

Community Update - August 26, 2015

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## WSP Communications Survey

### Take our communications survey & enter to win!!

West St. Paul Council is committed to keeping residents and businesses up to date and informed on important matters that affect our community. We invite all residents to complete a short online survey to share input on how we can communicate about the issues that are important to you. The West St. Paul Communications Survey is an opportunity for residents to tell Council how they want to be informed about services, policies and municipal projects in West St. Paul.

All West St. Paul residents who complete the survey can enter to win an iPad Mini.

Take the survey and enter to win:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/weststpaulsurvey>

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## New By-Laws

### 2015-16 - The Burning By-Law

Council has passed this By-Law to provide for the protection of life and property from damage by fire as well as regulate burning within the Municipality.

Do you know the size of fire pit permitted in your neighbourhood? Do you know what materials are permitted to burn? [Click here to learn more....](#)

### 2015-18 - Housing Numbering By-Law

It is vital to emergency responders that all homes have clear numbering that is visible from the roadway. With this in mind Council has passed a By-Law to identify the number for each house along the highways and streets of the municipality and for establishing provisions for affixing the numbers in a permanent

location along the highways and streets.

[Click here to see the full By-Law.](#)

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## **Willis Road Park Upgrade**

Watch for upgrades to the Willis Road Park this fall!! As our community grows and families with young children move in, there is an ever increasing need for parks and playgrounds. Council has accepted a tender from Blue Imp for the supply and installation of playground equipment at the Willis Road Park.

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## **Sewer Back-up Subsidy Program**

The RM of West St. Paul and the Province of Manitoba have partnered to subsidize homeowners' costs for the purchase and installation of in-line backwater valves and sump pumps/pits which will reduce the risk of basement flooding due to back-up of either municipal sewer systems or home drainage systems (i.e. weeping tiles). You may be eligible to receive up to 50% in cost shared funding.

[Click here to download an Application Form](#)

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## **Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure Programs – Small Communities Fund**

The Small Communities Fund is part of the \$10 billion Provincial-Territorial infrastructure component of the New Building Canada Fund. It will provide \$1 billion nationally for projects in municipalities with fewer than 100,000 residents, to build projects that fulfill local needs.

Manitoba's Small Communities Fund is a 10-year, \$140 million program that focuses on infrastructure for public use in smaller communities. Funding for municipalities under the Small Communities Fund will typically be approved with federal, provincial and municipal levels of government each responsible for one-third of the project cost.

West St. Paul submitted one of the 78 applications for funding received by the Small Communities Fund, with total project costs valued at \$305 million. The total request for funding was over double the funding available – and as a result our application for funding the Rossmore Sewer Project was not approved at this time.

West St. Paul will continue to explore opportunities for financing capital projects in the municipality.

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## Fall Council Meeting Schedule

Council meetings start at 5:00pm and are open to the public.

Planning/Regular - Thursday, September 10, 2015  
Regular - Tuesday, September 22, 2015  
Planning/Regular - Thursday, October 8, 2015  
Regular - Tuesday, October 27, 2015  
Planning/Regular - Thursday, November 12, 2015  
Regular - Monday, November 30, 2015 (as per resolution 2015-401)  
Planning/Regular - Thursday, December 10, 2015  
Regular - Tuesday, December 22, 2015

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