



Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay

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Year In Review

2016

2016 was a fairly quiet year in the Village. There were 10 new property owners, compared to 7 in 2015. There were also 10 development permits issued in 2016.

There were not many projects completed in 2016. Yearly maintenance of the roads, such as crack filling, was done in the spring. The gazebo at Martin Rec Center was moved closer to the hall to make it more usable. The change in provincial government resulted in some changes and delays in funding.

As a partner with the County of St. Paul, the Town of St. Paul and the town of Elk Point in the Regional Emergency Management Agency, the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay applied for and received a \$130,000

collaboration grant from the provincial government for upgrading communications towers and radios for first responders.

The Regional Emergency Management Plan (REMP) and the FireSmart Program were both finalized in 2016. The local St. Paul REMP was put to use during the Fort McMurray Wildfire evacuation. An evacuation center was set-up in St. Paul and was used by approximately 1000 evacuees. Also some of the local front-line workers went to Fort McMurray to assist front-line workers there.

During the summer of 2016 there was a crime wave in the area. There were 11 reported property crimes in the Village. The Village council is working with the RCMP and the Lakeland Rural Crime Watch to see what can be done to help prevent any further thefts/break-ins.

2017 Municipal Election

In July 2017 the Summer Village will be holding a municipal election. The Summer Village is governed by 3 councilors who are elected every 4 years. Nominations are accepted from Village property owners. If less than 3 nominations are received, we could lose our Summer Village status and become part of the County of St. Paul No. 19.

Therefore we are asking residents to consider running for council. There are a number of things you should consider before you file your nomination paper.

- ◆ Are you qualified?
- ◆ Are you eligible?
- ◆ Do you have the time?

For detailed information go to Alberta Municipal Affairs website: www.municipalaffairs.ca, click on "Municipal Elections". Under "Related Documents" click 'Running for Municipal Office in Alberta'.

The current information is from 2013 election, and will be updated in March for the 2017 election.

There are special rules for Summer Villages. Call Horseshoe Bay Village administration at (780)645-4677 for more information.

Land-Use Bylaw Reminders

5.8 NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS ON A LOT

No development permit shall be granted for the development of more than (1) one dwelling unit on a single lot.

5.9 OBJECTS PROHIBITED OR RESTRICTED IN YARDS

No person shall keep or permit in any part of a yard:

- (a) any unlicensed, dismantled or wrecked vehicle for more than fourteen (14) successive days.

5.11 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Where more than one (1) recreational vehicle is to be placed on a lot for more than twenty-one (21) consecutive days, it shall require a development permit and shall be located in a manner satisfactory to the Development Authority. Permits shall not be issued for more than one (1) recreational vehicle per developed lot or two (2) recreational vehicles per vacant lot.

Snow Removal

Once again Garry Hutchison has volunteered to clear snow from residents driveways. If you are in need of his services send him an email request to hutchison_garry@yahoo.com, giving him your lot number. Please make sure there are no cords or other items in your driveway that can damage his snow plow/blower. Last year he had damage to his snow blower from a cord left under the snow.

The Village streets and roads will be plowed and sanded by the County of St. Paul this winter. If you don't want the snow plow to leave a ridge of snow into your driveway, please put up a small sign asking them to leave driveway clear



Rural Crime Watch

This summer there were 11 incidents reported to the RCMP of thefts or break-ins in the Summer Village. S/Sgt Lee Brachmann attended the November council meeting to discuss this problem. The crime wave is in the whole area so the St. Paul detachment have increased their patrols in rural areas. S/Sgt Brachmann had the following tips for cottage owners:

- ◆ report all incidents to RCMP, even small thefts
- ◆ Photograph items and Serial Numbers: bikes, lawn mowers, etc.
- ◆ Keep items hidden or stored out of sight
- ◆ Install motion sensor lights
- ◆ Install motion sensor cameras in driveways
- ◆ Keep an eye on your neighbours property

Christmas Craft Project for the KIDS

Snowman Ornament

- electric tea lights
- ribbons
- felt
- marker pens
- scissors
- hot glue gun or PVA glue



1. Wrap the ribbon around the tea light and tie it. Cut the excess -but leave enough for a scarf effect.
2. Cut the hat out of felt. Glue on some ribbon for decoration.
3. Glue on the hat on the tea light.

4. Draw mouth and eyes with marker pens.

You can also make penguins!



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