

December 18, 2023

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all. Regardless of how you celebrate this season we wish you peace and joy as 2023 draws to a close. We are all lucky to be connected to Norglenwold and able see its many forms brought by the changes of season.

The following are some of the items Council has been working on this fall:

Annexation

We had an Annexation Open House on August 29th. We are awaiting a summary of feedback from the consultants helping us through review of options for the Summer Village. Thank you to the 30-40 attendees. Council will review your input and develop recommendations and policy in due course.

Open Space Plan

On November 15th we held a public information session about the 31 pieces of land owned by the Summer Village. Our consultant Municipal Planning Services provided a presentation of the detailed information gathered this year about these parcels of land. Easels with photos showing each of the parcels and its characteristics were available for review by the 70 residents in attendance. Workbooks were available for residents to make notes and share their thoughts regarding the potential future use of each parcel. These workbooks are available at the Summer Village Office for pick-up or can be mailed out on request for those who were not able to attend the information session. A printable version of the workbook is on the Summer Village website. Written responses can be submitted by mail or email independent of the workbook up to the deadline.

TIME SENSITIVE DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES

DECEMBER 29th, 2023

Your response to the material presented at the Open Space Plan information Session is due in the Summer Village Office by mail, email or drop-off by December 29th, 2023

You may be making some plans for next year. If so, the following resources are worth a look:

Dock Resources

The Provincial Government has developed guidelines for the placement of docks. Please review the following resources for guidance as you make your plans for next year on the waterfront. Follow links to the listed resources below from the webpage www.alberta.ca/lakeshores

- [Disturbance Standard for Temporary Seasonal Docks and other Mooring Structures for Personal Recreational Purposes](#)
- [Moorage Allowance Infographic](#)
- [Waterfront and Semi-waterfront Property Owners Fact Sheet](#)
- [Back Lot Property Owners Fact Sheet](#)
- [Shared Docks Fact Sheet](#)

And remember:

Landscaping is development. Consult the Land Use Bylaw to see if a Development Permit is required for your planned changes. Depending on the extent of your project a Completion Deposit may be required along with your application for a Development Permit

Tree removal on your property may require approval depending on the situation.

Tree removal off your property including on reserves adjacent to your property is not allowed. If you have concerns about a tree on municipal land, please contact the Summer Village office. There is a budget line for removal dangerous trees by trained professionals.

See the Summer Village Website for more information.

Operational Budget for 2024

Council has approved a 3% increase to the Operational Budget for next year. This change represents an increase of less than \$7 per 100,000 of assessed value for your property.

Email Communication with Residents

Council and Administration wish to reduce costs where possible. Email communications are quicker and cheaper than mailed communications like a hardcopy of this newsletter. Please use the form on the Norglenwold website to sign up or email your request for email updates to information@sylvansummervillages.ca .