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A Newsletter from the District of Summerland

# **MEET YOUR NEW COUNCIL**



December 2014

CONGRATULATIONS! We wish you all the best in the upcoming years.



### District of Summerland Holiday Schedule

**Municipal Hall** will be closed at 2pm on Wednesday, December 24th and will reopen on Friday, January 2, 2015. The **Works and Utilities office** will also be closed early the 24th and will reopen January 2, 2015. Please visit the website for details.

**The pool and fitness room** will be closed the 25th, 26th and January 1st. **The arena** will be closed December 24th, 25th, 26th and January 1st. Please refer to their Winter Brochure (mailed out Dec. 2nd) for public skate and swim schedules.

**The Fire Hall office and the Landfill** will be closed December 25th and 26th, and January 1st. For water, sewer, roads, parks, or electrical utility emergencies please call 250-493-0005. *On behalf of Council and the staff of the District of* 

Summerland, have a safe and happy holiday season!



Please call Progressive Waste Solutions (BFI) if you have any questions 250-490-3888.

Thank you for all your hard work to the outgoing Mayor Janice Perrino and Councillors Bruce Hallquist, Lloyd Christopherson, Robert Hacking, Orv Robson, Marty Van Alphen, & Peter Waterman. Best wishes in your future endeavours.

#### **IMPORTANT UTILITY INFORMATION**

Due to the Holiday Closure, the due date for utility bills this month will be Tuesday, December 23rd. If you are moving, please come in or visit our website before closing on the 24th to advise moving details. During the closure from 2pm Dec. 24th - January 1st, you may visit our website or call 250-404-4059 to advise of moving details. The office will reopen January 2nd, 2015. <u>Note</u>: According to their website, Old Age Security and Canada Pension Plan cheques are scheduled to be deposited December 19th.

ELECTION STATS			
Year 2014	Electors 8695	Voters 4446	51%
2011 (Ma	8276 ayor in by a	2994 cclamation)	36%
2008	8430	3884	46%

Electors are the number of eligible voters in Summerland according to Stats Canada.

## A Few Final Council Hi-Lites from the Outgoing Council

Check our website for full Council Minutes, Agendas and Broadcasts of meetings. Municipal Hall also has paper copies available. Shaw TV broadcasts on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11:00am.

- Council adopted the updated Council Policy Manual. The manual had not been updated for many years and was in need of a full review.
- Expenditures from the Climate Action Committee budget were approved by Council. Funds are available for a tree farm (to grow our own trees for parks & boulevards) at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, hot water recycling of the Zamboni machine and for the Bring Back the Bottle (glass, recycling) Project.
- Council had a glimpse of the new District website that is scheduled to go live before the end of the year. This project has been in the works for over a year. The new website will be much more user friendly for both staff and viewers as well as have a more inviting look.
- November 24th marked the final Council meeting for Council elected in 2011. Mayor Perrino, Councillors Bruce Hallquist, Orv Robson, Lloyd Christopherson, Robert Hacking and Marty Van Alphen all had heartfelt goodbye speeches expressing how much they enjoyed their positions, our community, and how proud they were of their many accomplishments over the years.



#### **Christmas Tree Pickup**

Want an easy, environmentally friendly way to dispose of your Christmas tree this year PLUS help out the Grads? With a donation to the Summerland Dry Grad Class 2015, the Summerland Fire Department and the grad students will pick up your Christmas tree right from your house! Pick up dates will be Sunday, January 4th and Sunday, January 11th, 2015. Please call the Fire Dept.

at 250-404-4088 or email sfd@summerland.ca for more information or to advise which Sunday you would like your tree to be picked up. Trees will be chipped and used for compost.

FREE FAMILY SANTA SKATE For families with children up to age ten Saturday, December 6th 10:00am - 11:00am **Summerland Arena** 

Enjoy Christmas Carols, hot chocolate, cookies, and a visit with Santa! Skate rentals are available for \$2.00 **Food Bank Donations** 

**Greatly Appreciated** 



# Be a "Snow Angel" this Winter

Although many enjoy the white fluffy stuff, for some it creates problems. It is important that snow is cleared off sidewalks for safety reasons,

but for some this task can be very difficult. Snow Angel is a snow removal awareness and recognition program to encourage residents to help their neighbours in need during the winter months. To be a Snow Angel, simply help out a neighbour and shovel snow or adopt a sidewalk and keep it clear whenever it snows.

Residents are encouraged to write to Municipal Hall or email info@summerland.ca and let us know if a Snow Angel came to your rescue. The Mayor will acknowledge them with a certificate and their name will be entered into a draw. At the end of winter, one

lucky Snow Angel will win a gift certificate. Call Karen at 250-494-6451 if you require more details. Be a good neighbour this winter and make a difference in your community!

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#### **Toys and Toonies for Tots** and Teens

The Summerland Fire Department and CIBC will once again be collecting **<u>new</u>**, unwrapped gifts and toonies for children and teens in Summerland. Make a difference in some child or teen's Christmas. Unwrapped gifts and toonies (to purchase items) can be dropped off at the Fire Hall or CIBC by Friday, December 12th. Thank you for supporting the children of our community!



#### Doa and **Business** Licence Renewals for 2015 will be mailed out before the middle of December and are due January 15th. If you do not receive Payments not received by the due date are subject to a penalty. Please notify us if you no longer require a dog or business

Watch for your 2015 Garbage/Recycling/Yard Waste Pick Up Calendars 2015 Curbside Collection Calendars will be mailed out before the end of December. If you opt out of "junk mail" delivery from the Post Office, you will not receive a calendar so please pick one up at Municipal Hall or visit our website.



#### SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER

Municipal Bylaws require that you remove the snow and ice from public footpaths and sidewalks bordering your property (business or residential). Any snow or ice that accumulates before noon must be removed by noon that day. If it snows in the afternoon, you have until noon of the next day to remove it. Failure to do so could result in the District having the sidewalk cleaned at your expense. We ask that you use a de-icing agent that contains 'CMA" for sidewalks, please do not use salt as it can cause damage. Please help to keep our sidewalks safe for all that use them. Call 250-494-0431 if you have any questions.