

Summer Village of South View

SPRING 2026 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



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Message from the Mayor

First, your Council would like to thank you for your support in the past election. We have been working very hard to fulfill our roles and mandates. It has been challenging with so many changes and new expectations from the Province. A huge “thank-you” to all the office staff.

In May, you will receive Government Census forms. We cannot stress enough the importance of completing and returning them. This information is used to determine the majority of our funding and grants, as well as the costs we must cover for various services. Please remember how important this is to the Summer Village.

Coming soon to a park near you – we have secured a grant to construct a “Pole Shed” in the playground on Oscar Wikstrom Drive. It will provide shade and rain protection for picnics and family activities.

The Summer Village has also secured a grant to complete a Drainage Master Plan and begin its implementation, helping us better manage water and protect infrastructure. In partnership with four other Summer Villages, we have secured funding for a comprehensive infrastructure study. South View is proud to serve as the managing partner for this regional initiative.

Big Bin Day is planned for July 18. This is an opportunity to dispose of unwanted items. A nominal fee will apply to items with springs and to fridges/freezers. Posters will be placed on bulletin boards closer to the event.

FireSmart Day marks its third year. Council and volunteers (yes, we need you!) will spend the day clearing hazardous brush and debris. Lunch and an evening BBQ will be provided, hopefully at the new park structure.

All-net provides ratepayers with up-to-date notices about the Summer Village. Please visit the website and connect to this resource.

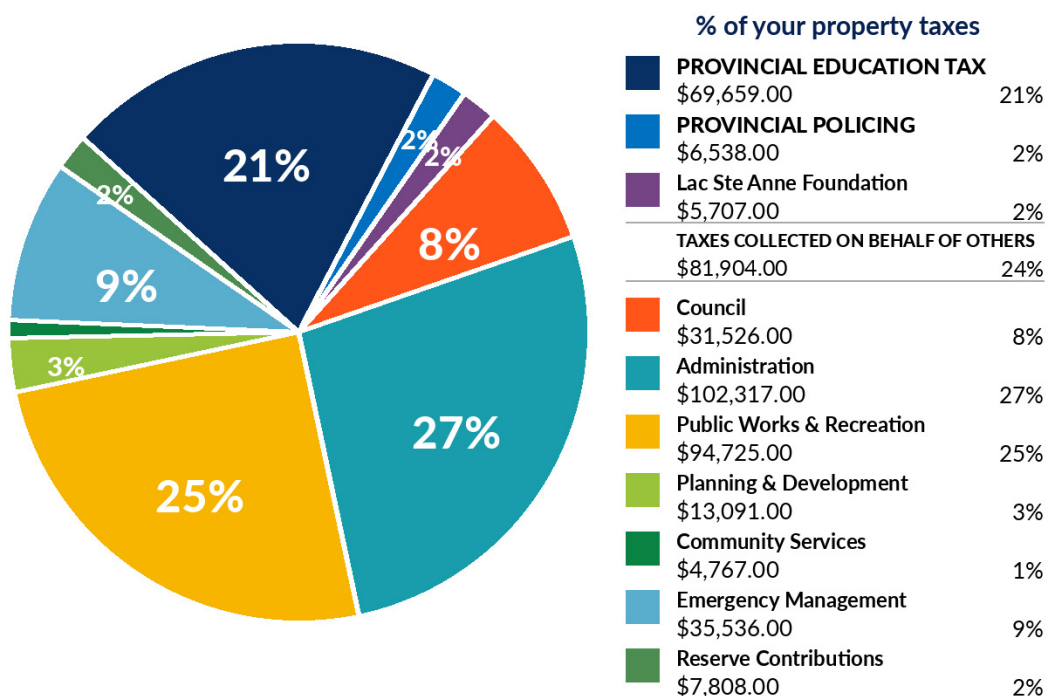
I am proud to be a community member of the Summer Village of South View. Thank you for allowing me to serve for over 25 years. With your support, Council can continue to serve you well.

Sincerely,

Sandi Benford

Where do your taxes go?

2026 Municipal Property Taxes – South View



Total Property Taxes \$335,675.92	Municipal Services \$253,772.00 76%	Collected on Behalf of Others \$81,904.00 24%
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Totals may not add exactly due to rounding.

Expenses and municipal taxes differ as other income offsets expenses.

Each year the Summer Village of South View collects property taxes on behalf of the Province of Alberta for education and policing. South View sends these taxes directly to the province on your behalf. This year **23%** of the taxes South View collects will be sent directly to the Province.

To learn more about provincial property taxes, visit <http://www.summervillageofsouthview.com/provincial-property-tax.html> or scan the QR code below.



How do property taxes work?

Property taxes help fund the services provided by the Summer Village of South View, along with provincial grants and other revenues. Approximately 24% of your property taxes are collected on behalf of other organizations, with almost 23% going directly to the Province.

Your property taxes are calculated by multiplying your property assessment by the various mill rates set out in the annual Tax Rate Bylaw, which can be viewed on the Summer Village website: <http://www.summervillageofsouthview.com/bylaws.html>

This includes requisitions for the Alberta School Foundation Fund, which increased by 16.5% this year, and the Lac Ste. Anne Senior Foundation, which increased by 5.1%. New this year, tax notices will also show the Provincial Police Funding requisition, totaling \$6,538.

The minimum municipal tax remains unchanged at \$1,155 per property for 2026. The municipal mill rate is increasing by 5.4% this year.

The Summer Village also offers a monthly tax payment plan running from January to December. If you are interested in joining the program, please contact the Summer Village Office.

Each year, the Summer Village Assessor inspects selected properties within the Municipality. Your property assessment estimates the market value of your property as of December 31 of the previous year and is used to calculate your property taxes.



If you have questions about your assessment, we encourage you to contact the Assessor, Travis Horne, at 780-939-3310 or travis.horne@masg.ca before filing a complaint.

If you still disagree with your assessed value, you may file a complaint within 60 days of the date on your assessment notice. The deadline to file a complaint is Friday, July 24, 2026. A completed complaint form and the required \$50 fee must be received by Administration on or before the deadline. Complaint forms are available on the Summer Village website or by contacting the office. Completed forms and payment can be mailed (make sure you leave lots of time for us to receive it) or emailed to the summer village.

ASSESSMENT COMPLAINT DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2026

How to Pay your Property Taxes

If paying your taxes by mail or in person:

Please make cheques payable to the Summer Village of South View and mail to Box 8, Alberta Beach, AB, T0E 0A0. If paying in person, the office is located at 2317 Twp Rd 545, Lac Ste. Anne County.

If paying your taxes through telephone banking or online banking:

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 Combined Tax and Assessment Notice.

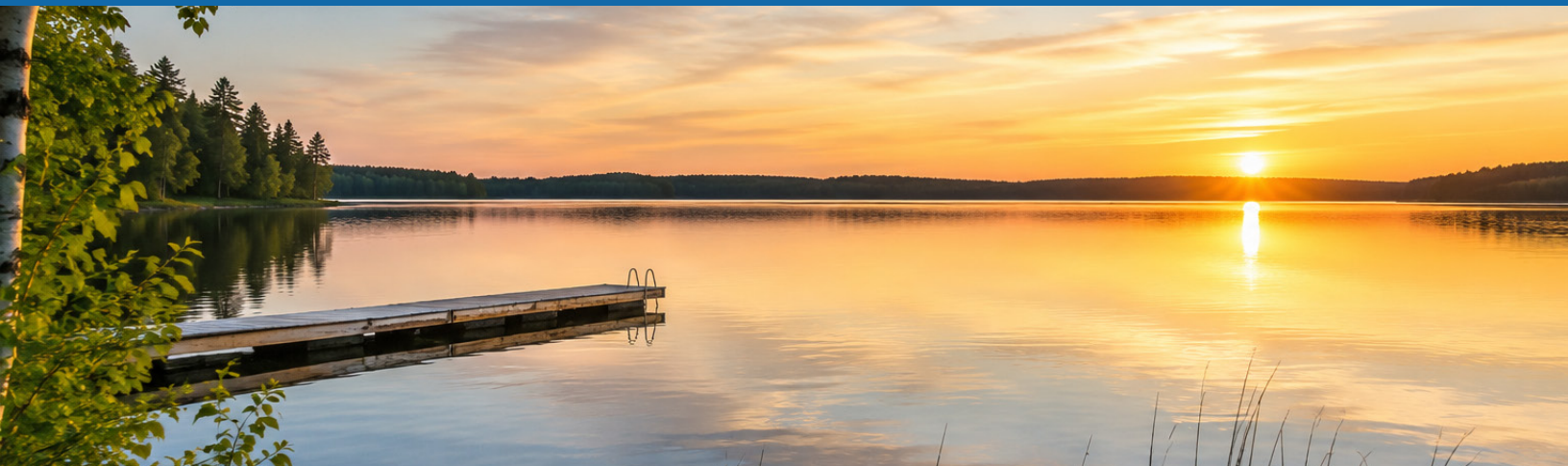
The Summer Village is registered with the following financial institutions for on-line payments:

ATB FINANCIAL	BMO	CIBC	TD CANADA TRUST
SERVUS CREDIT UNION	SIMPLII FINANCIAL	SCOTIA BANK	TANGERINE

If paying your taxes through e-transfer:

E-transfers can be sent to svsouthview@outlook.com. This email is registered for automatic deposit.

PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE JUNE 30, 2026



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Speed Limits in the Summer Village

Observing the Summer Village speed limits is necessary for everyone's safety. Speeding on Oscar Wikstrom Drive is a particular issue. The speed limit throughout the Summer Village is 30 km/hour and lanes/alleys are 15 km/hour.

Off Highway Vehicles (OHVs) in the Summer Village

OHVs are regulated in the summer village. They are only permitted on designated roadways and must follow all provincial and municipal traffic regulations. OHVs CANNOT be driven in a manner that endangers people, property, or disturbs the peace.

OHV use is prohibited during a fire ban.

Animal Control

All dogs within the boundaries of South View must be kept under control and on a leash at all times, including in park and reserve areas. There are no designated off-leash area within the Summer Village.

Please remember to clean up after your pets, as many residents and visitors enjoy walking throughout the community. Residents are also encouraged to feed pets indoors to help avoid attracting unwanted wildlife.

Further information can be found in Animal Control Bylaw 250-2025, available on the Summer Village website.

Register for South View Connect

Get important messages and emergency alerts from South View via email and text. Visit the summer village website or scan the QR code to sign up!

It is recommended that you sign up for both email and text as email is used for regular communication and texts tend to be used for more urgent matters.



Community Safety & Enforcement

Lac Ste. Anne County provides Peace Officer, Bylaw Enforcement, and Animal Control services for the Summer Village of South View. They can be reached directly at **780-785-3630**.

For emergencies requiring Police, Fire, or Ambulance services, dial **9-1-1**. For non-emergency RCMP matters, contact the RCMP at **780-727-4446**.

Residents are encouraged to report suspicious activity to the RCMP as soon as possible and provide as much detail as they can.

Household Waste Bins

Large waste bins are located throughout the Summer Village of South View for regular household garbage only.

Please do not dispose of furniture, BBQs, tree limbs, shingles, renovation materials, or other large items in these bins, as residents may be held responsible for the cost of emptying overloaded or contaminated bins. These items should be taken to the Regional Landfill Site located at Highway 43 and Range Road 35. The current disposal fee is \$60 per tonne. A recycling depot is also available at the site. For additional information, please contact the landfill directly at **780-967-3466**.

To help conserve space in the Summer Village bins, please break down boxes, dismantle large items where possible, and empty grass clippings and leaves from bags before disposal. All household waste should be securely bagged.

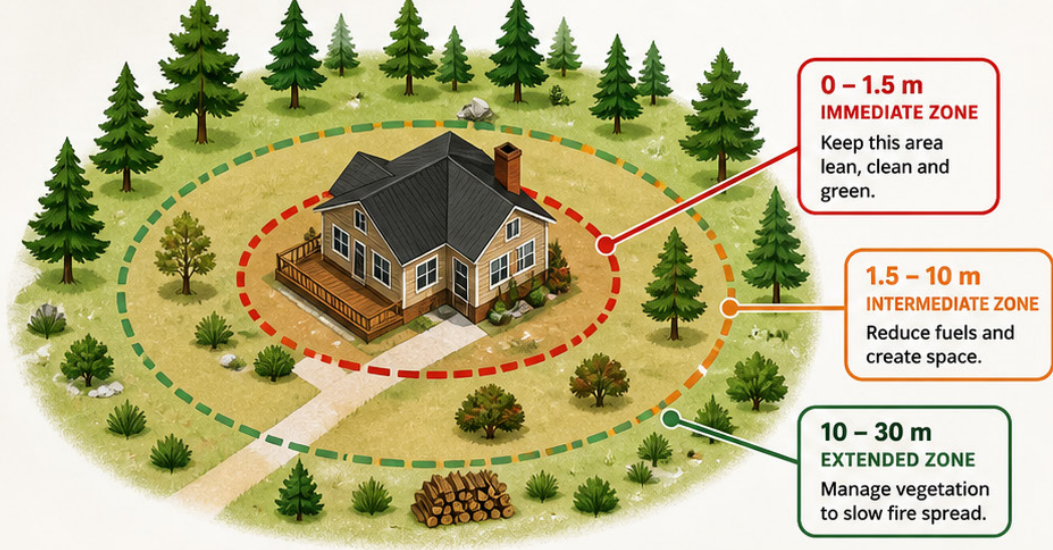
Please note that the annual large bin event will take place at the Boat Launch on July 18, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. (or until the bins are full).



FIRE SMART

Your Property This Season

Taking simple steps around your home can reduce the risk of wildfire damage and help protect our community.



WITHIN 1.5 METRES OF YOUR HOME (IMMEDIATE ZONE)





- Remove dry leaves, pine needles, and debris
- Keep decks and patios clear of combustible materials
- Clean gutters regularly

1.5 TO 10 METRES (INTERMEDIATE ZONE)





- Keep grass short and well-watered
- Space out trees and shrubs
- Prune branches at least **2 metres** above ground

10 TO 30 METRES (EXTENDED ZONE)





- Clear deadfall and dense brush
- Store firewood at least **10 metres** from structures
- Create breaks in vegetation to slow fire spread

COMMON RISKS TO AVOID





- Storing firewood against your house
- Letting needles/leaves build up on roofs or decks
- Overgrown shrubs directly beside structures

QUICK WIN CHECKLIST







- Gutters cleaned
- Grass trimmed
- Firewood moved
- Trees pruned
- Yard debris cleared

LEARN MORE



Visit FireSmart Canada for tips, checklists, and property assessments:

firesmartcanada.ca

FireSmart Clean up Day tentatively scheduled for August 15, 2026. Check the website for updated information.

Fire Pits

All fire pits in the Summer Village of South View must:

- Be at least 3 meters (10 feet) from buildings, property lines and anything else that could catch fire.
- Be less than 0.6 meters (2 feet) high / Be less than 1 meter (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 centimeters (1/2 inch).

Fire Bans

Bylaw 256-2024 regulates fires, fireworks, and Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs) within the Summer Village. Residents are encouraged to monitor the Summer Village website for updates and current fire status information.

The Summer Village currently recognizes four fire status levels:

- No Fire Ban** – Recreational fires are permitted in approved fire pits or fireplaces.
- Fire Advisory** – Recreational fires are permitted; fireworks are prohibited.
- Fire Restriction** – Recreational fires are permitted; fireworks and non-recreational fires are prohibited.
- Fire Ban** – Recreational fires, fireworks, and OHVs are prohibited. Approved portable appliances, such as BBQs and propane fire tables, are still permitted.

Go to <http://www.summervillageofsouthview.com/fire-ban-information.html> for more information.

If the fire department is dispatched by 9-1-1 for any reason, the property owner is responsible to cover the costs and will receive an invoice. If unpaid, these expenses will be added to the tax roll. Talk to your insurance agent to ensure you have appropriate insurance coverage.

LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW

The Summer Village of South View is undertaking a Land Use Bylaw Review and update in 2026. All municipalities are required to have a Land Use Bylaw, as per the Municipal Government Act. The Land Use Bylaw set the rules and regulations for land use and development in the municipality. South View's Land Use Bylaw has not been updated since 2015 and no longer meets legislated requirements.

For up to date information about the review, visit <http://www.summervillageofsouthview.com/land-use-bylaw-review.html>.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SURVEY

A survey will be sent to all residences in early June to gather feedback.

OPEN HOUSE

An open house will be held on **June 20, 2026 from 10-12** at the Lake Isle Hall. This is an informal drop-in engagement so that residents can learn more about the potential changes to the Bylaw, ask questions, and provide feedback.

PUBLIC HEARING

This is the formal engagement opportunity and the last chance for feedback before the bylaw is passed. Watch the website for the Public Hearing date, once it is set.



Fibre Optic Internet

Missing Link Internet has received federal and provincial funding to install fibre optic internet services in the Summer Village of South View, the Summer Village of Silver Sands, and surrounding areas.

South View Council has agreed to the project in principle and is currently awaiting further details from Missing Link. The project will be fully funded through grants and Missing Link Internet, with no financial contribution required from the Summer Village.

Most of the installation work is expected to take place in 2026 or 2027, with some areas outside the main route anticipated to receive service in 2028 or 2029. Residents will have the option to connect to the system at a reduced cost during installation.

Additional information will be shared at <http://www.summervillageofsouthview.com/missing-link-internet.html> as it becomes available.

East End Bus Society

The Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society provides affordable transportation services for seniors (50+) and individuals living with disabilities in the east end of Lac Ste. Anne County.

Services include scheduled shopping trips, monthly excursions, and community rentals. Bus schedules are available through the Lac Ste. Anne Bulletin, local seniors' facilities, the Summer Village website, and the East End Bus Facebook page.

For more information, contact Lorna at **780-905-3934**.

Darwell Lagoon Commission Update

The Darwell Lagoon Commission has completed septic tank inspections within the Summer Village of South View. Property owners may request a copy of their inspection report directly from the Commission.

At this time, the Summer Village has no additional information regarding the proposed sewer expansion project or associated timelines. Residents are encouraged to contact the Darwell Lagoon Commission directly for project updates and further details.

2026 is a Census Year

The Summer Village of South View encourages all residents and property owners to complete the 2026 Federal Census.

Accurate census information is extremely important. Information gathered in the census determines grant funding, library funding, and various funding levels until the next census is completed.

MAKE SURE YOU ARE COUNTED! Please complete your census.

Stay Connected

Important contacts, Council, and key dates at a glance.



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Forms can be found on South View's website.

KEY SERVICES

Call Before You Dig.....1-800-242-3447
RCMP Non-Emergency Line (Evansburg).....780-727-4446
Peace Officer / Animal Control /
Bylaw Enforcement (Lac Ste Anne County).....780-785-3630
Environmental Hotline.....1-800-222-6514

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 15.....Tax & Assessment Notices are mailed
JUNE 20.....**Land Use Bylaw Open House**
JUNE 30.....**Property taxes are due**
JULY 1.....2% penalty on current taxes
JULY 18.....**Large Bin Clean Up Day**
JULY 24.....**Assessment complaint deadline**
AUGUST 1.....4% penalty on current taxes
AUGUST 15.....**FireSmart Clean Up Day** (Tentative)
SEPTEMBER 1.....6% penalty on current taxes
OCTOBER 1.....6% penalty on current taxes
JANUARY 1.....18% penalty on outstanding taxes

Council Meetings are generally held on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. (no meeting in May). Meetings are held in-person at the administration office & via Zoom (link on the website). Check website for updates.