

**SPECIAL SERVICE PLAN FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION  
NO. 01/2020**

**Pursuant to Subsection 314 of the Municipal Act**

**A. PREAMBLE**

The Town of Minnedosa has undertaken to establish a Special Service Tax to cover part of the costs for garbage pickup and disposal. The current costs for providing garbage pickup and disposal have increased dramatically over the past twenty years due to inflation and more restrictive provincial regulations placed upon municipalities for garbage disposal. The proposed tax will not cover the total current costs for providing the service however, the proposal will provide a fair and adequate tax structure to ensure that the taxes proposed for the various assessment classes are based on projected volume and number of required pickups. This Special Service Levy will see approximately 81% of the garbage costs raised the Special Service Levy with the balance recovered under the Town's General Mill Rate as seen under Special Service By-Law No. 2552 which expires at the end of 2019.

**B. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED SERVICE**

The Town of Minnedosa provides for garbage collection in the Town of Minnedosa. The Town is responsible for the collection of the garbage within the Town of Minnedosa and for the disposal of the garbage at Evergreen Environmental Technologies Ltd.

The service allows for the weekly pickup of residential garbage. The Town shall pickup commercial garbage once or twice a week on a flat tax. If additional days of pickup are required then an additional per day per week charge shall be applicable.

**C. AREA OF MUNICIPALITY TO WHICH THE SERVICE SHALL BE PROVIDED**

All residential and commercial, including railway property but excluding vacant lots which receive garbage service, within the Town of Minnedosa, comprise the special service area.

**D. ESTIMATED COST OF SERVICE**

The 2020 budget for the garbage pickup is estimated to cost the Town of Minnedosa \$84,000. The 2020 budget for Nuisance Grounds contract work and tipping taxes estimated to be charged by Evergreen Environmental for the disposal of garbage totals \$ 100,000.

Estimated costs for 2020 to 2022 are as follows:

2020 - \$184,000.00  
2021 - \$184,000.00  
2022 - \$184,000.00

**E. PROPOSED METHOD & RATE USED FOR CALCULATING SPECIAL SERVICE TAX**

The method from calculating the special service tax will be a per parcel rate.

The Town of Minnedosa reviewed the current funds being raised through the garbage levy and made a recommendation to charge the following per parcel schedule for the special service taxes:

- Residential property \$120
- Mobile Homes \$120
- Duplex \$120
- Triplex \$180
- Small Apartment (4 to 5) \$240
- Large Apartment (over 5) \$360
- Commercial property with light to medium pickup \$120
- Commercial property with heavy pickup \$240
- Seasonal property \$36
- Residential parcel of land with 14 seasonal properties \$504
- Residential parcel of land with 37 mobile homes \$4,440

**Summary**

With the proposed special service we are budgeting for taxes collected to equal \$146,796. Our total budget expenditures equals \$184,000 leaving a deficit to be raised through the general municipals rate of \$37,204.

This proposed special service will cover the period of 2020 to 2022 inclusive