

SUMMER VILLAGE OF MEWATHA BEACH

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Annual General Meeting

The summer village will be having its annual general meeting on July 22 at 10:00 a.m. at the **Boyle Seniors Drop In Centre at 4908 – 4th St. S.** This is in the new Village of Boyle building. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Election Year

This is an election year and nominations for council will be received at the annual meeting on July 22 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and noon. Nomination papers are available from administration. If there is an election required, details will be released after nomination day.

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

Kereon Contracting will once again be doing the maintenance work for the summer village. Our aim is to have the grass mowed before the weekends but, due to weather conditions, this isn't always possible.

Culverts

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

Pumphouse

We have made some progress on the demolition of the pumphouse and are hoping to get this accomplished this year.

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.

We are in the process of building a new website. It will be the same address as the current one but will be more interactive with residents and hopefully will get much more traffic.

Email

Please make sure that we have your email addresses as our aim is to eventually be able to send out newsletters in that way and then just post them on the website. This would save quite a bit on postage.

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. Please let Deputy Mayor Dave Boychuk know if you can help with this.

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.

Reserve Clearing

Council has plans to firesmart the reserve next to the beach this summer. This will include cutting down dead and dangerous trees, cleaning up deadfall on the ground and generally making it much less of a fire hazard. The plan is, in time, to get all of the reserves cleaned as budget allows.

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. Our summer village is now a full voting member of the Athabasca Waste Management Commission.

Fire Smart Free Yard Debris Disposal

From May 19th to 29th fees for yard debris including wood, grass, leaves, branches and light brush will be waived at the landfill. Recycle material such as tires and television sets are always received free of charge.

THE COUNCIL WISHES RESIDENTS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER AT THE LAKE.

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.