

## *Frequently Asked Questions:*

When is the office open?

Monday–Friday 9:00 am – noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm  
Closed weekends and statutory holidays

When will I receive my tax notice?

Tax notices are typically mailed the third week in July. You do not need your tax notice to pay current or arrears of taxes. Payments made before the current year levy is set will be based on the previous year levy.

When are taxes due?

Taxes are due December 31 each year.

How can I pay my taxes?

The RM can receive payment by cash, cheque, money orders or Telpay @ [www.telpay.ca/webpay](http://www.telpay.ca/webpay). Please note if you are using Telpay that the RM Biller Code is 0083030 (all numbers must be inserted) and your account number is 460 followed by your owner number (there are no spaces in the account number).

Is there a discount for prompt payment?

Yes there is a discount for prompt payment of current municipal tax as follows:

- ❖ January to August – 6%
- ❖ September – 5%
- ❖ October – 4%
- ❖ November – 2%

Can I purchase a map of the RM of Birch Hills?

RM maps are available at a cost of \$10 from the municipal office. The cost, if mailed, is \$12.

Who provides fire suppression service in the RM?

The RM of Birch Hills jointly owns the Birch Hills & District Volunteer Fire Department with the Town of Birch Hills. This only provides for the costs associated with having the Fire Department trained and equipped to respond to calls 24/7.

**RM residents are responsible for the charges associated with the Fire Department responding to a call and are encouraged to carry firefighting insurance.**

**\*\*\*Please remember to call the control burn number prior to starting any controlled burn at 1-866-404-4911 to avoid unnecessary charges\*\*\***

Can I purchase gravel from the RM?

Due to the costs related in purchasing and stockpiling gravel, the RM has passed a policy to not sell gravel to residents. Please contact a private hauler for your gravel needs.

When is the next RM Election?

The next RM Election will be Wednesday, October 26, 2016 for Divisions 1, 3, 5 and for Reeve. The length of each position represented is a term of four years. Please go to the link below for additional information.

<http://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/municipal-administration/elections/election-procedures#municipal-elections-in-rural-municipalities>