

# PUBLIC NOTICE AND NEWSPAPERS

## 2019



**Public Notice**  
**Intent to amend Zoning District Bylaw**

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Gravelbourg intends to amend its Zoning Bylaw by:  
 Repealing residential Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 31 Plan A1200 with the Civic address as 155 1<sup>st</sup> Ave West from the R5 - Residential to C1 - Town Centre Commercial District. This rezoning will be in the form of a Contract Zone.

The affected property is illustrated in Schedule "B" of the Bylaw 1643/19 and an excerpt from that Schedule is shown below.

The purpose of the Contract Zone is to allow for the use of the residence as a Detach Centre.

A complete copy of the Bylaw may be viewed at the Town Office 209 Main Street during regular business hours.

A public meeting will be held at 7:00PM on March 27, 2019 in Council Chambers at the Town office to hear final representations respecting this proposed amendment.

Any and all submissions or representations in respect to this Notice must be received by the Town no later than 4:00PM, March 22, 2019 and may be submitted to the Town of Gravelbourg office or mailed to: Town of Gravelbourg, Box 359, Gravelbourg SK S0N 1X0 or emailed to [ca@gravelbourg.ca](mailto:ca@gravelbourg.ca).

**Town of Gravelbourg**  
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 email: [ca@gravelbourg.ca](mailto:ca@gravelbourg.ca)



## "Public Access" does not equal "Public Notice"



The purpose of public notice is to openly display information in a way where the public is likely to be made aware.



Making valuable information accessible ONLY online is not the same as notifying the public that information exists.



It is crucial to keep public notices in the public record. Once printed in a newspaper, public notices cannot be altered, erased or hidden. In many communities the local newspaper is the only printed record of history.

**PUBLIC NOTICE - Village of Osage**  
**NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Village of Osage for the year 2019 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor Monday to Friday from 9:00am - 12:00pm and 1:00pm - 4:00pm. A Bylaw pursuant to section 214 of The Municipalities Act has not been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal against his or her assessment is required to file his or her notice of appeal, accompanied by a \$50.00 appeal fee which will be returned if the appeal is successful, with: The Assessor, Village of Osage, PO Box 130, Filmore SK S0G 1N0 by the 16th day of April, 2019.

Dated this 14th Day of March, 2019

Yvonna Wiggins  
 Assessor



## Public Notice in newspapers is vital to the democratic process of a community.



Public notices in newspapers continue to effectively engage the public and create a community forum for public discourse.



Government public notice ensures that individuals, families and businesses have the information they need to exercise their rights and responsibilities and make decisions about their health, safety and security.



Access to public notice provides community residents an opportunity to influence governing bodies, hold governments accountable and be active participants in a democratic society.

**TOWN OF REGINA BEACH**

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Town of Regina Beach for 2019 has been prepared and is open for inspection in the office of the Assessor from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the following days:

**Monday to Friday, March 11 to April 10, 2019.**

Any person who wishes to appeal his/her assessment to the Board of Revision is required to file his/her appeal(s) in writing, plus the \$50.00 appeal fee, with:  
 The Assessor, Town of Regina Beach, Box 10, Regina Beach, Saskatchewan, S0G 4C0 by the 10th day of April 2019.

Dated this 11th day of March 2019:  
 Tracy Woolfeister  
 Assessor

Online public notices can only be effective if the public knows where to look and is willing to take time out of their day to go searching for them. If public notices were available ONLY online, residents would be responsible for searching the web to find out information that could affect their communities.

## HOW WILL RESIDENTS KNOW WHEN AND WHERE TO LOOK FOR THINGS LIKE:

- Approval of the municipal budget
- Land use/zoning bylaw changes
- Buying/selling of public land
- Bids/Tenders/Request for proposals
- Notice to expropriate land for public use
- Preparation of assessment rolls
- Elections/By Elections/ Abandonment of poll
- Public hearings
- Proclamations
- Employment opportunities
- Annexation intentions
- Changes to fees and charges
- Street closures
- Council remuneration



For more information, go to [www.newsmediacanada.ca](http://www.newsmediacanada.ca)

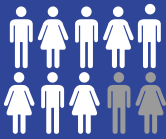
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53%

OF CANADIANS WANT PUBLIC NOTICES IN NEWSPAPERS, AND ARE OPPOSED TO THEIR REMOVAL FROM NEWSPAPERS.



IF LOCAL COUNCILS OR PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS WANTED TO STOP PUBLISHING PUBLIC NOTICES IN NEWSPAPERS, EIGHT OUT OF TEN SUPPORTERS WOULD TAKE SOME FORM OF ACTION:



62%

would re-evaluate their vote for elected officials in the next election.



43%

would contact their elected officials to express their position.



27%

would post their concerns on social media.

## Would take these actions if provincial/municipal government proposed cessation of publishing public notice in newspapers:

CITY  
(100K+)

61%

41%

35%

TOWN  
(10K-99.9K)

64%

45%

27%

VILLAGE/  
FARM

67%

53%

29%

### ACTIONS CONSIDERED VARIES BY COMMUNITY SIZE

Residents in smaller communities prefer to reach out to their elected officials. Canadians in larger communities turn to social media to express their views.

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Source: Totum Research, March 2019 (Local Newspapers: Engaged and Connected)

Q. Some provincial governments and town/city councils would like to end the practice that requires public notices to be published in newspapers. Instead they want you, the public, to rely only on their websites and electronic social media or emails to inform you about things like zoning bylaws, public hearings, council meetings, budget issues including council remuneration and changes to fees/taxes, elections, road closures, camping permits, change in services like garbage collection, snow plowing etc. Please indicate how you feel about this.

Q. If your provincial government or town/city council wanted to stop publishing public notices in newspapers, which of the following actions would you take to make your opposition known?