



Summerland's New Chief Administrative Officer

Summerland is excited to welcome Anthony Haddad to our team effective August 20th.

Anthony brings years of senior management experience in local government, post-secondary and private sector roles. He will be

leaving his position with the City of Penticton as their Director of Development Services with a portfolio that includes Economic Development, Planning and Land Use, and Development Infrastructure. Anthony holds a Bachelor of Applied Science (Urban & Regional Planning) degree.

Anthony grew up in Melbourne, Australia and started his planning career there in 1999. His career then took him to Alberta where he continued in local government with Fort McMurray and the City of Calgary. In 2009 Anthony became the Director of Development Services with the City of Penticton. Anthony also worked for two years at UBC Okanagan as their Director of Campus Planning and Development.

The CAO (also known in some places as a City Manager) is the most senior non-elected officer with the District and will report only to Council.

The role and responsibilities of the CAO are as follows:

- to provide advice and recommendations to Council
- to ensure Council resolutions, bylaws and policies are implemented
- provide leadership and direction to staff and department heads
- ensure the delivery of high quality services in a responsible cost effective manner
- provide administrative leadership for the District

We look forward to working with our new CAO!

Cultural Ambassadors Will Help at Events

If you are an organization that needs help running events this summer, the District may be able to help you! The District recently hired 5 students (graduates from Summerland Senior Secondary) and they have already attended six diverse cultural events. This is possible due to funding received from the Rural Dividend and Canada Summer Jobs funding programs to recruit five ambassadors to attend various Summerland events.

Their ultimate goal is to improve the vibrancy and vitality of Summerland by aiding in the development of Summerland's Cultural Hub. They help volunteer organizations where needed and interview participants regarding their opinions about Summerland's cultural atmosphere.

They will be continuing this work until the end of August. If you would like them to attend an event please contact Municipal Hall at 250-404-4066.



How Tax Dollars are Spent

This year \$8,568,492.25 was collected in property taxes. \$1,029,014.09 in current year taxes is still outstanding and will

be subject to a penalty.

Here is a short list to give you an idea of how the District of Summerland puts your tax dollars to work for you. Starred items (*) are related to Summerland's share of Regional District Services (RDOS).

- Okanagan Regional Library, Summerland branch,
- Debt financing, both municipal and RDOS*
- Regional transit*
- 911 emergency service (improvements only)*
- Emergency management, Emergency Operations Centre*
- Penticton Regional Hospital, David E. Kampe Tower*
- Schools
- South Okanagan Conservation Plan*
- Mosquito control*
- Heritage*
- Illegal dumping*
- Invasive species*
- Regional economic development (Okanagan Film Commission)*
- Regional Growth Strategy*
- Solid Waste Management Plan*
- Okanagan Basin Water Board*
- Regional trails (KVR Trail, for example)*
- RCMP and special investigation
- Summerland Fire Department
- Recreational facilities—Aquatic Centre, Arena and Skatepark
- Trails, including Giant's Head, Conkle Mountain, Centennial and others
- Parks, sports fields, and beaches
- Summerland Campground and Rodeo Grounds
- Roads (not including Highway 97)
- Summerland Museum and Summerland Arts and Cultural Centre
- Summerland Chamber of Commerce
- Festival of Lights
- Grants to non-profit groups
- Capital projects: plans and designs; upgrades, repairs and maintenance; replacement and new
- Signage
- Downtown Beautification
- Landscaping and maintenance
- Garbage, recycling collection, landfill management
- Cemetery services
- Operation of municipal hall

The salaries and wages for District staff (operations) and the stipend for the Council (governance) are also funded through taxpayer dollars.

Expenditures, including wages, that are related to utilities (water, sewer and electrical) are funded by monthly utility charges.

Curbside Yard and Garden Waste Contamination

Recently the District has been finding increasing amounts of contamination in the Yard & Garden Waste curbside collection carts.

Just like the blue Recycling curbside collection carts, it is very important that **only acceptable materials are placed in your green Yard & Garden Waste cart**. Even small amounts of contamination could cause the entire yard & garden waste materials collected for the day to be un-compostable and the load to be buried in the landfill. To prevent this from happening, Yard & Garden Waste carts found with unacceptable materials in them at collection time will be tagged for contamination and left unemptied.

View the chart below or visit www.summerland.ca/solidwaste for more information.



Accepted Yard & Garden Waste Materials

- YES** Grass and hedge clippings
- YES** Plants, leaves, flowers and non-invasive weeds
- YES** Fruit and vegetable plant waste
- YES** Windfall fruit
- YES** Branches and prunings
- YES** Other woody or herbaceous plant waste
- YES** Yard & Garden Waste material up to a maximum diameter of 5 cm (2 inches) and 1 metre (3 feet) in length

Unacceptable Yard & Garden Waste Materials

- NO** Garbage (including diapers) or recyclable materials
- NO** Soil, rock, or tree stumps
- NO** Animal feces or kitty litter
- NO** Invasive plants or infested vegetation
- NO** Liquids
- NO** Biodegradable plastic
- NO** Construction or renovation materials
- NO** Agricultural or commercial waste
- NO** Landscape fabric, irrigation pipe or plastic edging
- NO** Plastic flower pots

RCMP News

The District of Summerland is pleased to report that David Preston has arrived at the Summerland RCMP detachment as the new Sergeant. He has transferred from the Surrey Detachment where he had worked since 2011. David has over 18 years of service and has served in Manitoba, Nunavut and BC. He has done work in the Commercial Crime Section, security for the Vancouver 2010 Olympics as the Critical Infrastructure Liaison, as well as the E-Division Counterfeit Currency Section. His vast variety of experiences including Provincial, Federal, FNP and Municipal policing will attribute to his abilities as the Area Commander in Summerland.

Pool and Fitness Centre Maintenance Closure

The Summerland Aquatic and Fitness Centre on Kelly Avenue will be undergoing its annual cleaning, maintenance and repairs.

The pool and fitness room will be closed Saturday, August 24 and will reopen all clean and shiny on Monday, September 9. The office will be open during regular hours for fall program registration and inquiries. Please call 250-494-0447 if you require further information.

Temporary Road Closure—Wharton

The temporary road closure of a portion of Wharton Street is expected to last up to 45 days for infrastructure upgrades required to service the development on Kelly Ave. The road is expected to be open again in September. In the meantime, both the Arts & Cultural Centre and the Museum are open for business as usual.

Arts & Cultural Centre: Monday to Saturday 10am-4pm
Museum: Tuesday to Saturday 10am-4pm

The Okanagan Regional Library parking lot access has been temporarily changed to Main Street, marked by traffic cones.

On Sundays, the Wharton Street closure paired with Sunday Market means that Main Street is inaccessible to cars from 8am-2pm, with limited access to businesses from the lanes.

August 27, 3-6pm: Energy Self Generation (Net Metering) Re-Launch

Community members are invited to the re-launch of Summerland's Energy Self Generation (Net Metering) program! The program allows residents with their own energy generation systems, such as rooftop solar, to connect to the Summerland electrical grid and receive a credit for any excess energy they produce.

This open-house style event is happening August 27 from 3-6pm in the Arena Banquet Room, including a short formal presentation by the District at 3:30, repeated at 5:00. Local solar installers will be on site to answer questions about their services, and all attendees will be entered for door prize draws.

Visit www.summerland/netmetering for more information about the program, or contact us by emailing climate.action@summerland.ca or calling 250-404-4068 to be added to the solar energy email list.



Annual Agricultural Irrigation Bills

Annual agricultural irrigation bills have been mailed out and are due August 28.

Agricultural users are reminded to check the municipal website for updated meter read information.

For more information contact the Finance Department at Municipal Hall or email finance@summerland.ca

The District of Summerland is in Stage One Watering Restrictions.

Sani-Station Closed

The Trout Creek sani-station pullout will be closed until further notice as it is affecting operations at the Wastewater Treatment Plant due to high volumes.