



Newsletter December 2022



Council's Message

2022 has been a trying time for everyone. We, as your council, continue to learn, collaborate, and work together to provide hope for the future of our beautiful Summer Village of Ross Haven. Hope alone is not enough and we are so very fortunate to represent such a diverse, engaged and passionate community. As a community, we need to listen to one another, share ideas, and encourage everyone who wants to contribute positively to our village. We are stronger together.

A lot has happened in 60 years. Since our village was founded in 1962, so much has changed, grown and developed. In another 60 years, it will most certainly look different than today. As we look to 2023 and beyond, it's exciting to anticipate what growth, changes, and improvement we will see.

*Merry
Christmas*

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

From our homes to yours, we wish every villager and their loved ones all the best this holiday season. May good health, great company, much joy, and peace be with you and yours this holiday season.

Council's 2023 New Year's Resolutions!

Here are council's 2023 New Year's resolutions:

- 1) Wrap up Force Main Sewer Project, report on number of residents who connected
- 2) Address drainage issues on 8/9 parkway, 8 street, 5/6 parkway, and 4th street
- 3) Work with County to pave RR34
- 4) Finalize collaboration with County on Services, including Peace Officer
- 5) Finalize Forest Mgmt plan
- 6) Review and edit Fireworks and Noise Bylaws
- 7) Commence review of the Municipal Sustainable Plan
- 8) Update Ross Haven's Municipal Development Plan
- 9) Commence review of the Intermunicipal Collaborative Plan
- 10) Commence Review of Land Use Bylaw

Crime Reporting

The RCMP makes resource decisions based on reported crimes and only about 1/3 of crimes are reported. Therefore, some of their decisions may not be as effective as they should be. They have created a crime reporting APP for Alberta that is only available for apple products.

Please report all crimes!



Please call 911 to report crimes in progress.

Search and install "Alberta RCMP" on the Apple App store.

Public Works Staff

Noel Tomm, our Public Works Coordinator, will be out on the roads, collecting garbage, plowing snow, and applying gravel to the streets. Please watch out for him when passing him in your vehicle.

Force Main Project (Sewer Line) Update:

The construction of the sewer line is nearing completion. If the weather cooperates, most of the work will be done by February 2023. TCL Construction, our contractor, would then return in the spring to finish up ground repairs.

TCL Construction will be taking a Christmas break between December 17th until January 9th.

Information for personal connections to the sewer line is also available on the website under "Sewer Project." As well, there is a short list of possible contractors one could contact to deal with the connections. You do not have to use someone from this list, it is provided only to give you some options. Requirements are listed and you can use any licenced plumbers or electricians to obtain permits and do the work.

Dogs at Large and Dog Feces

Council requests your cooperation ensuring dogs are kept on-leash. Dogs running loose in the village may pose a threat to other animals and children.

We have received complaints about dog owners not cleaning up after their pets. Be a responsible pet owner.



Emergency Management and Preparedness

The Village of Ross Haven is one of 11 members of the Ste Anne Summer Villages Regional Emergency Management Partnership (SVREMP). The members work together to ensure a coordinated response to a regional emergency or disaster. Each municipality has a Director of Emergency Management (DEM) and a Deputy Director of Emergency Management (DDEM). Ross Haven's DEM and DDEM is Noel Tomm and Greg King respectively. A big thank you to these two for taking on the required training and stepping up to take care of the village should an emergent situation ever arise. Dieter Brandt is the Ross Haven Council Representative to SVREMP.

More information is listed on the Ross Haven website under Emergency Preparation.

Monthly Council Meetings

Council meetings for the Summer Village of Ross Haven commences at 7:00pm on the second Thursday of each month. People can attend either in person at the Onoway Civic Center (attached to their Fire Hall) or by ZOOM. Agenda, address, and ZOOM connection details available on our website. www.rosshaven.ca

Council Open House

Council has hosted 3 open houses since elected in July of 2021. We believe in open, honest, and transparent communication and have been very pleased with the attendance and value the information we take away from such engagements. We are planning to host the same for 2023. Save the dates Saturday, May 27, 2023, and Saturday, August 26, 2023, on your calendar. Time and place - Maintenance Shop from 10:00am – 11:30am.

Fire Works / Noise / Speeding Concerns

Please be respectful of the noise you produce, the time, and its impact on others. Noise from parties should be reduced by about midnight. Setting off fireworks without a permit is not allowed, dangerous, and disruptive to people in the village. Dogs, lambs, horses, cows and cats (all either in the village or in close proximity) are terrorized by fireworks. Loud vehicles, motorbikes, and ATV's should not be "opened up" in the village. We have lots of people that walk in the village. Please adhere to the posted speed limits. We are all one community, lets show compassion to our neighbours.

Garbage and Recycling

Hwy 43 East Waste Commission Regional Landfill Holiday Hours:

Closed December 24,25,26

Open December 27

Closed at 12:00 noon December 31

Closed January 1 &2

Open January 3

Regular household garbage collection day for Summer Village of Ross Haven is on Monday mornings, with the exception of statutory holidays. This will result in garbage collection being on Tuesday, December 27 and Tuesday, January 3.

A reminder that our waste collection is done by hand so please take care in what and how you set out your refuse. To keep our public works safe, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:

1. All loose trash should be bagged and placed into a can/receptacle with lid to prevent animals/birds from scattering.
2. No exposed sharps (needles, glass, metal, etc.)
3. Keep bags under 40 lbs./bag

4. No leaves or grass clippings set at curbside. Take to compost shed on North Parkins and empty from plastic bags.
5. Tree branches and Christmas trees are not part of village waste collection. Please burn in approved firepits or haul to Landfill.
6. Oversized items such as furniture, appliances, etc. are not part of village waste collection. These items are to be hauled to Landfill for disposal/recycling.

Residents are encouraged to use the voluntary recycling collection bins at our Regional Landfill which is only 4.5 km away from Summer Village of Ross Haven. There is no charge for using this service. Here is a list of items that can be recycled:

1. Clean Paper – i.e., cereal boxes, pizza boxes, newspaper, paper bags, paper drink cups without lids, greeting cards, non foil gift wrap, shredded paper, etc.
2. Flattened Cardboard – i.e., cardboard boxes, egg cartons, catalogs, magazines, books, phonebooks, paper towel and toilet tissue tubes, etc.
3. Clean plastics – i.e., drink bottles, detergent and cleaner containers, milk/water juice jugs, food trays, personal care bottles (shampoo, etc.), shrink wrap/blister packs, plastic cutlery, foam plates, egg containers, plastic food containers (yogurt, margarine, etc.), plastic jars (peanut butter, mayo, etc.)
4. Metal with Labels Removed – i.e., food tins, pet food tins, coffee tins, empty hair product cans, aluminum foil, etc.
5. Electronics – i.e., televisions, computers, etc.
6. Paints – i.e., in pails or cans



Development and Safety Permits

Development and Safety Codes permits are required for most types of development a landowner would undertake. Copies of the Land Use Bylaw and the Development Permit Application form are on the Municipal website. Please contact the Development Officer with concerns or questions. A Safety Code permit is needed for building, plumbing, gas, electrical, or private sewage system changes.

Resident Contact Information

Some residents have incorrect mailing addresses on their Land Title. Addresses such as "11X – 1 Street, Rural Lac Ste. Anne County" are not valid addresses on title. It is very important for the Municipality to have correct mailing addresses so that community information reaches the residents.

Contact Information

Title	Name	Phone	Email or Web Address
Emergency, Crimes in Progress		911	
Fire (non-Emergency)	Onoway Regional Fire Services	780.777.4688	24 Hr. Dispatch 1.855.710.FIRE
Medical (non-Emergency)	Onoway Regional Medical Clinic	780.967.6477	
Police (non Emergency)	Stony Plain RCMP	780.968.7200	
Gas	Ste. Anne Natural Gas	780.967.2246	www.steannegas.com
Power	FortisAlberta	1.866.717.3113	www.fortisalberta.com
Chief Administrative Officer	Tony Sonnleitner	780.999.6654	cao@rosshaven.ca
Public Works Coordinator	Noel Tomm	780.915.2751	noel.tomm@rosshaven.ca
Mayor	Ray Hutscal	403.850.1873	ray.hutscal@rosshaven.ca
Deputy-Mayor	Lolita Chadd	780.284.7111	lolita.chadd@rosshaven.ca
Councillor	Dieter Brandt	403.505.7054	dieter.brandt@rosshaven.ca
Development Officer	Tony Sonnleitner	780.718.5479	pcm1@telusplanet.net
Superior Safety Codes Inc.	Celine Dressler	780.489.4777	cdressler@superiorsafetycodes.com