



The Summer Village of Sunset Point

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2018 Newsletter

Ice Quake

When Spring finally arrived the significant damage done by the ice quake which occurred on the morning of January 2nd was more evident than ever. It is hugely sad to see the damage and destruction this seismic event has caused. The task to remedy and repair land and structures in the village is overwhelming and Council is fully aware of this. This event will be very costly and worrisome for many of you.

In January Council made an application for Disaster Recovery Assistance and attended a follow-up meeting with the Management Agency. Although Council is not optimistic of receiving any funding from government sources, we will continue to work with the Disaster Recovery Agency and will update the website as additional information is available. If a Disaster is declared, eligible residents will need to submit pictures and records of all costs incurred related to the restoration of your property.

Council has taken action in two areas related to the ice quake. Firstly, the debris was removed from the beach accesses and the two parks. Alberta Environment insisted the debris be removed rather than pushed into the lake. This was required to be done early before the spring melt, so the drainage water could flow to the lake.

The second action was to grant, on a one-time basis, a refund (as allowed under MGA) of property taxes to lakefront residents based on 20% of the assessed land value of their lots, in recognition of the expenses they will be incurring to repair the damage. The total cost of these two actions is estimated to be approximately \$25,000 which will be an unbudgeted expense and will be drawn for the Summer Village's unrestricted reserve.

Please continue to watch for updates on the website. Do not hesitate to call Administration 780.718.1894 or email at office@sunsetpoint.ca or contact one of the Councillors if you have any questions.

Tri – Village Cleanup Day (formerly Big Bin): This year's event will be held Saturday, **July 7**. There are several **changes** being implemented for 2018. Only wood and metal are to be dropped off at the Alberta Beach Public Works yard on Museum Road. All other materials are to be brought to the Highway 43 dump where it will be taken without charge **when a pass** is presented.

These passes MUST be picked up from the Alberta Beach office during June. 9am to 4pm office hours – Alberta Beach. Residents will be able to make as many trips during that day as are required. Appliances and large metal items can be picked up for a small fee by registering at the Alberta Beach office. Complete information is available on the website.



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Alberta Beach 100th Anniversary

The Historical Society of Alberta Beach is working on a history book about Alberta Beach and area including Sunset Point. Any resident who wishes to have their family history published in the book are welcome to do so. You are welcome to leave your submissions with Mayor Ann Morrison. This is a huge project and will likely not be completed until 2020.

All Residents

1. **Taxes** are due June 30, 2018 **and** your 2018 Tax Notice includes a \$300.00 Sewer Revitalization Levy. We accept cheques and post date cheques: The Summer Village of Sunset Point. Mailing address: PO Box 596 Alberta Beach AB T0E 0A0. Outstanding taxes are assessed a 3% penalty come July 1 on current year and 3% charge on January 1, 2019 on all outstanding. **Your mail stamp should be prior to this date.**
2. **Untidy & Vacant Lots.** Owners are reminded to keep vacant lots mowed. (*Bylaw #140*)
3. **Fire Bans** - please monitor the website for all updates.
4. **Emergency Numbers and contact numbers:**
 - (780) 718-1894 - CAO and Development Officer or office@sunsetpoint.ca
 - (780) 924-3434 - Peace Officer/Bylaw Enforcement
 - (780) 974-7341 - Sewer Blockages
 - (780) 962-4406 - GFL (Waste/Recycling/Organics)
 - (780) 924-3336 - Fire Hall (Non-Emergencies)
 - Emergencies 911 - Fire (780) 967-1031 (North West Fire - fire permits too)
5. **Off Highway vehicles** - not allowed in road right of way or boulevards or where sign posted. Quads must be licensed and insured – speed is 40kph. (*Bylaw #273*)
6. **Lake Health** - LILSA Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Water Quality Management Society reminds residents to watch for “Flowering Rush Plant” and report to AB Environment.
7. **Margo Hervieux Bursary:** any student living in Sunset Point and who graduates from Grade 12 is eligible to receive a \$100 Margo Hervieux Bursary. The student is required to send a short letter to Council introducing themselves and their future plans.
8. **Garbage and recycling:** GFL, will only collect waste and organic bins that are compliant with the regulations. Garbage must be bagged and organics must not be. See the GFL website for additional information. Recycling – lids must be closed. Organics – watch the weight. Solid waste must be bagged – **check website for schedule.**
9. **Dogs:** Barking dogs continue to be bothersome in some areas of the village. Please be a **responsible pet owner** and do not leave unattended dogs tied up outside all day.

Fire Insurance.

Please read your fire insurance policy very carefully. Some insurance companies limit payments for fire costs (cost to put out the fire, cost for backup and time spent fighting the fire) to amounts below the costs incurred to fight a fire, in which case the homeowner is responsible for the balance. Make sure your policy states that you are covered completely for these fire costs.