

SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHISPERING HILLS

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, July 16th at a new time of **10:00 A.M.** at **THE SUMMER VILLAGE GARAGE**. Annual picnic to follow at the ball diamond at 12:30 p.m. PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR PETS TO THE PICNIC FOOD AREA. BRING LAWN CHAIRS.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

BOAT LAUNCH

Just a reminder that there is no parking at the boat launch area.. Please ensure that the new docks are available to the residents at all times and not blocked in any way. These docks are not meant to be used for overnight mooring of your boats.

PERMITS

The Summer Village requires development permits for construction projects. The province of Alberta requires that any construction be completed in accordance with the Safety Codes Act. You must have permits for all gas, plumbing, heating, electrical and building construction, **but will need your development permit first**. You also need a permit for any demolition project or any clearing that may affect the contour of the land.

ANIMAL CONTROL

NEWSLETTERS

Due to the increase in the price of postage and paper, this will be the last one that you receive by mail. In the future you can find them on our website toward the end of April in the spring and toward the end of October in the fall. If any of you don't have access to the internet, just give us a call and we can still mail or fax you a copy.

NEW SUBDIVISION

We are now in arbitration with the developer and are hoping for a solution in our favor when it is done. Council is considering blocking off the road through this subdivision as it is just deteriorating.

ROADWORK

We are planning to put gravel in the crescents and on the first phase of the subdivision this spring/summer and then do some dust control.

WEBSITE

Our website is svwhisperinghills.com. We are open to any suggestions any of the residents might have for articles on the website. Anyone who does not have access to a computer or is not "connected", please feel free to contact anyone at the top of the page for such things as bylaws, newsletters, permits etc.

FIRESMART

In co-operation with Firesmart, we have once again arranged to pay a landfill fee so that the residents can dispose of their yard debris at the landfill during the period of ----- free of charge. This is for wood, grass, leaves, tree branches and other vegetation only. No household garbage. Join your neighbors and take advantage of this opportunity to make your community FIRESMART. For more information on the Firesmart program, contact Athabasca County Emergency Services Department at 780-675-2273.

Athabasca County will also be picking up trimmed branches which are left on the edge of your property as a joint effort with the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta to help property owners increase fire safety by reducing the amount of woody vegetation this spring.. They must be at the curb no later than May 25th to be chipped and hauled away.

We have received a grant to do some firesmart work in the village this spring and that should begin soon. They will be cleaning deadfall out of many of the reserve areas.

FIRES

We urge everyone to keep a close eye on any campfires over the summer, especially if we have a dry year. Please watch for signs about fire bans being in place. Signs may have a little different look to them this year as the program is changing its signage to try and make it more clear. It is a good idea to check your insurance to see if you are covered for any damage caused by your camp fires.

FIRE HALL

VANDALISM

Council and Administration wish you a fun and safe summer at the lake.