

## NEW ZONING BYLAW AND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

New planning bylaws came into force on January 1, 2026—a significant step forward for our new and growing municipality. These bylaws are a key tool in shaping the village's future.

The zoning bylaw controls land use and ensures organized, functional development. It divides land into three districts: residential, agricultural, and community service. It also sets standards for building height, lot size, setbacks, and density, helping ensure development aligns with village-wide goals and supports property values.

While the zoning bylaw guides day-to-day decisions, the Official Community Plan outlines broader policies and long-term objectives. Both are legally enforceable and prohibit development that does not align with community goals.

Highlights and changes in the planning bylaws include:

- Controls on short term rentals, including a permitting requirement
- Controls on accessory dwelling units, such as guest suites, trailer coaches, and secondary suites
- Guidelines for accessory buildings and structures
- Requirements for construction along the waterfront and on slopes
- Floodway determination and safe building elevation
- Building coverage on the site area
- Outside storage



*photo by Jeff Lorch*

Projects that received development permits prior to January 1, 2026 will continue under the previous regulations which is the zoning bylaw for the RM of North Qu'Appelle No 187. All permit applications going forward will be regulated under the current zoning bylaw. Feel free to reach our office for guidance on upcoming projects. The zoning bylaw and OCP are on the website at [www.rvpl.ca](http://www.rvpl.ca).

## FIRESMART REPORT

Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) has completed a wildfire mitigation assessment report for RV Pasqua Lake. This detailed, on-site assessment was provided by an experienced fire professional specifically for our community. The report helps property owners identify practical steps that can be taken to reduce the risk of wildfire damage to their homes. Even small improvements can make a big difference in increasing your home's resilience during a wildfire. Protect your piece of paradise from the unthinkable devastation of a fire, and review the report found on the webpage [www.rvpl.ca](http://www.rvpl.ca).

## OFFICE HOURS

The Resort Village office hours have changed to Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.



Box 1759  
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[office@rvpl.ca](mailto:office@rvpl.ca)

160 Broadway St W  
9:00-4:00 Mon-Thurs  
306-332-0050  
[www.rvpl.ca](http://www.rvpl.ca)

## SHORT TERM RENTALS BYLAW

Short-term rentals (STRs) have become a major part of travel, offering a home like stay through platforms such as Airbnb and Vrbo. While STRs create new income opportunities for property owners and expand lodging choices for travelers, permitting short-term rentals is essential for fairness, safety, and community harmony.

STR regulation begins with zoning. Communities are divided into districts: commercial areas for business activity and residential areas for living. STRs introduce commercial activity into residential zones, creating potential conflict.

Permitting will:

- ensure STRs operate in a way that respects neighbours and community character
- require compliance with safety standards like fire codes, building codes, and occupancy limits
- reduce risks through inspections, improving safety for guests and residents
- allow the village to monitor STR locations, traffic, parking, and boat launch use
- create transparency and accountability for owners and enforcement

This bylaw is about balance - allowing property owners to benefit financially, while protecting safety and neighbourhood well-being.

All STRs now require an annual permit and include a required fire inspection. Applications are available online. Refer to Short Term Rental Bylaw 23-2025 for details.

## LANDFILL HOURS

Month of April	May 1 - Nov 30
Monday to Friday	Monday to Saturday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm	8:00 am - 4:30 pm
306-331-8016	

information on solid waste and recycling is found at  
[www.northvalleywaste.ca](http://www.northvalleywaste.ca)

## UPDATE MEETING

Community members are invited to an update meeting about resort village finances, upcoming infrastructure programs, and fire safety initiatives. Meet your local Council members, ask questions, and stay informed about what's ahead.

**Join us at Camp Lutherland on May 23, 2026 at 10:00 am. All are welcome!**



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## SUMAssure Community Clean Up

Sponsored by grant funding from our insurance provider, SUMAssure, our Community Clean Up event will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026.

Residents are invited to join neighbours to improve our shared municipal lands. Over time, vegetation and fallen trees have created safety hazards, increased fire risk, and limited access to green spaces. By working together, we can restore these areas, improve safety, and support healthier landscapes.

This effort is more than maintenance—it's a chance to connect with neighbours and enjoy the outdoors. Volunteers will cut back overgrowth, gather brush, and remove dead trees from municipal lands under supervision. No special skills are needed. Please bring gloves, sturdy footwear, water, and a positive attitude. Tools and guidance will be provided.

Let's make a day of community spirit. Volunteers will meet on **Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 1 pm at the East recycling area**. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided.