



CAO Report December 12, 2022

I start my report tonight by acknowledging the recent passing of Scott Lee. For many years Scott worked diligently in support of the District's utilities, and was a friend and mentor to many during his time here. People that knew him described Scott as someone who was always willing to help when there was a need, and he was always excited to share his deep knowledge and understanding with others. It is said that he would often say that 'at the end of the day when you're gone people will remember you for the type of person you were and the connections you made, not what you did at work'. This statement certainly rings true for Scott, who is remembered fondly by those whose lives he enriched and for his service to the people of Summerland, in the water utility.

Eneas Creek has been experiencing some minor ice damming in its lower reaches and as a result, the Centennial Trail along Peach Orchard Road has been temporarily closed. Some parts of the trail have become icy, and it is recommended that the public do not use the trail at this time. We have posted the trail with signs at the entrance to advise the public. Please also note that the Kiwanis Pier remains closed at this time while its structural integrity is reviewed. More updates on these items will come through Facebook as further information becomes available.

The Winter 2023 Recreation Guide is now live at [www.summerland.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-guide](http://www.summerland.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-guide). Please note that as of December 6th registration is now open, and registration can be done online by visiting [summerland.perfectmind.com](http://summerland.perfectmind.com).

Finally, since it is the last regular Council meeting of the year, I wanted to acknowledge the hard work of staff across the organization in 2022. It was another amazing year, and much progress was made because of the fantastic team of staff we are blessed with across all departments. District offices will be closed on 2pm on December 23 for a much-deserved holiday. Office staff will return in the New Year on January 3. Snow removal and waste cart collection continue during this period, and the District website should be consulted for specific hours relating to the arena, the aquatic and recreation centre as well the sanitary landfill during the Christmas holiday period.

Respectfully submitted,

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