



# KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## DECEMBER 2006



### SEASONS GREETINGS FROM THE KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT COUNCIL

We are now into the final year of a three year term and feel that much has been accomplished. The past two years your Council has been focusing on re-examining our direction and priorities for this community. We started this term identifying goals for this Council and our community, establishing a working business and strategic plan that has resulted in two main priorities;

Priority #1 - "To Develop Productive Partnerships with the Province"

Council's top priority for its current term will be to establish a "win-win" partnership with the Province with respect to the Improvement District's purpose of providing municipal services to the residents and to work with and provide input to the Province with respect to land use and resources.

Priority #2 - "Build the Community of Kananaskis"

Council would like to explore opportunities to bring our community more "on-par" with other communities in the province with respect to municipal and community services.

In October, we had the opportunity to tour the Honourable Denis Ducharme, Minister of Community Development throughout our community. Highlights of this tour included housing and its current challenges, opportunities to improve community services, including high speed internet access, safety issues such as propane vs. natural gas and FireSmartering initiatives for our communities. We will continue to work closely with the Minister and Government Partners to address these issues and initiatives for our community.

At the November 7, 2006 KID Council meeting Council approved their 2007-2011 Business & Strategic Plan. If you would like a copy of the 2007-2011 Business & Strategic Plan please contact Cheryl Dubuc at the KID office (403) 591-7774, or you may also contact your Council Representative for more information and to discuss any questions you may have regarding the Plan.

The KID Mission Statement is an integral part of the 2007-2011 KID Business & Strategic Plan; "KID, in collaboration with its service partners, will provide effective local government and municipal services to its residents and ratepayers in a fair and efficient manner. KID shares a commitment with the Province regarding the management of Kananaskis Country and works with and provides input to the Province with respect to the policies governing utilization of public lands and resources within Kananaskis Country". The Vision Statement is also a part of the 2007-2011 KID Business & Strategic Plan, after much discussion and collaboration the KID Council decided on a new Vision Statement; "Building a Strong Community That Shares Alberta's Jewel in Perfect Balance".

By Linda McNeely, Chair  
Kananaskis Improvement District Council

### THROUGH THE EYES OF AN ALBERTIAN

*Whenever I and or my family have driven towards Kananaskis it amazes me each time the beauty that nature has provided for all to behold. I often have thought how lucky some people are to live in such an amazing piece of paradise within the province.*

*Since becoming a Councillor for the Kananaskis Improvement District, however, my views*

### Kananaskis Emergency Services

#### STATISTICS

##### Aug. 1— Aug. 31/06

Parks/Dispatch Calls	433
EMS Transport Calls	15
EMS Non-Transport	22
Fire Response Calls	41

##### Sept. 1— Sept. 31/06

Parks/Dispatch Calls	231
EMS Transport Calls	3
EMS Non-Transport	11
Fire Response Calls	33

##### Oct. 1— Oct. 31/06

Parks/Dispatch Calls	131
EMS Transport Calls	5
EMS Non-Transport	6
Fire Response Calls	21

**The Kananaskis  
Improvement  
District is a proud  
member of E911.**

**To report an  
Emergency:**

**Fire  
Ambulance  
Police  
Mountain  
Rescue**

**Dial 911**

*have been broadened to see much more than just the splendor of this area. I have seen the hard work and the determination of all those who do actually live within this paradise and now I think how lucky I am to have people that are willing to make sacrifices in order to maintain this piece of heaven for the rest of Alberta to have. I have also become very grateful to the individuals who work and live here for the sacrifices they have had to make in order to provide Albertans world-class service when they enter this pristine environment.*

*These same individuals have humbled me as they have given up some of the conveniences of the urban and many rural settings in order to provide international and national guests an experience within their own world that these guests will never forget in a lifetime.*

*Now, as a Councillor, when driving towards Kananaskis I always smile and truly admire the vastness and the exquisiteness of the area but never forget those individuals who have made it so.*

*By Joanne Taylor*

*Councillor, Kananaskis Improvement District*

*Representing Albertans-at-Large*

### WELCOME TO THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE KANANASKIS RCMP DETACHMENT

The RCMP detachment in Kananaskis has a new Detachment Commander Cpl. Tim Chmarney who replaces Cpl. Phil Wilson who departed in July after being promoted. Tim and his wife Deb moved to the area in November from his last posting in Vegreville. Having previously lived in the Kootenay, B.C. area they are pleased to have returned to the mountains and look forward to participating in the many recreational opportunities Kananaskis Country provides.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The first regular Council meeting of 2007 will be held January 15, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council chambers located in the lower level of the Kananaskis Village Centre. The Annual General Meeting will be taking place at 7:00 p.m. on February 6, 2007 in the Charlie Beil Room located in the Kananaskis Village Centre.

### 2007 KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARDS & COMMITTEES

The Kananaskis Improvement District is looking for residents who would be interested in participating as a Kananaskis Improvement District representative on the following Council established Committees and Boards:

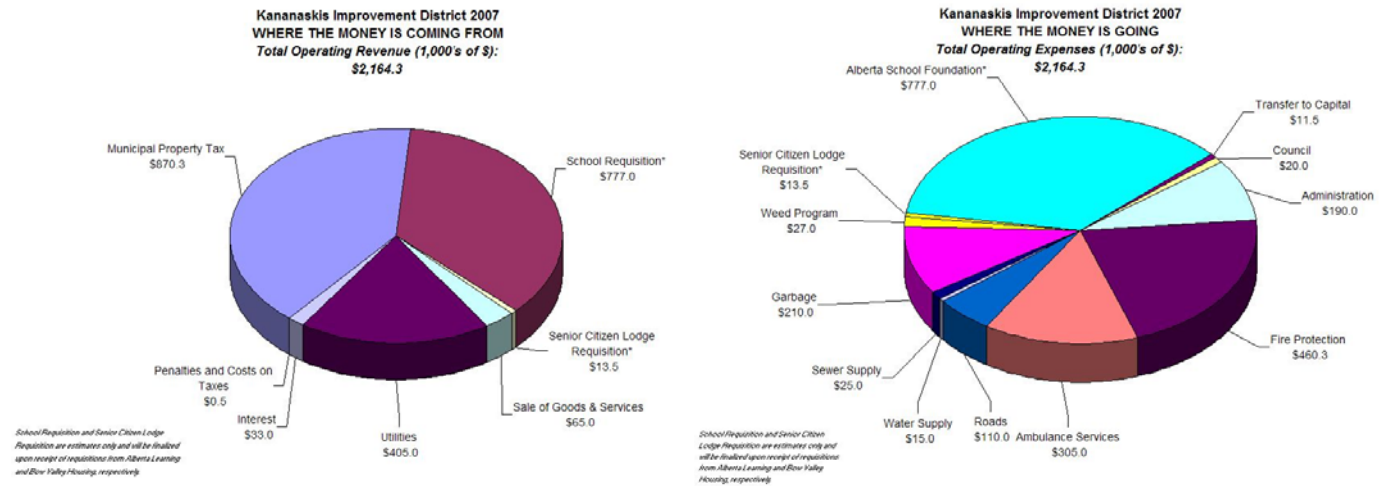
- o Assessment Review Board
- o Wildland Urban Interface Committee
- o Marigold Library Board
- o Bow Valley Community Health Council
- o Emergency Services Committee
- o Bow Valley Regional Social Housing Board
- o Highwood Business Development Corporation

Members are remunerated for expenses. Resumes can be submitted to the Municipal Administrator at the Kananaskis Emergency Services Building before February 16, 2007. Appointments will be made as required by Council. For more information please contact Cheryl Dubuc, Municipal Administrator at (403) 591-7774.

*SEASONS GREETINGS*

**COUNCIL SETS BUDGET**

Council approved an operating budget of \$2,164,300.00 for the 2007 fiscal year at the November 7, 2006 meeting. Details of the revenue and expenses are shown below:



**2007 RATES FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

- Garbage User Fees: \$23.00/m3, up from \$22.00/m3 in 2006.
- Lower Lake Cottage Subdivision Garbage Fees: \$78.00 per lot, up from \$75.00 per lot in 2006.
- Water & Sewer Rates: Will be increased on average by 5% from 2006 rates.
- Business License Fees: Will be increased by an average of 5% from 2006 rates.

**KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, BUSINESS LICENSE ORDER**

Business Licenses for 2006 expire on December 31, 2006 and as such renewal of the license is required by January 15, 2007. An amended schedule of fees is listed below and takes effect January 1, 2007;

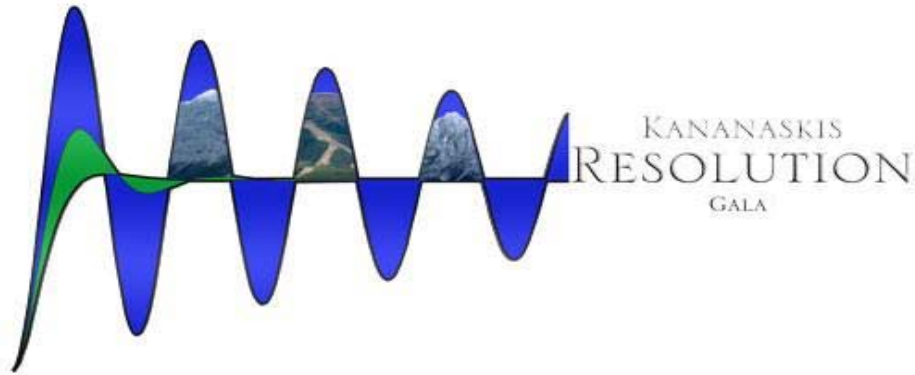
**Schedule A—Fees Schedule**

Type of License Fee	Annual
<b>Resident Business</b>	<b>Non-Resident Businesses</b>
(a) Small Business \$105	(a) Small Business \$160
(b) Regular Business \$210	(b) Regular Business \$525
(c) Major Business \$525	(c) Major Business \$1,325
	Not for Profit Business \$100
	Other Types of Fees Regular
	Duplicate License \$25
	Transfer \$30
	Appeal \$50

**“Small Business”** means any business that has a gross annual revenue generated within the Kananaskis Improvement District of \$10,000 or less.

**“Regular Business”** means any resident business that has a gross annual revenue generated within the Kananaskis Improvement District between \$10,000 and \$750,000.

**“Major Business”** means any business that has a gross annual revenue generated within the Kananaskis Improvement District of \$750,000 or greater.



*You are invited to a Kananaskis Party!*

**When:** January 19, 2007

**Where:** Delta Lodge at Kananaskis

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**\*All proceeds to the Summit Foundation for Cystic Fibrosis\***

**For Accommodation and Gala Tickets**

**\$199** For Two Based on Double Occupancy in a Delta Room (excluding applicable taxes)

Call the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis to reserve your room and attendance at the

**Kananaskis Resolution Gala**

403-591-6240 or 1-866-432-4322

(Please say you are with the Summit Foundation for Cystic Fibrosis and quote group number GG924)

Email [kan.reservations@deltahotels.com](mailto:kan.reservations@deltahotels.com)

**For Gala Tickets and Live Silent Auction Only**

**\$50.00**

*Please call Tracy Paley to reserve your gala tickets only at 403-591-7944*



**SUMMIT  
FOUNDATION**

*WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM  
THE KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT*