# Summer Village of Ross Haven Newsletter FALL 2018

### **Council Message**

It is hard to believe that Summer 2018 has already come and gone. Now Council is turning its attention to planning and budgeting for 2019 and beyond.

The Summer of 2018 saw the completion of drainage work on 8<sup>th</sup> street. Council is pleased to report the project was completed on time and under budget. Funds for this project were made available through the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) grant through Municipal Affairs Alberta.

Council was also able to complete shoreline repairs after the "ice quake" and ridges that developed over the winter. We thank Alberta Environment for their cooperation and assistance in restoring the parkways following the damage from this spring.

In the fall of 2018, Council has received numerous calls regarding the lake level and the weir across the Sturgeon River. Ross Haven has been in consultation with Alberta Environment and Parks along with members from the various Summer Villages around Lac Ste. Anne. As we await further instruction from Alberta Environment, we are not anticipating any action to replace the existing weir. Whereas Ross Haven residents want to see the lake remain at higher water levels, many of the other Summer Villages are happy to see the lake level decline. Residents can follow the current and historical lake levels by viewing <a href="https://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/real\_time\_e.html?mode">https://wateroffice.ec.gc.ca/report/real\_time\_e.html?mode</a> = Graph&type=&stn=05EA006&startDate=2018-05-24&endDate=2018-07-

14&prm1=46&y1Max=&y1Min=&max1=1&mean1=1&p rm2=-1&y2Max=&y2Min=

Council requests your cooperation in ensuring dogs are kept on-leash as per our Bylaws. Over the summer, a

number of
residents have
contacted the
Village with
concerns about
large dogs
running loose in
the Village, posing
a threat to small
dogs and kids.



Council is endeavouring to being open and accountable to the residents. Council meetings are normally held the second Saturday of each month in the Maintenance Building commencing at 9 AM. Residents are welcome to attend the Council meetings and learn more about what Council is doing to better the community. If you want to make a presentation or engage in a discussion with Council, we ask that you contact the Administrator 1 week prior to the Council meeting, stating your intent to speak to Council and provide the topic you wish to speak on.

Council is also encouraging residents to visit the Ross Haven web site, where important information, public notices, Council minutes and agendas and Bylaws are all posted for your information. If you have questions or comments for Council, you can contact the Administrator at <a href="mailto:cao@rosshaven.ca">cao@rosshaven.ca</a>

## **Emergency Contact Information**

In the past couple of Newsletters, we have asked residents to provide emergency contact information. Our emergency contact list is growing, but we still do not have the contact information for all properties in the Village. If you wish to provide an emergency contact number/email, or if you prefer to receive your Ross Haven Newsletter by email, please notify cao@rosshaven.ca

# **Public Works**

We would like to thank the residents for their cooperation in bringing only leaves and grass clippings to the compost yard. By eliminating the large branches, we have been able to reduce the cost of our landfill fees. The Village is trying to negotiate a reduced fee for the disposal of our compost materials at the land fill. By ensuring we only have compostable items such as grass clippings and leaves, it furthers our negotiating with the Highway 43 East Waste Commission. If you have large loads, they can be hauled directly to the landfill, or contracted through the Village for

Box 70, Site 19, RR 1, Gunn, Alberta T0E 1A0 Phone: 780-217-5995 email: cao@rosshaven.ca removal at a fee for service. Council would also like to thank residents for using proper garbage cans. This year we have experienced more garbage being strewn around by birds, foxes and skunks, etc. Please ensure your garbage is put out in "critter" proof containers.

Council has heard from residents about the quality of the streets in Ross Haven, particularly muddy streets where construction has taken place. Council has been planning on addressing the streets in the next year, but we are waiting for further word from Ste. Anne gas Coop, who have advised they are planning to upgrade the gas lines in the Village over the next few years. Council has been working with Ste Anne Gas, endeavoring to have the upgrades completed in 2019 so that Council can move forward with roadway improvements in the following year.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Summer Village of Ross Haven will be holding a Public Hearing on October 20, 2018 from 9-9:30 Am as part of the regular council meeting. The Public Hearing is necessary to discuss changes to the Land Use Bylaw to deal with Cannabis production, processing and sales. (Please see attached Notice with this Newsletter) Please advise Administration if you wish to submit a written or verbal presentation on this topic.

#### **Ross Haven Community League Message**

Fall has arrived and the 2018 Ross Haven Community League (RHCL) meeting is right around the corner. For those who want to influence change in our own community, I invite you to join us for the October 20 meeting at the Maintenance Shop (700 Parkins Ave) following the Summer Village of Ross Haven Council Meeting. This is your opportunity to have your voice heard on important matters and keep up to date on all of the great things RHCL is doing in the Village.

The primary upcoming event is the New Years Eve celebration. We will be looking for volunteers at the next meeting, so please put your name forward.

MEMBERSHIPS: Did you know your membership fees pay for the various events hosted by the RHCL throughout the year? These events are free to Ross Haven Community League members. Please buy your membership for only \$20.00 and support the many annual events celebrated in Ross Haven.

Grey Cup raffle tickets are available from Community League members. 10 draws for a pair of tickets to this year's Grey Cup in Edmonton.

# **Contacts**

Municipal Administrator Larry Horncastle Email cao@rosshaven.ca

Mayor Louis Belland email <u>louis.belland@yahoo.com</u> Deputy-Mayor Jack Ruiter Councillor Noel Tetzlaff

Development Permits Tony Sonnleitner 780 718-5479

Safety Code Permits Superior Safety Codes Inc 780-489-4777

Onoway Regional Medical Clinic 780-967-6477
Open late on Wednesdays for appointments

# **RCMP**

Emergency 911 Non-emergency 780 968-7200 Stony Plain Detachment

Fire/Ambulance 911 Non-Emergency Fire Onoway Regional Fire Services 24-hour dispatch 1-855-710-FIRE Operation Centre 780-777-4688

Permits are required for all Fire Works that will be set off in the Summer Village of Ross Haven. Contact the Village Office for the application forms

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