

CAO Report - July 2, 2024

It was a great Canada Day weekend, and thankfully an uneventful one with no major fires or flooding or other community wide impacts to impact plans. A big shout out to our parks staff who have been taking good care of Memorial Park this summer, it looks great even with all the events we have been having. Many tons of organic material have been spread in the park this year, all sprinkler heads were adjusted and we have been using a special machine called a verticutter to good effect. Of course, mother nature has also been helping with a healthy amount rain falling.

There are a couple of upcoming community events that the public is invited to, that I wanted to put on the radar of residents:

- 1) On July 11 at 3pm we have the official grand reopening of the Summerland pier. The final touches are being put on the pier now and it should be ready to go very soon. It is an historic day so we will have members of Council present and representatives from Rotary as well who are helping raise funds for the project. Reps from the Summerland Community Arts Council will also be present since we will start the event at our new four-season washrooms freshly painted with a Okanagan-themed mural by an area artist.
- 2) On July 13 from 1130-130pm we will have a special anniversary celebration for our Fire Department which is turning 75 this year. We will have the usual family-friendly activities of course, but also RCMP and ambulance presence, and some cake for everyone in attendance. It should be a great day and another historic one for Summerlanders.

Finally, just a reminder to residents that taxes are due on Friday, July 5 this year so please make sure you mark that in your calendars to avoid any late penalties.

Respectfully submitted,

Graham, Chief Administrative Officer