



WASTE MANAGEMENT: RURAL COLLECTION SURVEY

THE RM OF WEST INTERLAKE BELIEVES THAT CLEAN AND WELL-KEPT NEIGHBOURHOODS ARE AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT IN MAKING THE MUNICIPALITY A VIBRANT AND LIVABLE COMMUNITY. AS OF NOW, GARBAGE COLLECTION IS OFFERED WITHIN THE LUD OF ASHERN AND THE FORMER RM OF ERIKSDALE. COUNCIL FOR THE RM OF WEST INTERLAKE IS EXPLORING THE OPTION OF OFFERING THESE SERVICES TO THE REMAINDER OF THE MUNICIPALITY (RURAL AREA OF THE FORMER RM OF SIGLUNES INCLUDING LAKE MANITOBA NARROWS) AND WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND RETURN THIS SURVEY IN PERSON OR VIA MAIL TO RM OF WEST INTERLAKE, 38 MAIN STREET, BOX 370, ASHERN, MB, R0C 0E0. PLEASE NOTE: THIS SURVEY IS ALSO AVAILABLE TO COMPLETE ONLINE BY VISITING WWW.RMFWESTINTERLAKE.COM OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.

- 1) What area of the Municipality do you live in?

a. Lake Manitoba Narrows	b. Skunk Bay/Miss Ellie's Drive Developments
c. Dolly Bay	d. Vogar
e. Silver Bay	f. Hayland
g. East of Ashern	h. Other area of the Former RM of Siglunes

- 2) Which Municipal landfill/transfer station do you utilize the most?

a. Ashern Waste Disposal Grounds	b. Oakview Transfer Station
c. Coldwell Eriksdale Waste Disposal Grounds	d. None/Other

- 3) In your opinion, which of these is a priority concern about waste in the area?

a. Littering/Illegal Dumping	b. Effect on Environment
b. Effect on Human Health	c. Other (please specify) _____

- 4) Would you utilize garbage collection services if offered to your area?

a. Yes	b. No
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- 5) If collection services are offered, garbage and recycling would have to be separated for pick up. Do you currently separate your recycling from garbage?

a. Yes	b. No
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- 6) What percentage of your generated waste is recycling?

a. 0-25%	b. 26% - 50%
c. 51% - 75%	d. 76% - 100%

- 7) How often would you like collection services to be offered?

a. Weekly	b. Bi-weekly
c. Seasonal – one collection per week May 1 – October 1 changed to every two weeks in off season	
d. Seasonal – one collection per week May – October changed to no pick up in the off season	

- 8) What would you be willing to pay for garbage collection services in your area?

a. \$0.00 - \$50.00 per year	b. \$50.00 - \$100.00 per year
c. \$100.00 - \$150.00 per year	d. \$150.00 - \$200.00 per year
e. \$200.00 plus per year	

- 9) Do you have any comments or concerns regarding garbage/recycling collection?

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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DONATIONS TO LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Joyce Stewart and Darlene Monk, the two remaining Camper Hall Board Members, have graciously donated \$30,000.00 to the Ashern and Eriksdale Fire Departments to use for the purchasing of new fire equipment. These monies were proceeds for the sale of Camper Hall with the remaining proceeds being donated to the Moosehorn and Gypsumville Fire Departments and to Alf Cuthbert School, Ashern Central School, Ashern Early Years School, and Eriksdale School for bursaries and school field trips.

From Left to Right: RM of West Interlake Reeve Arnthor Jonasson, Camper Hall Board Member Joyce Stewart, RM of Grahamdale Reeve Craig Howse, Ashern Fire Chief Ken Falk, Eriksdale Deputy Fire Chiefs Brian Bottrell and Keith Lundale



NEW ASHERN FIRE DEPARTMENT AND GRADER SHOP



Demolition of the old grader shop and public works building was completed in September.

As the years go on, Fire Department trucks and equipment get larger and larger and Fire Halls that used to house this equipment sufficiently are no longer capable. This is exactly the challenge that the Ashern Fire Department has been facing for years. When responding to calls, seconds count and having to stop at multiple locations to get equipment and gear was unacceptable.

Therefore, in the 2021 Budget, Council for the RM of West Interlake budgeted to build the highly needed new Fire Hall and Grader Shop in Ashern. After having Tricor Alliance complete the structural drawings and tendering the

building, it was determined that the building plan was not feasible and it was back to the drawing board.

A new tender for a design and build structure was advertised and successfully awarded to KBL Ltd who will be starting the work shortly. The new design of the building will include a four-bay fire hall, a large conference/meeting room, and an additional bay on the back to house the grader.



Front View of the new Ashern Fire Hall and Grader Shop as designed by KBL Ltd.

Construction on the new building will continue over the winter with completion being in the spring of 2022.

ERIKSDALE COMMUNITY FALL SUPPER

Organized by Eriksdale United Church and Eriksdale Community Club

Sunday November 7, 2021

Due to current Covid Restrictions we have decided to offer this as a Takeout Meal.

Cost : Adult - \$15.00	Pick up times will be
6 - 12 yrs - \$7.00	between 4:30 - 6:30
5 yrs & under Free	

Menu: Turkey, meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggie, coleslaw, bun and dessert.

Orders can be placed by calling Dale at 204-214-0145 or Vienna at 204-739-8276

Please place orders by October 22, 2021
Delivery available within town limits

LAKESHORE REGIONAL WELLNESS COMMISSION INC UPDATE

The LRWC board members and volunteers have been very busy working to make the Wellness Center project a reality. Even with Covid, we have managed to continue our monthly meetings using various video technology. It has been nice, though, to meet in person once again.



SEVENZEROONE (701) Architects have produced new and exciting conceptual drawings of the Wellness Center. Accessibility and barrier free is a priority so several ideas have been tossed around including elevators/lifts and ramps as well as accessible washrooms, changerooms and showers. The newest concept is to build an addition onto the front of the existing building that will house a ramp system to all levels. This eliminates the need for a costly elevator which is required to be licenced, inspected, maintained and repaired annually, not to mention the purchase and installation costs. We are also looking at a "Universal Washroom and Change Room" design as well that will be accessible to all. We are Happy to announce that we have received confirmation on a 2020 grant application to the Federal "Enabling Accessibility Fund". A grant of \$95,000 will be put towards accessibility. This is our first 'sizable' grant received. We have or will be applying for other grants to further our cause.

The **Capital Campaign Fundraising Dinner** was held on Sept 18th with 160 folks in attendance. It was a fantastic evening with a 3-course meal, prepared and served, right to the tables, by board members and volunteers. One side of the hall was loaded up with various raffle prizes donated by local businesses and individuals. Then there was the entertainment.....WOW is all we can say.....someone once said listening to music is as healthy as a walk in the park.... **Nick Chevrifil, Jen Cameron, Courtney Granberg, Simone Jeusun Kim, Neil Thornham, Deb Falk and The Third Chin band of Jerry Saunders, Derrick McCandless, Jeanette Ryden and Ross Gumbal** gave the audience a "Walk in the Park" for the entire evening and we Thank them and all the volunteers and donors so much.

DONATIONS: "Stronger Together" and "Strengthening our Community" is the goal of the project. Living Active and Healthy is key to longevity, mental and physical wellness, staying out of the Drs office and reducing medications. Social gatherings in a healthy environment are just as important as well... folks of all ages from grandparents to kids need a place to recreate, laugh, relax, exercise, make new friends year-round. There are several ways you can be a part of the success of this facility. Donations of any amount are deeply appreciated. All donors (\$100 and over) will be recognized on a plaque or wall mural showing your support of the project. We have set it up so one can donate a one-time sum or in monthly gifts through Noventis Credit Union. Businesses are encouraged to contact us as well if they would like to discuss major Sponsorship, or Naming Rights to various facility venues. Donations to "Honor the Memory of a Loved One" is another way to contribute.

LAKESHORE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTRE INC

"NEW TO YOU" THRIFT SHOP MONDAY TO FRIDAY 10:00 AM TO 4:30 PM

The Women's Resource Centre, located in Ashern at #9 Main Street, is a Registered Charity helping women, children, men and families. Sometimes a person just needs someone to talk to, and someone that will listen – in a confidential setting.

Basic Operating costs are funded by the Provincial Department of Families through their Family Violence Prevention Program. To assist with ever-increasing operating costs, the Agency operates our Thrift Shop "New to You", a social enterprise/fundraising effort. As a registered charity, the Women's Resource Centre is also able to issue tax receipts for cash donations.

We accept donations of clothing, toys, household items, appliances, tools, and furniture. A weather-proof donation box is situated at the rear of our building, close to the green storage shed.

Upcycled Items are added daily into store inventory, and sold at very reasonable prices with regular sales happening throughout the year. Donations are always welcome and much appreciated, whether you're moving, downsizing, clearing cupboards, or fall cleaning.

"Community helping Community."



Eaglets Daycare – Eriksdale
Eaglets Daycare is located in the Eriksdale School on School Road and provides care for infant, pre-school, and school aged children in the area. Hours of operation are Monday – Friday 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. For more information or to get a registration package please call 204-739-5566 or email eagletsdaycare@hotmail.com.



CAO COURTNEY ROEHL – MATERNITY LEAVE

Friday, October 15, 2021 will be CAO Courtney Roehl's last day of work before she takes the next nine to twelve months off to enjoy her new bundle of joy. In her absence, Jodi Thorkelsson has been selected to move into the Interim CAO position. Jodi can be contacted at the Ashern Municipal Office at 204-768-2641 or via email at cao@rmofwestinterlake.com or info@rmofwestinterlake.com.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank CAO Roehl for all her hard work over the past two years and to wish her and her growing family the best.



ERIKSDALE MUSIC SHOP OPENS

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PUBLIC NOTICE – BOARD OF REVISION

Public notice is hereby given that the 2022 assessment roll for the Rural Municipality of West Interlake has been delivered to the Municipal Offices at Eriksdale and Ashern, Manitoba and are open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with Sections 42 and 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of the Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to;

- liability to taxation;
- amount of an assessed value;
- classification of property; or
- a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

43(1) An application for revision must:

- be made in writing;
- set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- state the grounds on which the application is based; and
- be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the offices of the Rural Municipality of West Interlake, 10 Main Street, Eriksdale or 38 Main Street, Ashern, Manitoba, or
 - serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice.

Application forms are available at the municipal offices or on our website www.rmofwestinterlake.com

The Board of Revision will sit on November 2, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in the Ashern Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of West Interlake. Depending on the public health advisory at the time of the Board of Revision alternative site/methods may be utilized. If you file an appeal, you will be advised of the location of the board.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is October 18, 2021 by 4:00pm.

Dated this 16 day of September, 2021.

Courtney Roehl– Secretary
Board of Revision
Rural Municipality of West Interlake

FIRE CHIEF WILLIAM “CRAIG” POTTINGER



On October 2, 2021 a Celebration of Life was held to honour a man that has made a great impact on our communities and those that knew him. William “Craig” Pottinger served on the Eriksdale Fire Department for 45 years; 23 of those were as the Fire Chief. In some ways Craig was the department, the glue that held them together. He always had the community’s best interest at heart and would always have your back. Our condolences to Barb and the rest of Craigs’ family.

The Eriksdale Fire Department would like to give a big thank you to everyone that helped give Craig the Celebration of Life he deserved.

Thank you to the Ashern, Fisher, and Lundar Fire Departments for being an important part of the Honour Guard, to George Morrison for the piping, Dawn Tober for the wonderful service, and John and Karen Gray and Leanne Kell for making sure things ran so smoothly. Thank you to the Eriksdale Rec Centre for the use of their BBQ and coffee makers, Steph Bishop and her helper for putting together the picture collages and for everyone else that helped make this day special. Finally, to Craig, thank you for your dedication to the fire department and to our communities over the past 45 years. The pride you exhibited in serving your community, your laughter, and your expertise will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace Craig.



Photo: Members from the Eriksdale Fire Department along with Craigs’ Family at his Celebration of Life



JOB OPPORTUNITY

The RM of West Interlake invites applications for the following:

Full Time Grader Operator (Based out of Ashern)

Qualifications:

- Must possess a minimum Class 5 Valid Driver’s License
- Must have experience in the operation of grader or heavy equipment
- Have knowledge and experience to maintain, service, and perform minor repairs on equipment
- Be able to receive direction and follow instructions
- Availability to work evenings and weekends when required

Wages as per set out in the Union contract.

Please send resumes to CAO Courtney Roehl at cao@rmofwestinterlake.com by Friday, October 15, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Fire Prevention Week October 3 – October 9, 2021

What’s the difference between smoke alarms and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms? Why do I need both?

Smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger. In the event of fire, you may have as little as 2 minutes to escape safely, which is why smoke alarms need to be in every bedroom, outside of the sleeping areas (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement). Do not put smoke alarms in your kitchen or bathrooms.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that displaces oxygen in your body and brain and can render you unconscious before you even realize something is happening to you. Without vital oxygen, you are at risk of death from carbon monoxide poisoning in a short time. CO alarms detect the presence of carbon monoxide and alert you so you can get out, call 9-1-1, and let the professionals check your home.



Bill knows a beeping smoke or carbon monoxide alarm means get out and call 9-1-1.

Be like Bill!

Learn the sounds of fire safety at fpw.org.

THANK YOU FROM ASHERN DAYCARE

Ashern Day Care Co-op Inc purchased a new 6-seater stroller for its infant and toddler program with funds that were generously donated by an anonymous donor. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! The day care is a registered charity and can issue Charitable Tax Receipts.



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WASTE DISPOSAL GROUNDS HOURS

ASHERN WASTE DISPOSAL GROUNDS

The Ashern Waste Disposal Grounds is located approximately 6 km North of Ashern on Highway #6. Hours are broken into 2 seasons, Winter and Summer. Winter hours start October 1st and Summer hours start May 1st every year.

Closed on all statutory holidays.

SUMMER HOURS

MONDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon & 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
THURSDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
FRIDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
SATURDAY	CLOSED
SUNDAY	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

WINTER HOURS

MONDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
THURSDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
FRIDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 noon
SATURDAY	CLOSED
SUNDAY	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

OAKVIEW WASTE TRANSFER SITE

The Oakview Waste Transfer Site is located on Sigurdson Road off of Highway 68.

Closed on all statutory holidays.

SUMMER HOURS

MONDAY	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	CLOSED
THURSDAY	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
FRIDAY	CLOSED
SATURDAY	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
SUNDAY	11:00 am – 5:00 pm

WINTER HOURS

MONDAY	11:00 am – 2:00 pm
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	CLOSED
THURSDAY	11:00 am – 2:00 pm
FRIDAY	CLOSED
SATURDAY	CLOSED
SUNDAY	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

COLDWELL ERIKSDALE WASTE DISPOSAL GROUNDS

The Coldwell Eriksdale Waste Disposal Grounds is located approximately 2 miles south of Eriksdale and 1 mile West of Highway #6 on Dump Road (Road 124N)

HOURS (YEAR-ROUND)

MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
THURSDAY	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
FRIDAY	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
SATURDAY	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
SUNDAY	CLOSED



ERIKSDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber membership is comprised of businesses from Ashern, Eriksdale, Lundar and St. Laurent.

Members have access to professional services, discounted products and services to support your success. Exclusive Member Benefits deliver valuable cost savings on a range of services; an edge enjoyed by members only.

The Eriksdale Chamber of Commerce is continuing the fundraising campaign to replace the Christmas light pole mounts in Eriksdale. 11 have been purchased so far and will be lit up and on display this winter. We will continue to use the existing lights that are still in working order until this project is complete. Donations can be made to the Eriksdale Chamber of Commerce at any time.

Moggey's Cabin will have display pedestals along the trail to the cabin telling the story of Percy Moggey. These pedestals were purchased this year and are ready to be in the ground.

The Eriksdale Chamber of Commerce Market Garden was quite successful in 2021. The market opened on July 17 and closed on October 2. Every Saturday there were at least 6 vendors, and often up to 9.

There was a large variety of baking, vegetables, jewelry, natural health items, and knitted items available. Coffee was also provided, giving everyone the opportunity to sit and visit in Railway Memorial Park.

The "Find Your Willy" contest is still running with a winner announced each month. Willy is placed in Chamber member businesses in Eriksdale and Ashern, or in some cases online if a store front is not available. All you do is take a selfie with Willy, and send the date and place to the Chamber email at EriksdaleChamber21@gmail.com to enter. There will be a grand prize winner drawn from all the entries received. This grand prize winner will receive a \$100.00 Chamber Gift Certificate redeemable only at Chamber member businesses. One entry per day. This contest is open to everyone.



Mission

A chamber of commerce is a volunteer organization of business, professionals and civic people and those who share their viewpoint, with the primary purpose of promoting the commercial, industrial, social and civic interests of the community. It is a vehicle for free expression of concern and action by volunteers to improve business and to build a better community.



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SAM BAYER – RECREATION COORDINATOR

This summer, the RM of West Interlake hired Recreation Coordinator, Sam Bayer, to run the summer camps being offered in both Ashern in Eriksdale. Along with Sam, there were two summer students, Kay Meisner and Lily Plohman, hired to be the camp programmers. This team of three, successfully planned and executed eight weeks of summer camps that ran from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm and with no charge to the participants. Each week alternated locations and was based on four themes; Dinosaur Week, Jungle Week, Pirate Week, and Space Week.

The Municipality is pleased to announce that Sam Bayer, will be staying on as a permanent employee with the municipality. Currently Sam is attending the Recreation Program Leader Program offered online through Robertson College every morning however, his afternoons will be filled with working on programs to offer in the evenings and weekends. Be on the lookout for new recreation opportunities coming soon! Would you like to see something specific offered in the area, contact Sam at rec@rmofwestinterlake.com with your ideas!

