



2023 Tax & Water Due Dates Remaining

TAXES

Friday, June 30, 2023
Friday, September 29, 2023
Thursday, November 30, 2023

WATER

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.

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 **Victoria Day Monday, May 22, 2023** & **Canada Day Monday, July 3, 2023**

Community Gardens

For information regarding plot availability please call the municipal office at 705-386-2573
The community gardens are located on Dufferin Street beside the Skate Park.

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.

What's Happening around the Village

As you are probably aware, We have lots of exciting things and improvements happening around the Village. The return of the Watermain Rehabilitation Project ensues with Working Hours: Monday to Thursday 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Fridays 7:00 am – 3:00 pm Scope: Removal and Replacement of Water main and Services, Fire Hydrants, Curbs, Sidewalks, and Asphalt Paving. Please be patient and co-operate with workers if they come to your door. Temporary water service lines will have to be installed.

The South River Machar Arena and Community Centre welcomes back the Annual Summer Soccer Program for 2023, beginning June 29th and running until August 10th. Our Community Centre hall is available for rentals, for wedding receptions, anniversary parties and other family get togethers. For rental information please call the South River Machar Community Centre at 705-386-2622.

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!

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. When you re-

ceive 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 for a checklist of items that should be in your 72 hour emergency kits and more information on emergency preparation and planning.

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.



Escape to the Great Outdoors!

South River is truly a fine destination to use as a home base while exploring Algonquin or Mikisew Provincial Parks. Campers can select a site in the 300-acre mixed forest of Mikisew, located 16 kilometres west of town, with its three beaches and boat launch. Head out on an amazing canoe journey into Algonquin Park by launching your canoe on Lake Kawawmog (Round Lake) entrance to the park. Or stay nestled in town and take advantage of the walking & biking trails located throughout the Village. For more information on the local trail systems please visit www.discoveryroutes.ca.

By-Law Brief

Residents are reminded that dogs are not permitted to run at large within the Village. When off of the owner's property, dogs are required to be restrained and have an owner present at all times. A failure to comply is an offence under Bylaw 32-2021 and carries a minimum fine \$135.00. Dogs found running at large are also subject to impound by-law

enforcement, with pound fees to be paid before the dog is released. Residents with concerns about dogs at large are asked to call the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or the OPP as soon as possible at 705-358-6230. The Village also requires dog owners to obtain a licence for their dog. Licences are available at the Village Office and are valid for the lifetime of the

dog. Restrictions apply on the number of dogs permitted in a residence. For single unit dwellings, two dogs are permitted. For multi-unit dwellings, one dog is permitted per unit. The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer can be contacted at almaguinbylaw@southriver.ca.

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 be cut into 4' lengths and tied into manageable bundles. This service is provided by municipal staff and may be delayed due to circumstances beyond the 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.

Hazmat Drop Off is available during designated times at the Strong Landfill Site #1, 483 Forest Lake Road. Scheduled dates for this service are May 27 & August 26, 2023 10 AM-2 PM. **North Bay's Household Hazardous Waste Program** accepts various hazardous waste products please visit www.northbay.ca for more information.

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

Tell Us What's Happening

Please send us an e-mail or submit a request to post an event on our website. This service is free and can help spread the word about your community event. We can also advertise your community event in an edition of 'Ripples' as space permits. Visit us at southriver.ca or email info@southriver.ca

Recreation Programs

Summer Soccer Program is always looking for volunteers to help out with coaching & assistant coaching. Additionally, high school students can earn community hours while volunteering with Soccer. **Registration** day is on Thursday, June 1st between 6 p.m to 8 p.m in the lobby at the South River Machar Community Centre on 1A Lincoln Ave, South River.

The Program is anticipated to run from Thursday, June 29th to Thursday, August 10th. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis, remember SPACE IS LIMITED. For more information please visit southriver.ca or call the municipal office at 705-386-2573.



South River-Machar Day Camp Update

Day Camp has been cancelled for the Summer 2023 season.

Unfortunately due to staffing issues, The Hockey Opportunity Camp will not be running the South River-Machar Day Camp. Apologies are extended to families looking forward to this program from the Village of South River, Township of Machar and the Hockey Opportunity Camp.

The Medical Equipment loan cupboard is full! For more information please contact Linda Flowers at 705-471-7128.

Upcoming Community Events

Black Fly Festival & Disc Golf Tournament

The **20th Annual Black Fly Festival** presented by Algonquin Disc Golf returns to Tom Thomson Park on May 20th & 21st. This is a PDGA C-tier event. Four rounds over two days on the 20 hole Black Fly layout at Tom Thomson Park. Algonquin Disc Golf is also hosting an **Into to Disc Golf Course** for individuals or families interested in finding a new activity to enjoy! This event is free to register and takes place on Wednesday, May 17th. To register for the upcoming Disc Golf Events please visit discgolfsce.com

Annual Live Butterfly Release Fundraiser

Near North Palliative Care Network organizes an open-air event to celebrate the life and memory of your loved ones. Participants have the opportunity to sponsor a butterfly and release it in honour and memory of a loved one who has passed away. For a donation of \$35, you get one butterfly, for a donation of \$100, you get four butterflies. To reserve your butterflies call 705-497-9239 or email office@nnpn.com. Butterflies will be released Saturday July 8th between 11 AM—2PM at Kiwanis Band Shell (The Waterfront), Memorial Drive, North Bay ON, P1A 1T6.

South River Friendly Circle Weekly Events

Join the South River Friendly Circle located at 10 Isabella Street for Yoga, Bridge, Line Dancing, Shuffle Board, Wellness Clinics and so much more! For more information please phone 705-386-0322 or visit the South River Friendly Circle Facebook page.

*Do you have a **great picture** of somewhere in the **Village of South River**? We would love to see it! Please send the picture(s) and any information about the location to info@southriver.ca or contact the municipal office for more details.*

Don't Forget to take advantage of what South River has to offer! At the community centre Tennis, Pickle-ball and Basket Ball courts are available to the public all summer long! Kayak & Paddle through the **South River Run** the 33 km River Run is an entry level scenic full day paddle best explored in early May with spring run-off making for an easy 7-8 hour day on the water. The route is navigable from both directions, however the River flows from Algonquin Park towards South River.

Explore South River
Immerse yourself in the culture, heritage, events and play in the Almaguin Highlands! Download the app today and visit exploresouthriver.ca

Have you been unable to pay Your Taxes & Water...



If you have fallen behind on your tax or water account and are not sure how you can get caught up, please call us. We will work with you on a payment plan to get you back on track. Interest is run for taxes on the first of every month, water interest is run on

the 16th of the month or the next business day. If property taxes reach 3rd year arrears it will be sent for tax sale. The process is very expensive and gets added to your tax account. Disconnection notices will be mailed once your account is over \$250. A

deposit could be added for delinquent accounts at a residential rate of \$300 and a none-residential rate of \$350. If we need to disconnect your water, a deposit will be required to turn it on, disconnection and reconnection fees will be charged.

