

SUMMER VILLAGE OF MEWATHA BEACH

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Annual General Meeting

The summer village will be having its annual general meeting on July 9 at 10:30 a.m. at the **Boyle Arena**. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Fires

We urge everyone to keep a close eye on any campfires over the summer and watch for signs about fire bans in the area. You can also check the website for announcements. Also, please be careful of camp fires and ATV sparks as these can easily become hazardous. **It may be a good idea to check your insurance to make sure you are covered for any fire damage caused by your camp fire.**

Maintenance Work

We will be hiring new maintenance workers for the coming season and hope to have this done within the next couple of weeks so they can begin mid-May. We will strive to have the work finished before the weekends but there may be the odd time that the weather doesn't permit that and they may be working on the weekends.

Culverts

Please check and clear any of your culverts that may be hampering proper drainage.

Pumphouse Gate

The gate on the pump house lot will be left open for the time being so that the Village of Boyle can have access for the completion of the demolition of their building and pipes in this location.

Web Site

Please visit the summer village website at mymewathabeach.com. If you do not have access to the internet and there is something that you require like a bylaw, newsletter, permits etc. please contact administration and we would be happy to send a copy.

Buoys

We are hoping to have the buoys in the water by the long weekend in May but that will depend on when we can get someone to do the job. We have also ordered some new buoys so will have to wait for them to be delivered.

Roads

The plan is to do some grading on the crescents this spring and then apply calcium chloride for dust control. This work should be complete by the time you receive this newsletter.

Tree Cutting

Just a reminder that residents are not allowed to cut trees on municipal property. Also, please do not cut any more trees on your own property than is necessary. We will be evaluating the tree situation this spring and arrange to have any dangerous trees removed. Please let administration or council know if you have any of these bordering on your property.

Athabasca Waste Management Programs

The Boyle landfill site is open from Friday to Monday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the summer months of April 1 to October 31.

Fire Smart Free Yard Debris Disposal

From May 20th to 29th fees for yard debris including wood, grass, leaves, branches and light brush will be waived at the landfill.

Household appliance roundup from May 20th to May 29th. No fees except for those appliances containing freon (\$10).

Hazardous Fuel Roundup

The Athabasca County is doing a Hazardous Fuel Roundup in co-ordination with Forestry. Leave trimmed branches on the edge of your property before May 24th and it will be picked up before June 3, 2016 and they will haul it away

Property Tax Notices

Tax notices should be out around mid May as in other years. We are not expecting too much change in the taxes but you may notice a slight increase due to a slight cut in operating grant funds and higher expenses.

THE COUNCIL WISHES RESIDENTS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER AT THE LAKE. Please be respectful of your neighbors, keep your pets on a leash or in an enclosed space, clean up after them and do not let them disturb others. Remember that this is your summer village and you want your neighbors to be your friends. Keep all noise and mess to a minimum.

Administration contact numbers are at the top of the page. If you have an emergency (including dog related emergencies) you may contact the local RCMP at 911 or 780-689-3622. If the emergency is fire related please contact the Boyle fire department at 911 or 780-689-3611.