundles of brush and twigs. Bagged compost **must** be in **paper bags**. Plastic bags will NOT be accepted. Brush must cut into 4' lengths and tied into manageable bundles. This service is provided by municipal staff and may be delayed due to

circumstances beyond control of the village i.e. (weather, unplanned water distribution maintenance, emergencies, etc.) You may also want to consider composting your lawn rakings for future use.

The next **Large Item Pick-up** is Monday, April 22nd You must register for this service no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17th, by calling the South River Municipal Office (705)386-2573.

North Bay's Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Program

accepts various hazardous waste products and electronics on a year round basis for Village of South River residents at 112 Patton St. North Bay, Wednesday to Saturday 8 AM to 6 PM. Please contact the City of North Bay's Waste line or Waste Management at 705-474-0400 Ext. 2333 for more information.

Street and sidewalk sweeping will begin this spring, remember to close your windows and avoid hanging your laundry on the line when crews are working in your area.

Code Red & Emergency Planning

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.

When you receive a Code Red

message, it will come from a 1-855 phone number, don't mistake it for a telemarketer. Please visit the Village of South River's website at southeriver.ca for a checklist of items that should be in your 72 hour emergency kits and more information on emergency preparation and planning.

Drinking Water Advisory Public Notice: Sodium Exceedance

Sodium levels exceeding 20mg/l may be unsafe for person on sodium restricted diets. The Medical Officer of Health Recommends, if you are on a sodium-restricted diet, to use water obtained from an alternate drinking water source or purchase low sodium (less than 20 mg/l) bottled water.

2024 Tax & Water Due Dates Remaining

TAXES

- Thursday March 28, 2024
- Friday, June 29, 2024
- Tuesday October 1, 2024
- Friday November 29, 2024

WATER

- Friday, March 15, 2023
- Wednesday May 15, 2024
- Monday, July 15, 2024
- Monday September 16, 2024
- Friday November 15, 2024

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

*These dates are subject to change.
There is a fee of \$30.00 for duplicate copies of receipts, bills, etc.

Upcoming Events:

- Blackfly Fling - May 18-19th
- Canada Day— to be announced
- Classic Car Show —July 27th
- SRMAS Fall Fair —Sept. 6 & 7th
- Keep an eye on our facebook and website for upcoming events.

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 can change quickly. Please use extreme caution.

Fire Permits

are required year round in the Village of South River & are available at www.srmfd.com.

Holiday Closures

The Municipal office will be closed on the following dates, in recognition of Good Friday & Easter Monday.

Friday, March 29, 2024

Monday, April 1, 2024



Please take a moment to make sure we have your current mailing address and phone number.

Follow us on Facebook!

The Village of South River is on Facebook. Be sure to visit us there so you can see current information and pass it along.



Community Gardens

These garden plots are available on a first come first serve basis please call the office to reserve 705-386-2573

Reminder

The garbage bag limit is 2 per household/unit and to have your waste and recycling out to the curb no later than 8:00 AM each Friday for pick-up

Be Bear Wise!



Please remember to practice good 'Bear Wise' habits for us and the bears.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry has lots of good information on their website regarding bears, be sure to visit www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear

wise. When bears pick up a scent with their keen noses, they will investigate it. If they find bird food, garbage or pet food they will return as long as the food source is available.

Here are a few reminders: put garbage out only on the morning of garbage day, not the night

before; put garbage in containers that have tight-fitting lids and store it in a bear-proof location such as your basement or a sturdy garage; spray garbage cans and lids with bleach or another strong disinfectant; do not leave pet food outdoors, in screened-in areas or porches.

Have you got a comment or a complaint, about something in the community? A comment/complaint form is required in writing before any action can be done. Our By-Law officer CANNOT follow up on any complaints unless it is in writing signed and delivered to the office. Forms are available at the office or online at southriver.ca If it's not in writing ...it didn't happen!

Summer Day Camp 2024 is back!

Very exciting news, Summer Day camp held at Hockey Opportunity Camp is back this summer!!!

We will have all the information of pricing, and registration available on April 2, 2024. Watch our facebook page and website for more information. Day Camp will run for 8-1 week sessions. Monday to Friday starting July 1st to August 23, 2024.

Remember Space is limited so register early!

Soccer Program 2024—Volunteers are Needed!

We will need a soccer volunteers this summer to run this year's soccer program, if you are interested in volunteering, please email info@southriver.ca or call the Village at 705-386-2573 for more information.

Watch our website and facebook for info!



The Medical Equipment loan cupboard is full! For more information please contact

Linda Flowers at 705-471-7128.

South River Machar Agricultural Society Fundraisers

Although Fall fair season is still a few months away there is always work being done behind the scenes to bring us a wonderful fall fair on Sept. 7th & 8th this year. The South River Machar Agricultural Society is holding some fundraisers. On Saturday March 16th they will be hosting

their annual Lumberjack Breakfast at the South River Machar Arena (upstairs) Breakfast includes Pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries and much more! From 8am to 12:00pm, Adults \$15.00 Kids 5 and under \$7.50. Advance tickets will be available at Zak's, Kwik-way,

Kawartha, Credit Union & Corner wines after March 1st.

A Spring craft show will be held on April 20th from 9-3 upstairs of the South River Machar arena. If you would like to be a vendor, email srmasff@gmail.com

Food will also be available!

Don't Forget To Pay Your Taxes & Water!

The due date for the first installment of the 2024 Interim Tax Bill is Thursday, March 28th and the second installment is due on Friday June 29th. Please keep a copy of all tax receipts, there is a fee of \$30.00 for duplicate

copies of receipts, bills, etc. If you are preparing your income tax return and need your 2023 property tax values, please refer to your 2023 Final Tax Bill. You can also find your 2023 Tax Levy at the top of your 2024 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.