



# SUMMER VILLAGE OF WEST COVE

## JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER



### Greetings from Council & Administration of the Summer Village of West Cove



#### [A Message from the Mayor](#)

On behalf of Council, I want to wish you a Happy New Year and all the best in 2017. These past 16 months have been very busy. Council has acquired Administration services from Wildwillow Enterprises Inc., a new Development Officer and a new Contractor for maintenance services. All directives from the Municipal Inspection are complete and we will continue to work with Municipal Affairs as the last report is due in February of 2017. We have completed a Fire Hazard Assessment with a grant accessed through the Alberta Summer Villages Association and have almost completed an Emergency Management Plan that is required by the Province. We have reviewed all Summer Village Policies and Bylaws and have updated many of them. Most notable are the Land Use Bylaw, a new Traffic Bylaw that incorporates parking, speed and weights (which was previously three separate bylaws). As well, there is a new Burning Bylaw, Noise Bylaw and Curfew Bylaw that indicates public park hours. Our Procedural Bylaw also now has a code of conduct for Councillors. Notable policies created or updated include a Contractor Policy, a Chief Administrative Officer Annual Evaluation Policy, a Compost Collection Site Policy and a Playground Equipment Inspection Policy.

Council tasks for 2017 include budgeting, the new Municipal Government Act with the mandates of a Municipal Development Plan an Inter-municipal Collaboration Frameworks and multi-year Capital & Operating Budgets. There is an ongoing Bylaw & Policy review with other area municipalities to be funded through a Provincial grant. We will also work on Fire Mitigation Strategies, a Summer Village Parks Maintenance Policy and Summer Village maintenance initiatives. As well, there will be an election this summer!

I would like to thank the West Cove Community League for their hard work planning Summer Village events and a HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers this year. We are looking forward to another great year in West Cove!

#### [West Cove Updates](#)

##### Election Year

A reminder that 2017 is a municipal election year in Alberta. If required, elections for Summer Villages will take place in July or August.

##### New Website Address

Please take time to check out the Summer Village's website for upcoming meeting dates, minutes, bylaws and policies. **The new website address is: [www.svwestcove.ca](http://www.svwestcove.ca)**

##### New Development Officer

The Summer Village has contracted Tony Sonnleitner for Development Officer services. Tony can be contacted as follows:

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