

ISLAND LAKE SOUTH

January 2020

Administration and Council hope that all residents are enjoying the winter season. Here are a few updates.

Boat Launch Parking

In the past we have received a number of complaints regarding the boat launch area and the large number of vehicles that park in the field beside it. At last year's AGM we were asked to fence off the area and only allow residents access. After speaking with a lawyer, we are unable to do this. As this is public land, everyone must be given equal access including non-residents.

The alternative we have come up with is to fence off the area completely, not allowing any access other than for maintenance purposes. This will mean no parking in the large grassy area South of the boat launch road. The smaller grass area North of the boat launch road will remain open for parking. The fenced off area will become a greenspace. Signs will be posted prohibiting any parking in the ditches or along residential roadways. We hope this will satisfy everyone.

Municipal Plans

There are a number of plans that we are currently working on that have been required by the Provincial Government. These include

- Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP). This is an agreement between the County of Athabasca, the Summer Village of Island Lake South and the Summer Village of Island Lake. This plan addresses plans for the areas important to all concerned parties.
- Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF). This is an agreement between the County of Athabasca and the Summer Village of Island Lake South. It will address any formal agreements for service between the two municipalities.
- Municipal Development Plan (MDP). This is a plan for the future development of our summer villages, roughly estimated over the next 10 years.
- Land Use Bylaw (LUB). We will be updating our LUB to coordinate with the plans mentioned above.

At some point in the near future you will be sent a couple of questionnaires regarding some items that will be in these reports. Once we have received the questionnaires back, draft forms of the above mentioned reports will be posted on the website for review and comment. Please fill out the questionnaires. The more input we receive, the better. The work being done on these plans is entirely paid for by grant funding.

Website

Please check for any updates that may happen in between newsletters and for fire ban or other information.

www.myislandlakesouth.com

Hall Rentals

Anyone interested in renting the community hall, or wishing for more information can call or text Bonnie Kluthe at (780) 974-6654. Rental forms and information are also available on the community website at

www.myislandlakesouth.com



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Municipal Reserves

All lots in the summer village have some municipal reserve next to them and trees can only be removed if they are dangerous. Please let us know if you see any dangerous trees on the reserves. No improvements of any nature can be placed on reserve land by the residents. Existing structures may be repaired only if a development permit is obtained.



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ATVs

Remember to keep your ATVs out of the ditch. Please respect your neighbors when passing other residences and keep a reasonable speed.

Cannabis

Now that cannabis is legal in Canada, let's all be good neighbors. While you may enjoy the scent of cannabis on your property, your neighbor may not. Please use responsibly!

Hall Revitalization

As I'm sure you noticed, quite a bit of work was done this summer to repair and beautify our hall and surrounding area. Hats off to the rec board for all of their work!!

Snow Removal

Please post red/orange flags or reflectors marking the edges of your driveway if you would like to have the driveway cleared when the village roads are being plowed.

Landfill and Transfer Site—Winter Hours

The winter hours for the transfer site will be posted on the Athabasca Regional Waste website. Please visit the website for information. www.athabascaaregionalwaste.com

Development Permits

Just a reminder that the Summer Village requires development permits for all construction projects. For more information visit our website at www.myislandlakesouth.com

Crime Prevention

Some suggestions on Crime Prevention in summer villages from the RCMP.

- Install 3M Security glaze on windows
- Plant gnarly bushes such as roses under windows
- Increased Lighting—solar where power isn't an option
- Well secured windows and doors
- Remove firearms, electronics and expensive items during the winter
- Do not keep keys in vehicles or hide the keys to your vehicles or buildings in easy to find locations

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Have a wonderful holiday season and enjoy some winter fun at the lake.