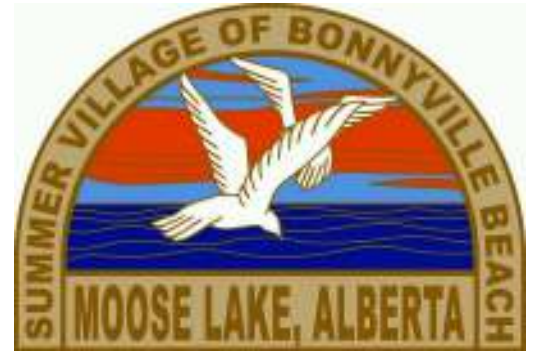


December 2021



Beach Life—all year round

Sometimes the water gets a little hard especially in December.



Meeting in July



2020 in Review

Your Council—Grant Ferbey, Laurie Gardner and Tom Thackeray wish everyone

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2021 has been a year of changes with several new provincial regulations being brought in from the province and new cooperative initiatives with the MD of Bonnyville coming into effect. The elephant in the room has been the Covid Pandemic and the ongoing results from that.

The effects were far reaching from not having any rentals for the Hall to changes in our council meetings to accommodate Zoom remote meetings.

The effect on our budget was minimal for 2021, however it may be more evident in 2022.

With the implementation by the province for policing costs being distributed to all municipalities in the province our portion of the bill will be coming due in 2021. This will increase our expenses in the coming years and make our taxes higher. Being a very small summer village means we don't have any extra programs to cut back on, so costs will have to be passed along.

As has been noted in some of the information emails during the



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Mayor's Thoughts

Winter, a time for ice fishing and snow shoveling. Moose Lake is still our prime focus and while the Summer Village is not the biggest player, we do our share on making the lake quality a priority. The effects on algae is not a win-

ter subject, there is an effort to work on this using an application of alum to curb blue-green algae. Discussion will be ongoing about the safety and possible effects of this on our lake.

As always the Summer Village council is working to have the best results for our village. Decisions about maintenance, waste control, speeding and road conditions are perennial issues that are worked on year round. With an eye to costs and getting our ratepayers the best

possible bang for the buck.

I want to wish all the citizens of our village, summer and permanent the best for the season and the coming year.





Year Review cont'd

year, we are being proactive in making sure our stewardship of Moose Lake is priority... after all if we don't have the lake we don't have a lot.

Part of our new relationship with the MD of Bonnyville is going to be negotiations to share the costs for Road maintenance on the Township road that traverses the summer village.

There has been some confusion over the Storage area where the summer kitchen is. This area is available for Summer Village residents to store mobile seasonal items. This is not a permanent storage area and items have to be moved on an annual basis to facilitate cleaning and maintenance of the area. Items that are not seasonal in nature and have been parked there permanently must be removed. All items must be registered with administration.

Please remember that the lane behind the main portion of the beach is NOT to

be blocked with permanent parking of trailers and vehicles. It is an emergency access lane and will be treated as such.

The Land Use By-law was updated in 2020 and the new bylaw is in place. It is available for download on the Beach Website. If you are planning to build or renovate make sure you request an updated version of the bylaw and apply for the development permit required.



Now That's Better

Deputy Mayor– Laurie's Corner.

I'd like to wish the residents of the Summer Village of Bonnyville Beach a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May you experience peace, joy, happiness and good health throughout the Christmas season and in the coming New Year. I am grateful to have served our great municipality and would thank you for your commitment to our community and your continued support. I am looking forward to the coming year and what it will offer.



Keeping up Appearances

We are still working on the Y-intersection at the south entrance to the beach. Negotiations with Alberta Transportation and the MD of Bonnyville are in process. We seem to have been working on this forever and we hope that the end is in sight.

Remember that although the Playground equipment is open for use, it is not supervised and no sanitizing is done, you are responsible for your children.

We have contracted for some maintenance on the rough section of Pike road (up the hill) and please let us know if there are any issues with snow plowing and maintenance in

the Walleye Way and Perch Close area.

We are planning to change our maintenance storage, currently in the office building to open up more space for use in the office itself. Improving the storage situation and making for better organization of the office area

The quality of Moose Lake is always on our agenda, and Council is involved with the various local groups taking on this important matter.



As always please contact us if you have any questions.



Its not easy being green



Algae blooms are lasting longer in our lakes



Recycle and help a furry friend

Don't forget that any recyclables that are placed in the Blue SPCA bin at our waste site go to help provide shelter and services for dogs and cats that are stray or abandoned.

To this end please be aware that an animal control bylaw is in place for the Summer Village and domestic pets running at large (dogs and cats) will be apprehended and turned over to the SPCA in

Bonnyville for handling . This can be expensive,

DO NOT let your animals run free. This goes for cats and dogs, aside from the dangers of being lunch for a passing coyote.

Your Kitty can be responsible for wiping out a fair amount of wildlife and are especially hard on song bird populations.

Recycle your containers

Keep them in your yard.. Fenced and/or leashed pets make good neighbours.

Please pickup after your dog when walking them on the lane or public areas.

Learn more about your Bonnyville SPCA at www.BonnyvilleSPCA.ca

Snow Removal

We have had a few requests for snow removal/plowing for individual lots and driveways. Administration has talked to our maintenance supplier—Rydayce Construction about this and They have agreed to look at request from our ratepayers on a fee per use basis.

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Controls

Your Council recognizes that speeding is a major concern. We do our best to control it, but we are hoping that the extra police fees we will be paying will help to get us more patrol presence during speeding hours..

Another problem we are addressing for lake stewardship is - Treatment and Disposal of Sewage please track your pump out frequency during the season.

Bylaws are available on our website for



your to review and ensure that you are complying with the requirements.

Check out the web site at
www.bonnyvillebeach.com

The picture on the left is the corner beside the old boat launch. This will be cleaned up and some of the material will be taken out for disposal. If you have any dock parts or boat lifts in that area that you want to keep.....Prepare to move them out or claim them. Put some ID on them—your lot number or Name so that we can contact you .

This is a good place to remind users of the Storage area that this is NOT a permanent storage area and your items should be registered. Please see the administration for tags for your storage item.



**Your Council and Administration wish
you a very**

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year.

We all have a special responsibility to our lake and making sure that we protect it to the best of our ability.

Please check out our Website—we try to keep it up to date and it will be the best source of news that we can provide

www.bonnyvillebeach.com



You Will be on Radar at some time this summer