

JONES FLAT AND GARNET VALLEY WATER SYSTEM SEPARATION PROJECT UPDATE

The District of Summerland is currently completing the design for this exciting project that will provide residents along Garnet Valley Road with treated drinking water from the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and connect irrigation services in the Jones Flat West area to the Garnet Valley Reservoir system.

Upgrades to Garnet Valley Road will also be completed as part of this work which will accommodate 1.1m shoulder bike lanes from Jones Flat Road to Wildhorse Road. The final design is expected to be complete by the end of July at which time a presentation to Council and a public open house will be held to present this information to the public. Information on the Open House will be advertised once the date and time have been set.

The project will then be tendered in August and the construction contract awarded by the end of August. A Pre-construction Open House is planned for mid-September. More information will follow at a later date. Construction is expected to be underway before the end of September 2016.

Communications with residents and other stakeholders affected by this project is a priority. Please watch for updates and information on the District's website, FaceBook page and monthly newsletters. As the project moves into construction, onsite signage will be utilized to communicate important information and disruptions as required.

POSTAL STRIKE

Should a postal strike come into effect, please take advantage of the various ways to pay your bill with the District.

1. Drop payments off at Municipal Hall.
2. Use the Drop Box located to the left of the front door if you are unable to make it in during business hours.
3. View your Utility Bill online and pay through your bank online or through telephone banking.
4. If you live out of town you can send payment by courier.
5. Enroll in our Pre-Authorized Payment Plan for automatic monthly withdrawals (the form is on our website).

Utility Bills are always due the 3rd last business day of each month. It is your responsibility to pay it whether you receive a bill or not. Next due date is July 27.



SKATEPARK UPDATE

There will be an opportunity to see the proposed designs for the skatepark and provide your feedback on **Tuesday, July 12th, 2016 from 5pm - 7pm at the Arena Banquet Room, 8820 Jubilee**

Road. Drop in and see what twists, turns and bowls are planned for the new Skatepark!

A fundraising campaign has been initiated for this exciting youth project. Donations can be made at Municipal Hall. A tax receipt will be issued. The total cost of the Skatepark project will be approximately \$600,000. Community contributions will be responsible for much of the balance. To date over \$135,000 has been generously donated from the community. The District has applied for a Canada 150 Infrastructure Grant in the amount of \$304,000. Once funding is in place, building could begin as soon as the spring.

If you are interested in assisting with the fundraising campaign please contact Brenda Ingram at 250-404-4084.

WATER AVAILABILITY

Although spring melt was early this year, the rain in June has kept Summerland's reservoirs full and spilling. This is good news as we will use stored water later in the year. Summerland will likely experience hot dry weather over the next few months. Staff will continue to monitor our water availability and keep residents informed.



The District is currently in Stage One watering restriction (visit www.summerland.ca for details). Please manage your water use wisely.

ASSISTANCE FOR AGRICULTURAL WATER USERS

Summerland has a new billing model for agricultural water users (those with a blue box). Two information statements showing water use and a letter outlining changes that the District has recently made to the billing model have been sent to agricultural customers. The change includes an additional charge over a base fee once the allotted threshold of 800mm per arable acre has been exceeded. Those over the threshold will receive an additional bill at the end of the month the threshold is exceeded so they are aware of their usage and can make any necessary changes.

We recognize that for some users this change in billing model raises a number of concerns. We also recognize that some properties have issues to work out before an accurate amount of water consumption is recorded. There are many unique situations and each one will be looked at individually. The District will work with agricultural users and assist with the transition.

The District has contracted additional personnel to ensure that resources are available to respond to agricultural water users questions and concerns. We will visit your site with you to review your arable acres and your system and discuss options. We are here to help. Please do not hesitate to call Lorrie Coates 250-404-4045 with any inquiries. Questions regarding your bill or information statements can also be directed to Lorrie.

A Few Council Highlights...

Check our website for full Council minutes, agendas and Broadcasts of meetings. Municipal Hall also has paper copies available. Shaw TV broadcasts on Wednesdays and Fridays at 11:00am.

- The **2015 Annual Municipal Report** was received by Council on June 27th and is available for viewing on our website or at Municipal Hall. This report contains audited financial statements, a progress report on the municipal objectives and measures for the previous year, any declarations of disqualification of an item by a council member and any other information council considers advisable.
- The **Regular Council meeting scheduled for July 11, 2016 will be cancelled and rescheduled to Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 7:00pm.** The public is always welcome to attend Regular Council meetings.
- Approval was given to the **Skaha Kennel Club** to use the entire Dale Meadows Park for a dog show and overnight camping of participants on September 9,10, and 11th, 2016. The public will still be able to use the trails and are welcome to attend. Originally the dog show was going to be held at Living Memorial Park.
- The street extending south of Johnson Street and ending in a cul-de-sac will be named **Treffry Place** in accordance with the Street Naming Policy and by recommendation of the Heritage Commission.

SEWER MAIN FLUSHING CONTINUES

The Works Division is performing annual sewer main flushing throughout Summerland from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., 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.

YOUR WATERING DAYS...

Summerland is in Stage 1 unless otherwise notified.
If the last digit of your house number ends in 1,3,5,7,9 (ODD) you may water on Saturday, Monday, and Thursday.
If your address ends in 0,2,4,6,8 (EVEN) you may water on Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.
 Those with **underground sprinkler systems** may water from midnight to 6:00am on their designated days. A hose with a shut off nozzle can be used anytime to water plants or gardens. The District encourages residents to use water wisely. For details, visit our website www.summerland.ca or call 250-494-6451.

POWER POLE AND TRANSFORMER REPLACEMENTS

The Summerland Electrical Utility continues to replace power poles and transformers throughout the electrical system in order to provide safe and stable electrical service. Minor power outages will be scheduled in order to upgrade services and affected customers will be notified. Thank you for your continued support.



2016 Curbside Collection Calendar

NEW!! The District of Summerland has added more Yard Waste collection weeks to the 2016 Curbside Collection Calendar for your convenience.

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Please have your items to the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day

Garbage Only

Garbage & Recycling

Garbage & Yard Waste