

RM relocates to new building

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With lots of meetings and memories spanning the decades, the Rural Municipality of Big Arm's office in Stalwart was home to one final meeting of council before a new office was unveiled. Relocating to Imperial, the new RM municipal office has now been in use for just less than a month.

As moving day arrived, everything was packed up and transported along Hwy. 2 to the new place at 54 Prince Street in Imperial. After the official move June 21, the lights went dim in the Stalwart municipal office and turned on in Imperial.

However, the memory and longevity of the former municipal office has not been lost as Chief Administrative Officer for the RM of Big Arm, Bonny Goodsman said, according to the "Stalwart Folk" history book, the building in Stalwart was first used as a LID (Local Improvement District) office since 1907 and was moved

into town and used as the first municipal office in 1912.

"From there, the building was used as the municipal office until 1925 at which time, according to minutes of the municipality, the current office was built and furnished and has been used ever since that time to present solely as the municipal office."

With the new municipal office now in use, Goodsman said it contains council chambers, a reception area and three offices. It is also located on the same site as the RM shop.

Along with Goodsman, current RM administration and councillors include: Reeve Eugene Lucas; Councillor Division 1 - Dean Wolff; Councillor Division 2 - Scott McDade; Councillor Division 3 - Trevor Lewis; Councillor Division 4 - Dwayne Cruise; Councillor Division 5 - Larry Waldow; Councillor Division 6 - Sheldon Vance; Office Clerk - Nicole Heck; and Maintenance Foreman Gary Mooney.



New digs

From Stalwart to Imperial, the new Rural Municipality of Big Arm's municipal office officially opened last month. The new building at 54 Prince Street in Imperial contains council chambers, a

reception area and three offices and is located on the same site as the RM shop. Previously the office was situated in Stalwart (below).

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