

# MEWATHA BEACH

October 2020

## Annual General Meeting

This year we were unable to hold our AGM. If anyone has any questions they can contact administration or council directly. Visit the website for information regarding next year's AGM.

## Outhouse

We understand that the outhouse being closed this year was an inconvenience to everyone. With Covid, we would not have been able to have the outhouse open this summer as we would not have been able to keep up with cleaning protocols. The materials that were ordered for the outhouse were held up for most of the summer due to the issues with getting goods across the border, but they have now arrived. The new outhouse will be complete any day now and hopefully next summer we will be in a position to open it.

## Signs

We have had a lot of residents ask for signs at the end of their roads stating that there is no beach access. We have also had residents stating that they don't want these signs in place. We have ordered a few official signs. We would like to remind all residents that installing your own signs regarding traffic control on public roadways is not permitted.

## Road Maintenance

We are still expecting some road maintenance to be done this year. Our contractor is behind because of all the rain we received at the beginning of the summer and all of his projects were delayed. The work will hopefully be done this fall, but if not, it will be done first thing in the spring.

## Drainage

We have a couple of drainage projects currently scheduled for next Spring. One is to stop the current flooding issue on Lakeview and involves installing a long culvert from lot 11 over to the Municipal reserve allowing the water to get down to the lake. Another is on Starling to create a ditch allowing water to get through the culvert. We are also hoping to use some large rocks to slow down the water flow from the culvert that comes under Mewatha Drive at Robin Lane to a more manageable level.



## Website

Please check out our website and sign up to receive all the latest updates. If anyone has pictures that they would like to contribute to either the website or the newsletters, please feel free to send them to administration.

[www.mymewathabeach.com](http://www.mymewathabeach.com)

## **Public Participation**

**There are a number of items that we would like public feedback on.** These draft documents can be found on our website at [www.mymewathabeach.com](http://www.mymewathabeach.com) on the Public Participation page. We ask that you review all of the documents and provide us with your emailed feedback by December 31, 2020. Then we will determine next steps.

- Noise Bylaw - A few residents have requested that the Summer Village adopt a noise bylaw. We have done a draft of one and would like feedback from our residents.
- Municipal Development Plan (MDP). This is a plan for the future development of our summer villages, roughly estimated over the next 10 years.
- Land Use Bylaw (LUB). We will be updating our LUB to coordinate with the plans mentioned above. This plan will not be on the website until later in the month, please check at the end of the month.
- Traffic Amendment. We are looking to make an amendment to our traffic bylaw and would like feedback on this as well.

## **Reporting Items That Require Attention**

We kindly ask that residents noticing items that require attention, report these items to the administration at email [bancroftkim@hotmail.com](mailto:bancroftkim@hotmail.com) or phone 780-239-7323. Items may go unresolved if we are unaware of them. Council does their best to move through the summer village on a regular basis but are not always aware of each issue. This includes items such as downed trees whether on roadways, pathways, or cottages; or any areas that are washed out or dangerous after a storm etc.

## **Dogs**

We have recently received a lot of complaints about dogs running loose and defecating on other resident's property. Just a reminder that we do have a dog bylaw which can be viewed on the website. Dogs are not permitted to run free throughout the summer village. Dogs are also not permitted on the beach. Anyone failing to adhere to this bylaw is subject to a \$50.00 fine for each offence reported to administration.

## **County Road into Mewatha Beach**

A resident has asked us to pass on to everyone that the washboard situation that happens on this road is caused by people driving too fast on the road especially when hauling heavy items. They ask that everyone slows down when travelling this road to prevent this from happening. We are passing the information along only. The Summer Village has no jurisdiction over this road.

### **Parking / Towing**

Just a reminder that parking is not permitted on road allowances and in ditches. Please park on your private property or in permitted parking areas. We have put up new parking signs and vehicles violating these rules may be ticketed or towed.

### **Bulletin Board**

The community bulletin board is located by the boat launch. One side will be locked and is for administration only. The other side is available for residents to post items they wish for other residents to see. Please remove old items once they have expired.

### **Cannabis - Be A Good Neighbor**

Now that cannabis is legal in Canada, let's all be good neighbors! Please use responsibly.

### **Meeting Schedule**

The meeting schedule is posted on the website. Any residents wishing to attend are welcome. Anyone wishing to speak at a meeting must submit their topic and time requested at least 5 days prior to the meeting date. Meeting dates and times are subject to change so please confirm on the website the day before.

### **Administration Office**

Administration contact numbers are to the right. The best time to contact us is on a week day. 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.

Please ensure that administration always has your current and up to date information. We need a way to reach you in case of an emergency. And providing us with your email address will ensure that you receive newsletters more quickly as well as time sensitive information such as bear sightings.

***Please be respectful of your neighbors and obey the rules of the summer village. Remember that this is your summer village and you want it to be there for your future generations.***



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**COUNCIL WISHES EVERYONE A SAFE AND HAPPY WINTER SEASON! SEE YOU AT THE LAKE NEXT SUMMER!!**