District of Summerland Newsletter

March 2019

6 Downtown Vibrancy

Collaborating to create a dynamic mix of residences, businesses, recreation and culture as a community hub of Summerland

Infrastructure Investment

Stewardship of capital assets in a cost effective manner through ongoing maintenance and replacement

Good Governance

Enhancing processes and procedures that aid council in making decisions and resolutions on behalf of the community and its wellbeing

5 Active Lifestyles

Ensuring community design and services that enhance inclusive, barrier free participation and promotion of physical activity and healthy lifestyles Council's
Strategic Priorities
2019—2022

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Alternative Energy

Pursuing opportunities to generate energy that consider natural resources and the environment and provide revenue opportunities

Community Resilience

Utilizing resources to create and adapt programs and services that support a vibrant and livable community

OUR PRINCIPLES



Sustainability



First Nations Relations



Interdepartmental Collaboration



Health & Safety



Value Innovation



External Collaboration



Accountable Governance

The priorities and principles were developed by Mayor Boot and council after participation in a strategic planning workshop. An update on these priorities will be provided to residents and stakeholders on a regular basis. Some of the current projects identified as priorities include:

1. Infrastructure Investment

Completion of an Asset Management Project

A plan for the replacement of Giants Head Road

2. Good Governance

Implementation of a Records Management System

Development of a Long Term Financing Plan to provide stability in taxation & rates Continued improvement of procedures for development applications

3. Community Resilience

Development of an Eneas Creek strategy for flood mitigation Continued advocacy for an Agricultural Innovation Centre located in Summerland

4. Alternate Energ

Solar and Battery Storage project funded with \$6m Federal Gas Tax grant

5. Active Lifestyles

Introduction of community conversations regarding Aquatic Centre replacement Skate Park opening

6. Downtown Vibrancy

Development of a Downtown Plan Completion of the Arts & Cultural Centre at former library Budget Open House Wednesday, April 3 4:00pm to 7:00pm Presentation 6:00pm Arena Banquet Room

See how council's priorities shape the proposed budget. District staff from each department will have interesting displays set up and be available to answer questions.

Come and enjoy a light refreshment and provide your input!

Compost Bin Sale - Regional District Okanagan Similkameen (RDOS)



PRESALE BY MARCH 25TH, PICKUP APRIL 22ND \$49.00 (plus tax)

Compost bins help turn yard waste, fruits and vegetables into compost. Compost Bins will be available to prepurchase at Summerland Builders Timber Mart, 9310 Jubilee Road until March 25th.

Questions? Contact the RDOS at 250-490-4129 or email info@rdos.bc.ca or visit www.rdos.bc.ca

Proposed Changes to Organics Processing Facility at the Summerland Sanitary Landfill

The District would like to invite residents to attend the Organics Processing Facility presentation on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 9:00am during the Committee of the Whole Meeting in Council Chambers, Municipal Hall. A presentation will be made to council regarding proposed changes to the composting operations at the Summerland Sanitary Landfill in order to meet regulatory requirements. The presentation will include discussions on project rationale and options, organic waste removal from residential garbage, the available grant program and its timelines and how these changes may affect Summerland residents.

Prepare your Yard for Spring with Compost from the Summerland Landfill



Did you know you can purchase high quality, sustainable, and safe Class A biosolid compost at the Summerland Sanitary Landfill? Biosolid compost is valued for its high organic matter content and strong structure that drains easily and promotes healthy root growth. The Class A government designation means that

the product can be sold with no restrictions. It can be safely applied to lawns, flowers, shrubs and gardens. Using District of Summerland Compost in the spring is a great way to set the stage for the planting season!

Spring Sweeping

The Works Division Crews will be heading out soon to sweep Summerland's 315 lane kilometres of roads, which is equivalent to driving to Salmon Arm and back! Crews start in the lower town area and work their way up to the higher elevations.

This takes about two months and is a two-step process, with the Crews first removing the heavier sand with the front broom articulating sweeper, loader and dump truck. The second step is to pick up the remaining finer particles with the vacuum sweeper which takes several passes until each road is clean. This is a slower process as the vacuum sweeper requires more time to cover the same area. If you see or hear the sweeper in your area, please give us a helping hand by moving your vehicle if it is parked on the street.



Curbside Yard & Garden Waste Collection Restarts

Yard & Garden Waste collection has restarted. Collection is every 2nd week on your regular garbage day.

Please have your yard & garden waste along with your garbage to the curb by 7:00 am.

Larger items such as stumps may be taken to the landfill for free (up to 500kg), check the District website for details.



Preparing for an Emergency

Staff from all departments of the District of Summerland took part in a two day Emergency Operations Centre training course recently.



It is important for staff, as well as residents, to be prepared for any type of emergency that could take place. Floods, fires, landslides, electrical outages, snow storms, spills from traffic accidents and other disasters could happen at any time and could affect you and your family.

Residents are encouraged to be prepared and have whatever you may need for an emergency for up to 72 hours (non-perishable food, water bottles, flashlight, blankets etc). Also have a grab and go kit available if you had to evacuate on short notice that includes items such as copies of important documents you may need, medications, eye glasses etc. For more information, visit the provincial website getprepared.ca