# NEWSLETTER

Spring Assessment Issue

### 2025 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

The assessment process takes place each year in early spring. Assessment ensures the municipality is aware of your land, your structures, and their value, so that appropriate taxes are calculated. Construction, renovation, and demolition changes the value of your property, which in turn effects taxation. The Resort Village supplies the information on the tax roll to you and relies on you to confirm the information is correct.

Every effort is made to ensure the assessments are accurate and fair. After review of your assessment, if you feel an error has been made in your assessment or classification, you may appeal your assessment while the roll is open.

March 1 to April 30, 2025:

During the time that the assessment roll is open, any person may come to the office to examine the roll and assessment information on any property in the Resort Village, without cost.

## **ASSESSMENT APPEAL**

If you do not agree with the information that appears on your assessment notice, you can appeal. Appeals can be filed anytime before April 30, 2025.

The information required to make the appeal is on the appeal notice.

HOW TO INITIATE AN APPEAL

#### 1.Contact the Office and/or SAMA

You may obtain further information on your assessment and how the valuation was determined by contacting the Resort Village office at 306-332-0050, or call SAMA directly at 1-800-498-0576, or visit www.sama.sk.ca.

Most assessment-related concerns can be resolved through a discussion and an agreement to adjust the assessment with the Administrator and the assessor before appeal fees are required. If the assessment issue cannot be resolved, you may file an appeal to be heard before the Board of Revision. Please keep in mind:

• Only the property assessment can be appealed, not tax levies or mill rates. Appeals cannot be based on an opinion that taxes are too high.

- The grounds for appeal must be detailed
- Property taxes will be levied and if the appeal is successful, an adjustment will be made to the tax roll and the appeal fee will be refunded

#### 2. Complete the Notice of Appeal

The Notice of Appeal can be found on the lower part and back page of the assessment notice. On the notice of appeal, please ensure you:

- List the specific grounds for appeal supplying as much detail as possible
- Choose a simplified hearing with one member of the Board or Revision or regular hearing with three members of the Board of Revision
- Provide additional information to support the claim
- Include the date of the discussion with the office or SAMA on the appeal form

·Sign and date the appeal form ·Include the assessment appeal of \$200. The appeal fee will be refunded if the Board of Revision renders a decision that reduces any portion of the assessment.



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#### 3. Submit your appeal by the deadline

Your completed notice of appeal, along with the appeal fee, must be received by the Secretary to the Board of Revision on or before April 30, 2025.

The notice of appeal form may be sent to:

Kristen Tokaryk, Secretary
Western Municipal Consulting
Box 149
MEOTA SK SOM 1X0
secretary@westernmunicipal.ca

Please make cheques payable to the "Resort Village of Pasqua Lake". Appeals received via email will only be processed once the appeal fee has been received.

#### 4. Participate in the hearing

The appeal will be considered by the Board of Revision and you are required to participate in the appeal in person or electronically. The hearing may take up to 6 months to be scheduled from the original mailing date.

#### 6.Second level of appeal

If you are not satisfied with the decision of the Board of Revision, the appeal can be taken to the Assessment Appeal Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board. The secretary of the Board of Revision will provide appeal information for this appeal.

For more information on assessment appeals, please refer to the Government of Saskatchewan website: <a href="http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/taxes-and-investments/property-taxes/appeal-youir=property-assessment">http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/taxes-and-investments/property-taxes/appeal-youir=property-assessment</a>

For more information on assessments, please refer to the SAMA website at <a href="https://www.sama.sk.ca/property-owner-">https://www.sama.sk.ca/property-owner-</a>
<a href="mailto:services/understanding-assessment">services/understanding-assessment</a>

#### **NVWMA Landfill**

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