# **Summer Village of South View**

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# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

-June 30 – Tax Payment Deadline -July 1 – 18% Tax Penalty (Current Year Unpaid Taxes) -July 1 – Canada Day Family Potluck/BBQ (Summer Village to provide the hot dogs & pop!) -July 23 – Assessment Complaint Deadline -January 1 – 18% Tax Penalty (Total Tax Arrears)

# Mayor's Message,

What seemed to be a test of patience and relentless teasing has now passed. I think it is safe to say that SPRING HAS ARRIVED. So far, Mother Nature has returned to us robins, several species of ducks, herons, cormorant, geese and, of course, magpies and crows. The latter three of which seem to think they are early mornings alarm clocks.

Now that spring has arrived, we look forward to seeing more of you out enjoying lake life. Rest, relax, rejuvenate and remember that time spent in the Summer Village should not be "all work and no play". Enjoy the next couple seasons with friends, family and neighbours making great memories for the future.

See you soon,

Mayor, Sandí Benford

# E-MAIL ADDRESSES

The Summer Village is in the process of collecting emails from all residents. If you would like to periodically receive notices and updates from the Summer Village, please provide us with your email address by calling the Summer Village Office or by emailing us the information.

#### Fires can happen! ARE YOU COVERED?

Did you know that the cost of fire suppression by the fire department for a structure fire and is payable by the **property owner**? In our area, we have seen structures fires as high as \$28,000 and wildland fires as high as \$12,000.



Be sure to check your home insurance policy or talk to your insurance agent about what exactly your policy covers and how much it covers. Besides inquiry about your home structure fire insurance, we encourage you to have a conversation with respect to wildland insurance (a grass fire that could happen that never reaches a building).

## FIRE PITS

Within the corporate limits of the Summer Village of South View, fire pits must:

-Be at least 3 metres (10 feet) from buildings, property lines and anything else that could catch fire.

- -Be less than 0.6 metres (2 feet) high / Be less than 1 metre (3 feet) wide.
- -Have enclosed sides made from bricks, concrete or heavy-gauge metal.
- -Have a mesh screen on top to stop sparks (spark-arrestor) with openings smaller than
- 1.25 centimetres (1/2 inch).

#### ASSESSMENT

Property assessment services are contracted to Municipal Assessment Services Group.

#### What is a Property Assessment?

Each year, the Assessor will inspect certain properties within the Municipality. The property assessment is the estimated market value of your property which is used to calculate property taxes. The market determines the value of your property and that value is the basis for the assessment and is then used to calculate your property taxes.

#### What If I Disagree with My Assessment?

Remember, you can only make a complaint against your assessed value, not your tax dollars or rates and you must have grounds for your complaint. New legislation allows you 60 days from the date of your assessment notice to make an assessment complaint. The assessment complaint deadline is July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. There is a fee of \$50.00 that must accompany a completed assessment complaint form which is available on the website <u>www.summervillageofsouthview.com</u> or by contacting the office at 587-873-5765. Prior to completing the assessment complaint form, please contact the assessor to first discuss the matter of your assessment (not your tax dollars) – Dan Kanuka – 780-939-3310.

#### <u>PROPERTY TAXES</u>

The Summer Village collects taxes annually to meet the projected costs of providing services to the community. These revenues are received through grants, a minimum municipal tax, and the municipal portion of the property taxes. Other amounts collected on your annual tax bill are collected on behalf of the Lac Ste. Anne Seniors Foundation and the Alberta School Foundation Fund.

#### If paying by mail:

Please make cheque payable to the Summer Village of South View and mail to: Box 8 Alberta Beach, AB TOE 0A0

#### If paying online:

You are required to set the Summer Village of South View up as a "Bill Payment", the account number will be your "tax roll number" as shown on your 2018 Combined Tax and Assessment Notice.

The Summer Village is currently registered with the following financial institutions for on-line payments:				
ATB FINANCIAL	BMO	CIBC	TD CANADA TRUST	
SERVUS CREDIT UNION	SIMPLII FINANCIAL	SCOTIA BANK		

New This Year! You are now able to send an e-transfer to the Summer Village for payment of property taxes. Please contact the administration office to set up an email and password.

#### Reminder: Property taxes are due June 30, 2018

#### Encroachments onto Road Right of Ways & Use of Municipal Reserves

It is the responsibility of every property owner to understand and know where their property lines are. If you are unsure of your property boundaries, it is your responsibility to have your lot surveyed. If there happens to be items encroaching on Summer Village property they will need to be moved to within your property. These items are not permitted on any public property, including municipal reserves, leased land, parks, utility right of ways, streets or any other property owned by the Summer Village unless strictly allowed by the Municipality.

#### Household Garbage Bins

A reminder that garbage pickup is on a weekly schedule over the summer. Do NOT put furniture, BBQ's, tree limbs, shingles etc. or any renovation materials in the bins or you may be responsible for the cost of emptying the bin if you do so. These types of items are to be taken to the Regional Landfill Site located on Highway 43 and RR35. The disposal fee at the landfill site is \$57.50 per tonne. There is also a recycle depot which residents are encouraged to use. You can contact the site directly if you require further information at 780-967-3466.

To help save space in the Summer Village bins, please cut apart boxes, break apart larger items and dump grass clippings and leaves from their bags. Your cooperation is appreciated!

#### Bylaw Enforcement/ Community Peace Officer/ Animal Control/ RCMP

The Summer Village currently contracts Peace Officer, Bylaw Enforcement & Animal Control services through a joint agreement with the Town of Mayerthorpe. Residents can contact this office directly at 1-844-786-4650 or by email at bylaw@mayerthorpe.ca. A reminder that if you have an emergency pertaining to Police, Fire or Ambulance, you must dial 9-1-1 (the non-emergency RCMP line is 780-727-4446).

#### Animal Control Bylaw

Animal Control Bylaw No.143 will be strictly enforced. In accordance with this bylaw:

- Dogs must be on a leash at all times,
- Dogs must be picked up after,
- Dogs must not be allowed to excessively howl and bark,
- Owners must not harbor more than two small pets of one kind.

A few reminders that all dogs within the boundaries of the Summer Village must be controlled and on a leash at all times including when in the park and reserve areas. There is currently no off-leash area for dogs. Please take responsibility for your animal's waste as we have many residents who enjoy walking throughout the Summer Village. Please try to feed your own animals inside as leaving pet food outside can bring unwanted wildlife into the Summer Village.

#### Speed Limits in the Summer Village

Adherence to the Summer Village speed limits are imperative for the safety of everyone. Speeding along Oscar Wikstrom Drive is especially a concern. The speed limit throughout the Summer Village is 30km/hour and lanes/alleys are 15km/hour.

# DO YOU THINK YOU'VE SPOTTED A QUAGGA OR ZEBRA MUSSEL?

#### ZEBRA MUSSEL:

#### Report it to Alberta's invasive species hotline at 1 855 336 BOAT (2628).

#### Clean, Drain, Dry Your Boat!

#### Clean

-Clean and inspect watercraft, trailer and gear

-Remove all plants, animals, and mud at the access area or dock

-At home, soak your gear in a bleach solution for at least one minute

-Rinse, scrub or pressure wash your boat away from storm drains, ditches or

#### waterways

#### Drain

On land, before leaving the waterbody, drain all water from:			
-Bait buckets	-Ballast		
-Coolers	-Internal compartments		
-Livewells	-Bilges		

#### Dry

-Dry the watercraft and gear completely between trips and allow the wet areas of your boat to air dry.

-Leave compartments open and sponge out standing water.





# SUMMER VILLAGE CONTACT INFO

# General

Mailing Address Office Location General Office Phone Fax Email Website	4808-51 Street Onov 587-873-5765 780-967-0431 administration@wild			
Administration				
Chief Administrative Officer		Wendy Wildman		
General Administration Office		587-873-5765		
Assessor, Dan Kanuka		780-939-3310		
Development Officer, Diane Burtnick		780-284-0410		
		development@wildwillowenterprsies.com		
Building/Electrical/Gas/Plumb	ing/Private Sewage Peri	nits:		
The Inspections Group Inc. – NEW		1-780-732-4645		
Call Before You Dig		1-800-242-3447		
RCMP Drug Tip Line RCMP Non-Emergency (Evansburg) Peace Officer/Animal Control/Bylaw Enforcement Environment Hotline		780-968-7212 780-727-4446 1-844-786-4650 1-800-222-6514		
Council Members				
	ndi Benford	780-892-4603		
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