## **Town of Swan River**



# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

To the Residents of Swan River Valley:

Town of Swan River and Municipality of Swan Valley West Councils are at an impasse negotiating service agreements.

#### Details on the impasse:

PURCHASE SERVICES

Total Cost \$1,245,569 Calculated cost of providing service (Based on use, current Town position) Town RM \$828,405 \$417,164

Current RM Offer \$325,000

- The Town has detailed costs and user information that the service used by the Residents of Swan Valley West amounts to \$417,164
- Offer from Municipality of Swan Valley West is \$325,000 (11% less than what was paid in 2019 for same service)
- The Town's position is for each municipality to pay their fair share of the actual service used, and no more. Town council can no longer support their residents paying for services that RM ratepayers use on a heavy basis.

The initial construction cost of service facilities (ie. Wellness Center) is not included in the agreement.

The Town of Swan River and the Municipality of Swan Valley West have entered into purchased service agreements for 30+ years.

Town of Swan River purchased services include:

- Fire / Emergency Response Services
- Birchwood Cemetery Services
- Landfill Services
- Recreation Services Arena /Pool /Parks/Vet Hall

If agreement is not reached, Cemetery/Landfill/ Recreation Services will still be available, but at an increased price for people from the Municipality of Swan Valley West.

Town of Swan River Council has sent notice to the Council of Swan Valley West that unless an agreement is reached by February 21, 2022. The Swan River Fire Department, as of February 22, 2022, will no longer provide emergency response services including: 911 response, all fires, farm/vehicular/other accidents, extrication assistance, any emergent situation in the Municipality of Swan Valley West. Please see map below to show the new limits of our Fire Department Response, if emergent situation happens outside these limits, we will not respond.

#### Example:

- If you live on Potten Drive, Town of Swan River Fire Department emergency services will NOT be available to you.
- If you own a business outside of Town limits, Town of Swan River Fire Department Services will NOT be available to you.

There will be no reduction or change in service to rate payers within the Town of Swan River.



### The Town encourages you to contact your municipal office or councillor for clarification

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