

Resort Village of Aquadeo Beach

Newsletter

2017

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Mayors Address

Another successful year has passed in the resort. The village continues to grow and change and I will point out just a few highlights from the year 2016.

- 1.) In May we were excited to come to an agreement with ACRA and move our office to the lower level of the community hall. With the help of many volunteers, we did a small renovation, cleaned, repainted, cleaned floors, and installed new furniture. It is a real pleasure to say that our office has come home.
- 2.) We have installed a standby generator at our water treatment plant. This will allow us to distribute water during power outages without disruption of service. This avoids boiled water advisories in the future.
- 3.) We have directional bored four pipes which will allow us to remove standing water from areas around the village. Work is still in progress to rid ourselves of the mud.
- 4.) With the help of Brian Whitehead's invention we were able make three applications of dust proofing to all gravel streets and allies. This will continue in the new year.
- 5.) We are in the process of getting quotes to continue the repair of pavement on Aqualane.
- 6.) We have become members of the "Love your Lakes" program sponsored by the North Saskatchewan River Basin Council. This past fall, an assessment of all lakefront properties was completed and each property owner will be receiving a copy of the the results for their property evaluation.
- 7.) We are pleased to introduce our new foreman Ryan Poitras, and our new acting Administrator Amber Loeppky.
- 8.) We are in the process of completing the Annexation of the Village Hall and Maintenance shop into the village limits. Our Hall and Shop now have a street number. We have applied to Canada Post to have postal service brought to our village.
- 9.) We continue to see an increase in the use of properties through the year. Winter usage is increasing and is visible by the amount of collected garbage and activities on the frozen lake.

On behalf of myself and council I would like to thank each and everyone of you for making our village a place to be proud of and enjoy.

Hours of operation: 8:30 to 12:00 and 12:30 to 5:00 pm

Summer (April-September) Monday-Friday

Winter (October-March) Monday-Thursday.

This year was an election year and there was a lot of interest shown over the positions and we had a great turnout at the polls.

Council

Mayor: Cameron Duncan

Councillors:

Earl Cuff, Larry Foster, Mervin Grey and Ken Milnthorp.

At this time the Resort Village would like to thank Eva Iwanchuk and Murray Hollick for the years of service that both dedicated to the Resort Village.

This year we saw Brian Whitehead retire and leave us. On behalf of Mayor and Council we would like to thank Brian for his years of service and dedication that he made to our village. We wish you luck and good health Brian in your retirement.

We would also like to thank all of those who allowed their names to stand for the election.

Acting Administrator: Amber Loeppky

Maintenance Foreman: Ryan Poitras

Water Treatment Operators: Dale Woytuik, Lidya Murphy, Larry Hujber and Colleen Gray.

E-Mail Address

We are still in the process of updating our contact information of e-mail addresses and phone numbers. Please email or contact this office at aquadeoadmin@gmail.com with your information. We are trying to get our information updated so that we can keep you informed about what is going on in the Village and in case of an emergency. Bulk emails are being sent to all emails that are on file.

Website

We are continuing to work on updating our website. Hopefully we will be able to post our bylaws, up to date minutes, permits and be able to keep the residents up to date on Village events. Our web address is: www.aquadeo.net. If you have anything that you may want to have included on the website, please forward it to this office and we will include them on the website.

Annual Meeting

Council will hold an annual meeting this year to keep the communication channels open for our residence. The meeting will be held on **July 9, 2017** beginning at **1:00 pm** upstairs in the community hall.

Personal or Property Issues

Any business after office hours such as water leaks or broken lines please call to office at 306-386-2942 and follow the prompts to forward a message to our maintenance personal. Issues involving disruptions of the peace, out of control parties, or any unlawful activities please contact the **RCMP** at **306-446-1720**. With the recent break-ins and vehicle thefts, all suspicious activities must be reported. Help to make our community a safe place to live by keeping an eye on your neighborhood and contacting the RCMP. Remember: Council members do not enforce the law.

Attention Property Owners

We realize that we are a Resort Village and family is very important to have staying with us , but our by-laws and services have been stretched to the limit and beyond resulting in over usage and safety issues. Therefore, we will be enforcing the following by-laws:

1. Extended camping of more than three days is not allowed on the public roadways. Please help us to keep our streets safe for all motorists and pedestrians.
2. Property owners are reminded that they are allowed one trailer/camper, that is used from time to time not exceeding a period of 30 consecutive days to be used as temporary sleeping accommodations for guest of the single detached dwelling. A second trailer/camper will be allowed for a fee of \$600.00/until/season.
3. RV's and campers are not allowed on vacant lots unless you have a building permit approved by the council and only for the time specified.

Council Meetings

Regular council meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 8:30 am.

Tax Information

According to Bylaw No. 04/16; All discount shall be allowed with respect to the prepayment of the current year's Municipal property taxes only. The rate of discount relative to prepayment of taxes shall be January to March 31, 15%, April to June 30, 10%, and July to August 31, 5%.

Golf Carts

Again, this year all golf carts will require a license to operate within Village Limits (excluding the golf course carts). This license can be picked up at the village office for a one-time fee of \$25.00. Golf carts fall under the Highways Act and therefore, you must have a valid drivers license, this means that underage drivers are disqualified from operating one. The hours of operation of any golf cart not equipped with permanent lights are ½ an hour before sunrise and ½ an hour after sunset.

Megan Morrow's experience began on the morning of August 11, 2011 while her family was camping at Slave Lake, about 2 ½ hours from Grande Prairie. Megan, her sister and a friend had hopped on the back of a golf cart and when the young driver went around a corner too fast Megan fell and smashed her head into the ground. At first the girls didn't want to get into trouble, as they knew they weren't supposed to be on the cart, but upon seeing Megan was unwell, they ran to get her parents. Megan was taken to the High Prairie Health Complex, about 1.2 hour away and her condition was getting worse.

"The doctor at the hospital examined her and was concerned here might be swelling or bleeding of the brain," said Wendy, Megan's mom.

Hence, Stars was called to transport her to the QEII hospital in Grand Prairie and by the time the helicopter arrived, Megan's personality had completely changed.

"She was normally sweet and mild mannered, but she had become completely belligerent".

Fortunately, at the QEII Hospital, physicians conducted a CT Scan that showed Megan did not have bleeding on the brain. She received treatment for a closed head injury and once the brain swelling subsided, she returned to her normal self and was home soon afterwards.

Contrary to popular belief Golf Carts are not play toys, they are a motor vehicle and as such carry the same risk.

Garbage & Recycling

The recycling bin north of the community hall is being well used.

Please be reminded that all cardboard must be flattened before being placed in the bin, saving room for more recycling material. Please be reminded to only place recyclables in the this bin. As tax payers, the more the bin has to be dumped, the more it costs.

We continue to haul our household waste to bins which are picked up and delivered to the North Battleford dumpsite. This site is only available to the village staff. We are also allowed to burn branches at this site. Any tree branches picked up will be control burned and we ask that if you are hauling your own trees, please leave in the designated site, just north of the Village Office. **REMINDER: NO TREATED WOOD.** If you are disposing leaves and garden material, please dump your bags in the designated site north of the Village Office.

Please insure that your garbage is put out in a proper container and is protected from animals and birds.

Aquadeo Volunteer Fire Department

This year marked the re-vitalization of our Volunteer Fire Department. We now have 20 active members, with Ed Neufeld as Deputy chief. We are still actively looking for more members because in the event of a fire or other disaster, not everyone may be at the lake that day and we will need as many people as possible to be involved.

Reminders

The Community Hall is available for rent. Contact the Village Office at 306-386-2942.

Boat Storage fees are to be paid to the Village by May 1, 2017.

Report a burned out street light to Sask Power at 310-2220, and report the exact location.

Pet stations are located at the west-end of Poplar Crescent, by the public washroom on the main beach and at the far end-end of Aqualane.

No dogs are allowed in playground area and are to be leashed at all times.

Fireworks permits are required and are available for free at the Village Office.

Lake Front Beach Access

Access to the lake front by motor vehicles is restricted to Lake front property owners, deliveries to the lake front properties and maintenance vehicles only. The Village doesn't want to gate the access, so we are asking the property owners to take the initiative and inform people that are using it to visit that it is not to be continued.

Building/Plumbing Permits.

Are required prior to construction and available at the Village Office. All new construction requires a permit whether it is over 100 square feet or not, the location in the yard needs to be approved by Council.

Business Licenses

A license is required for anyone contracted to do work for you and are available at the Village Office.

Community Events

9th Annual Dot and Trapper Memorial Children's Fishing Classic will be held on July 8th, 2017.

The Annual Children's Bike and Stroller Parade, sponsored by the Aquadeo Volunteer Fire Dept. Will be held on July 9th, 2017.

The annual fireworks display, sponsored by Vince Turchak, will be held at a date to be announced.

