



# Dufferin Dispatch

## 2022 Winter Newsletter



2021 was a year full of community building and coming together. In the summer many roads had gravel put on them for maintenance. With the combined help of the Town of Carman, the ring road by the soccer pitches and new baseball diamonds was reconstructed. After years of hard work and dedication we saw the completion of the Boyne Lodge Personal Care Home. We look forward to the services this will provide our community.

Due to little snow fall in the winter of 2020/21 and with little spring and summer rainfall and high heats pressure was put on Stephenfield Lake to supply potable water and agricultural water. Because of good decisions and being water conscious, we were able to make it through the year. We hope and pray with the agricultural sector that they get the moisture so desperately needed for a successful 2022.

W. George Gray, Reeve



### REMINDER

**Water bills are due and payable on or before Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.**

**There are many payment options available for paying your bill's.**

**Online Banking:** Add us as a payee to your online banking, you can set up your payments to either "Dufferin (Rural Municipality of/Rural Mun/RM) - Taxes" or "Dufferin (Rural Municipality of/Rural Mun/RM) - Utility or Water", use the account number (numbers only) listed on your bill. If you require assistance through this process, let us know.

**Pre-Authorized Payments:** Contact us for more information or to get set up for pre-authorized payments. We can automatically withdraw the amount owing on your bill on the due date of the bill directly from your bank account or we can also set up a "budget" plan and withdraw a set amount monthly.

**Cheques:** Please come in with your cheque or mail your payment to Box 100, Carman, MB R0G 0J0.

Call us at 204.745.2301 if you need additional assistance. Any payments received after the due date will be subject to penalty.



### Utility Arrears

A reminder that at the end of every year, per notices sent out, all outstanding balances on the utility accounts are rolled to your tax roll account. If on your current utility bill, you see listed "Utility Transfer to Taxes", please note that the amount shown is now owing on your tax account and will be included on your 2022 tax notice.

### GO GREEN AND HELP CONSERVE THE ENVIROMENT!!!

Sign up today, go Green with the RM of Dufferin Utility e-billing service! You can receive your utility bill by convenient email delivery by subscribing to the RM's e-billing service. Send us an email to [utility@rmofdufferin.com](mailto:utility@rmofdufferin.com) with your info.

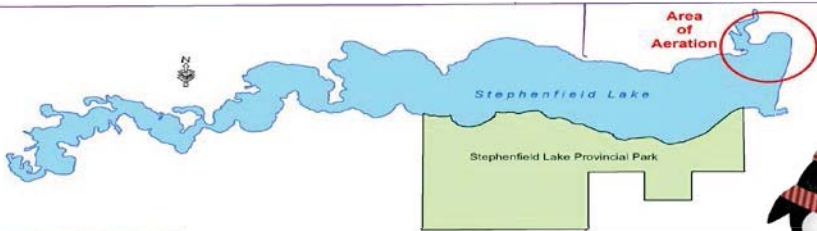


The Rural Municipality of Dufferin has an emergency notification, All-Net “Connect” communication automation system. The municipality can quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire municipality. “Connect” by All-Net will allow the office to deliver messages to you via phone call (landline or mobile device), through text, or email. To sign up for “Connect” by All-net and to add your contact information, email [info@rmofdufferin.com](mailto:info@rmofdufferin.com), call the office at 204.745.2301 or visit our website at [www.carmanmanitoba.ca](http://www.carmanmanitoba.ca).

### Waterline Connections

If you are thinking of connecting to rural water in 2022, please call the office at 204.745.2301 or email Jeanne at [utility@rmofdufferin.com](mailto:utility@rmofdufferin.com)

**CAUTION - Notice to all Lake Users! There are aeration systems in use on Stephenfield Lake. The area around the aeration sites may have: Open Water and Thin Ice. Please use caution while travelling on the lake!**



## In Ice and Snow,



## Take it Slow!

Our Public Works Staff works hard to clear roads of snowfall as fast as possible to make them safe for motorists. The RM uses a priority system of routes to determine which roadways are cleared first and get traffic moving as quickly as possible. The priority levels of snow and ice-removal are that the highest traffic-volume roadways are cleared first. The municipality requires a significant amount of time for snow removal and in the case that the snowstorm continues this will be worsened.

We ask residents not to blow or push snow from their yards and lanes onto the municipal right-of-way, including roads and ditches. The placement of this snow creates a significant hazard for both our plow operators and for vehicle traffic. After the storm during regular work hours, workers clean up the accumulation on shoulders. **Thank you** in advance for your cooperation.



Emergency preparedness starts with *you*.

[www.GetPrepared.ca](http://www.GetPrepared.ca)

**Transfer Station**  
**Winter Hours**  
**October 1<sup>st</sup> – March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**Monday, Wednesday & Friday**  
 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
**Tuesday & Thursday**  
 Closed  
**Saturday**  
 11:00 am - 4:00 pm



### Address Numbers Help in Emergencies!!

**Your address number can be the difference between life & death!** If you need emergency services at your residence or business, you want them to find you as quickly as possible. It is **important YOU know your civic address and road number**, the two combined are what will help emergency services find you. Rural or Urban, the number assigned to your house/yard may be the same as another house/yard number, however the **Road or Street** is what distinguishes you from someone else. Please allow us to help you assist firefighters and paramedics in arriving on time in times of emergency.

Please ensure your civic address # and Road # (e.g., 33014 Rd 28W) is clearly visible to all at the end of your driveway/approach. **Ensure YOU are able to be found in your time of need! It just might save a life!**

## Utility Rate Increases

Water Rate Increases as approved by The Public Utilities Board Order No. 172/18, effective for consumption as of **January 1, 2022** are as follows:

All metered water sold in the Rural Municipality of Dufferin will be charged at the rate of \$18.19 per 1,000 gallons, with minimums as follows:

Meter Size	Gallons	Customer Service Charge	Water Commodity Charge	Water Total Quarterly Minimum
5/8 inch	3,000	\$29.01	\$ 54.57	\$ 83.58
3/4 inch	6,000	\$29.01	\$ 109.14	\$ 138.15
1 inch	12,000	\$29.01	\$ 218.28	\$ 247.29
1 ½ inch	30,000	\$29.01	\$ 545.70	\$ 574.71
2 inch	75,000	\$29.01	\$1,364.25	\$1,393.26
3 inch	135,000	\$29.01	\$2,455.65	\$2,484.66



All **Bulk** water sold by the Rural Municipality of Dufferin will be charged at the rate of \$19.56 per 1,000 gallons.

### Move In and Outs

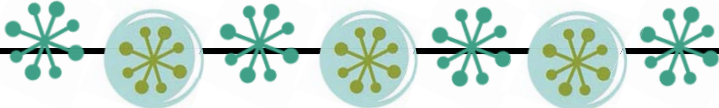
When moving, if moving OUT please contact the RM of Dufferin office to arrange a final water meter reading. Notice of at least a week minimum is required.

If moving IN, please contact the office to set up your new utility account.

Contact Jeanne at 204.745.2301 or email [utility@rmofdufferin.com](mailto:utility@rmofdufferin.com)

### Rental Properties

Please be advised that if you are a Landowner that rents out a house on your property that has rural water, **YOU, the Landlord are responsible for setting up the water account in the Renter's name with the RM of Dufferin.** Please contact the office to update **YOUR** Renter's contact information and mailing address. Call Jeanne at 204.745.2301 or e-mail [utility@rmofdufferin.com](mailto:utility@rmofdufferin.com)



### R.M. of Dufferin Contact Info

12-2<sup>nd</sup> Ave S.W., Box 100  
Carman, MB R0G 0J0

R.M. Office.....204.745.2301  
 Fax.....204.745.6348  
 R.M. Shop.....204.745.2483  
 After Hours Emergency.....204.750.2652  
 Stephenfield Water Plant.....204.828.3434  
 Waste Transfer Station.....204.745.2210  
 RCMP Non-Emergency.....204.745.6773  
 Hospital Non-Emergency.....204.745.2021  
 Fire/Ambulance/RCMP EMERGENCY....911  
[www.carmanmanitoba.ca](http://www.carmanmanitoba.ca)

### 2022 RM of Dufferin Council Meetings

Tuesday, January 18th	7:00pm
Tuesday, February 15th	7:00pm
Tuesday, March 15th	7:00pm
Tuesday, April 19th	7:00pm
Tuesday, May 17th	7:00pm
Tuesday, June 21st	7:00pm
Tuesday, July 19th	7:00pm
Tuesday, August 16th	7:00pm
Tuesday, September 20th	7:00pm
Tuesday, October 18th	7:00pm
Tuesday, November 15th	7:00pm
Tuesday, December 13th	7:00pm



## PLANNING DISTRICT

The Carman-Dufferin Planning District thanks all residents of the RM of Dufferin for complying with all building permit regulations. Your cooperation and understanding is greatly appreciated. We look forward to working with you in the year to follow. Please contact Kim MacLellan for any inquiries on building permits, demolition permits, relocation permits or any other Planning related questions by calling 204.745.2301 or emailing [planning@townofcarman.com](mailto:planning@townofcarman.com)

## Next Blood Donor Clinic



Canadian Blood Services  
BLOOD PLASMA STEM CELLS ORGANS & TISSUES

**Carman Community Hall**  
**Thursday February 24, 2022**

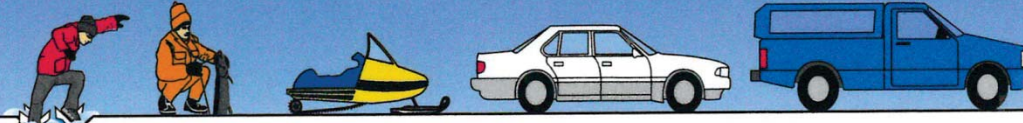
**2 – 7 pm**

**To book your appointment:**  
**Visit [Blood.ca](http://Blood.ca) - call 1 888 2 DONATE**

## Recommended Minimum Ice Thickness for New Clear Hard Ice.

**7 cm (3") or less**  
**STAY OFF!!**

*No ice is without some risk.*  
*Be sure to measure clear hard ice in several places.*



**10 cm (4")**

ice fishing,  
walking, cross  
country skiing

**12 cm (5")**

one vehicle:  
snowmobile  
or ATV

**20-30 cm (8 - 12")**

one vehicle:  
car or small pick-up

**30-38 cm (12 - 15")**

one vehicle: medium truck



**Lifesaving Society**  
The Lifeguarding Experts

[www.lifesaving.mb.ca](http://www.lifesaving.mb.ca)



## SNOW SHOE LENDING PROGRAM

The Carman Dufferin Recreation Department has snowshoes and trekking poles available for a **FREE four-day loan!** This lending program is available for R.M of Dufferin and Town of Carman residents from January to March. There are all different sizes for youth and adults.

### Sizes Available are:

Size 19"  
Size 21"  
Size 25"  
Size 30"  
Size 36"



Shoes can be reserved on a first come first serviced basis. They can be picked up Friday and dropped off Tuesday at 12-2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SW – Memorial Hall between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Call 204-745-2684 or email [programcdr@townofcarman.com](mailto:programcdr@townofcarman.com) Monday to Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm for more information or to reserve a pair

## Winter Walking Safety Tips:

- Wear proper non-slip footwear.
- Look before you step & avoid slippery surfaces.
- Take shorter steps or shuffle for stability.
- Stay Alert! Don't text & walk!
- Don't Rush! Plan ahead to make sure you have enough time to get where you are going.



# WALK SAFE THIS WINTER

## Carman Dufferin Recreation

For more inquiries on recreation programming or facilities visit [www.carmandufferinrecreation.com](http://www.carmandufferinrecreation.com) or call the office at 204.745.2684

