



## Strategic Plan

Join the Village of South River's Mayor Jim Coleman and Councilors to discuss and share ideas regarding the upcoming Strategic Plan for the Village.

Event takes place on Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 at the South River Brewing Company (309b Hwy 124, SOUTH RIVER) starting at 7 p.m.

## Waste & Recycling Information

### Seasonal Compost

**Collection** is scheduled to take place on May **1st, 8th, 15th, 23rd** and **29th**. 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 24th. You must register for this service no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19th, by calling the South River Municipal Office (705)386-2573.

### North Bay's Household Hazardous Waste

**Program** accepts various hazardous waste products 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 Wasteline 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

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. Please visit the Village of South River's website at [southriver.ca](http://southriver.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.

## 2023 Tax & Water Due

### Dates Remaining

## TAXES

- Friday, March 31, 2023
- Friday, June 30, 2023
- Friday, September 29, 2023
- Thursday, November 30, 2023

## WATER

- Wednesday, March 15, 2023
- Monday, May 15, 2023
- Monday, July 17, 2023
- Friday, September 15, 2023
- Wednesday, November 15, 2023

*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.

*Please be sure to keep your address updated with us here at the office, if you get your tax and water bill to General Delivery and then get a mail box please let us know ASAP, otherwise you may not be getting your bills in a timely manner.*

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](http://www.srmfd.com).*

## Holiday Closures

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

**Friday, April 7, 2023**

**Monday, April 10, 2023**



*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](http://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](http://southriver.ca) If it's not in writing ...it didn't happen!

**Near North Palliative Care Network** is striving to stem the tide of the ongoing and worsening crisis in Palliative Care. The Network provides services relating to Palliative Care Visiting Hospice, Caregiver's Respite and Support, Bereavement and Grief Support Sessions (individual and group), Training and Education for all aspects of ageing and end of life. To find more information on volunteering & services please visit: [nnpn.com](http://nnpn.com).

### Soccer Program 2023—Coordinator Needed!

We will need a soccer program Coordinator & volunteers this summer to run this year's soccer program, if you are interested please email [info@southriver.ca](mailto:info@southriver.ca) or call the Village at 705-386-2573 for more information.



### Summer Day Camp 2023

Registration information coming soon!

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

Linda Flowers at 705-471-7128.

## By-Law Brief

Residents are reminded that By-law 49-2022 (Regulating Poultry and Livestock) came into effect on January 1, 2023. This bylaw prohibits the keeping of any poultry and livestock within the Village other than hens. A license to keep hens is now a requirement.

Application forms are available on the Village website. If you currently own or are planning to own hens, please contact the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for questions on the bylaw's requirement. **Reminder** every person who owns a dog shall register

their dog with the Village, and shall pay a licence fee once for a lifetime licence for the life of the dog. The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer can be contacted with questions, complaints, or inquiries at [almaguinbylaw@southriver.ca](mailto:almaguinbylaw@southriver.ca).

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

The due date for the first installment of the 2023 Interim Tax Bill is Friday, March 31st and the second installment is due on Friday June 30th. 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 2022 property tax values, please refer to your 2022 Final Tax Bill. You can also find your 2022 Tax Levy at the top of your 2023 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.