



NEWSLETTER

Spring 2026

2026 Budget

At its March 15, 2026 meeting, Council approved the 2026 operating budget. This budget shows an increase in expenses over the 2025 actual financials. This increase is a result of:

- Inflation – costs of maintaining the Resort Village are increasing;
- Additional roadwork to be completed (see below); and
- Allowance for additional contract services (e.g. legal, consulting, IT, etc.) for planned projects.

Spring Roadwork

As you are aware, last fall some repairs to Mountain Drive were undertaken. This included grading, filling potholes and applying fresh gravel.

Once the spring thaw is completed, an assessment of the road will be undertaken to determine if additional gravel and/or repairs will be required.

Dust suppression control will be applied once the road is graded and graveled. It is anticipated that the application will be completed before the end of June, weather dependent. The Village is currently reviewing alternatives to the historic dust suppression control methods used, seeking to find a solution of longer duration.

The speed bumps will be installed after the dust suppression application is completed.

2026 Census

Statistics Canada will be conducting a census of population beginning May 4, 2026.

Please note – even if you do NOT reside in the Village on a PERMANENT, FULL-TIME basis, you are required to respond to the survey, but indicate that you do not live here, which should terminate the survey.

If you have questions, or difficulties, please call the Census Canada helpline at:
1-888-852-2026

Hawthorne Road Closure

The Village has completed the filing for the closure of Hawthorne Road and now has title to a lot described as:

Lot 10, Block 3, Plan 102467011

Council is currently evaluating next steps with respect to the use of the lot.

Approved Septic Haulers

Residents are advised that a list of septic haulers approved to provide services in our community is posted on the Village website. Only those approved by the Village are to be used. To be approved to operate in the Village, service providers must file a current Permit to Transport and Dispose of Liquid Domestic Waste, issued by the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency. This permit ensures that: operators are appropriately insured for any damages they may cause to Village or private property; have appropriate WCB coverage for employees; and, are disposing of wastes in an environmentally safe manner.

If you wish to use a septic service that is not on the Village's approved list, please ask them to file their current Permit with the Village office, and obtain approval, before providing the service.

Note that this approval is a requirement as per Bylaw 93-2020 (*The Sewage Utility Bylaw*), Sections 10 and 11. Non-compliance with the Bylaw may result in fines being assessed.

Large Waste Bins

Large waste bins will be provided by the Village for use by residents for spring clean-up beginning May 13, 2026. These will be located at the municipal reserve area in the centre of the Village. They will be there for a period of two weeks, or until full, whichever is sooner.

Residents are reminded that these bins are to be used for larger household items, yard waste, etc. Tree branches are to be cut in 3-foot lengths. Please compact wastes

deposited to ensure that all residents have an opportunity to make use of the bins. **Do not deposit regular household wastes in these bins – please continue to use the regular waste bins at the top of the hill.**

General Waste Management

Council asks residents to further assist with the management of wastes in our community.

The following are options for waste disposal:

- Household Wastes – to be deposited in the garbage bins on the east side of the road at the top of the hill as you enter the Village. Please refer to the sign posted at the area for acceptable wastes; and
- Throughout the season, if you need to dispose of larger items, construction materials, or large volumes of yard wastes, your options are:
 - Haul your wastes to the RM of McKillop Landfill located near Rowan's Ravine. Please refer to the RM's website for hours of operation and location www.rmofmckillop.com or
 - Arrange to have a bin temporarily placed at your property, at the owner's expense.

In the past, items such as mattresses, large volumes of branches, appliances, and construction wastes have been put in the garbage bins. Besides filling the bins, these are examples of items that can cause difficulties in emptying the bins, resulting in higher disposal costs for the Village. These types of wastes should be hauled to the RM

landfill or disposed of in bins rented by the property owner.

All four of the waste bins are being replaced with bins with plastic lids this spring. Please ensure that you close the lids on the bins after you deposit your waste materials.

The following are options for recycling:

- Blue Bin Recycling – located on the east side of the road at the bottom of the hill and to be used for the same materials that are acceptable by the larger urban curbside recycling programs – please flatten all cardboard. Recycling pickup will be increased to twice a month in early May through to Thanksgiving;
- Refundable beverage containers should be taken to Sarcan. There is a Sarcan outlet located in Strasbourg, open Monday to Friday. Alternatively, there are several Sarcan locations in Regina;
- In addition to the refundable beverage containers, Sarcan also accepts: foam packing materials, batteries, waste paints, electronics, plastic packaging materials, foam food-grade trays, and non-refundable glass; and
- Tires should be returned to the tire retailer.

Please refer to the attached Loraas Single-Stream Recycling Information Sheet.

Council appreciates the efforts of residents in helping to maintain a tidy community.

Fire Safety

Residents are reminded to do their part to help protect our community from risk of fire. You can do your part by:

- Trimming/removing dead/dry vegetation/trees from your property.

- Enjoying fires in approved containment (refer to *Bylaw 100 – 2021 – Fire Ban Safety* found on the Village website); and
- Complying with Fire Bans, when in effect. Notice of Fire Bans is provided by email, posting on the Home Page of the Village website, and posting of signs within the Village. The signs are located at the bottom of the hill as you enter the Village, on the public reserve area in the centre of the Village, and a third sign was added last summer to the planter at the top of the hill as you enter the Village.



Again, for rules regarding Fire Bans, please refer to *Bylaw 100 – 2021 – Fire Ban Safety* found on the Resort Village of Sunset Cove website.

Village Library

The Village Library is once again open for business! Please remember that we are only accepting books, CDs and DVDs at this time.

We ask that you not leave materials on the ground outside the library, and ensure that the door is securely closed.

Enjoy!



Traffic Safety Reminders

Residents are reminded of the following as governed by the *Traffic Bylaw (106-2025)* and the *Parking Bylaw (107-2025)*:

- Traffic Bylaw:
 - The speed limit set in the Village, from the top of the hill to the end of Mountain Drive is 15 km/hr for all vehicles, and
 - Refer to section 5 of the bylaw regarding safe operation of vehicles and section 8 for potential penalties for violating the bylaw; and
- Parking Bylaw:
 - Section 5 of the bylaw restricts parking of vehicles or trailers that blocks or hinders the safe passage of

vehicles in the Village, and notes that vehicles and trailers are not to be left parked along the roadway for periods exceeding 48 hours,

- In addition, vehicles or trailers are not to be parked in a manner that obstructs the entrance to a driveway or approach that leads to a private premise, and
- Council will be making note of such situations during its spring Village tour and will be contacting individual residents to ask that items be relocated, if necessary.

Invasive Weeds

As spring approaches and all of our favourite plants start to peak out of their winter beds, please continue to be diligent in the removal of noxious weeds on your properties, particularly “Creeping Bellflower”. Failure to remove noxious weeds from your property could result in fines being levied and action taken by the Village.



Creeping bellflower's pleasing look is often mistaken for a desirable garden plant but is actually quite invasive and can aggressively invade lawns and gardens.

For more information on Creeping Bellflower and other invasive weed and aquatic species, please refer to the information provided by the Government of Saskatchewan

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/wildlife-issues/invasive-species>

Property Address Numbers

A reminder to those residents that received new address numbers last summer – some have not yet been posted on your property. Please ensure that your address numbers have been posted in a prominent location and are kept clear of obstructions, such as overgrown vegetation.

These numbers identify your property in relation to its Mountain Drive address. Having these numbers posted in a prominent, permanent location on your property is important as it identifies your location for visitors, deliveries and, most importantly, emergency response personnel.

Mulch Available

Through the Village's tree trimming activities, a pile of mulch has been deposited at the bottom of the public beach accessway, near the maintenance shed. Please help yourself to this mulch for your landscaping needs.



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SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING



Cardboard, Boxboard, Office Paper, Newsprint, Junk Mail, Magazines and Catalogues



Shredded Paper
in clear bags



Plastic Containers, Plastic Milk Jugs, Milk and Juice Cartons

(No "Clam Shell" Type Food Containers labelled #1) (No oil containers or chemical jugs)



Remove all lids and caps



Tin and Aluminum Rinse all items – labels can remain on



**NEW AT
SARCAN!**

More Ways to Recycle!

Now accepting flexible plastics,
glass jars, and foam packaging!



FLEXIBLE PLASTICS

Plastic bags, wrappers, overwrap, and zipper pouches.

→ Must be clean, dry, and free of food or labels.



NON-DEPOSIT GLASS

Clean glass jars and bottles without beverage deposits.

→ Pasta sauce jars, pickle jars, olive oil bottles - Yes!  No window glass, mirrors, ceramics



FOAM PACKAGING (STYROFAM)

Protective foam from electronics, foam trays, and egg cartons.

→ Clean and dry only - remove tape or stickers.

For more information, visit sarcan.ca/now-accepted-at-sarcan



ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED



Clamshell Containers



Glass and Lightbulbs



Plastic Bags and Stretch Wrap



Wood and Metal Scrap



Diapers



Styrofoam and Plastic Utensils



Hoses and Rubber Items



Toys and Clothing



Food and Garbage