



Rural Municipality of Keys No. 303

2026 Newsletter

Council

Reeve: Calvin Statchuk

Division 1: Mark Hofer

Division 2: Dirk Van As

Division 3: Ken Kalmakoff

Division 4: Brad Knutson

Division 5: Jordan Lindgren

Division 6: Brad Hallick

Admin

Administrator: Twila Hadubiak

Assistant: Miranda Petryshyn

Crystal Lake Hamlet Board

Brad Tokaruk

Ken Wozniczka

Paulette Wolkowski

Council Meetings

Regular council meeting are held on the second Thursday of each month.

9:00 am January - April

8:00 am May - September

9:00 am October - December

(subject to change)

Contact Us

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8 am – 12 pm & 1 pm – 4 pm

2026 Elections

Elections for Divisions 2, 4, and 6 will be held on Monday, November 9th. If you have any questions regarding the 2026 Municipal Election, please contact the RM office.

Mill Rate

The Rural Mill Rate remains the same at 8.5 Mills. The Crystal Lake Mill Rate decreased to 2.3 Mills with a change to the base tax. Residential \$650, Agriculture \$75, Commercial \$1500.

Fires

All controlled burns **must** be reported by calling **1-866-404-4911**. It is your responsibility to report your fire before burning. Burning of any kind during a Fire Ban is prohibited and may result in additional fines.

Development & Building Permits

Development permits are required for **all development and improvements** within the RM before any work begins.

Building permit approvals may take anywhere from 2 to 4 weeks. Please contact the RM office for more information.

Beginning work before the required permits have been approved may result in a **violation fee**, in addition to the applicable permit fees, and a **Stop Work Order** may be issued.

Snow Clearing

The RM offers snow removal on private driveways. Landowner must complete an annual Snow Removal Agreement. The minimum charge is \$125 per trip. Please note that clearing private lanes is not a priority service and will be completed as operators' schedules permit.

Municipal Roads: If a ratepayer chooses to clear snow from a municipal road, the work is done at the ratepayer's own expense. Costs will **not** be reimbursed unless the RM has specifically requested the work in advance.

Please do not push snow from your driveway across the municipal road as this creates hard banks that makes it more difficult for the graders to clear the roadway properly.

Financial Statements

Financial statements are available on the RM website (rmofkeys303.ca) under the Forms/Reports tab.

Facebook Page

Check out our Facebook page 'RM of Keys No.303' for important updates, announcements and information! If you have any questions, please contact the office by phone or email.

Dust Control Program

The annual dust control is available through the RM. The cost is based on the amount of product applied. If you would like to be included on the 2027 dust control application list, please contact the RM office.

Bylaw Officer

A Bylaw Officer has been appointed for the Organized Hamlet of Crystal Lake. He will be regularly monitoring the area to help ensure that municipal bylaws are being followed and to promote a safe, orderly community for everyone.

Beaver Control

The RM of Keys will reimburse licensed trappers \$30.00 per beaver if caught within the municipality. Forms can be found on the municipal website or at the office. Before submitting your claim, please contact your councillor to verify the beavers. Form must be submitted properly to receive reimbursement.

Pest Control

Rat poison is available for purchase at the RM office. The Pest Control Officer is responsible for inspecting properties where rat activity is suspected. If you suspect rat activity on your property, do not hesitate to contact Vince Bailey at 306-562-7887.

Garbage & Recycle Bins

Garbage and recycling bins are available for RM ratepayers at the Norquay RM Shop, the Canora RM Shop, and the Crystal Lake Shop. These bins are for **household garbage & recycling ONLY**. Fines may be issued for the improper disposal of prohibited items.

Speed Limit

When approaching or passing municipal employees and equipment, please reduce your speed to **60 km/h**.

Thank you for helping keep everyone safe.

Zebra Mussels

Zebra mussels have been confirmed at Lake of the Prairies. This invasive species spreads rapidly, damage aquatic ecosystems, reduce fish populations, foul boats and beaches, and can significantly impact recreation and property values.

The greatest risk of spread is through watercraft and equipment. Larvae are near invisible and can survive in live wells, bait buckets, ropes, life jackets, and on boats.

Always **Clean, Drain, and Dry** all watercraft and gear before moving between lakes.

To protect Crystal Lake, the RM and Hamlet Board have introduced preventative measures, including controlled access to the boat launch.

Payment Options

Payment options are as follows:

- Cash
- Cheques
- Debit
- Credit Cards (online only)
- E-transfers to rm303@sasktel.net
- Online banking (only through Credit Union)

**Payments are receipted the day they are received in the office and will not be backdated. Please allow adequate time for the postal system or online banking.

Post-dated cheques are accepted.