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A Newsletter from the District of Summerland

July 2018

IMPORTANT: Delivery of Carts Delayed - Recycling/Yard & Garden Waste Weeks have Switched.

Garbage Pickup Days Remain the Same.



The District of Summerland has received notification from our contractor that the delivery of the carts for curbside collection has been delayed due to a manufacturer setback. As such, the <u>carts will not be arriving until mid-July</u>. Instructions and a schedule will be included. Garbage days do not change but the recycling/yard waste weeks have switched. July 3rd week was yard waste, July 10th week is recycling and they continue to alternate. Once the carts arrive, you should start using them

immediately. There will be no change in the current curbside collection cost until August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The new costs for curbside collection have been finalized and can be found on the District's website www.summerland.ca

Don't know what to do with your old garbage cans? If you have extra yard waste, you can purchase a sticker from Municipal Hall and use it on one of your old cans. If you do not need the cans anymore, once the carts arrive, there will be a drop off at the arena (8820 Jubilee Rd) at the west side of the parking lot where you can drop off your old cans free of charge. The drop-off will be open seven days a week from 7:30am – 3:00pm until August 31. Once you drop your cans off, we will repurpose as many as possible and the rest will be recycled. Anyone interested in taking some of the cans can stop by and pick them up anytime!

#### Interested in Running in the Municipal Election?

The criteria to be eligible to run for a position on Council is as follows:

- be 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- have been a resident of British Columbia for six months immediately prior to filing nomination documents;
- not be disqualified under the Local Government Act or any other enactment from being nominated for, being elected to or holding office, or be otherwise disqualified by law.
- nomination by at least two eligible electors

Nomination documents will be available for pick up at Municipal Hall by Friday, July 27, 2018. Papers must be filed with the Chief Election Officer between Tuesday, September 4 and Friday, September 14, 2018 at 4:00pm. For more information on running for office visit www.elections.bc.ca/localelections For general inquiries on the municipal election call Jeremy Denegar 250-404-4046 or email elections@summerland.ca

Municipal Elections take place October 20, 2018 (advance voting takes place October 10th and 16th, 2018).

The District of Summerland will be hosting a Candidates Workshop on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers, 13211 Henry Avenue. Anyone interested in learning what is involved in being on Council is encouraged to attend.

## **Parks & Recreation Master Plan**



The Parks & Recreation Master Plan is now complete after input from over 800 residents participating in community engagement activities plus thirty-one stakeholder groups. The Parks & Recreation Master Plan will provide the District of Summerland strategic direction for the provision of parks and recreation programs, services and facilities over the next ten years and will help guide policy development and decision making.

The Summerland Parks & Recreation Master Plan vision: Summerland's parks and recreation system contributes to a high quality of life for residents and visitors by providing accessible, inclusive and engaging indoor and outdoor recreation opportunities that reflect Summerland's distinctive natural setting, healthy and active lifestyles, flourishing artistic and cultural communities, and close-knit, small town character.

Council will make decisions on the integration of the Plan into long term strategic planning and into the proposed 2019 budget and 5 year financial plan.

A few items that are underway or getting started in 2018 include:

- Construction of the skatepark
- Facility Condition Assessment for the Aquatic & Fitness Centre
- Cycling Network Plan
- Trails Master Plan
- Playground Upgrades
- Powell Beach Management Plan
- Giant's Head Mountain Trails Redevelopment

Visit the District of Summerland's website to view the full Master Plan at www.summerland.ca

#### **Recycling Solutions**

"Why isn't there a downtown recycling depot for things such as glass, Styrofoam, batteries, etc.?" is a question residents often ask. The District understands that not having a curbside solution for these materials can be frustrating, and we share our residents' concern for this issue. The District realizes that recycling needs to be accessible to all citizens of Summerland and are working to make this happen.

At this time, Recycle BC (the provincial body overseeing recycling regulations and policy) mandates that all depots must be staffed, which would be very expensive for our community to implement. As such, the District is exploring other solutions such as a "pop-up" downtown depot once or twice a month, and are continuing to communicate with Recycle BC and the province that a curbside solution is really what's needed.

We appreciate the passion Summerlanders have for recycling and assure you we are working on making it happen!

#### Test Your Recycling Knowledge and Win!

Join the District and Recycle BC on Tuesday, July 17 from 12:00 to 4:00pm at our tent in the parking lot beside the Post Office for a fun afternoon of recycling trivia and games for all ages, and get your questions about recycling in Summerland answered.

Not sure if something is recyclable? Bring it and ask! Wonder what happens to the materials you recycle after they leave the curb? We can tell you! This is your chance to show off your recycling know-how, have some fun, get information, and win great prizes from local businesses.

# Summerland Landfill West Cell (Stage E) – Phase 4 Liner Expansion

Work is underway at the Summerland Sanitary Landfill to install a new liner. The area that garbage waste is currently being deposited and buried at the Landfill has reached its capacity. A new liner is currently being installed under the next waste cell for future placement of garbage waste. A landfill liner is one of the measures the District of Summerland utilizes to prevent moisture produced by the deposited waste from seeping into the surrounding environment.

#### Watering Schedule

Summerland is in Stage One Watering Restrictions unless otherwise notified.

**If your address is odd** (the last digit ends in 1,3,5,7,9) you may water on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Monday and Thursday</u>.

**If your address is even (**ends in 0,2,4,6,8) you may water on <u>Sunday, Tuesday and Friday</u>.

If you have an **underground sprinkler system**, you may water from midnight to 6:00am on your permitted days (either odd or even). **Micro-irrigation, drip irrigation or a hose with a shutoff nozzle** can be used anytime to water trees, shrubs or veggies. If you are planting new sod or seed and need to water more, please visit Municipal Hall about a Special Watering Permit.

## Property Tax Due Date July 6th

A 10% penalty is applied to any unpaid taxes, including nonclaimed home owner grants outstanding after July 6th. Now is a great time to start a monthly pre-authorized property tax payment to ease the burden for next year.

# Summerland Sanitary Landfill Tipping Fees

Effective August 1, 2018, some of the tipping fees at the Summerland Sanitary Landfill will increase. These changes are required to cover the costs of current landfill operations and waste diversion



programs that are presently not being met.

To review the updated Fees & Charges please visit

www.summerland.ca, Garbage & Recycling.

For any questions please contact Works and Utilities at 250-494-0431.

## **Irrigation Billing**

Updating the model for agricultural metered water has been a high priority of council. Over the past two growing seasons the District has worked closely with



agricultural water users to ensure pertinent data in Summerland's records was accurate. This included verifying the arable acreage allocation for users, ensuring water meters were functioning properly and that data was accurately being imported into the District's financial software. Council recognized the magnitude of obstacles encountered and worked to ensure the overall process was working properly, prior to fully implementing the tiered billing system. As a result, Council passed resolutions delaying implementation of the tiered billing system for the 2016 and 2017 growing seasons.

With confidence that information in the District's system is accurate, the tiered billing system will be utilized for the 2018 growing season. To provide agricultural water users with timely data, the District will post monthly consumption reports on the website. Reports will provide monthly consumption, year-to-date cumulative consumption totals, as well as annual consumption thresholds for each property.

To access these reports, please go to the District of Summerland's website at: <a href="www.summerland.ca">www.summerland.ca</a>. Under the "City Services" tab at the top of the page, click on Agricultural Water to be taken to the appropriate page. Additional information pertaining to agricultural water, such as 2018 rates, can also be found on this webpage. Irrigators are encouraged to view the data to track their usage. The annual irrigation invoice will be mailed out by the end of July.

If you have questions, please contact David Svetlichny at dsvetlichny@summerland.ca or call 250-404-4045.



#### **SEWER MAIN FLUSHING**

The Works Division is performing annual sewer main flushing throughout Summerland from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday to Friday for the next two months. This annual maintenance ensures that sewer mains are working properly. Please use caution when driving by Crews working on the road. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation.