

SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHISPERING HILLS

December 2020

Annual AGM and Picnic

This year we were unable to host our annual information meeting and community picnic. We are hoping to be able to hold them next year. In the meantime, if anyone has any questions they would like answered, please contact your council or administration directly and we would be happy to answer them.

The financial statements that are usually presented at this meeting are on the website and available for your viewing. Any questions regarding the financial statements can be directed at administration via email at bancroftkim@hotmail.com or via phone at 780-239-7323.

Library

For your summer enjoyment there is a free library located at 10 Ella Mae Cr.. Take a book and leave a book, or just take a book!

Landfill and Transfer Site — Winter Hours

Check the landfill website as hours may change due to covid.

Tents, Tables and Chairs

We loaned out our tents 3 times this summer. Just a reminder that the village has 2 party tents, 8 tables and 70 chairs available for residents to borrow for any special outdoor event. Please contact Curtis (780-220-4897) for more information or to reserve for your event.

Bears

Bears were an issue this summer throughout Northern Alberta. Please make sure our community is not 'Bear Friendly'. Put away all garbage and bird and other animal feeders when bears are in the area. Bears will move on if they do not find a food source. Take precautions if you see a bear and DO NOT approach the bear. We have posted a pamphlet on the website that details Bear and Cougar Safety tips.

Cougars

Cougars have also been spotted in the area. Please take precautions. We have posted a pamphlet on the website that details Bear and Cougar Safety tips.

Newsletters

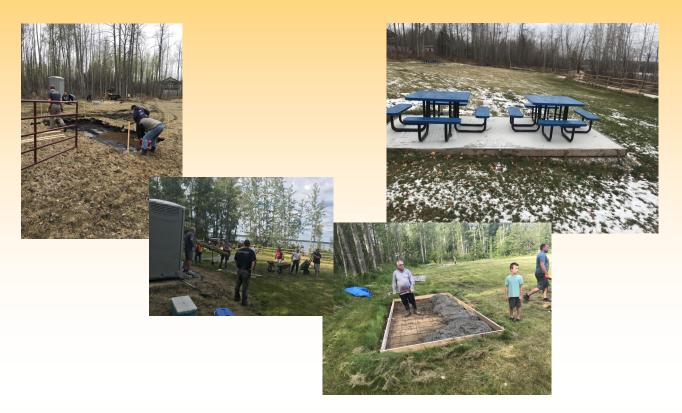
We are mailing this newsletter out to all the residents we do not have email addresses for to ensure that everyone is able to view the information on public participation. Future newsletters will only be emailed out to those residents we have email addresses for on file so please ensure that you have an email address on file with us, or check the website frequently to view newsletters there.

In an effort to go paperless, future newsletters will be digital only and available on the website.

If you would like to receive an email copy, please make sure that we have your updated contact information on file. Newsletters will be done in Spring and Fall each year.

Picnic Tables

A big thank you to everyone who help install the picnic tables and pour the concrete pads. The day was a big success and all of the tables were sponsored which is great.



Halloween Decorations

A quick shout out to those who went all out this holiday season. Keep up the good work next year!!



Parks and Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Association are excited for the upcoming playground by the public beach. However, COVID-19 drastically changed our fundraising plans and we need your help!

Please continue to drop off cans and bottles (no garbage!) in the bin by the boat trailer parking. All the proceeds go to the playground.

You can also donate by sending an e-transfer to S.VWhisperingHillsParksRec@gmail.com. Please email to arrange drop-off for cash or cheque (made out to "S.V. Whispering Hills Parks and Recreation").

The picnic tables are in, and we are hoping to build the playground as soon as we have the funds. We will need volunteers when the time comes, so keep checking here for more information!



If you would like to join the association, or volunteer time or resources, please email: S.VWhisperingHillsParksRec@gmail.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.mywhisperinghills.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.

- Municipal Development Plan (MDP). This is a plan for the future development of our summer villages, roughly estimated over the next 10 years. A draft of this plan is available for review on the public participation page of our website.
- Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP). This is a plan for the future development around Baptiste Lake and is being prepared along with Athabasca County, West Baptiste, South Baptiste and Sunset Beach. There is currently no draft of this plan ready, but there will be a public meeting in some form over the next couple of months, likely online.
- Land Use Bylaw (LUB). We will be updating our LUB to coordinate with the plans mentioned above. A draft of this plan is available for review on the public participation page of our website.

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