

Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay

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CANADA DAY

On June 30, 2018, the Village celebrated Canada Day.

The day started with the Annual General Meeting. There were 58 ratepayers in attendance. As part of the AGM a public hearing was held to present and discuss upcoming changes to the Land Use Bylaw. Council wishes to thank residents for their input and suggestions, which will be considered in the final changes to the Bylaw.

An Advertising Bylaw #116/2018, was also discussed and passed. This permits the Village to use alternate means of mandatory advertising, such as email or website, rather than just newspaper ads.

The afternoon and evening activities included kids games, pinatas, a Bones tournament and a Pot Luck/BBQ. A big THANK-YOU to Denis and Cynthia Martin for putting it all together. Approximately 80 people attended the Pot Luck, and the food was excellent.

BONES TOURNAMENT

Bones, also known as **Bunnock** or the **Game of Bones**, is a fun game, that can be played with teams of 4 players. Two rows of 22 bones are set up about 32 feet apart with one guard at either end 16" apart. The object of the game is to knock down the guards (Black Bones) then the inside solders (White Bones), before the other team. Each player throwing 2 bones each with the first team to throw to be decided by a coin toss. The first team to knock down their oppositions Bunnock with the least amount of throws will win the game.

Anyone can play Bones, no experience is necessary, so start planning now for next Canada Day. Get your teams together and if you want to practice, there is a set of Bones and a Bones pit at the Rec Center.

There will be more Bones info in the Spring 2019 Newsletter.

Reminders

WASTE DISPOSAL: The waste bins located in the Summer Village are for **BAGGED HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE ONLY**. All other items for disposal should be taken to either the County land fill site on the south side of the lake or the land fill site at Mallaig. The garbage trucks will not take large items, so someone from the Village has to take them to the County land fill site. The waste disposal site is now being monitored by a surveillance camera.

BOTTLE RECYCLING: A reminder to please use the bottle/can recycling barrel at the waste bin site. The money raised from bottle recycling is used for Village social events. Thanks to Melanie Russell for managing this project.

The May Pot Luck Supper and the Canada Day events were paid for from the bottle recycling money.

Himalayan Balsam Eradication

Unfortunately, we are still fighting the Noxious weed, Himalayan Balsam, and probably will be for some time.

The Village is working with the County of St. Paul and have applied to the Provincial government for permission to spray them. A full page ad announcing the spraying was in the St. Paul Journal on July 17/18. Spraying could not proceed for 30 days after that. Spraying with Round-Up took place in the middle of August. The spraying will help, however we still need to keep pulling them up if we see them growing.

A very big THANK YOU to the residents on Coney Drive who are controlling the weeds in their yards.

THIS INVASIVE PLANT CANNOT BE ERADICATED WITHOUT THE ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION OF ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND VOLUNTEERS.

To volunteer phone the Village office, (780)645-4677.

Public Hearings

For certain Bylaws, the Summer Village is required to hold Public Hearings. At a Public Hearing the public is allowed to make representations to Council. All persons who believe that their property is affected by the proposed bylaw shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw.

The following procedures apply:

- ◆ Administration will introduce the proposed bylaw.
- ◆ Persons addressing council will state their name and address and indicate if they are speaking on their own behalf.
- ◆ Persons will be allowed a specified number of minutes to speak.
- ◆ After a person has spoken, any councilor may ask that speaker relevant questions.

For further information contact the CAO, 780-645-4677.

Land Use Bylaw

The Village is in the process of updating of our Land Use Bylaw to ensure it complies with the new Municipal Government Act. Some of the possible changes were discussed at the AGM on June 30.

A Public Hearing is mandatory before the Bylaw can be passed. A Bylaw requires 3 readings by Council. The procedure is as follows:

- ◆ Council gives First Reading to the proposed by-law.
- ◆ A Public Hearing is advertised giving residents an opportunity to review the proposed changes to the Bylaw, before Second & Third Readings
- ◆ A Public Hearing is held during a Regular Meeting of Council at which residents are allowed to speak.
- ◆ Council may then debate the proposed bylaw, make any amendments deemed necessary, give second and third readings, passing the Bylaw.

The date of the Public Hearing for the Land Use Bylaw is not known yet. Residents will be notified in advance of the date.

Copies of the current Land Use Bylaw were handed out at the AGM. Residents are encouraged to review it and let Administration know of any additions, deletions or changes they would like to see. These suggestions will be given to the consultants who are updating the Bylaw.

Village Dog Policy

There were some issues this summer with dogs being at large. Therefore, once again, Village residents are reminded that at all times:

DOGS IN THE VILLAGE MUST BE TIED UP OR ON A LEASH!

Residents are urged to be considerate, responsible dog owners

Snow Removal

The Summer Village has a contract with the County of St. Paul for snow removal on our roads. If you don't want your driveway blocked by the snow plow, please put a small sign by your driveway asking the snowplow operator not to leave a ridge of snow in your driveway.



Rec Center Rental

Martin Recreation Center is available for Village residents to rent. It is perfect for family get-togethers, such as birthdays or anniversaries or any event where you need more space than your cottage or back yard.

The Rec Center is fully equipped and is usable all year round:

- ◆ Running water & indoor washrooms
- ◆ Fridge, stove & microwave
- ◆ Lots of tables and chairs

For more information or to rent call Elaine Staudzs, (780)645-7864 or the Village office, (780)645-4677.

