



KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 2007

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 Marigold Library Board
- o Emergency Services Committee
- o Highwood Business Development Corporation
- o Community FireSmart Committee
- o Bow Valley Community Health Council
- o Bow Valley Regional Social Housing Board

Members are remunerated for their time and expenses. Resumes can be submitted to the Municipal Administrator at the Kananaskis Emergency Services Building **on or before September 30, 2007**. Appointments will be made at the special Council organizational meeting scheduled for October 23, 2007. For more information please contact Cheryl Dubuc, Municipal Administrator at (403) 591-7774.

NOTICE OF NOMINATION DAY KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

- Large Business — 1 Vacancy
- Small Business — 1 Vacancy
- Non-Commercial Resident or Ratepayer — 1 Vacancy
- Lower Lake Cabin Association Member — 1 Vacancy

Nomination forms are available on the website kananaskisid.ca and may be picked up at the Kananaskis Improvement District Office located at the Kananaskis Emergency Service Centre. Nomination forms along with a resume or bio must be completed and dropped off at the Kananaskis Improvement District Office on September 17, 2007 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

KID WEBSITE COMMUNITY EVENTS PAGE - kananaskisid.ca

At the July 3, 2007 Council meeting Council decided that a Community Events Page should be implemented on the KID Website. Community event information must be submitted prior to November 1 and May 1 for posting on the KID Website. Event postings that are received after these dates may incur a cost recovery fee. Please submit your community events to the KID Municipal Administrator Cheryl Dubuc, e-mail address Cheryl.dubuc@gov.ab.ca.

REMOVAL OF BEAR ATTRACTANTS

Conservation Officer Dave Hanna has offered to provide the tools and training to remove bear attractant vegetation from your property. Sheperdia bushes more commonly known as buffalo berry bushes are a favorite of bears and so removing these types of berry producing bushes from your property will help ensure your safety as well as deter bears from feeding in the area. For more information please call the Peter Loughheed Provincial Park Duty Desk at 591-6309.

KANANASKIS INTERNET PROJECT

The process to bring internet to Kananaskis Country is now in full swing. With our open house having been held on July 26th we were able to address the questions and concerns of the people that attended. The response from the residents has been very positive and with that response we are now able to formulate the business case for providing service in Kananaskis. In the coming weeks we will be working to provide a proposed coverage area based on the responses as well as the existing population base.

Should anyone have any questions or comments please feel free to email them to kananaskis@rameco.ca. I would like to thank everyone who came to the open house and we look forward to working towards enabling broadband in Kananaskis. Submitted by Ryan Jackson RAMECO Associates

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE KANANASKIS RCMP DETACHMENT

The newest addition to the Kananaskis RCMP detachment is Cst. Kyle Longmire. He is originally from the south west of Nova Scotia. Kananaskis is his first posting and prior to being in Kananaskis he spent 24 weeks in Regina, Saskatchewan at "Depot" the RCMP training facility. Cst. Longmire arrived in the Kananaskis valley at the end of June and has found it to be a beautiful and amazing place. He is looking forward to working with and being a part of the unique community here in Kananaskis.

Kananaskis Emergency Services

STATISTICS

June 1— June 30/07

Parks/Dispatch Calls	357
EMS Transport Calls	5
EMS Non-Transport	6
Fire Response Calls	37

July 1— July 31/07

Parks/Dispatch Calls	662
EMS Transport Calls	24
EMS Non-Transport	24
Fire Response Calls	119

Aug 1— Aug 31/07

Parks/Dispatch Calls	533
EMS Transport Calls	15
EMS Non-Transport	18
Fire Response Calls	51

The Kananaskis Improvement District is a proud member of E911.

To report an emergency:

- o Fire
- o Ambulance
- o Police
- o Mountain Rescue

Dial 911

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ROUNDUP

The Kananaskis Improvement District will again be offering to our residents and ratepayers the opportunity to dispose of, **FOR FREE**, your household hazardous wastes **on or before September 28, 2007**. These wastes may be harmful to humans or the environment unless given special handling and treatment in the way they are discarded. They may be flammable, corrosive, explosive or toxic, because of these dangerous characteristics they should not be disposed of in landfills or sewage systems.

Between the hours of 9am and 4pm bring your household hazardous wastes to the Kananaskis Emergency Services Centre for free disposal. Materials that are commonly brought in include abrasive cleaners, paint, batteries, old fuel, kerosene, medications, solvents, weed killers and old propane bottles. A complete list is available at the Kananaskis Emergency Services Centre or at the following website, www3.gov.ab.ca/env/waste/aow/hhw/common.html.

Some Precautions:

- Keep all materials in their original containers. If the container is cracked or broken, place it in a leak proof container and label it.
- If you find jars or cans of unidentified chemicals, take them to the collection site and tell a staff person that you don't know what's inside.
- Any container printed with product warning symbols or precautions about use of the product or instructions on disposal of the container should be included.
- Please check your home for potentially hazardous products you no longer need and we'll see you on or before **September 28, 2007**.

KANANASKIS A FIRESMART COMMUNITY

On June 9th and 10th chainsaws and a wood chipper could be heard all day as residents of the golf course and Mt. Kidd RV Park got together to clear the underbrush and dead fall around their homes. People had the chance to stock up on a few years supply of firewood and at the same time make the residential areas a safer and nicer place to live! All this work would not have been possible without the help of many volunteers and organizations. The efforts of all parties involved has had an immense impact on the aesthetics and safety within the residential loops in the two focus areas in Kananaskis. The positive feedback we have received has proved this project is a huge success for the second year in a row. We hope to eventually include all residential areas in the FireSmart program, as it is a benefit to all who reside in the Kananaskis area. A huge thank you goes out to:

Alberta Sustainable Resource Development: for providing manpower to cut down and remove deadfall, for working closely with the KCRA to bring FireSmart awareness to the community and providing informational sessions to educate and inform the residents of the importance of FireSmarting. Their leadership, support, & enthusiasm were second to none.

Kananaskis Improvement District: provided both residential areas with big garbage bins, a mulching truck, manpower and fire apparatus as well as the funding to ensure that this important project will continue. Fire Officers came along with their ladder truck & ladders, getting residents up onto their roofs so that eaves troughs could be cleaned of pine needles and leaves. Thank you for picking up and disposing of all unwanted electronics and toxic materials.

Alberta Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture: the Bow Valley and Peter Lougheed Provincial Park trail crews worked hard all weekend, taking down dead trees and hauling deadfall out of the woods into neat piles for the mulching truck.

Kananaskis Community Recreational Association: was the liaison between all departments and organized all residents to ensure a successful FireSmart weekend. A delicious lunch was provided for all of the volunteers and recycling boxes were provided to all residents in the mentioned areas.

Residents of the Mt. Kidd RV Park and the Golf Course: the weekend would not have been successful without all your hard work and enthusiasm! A special thank you goes out to Mt. Kidd RV Park and the Mt. Kidd residents for teaming up with the KCRA in providing a dinner for all of the volunteers in the Mt. Kidd loop. Thank you for everyone's support in this community event and we look forward to working with you again next year! Submitted by Tracey Paley, President KCRA

KANANASKIS LAKES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Kananaskis Lakes Association held their Annual General Meeting and Potluck Supper on August 25, 2007 at William Watson Lodge. The meeting reviewed the Associations' activities over the past year; the President & Treasurers' reports were received & discussed, including details on the funding given for the Family Bear Trap through a donation to the Friends of Kananaskis. The four Fishing Derby winners were announced (& trophies awarded accordingly), all to members of the same family! Guest speakers included Stew Walkinshaw (on behalf of Sustainable Resource Development), Shawn Polley (EMS), Tim Chmarney (RCMP), & Dave Hanna (Conservation Officer). These individuals presented response statistics in the valley over the last year, and included video presentations on incident trends, FireSmart building structure protection, and bear ID photos. One of the cabin owners made a motion (unanimously approved, to loud applause) commending the EMS groups for their quick response to a power line/transformer failure just earlier that same morning. Due to the professional manner and approach in which all the departments responded to this potential fire/electrocution hazard situation, as a thank-you acknowledgment he offered to fund the purchase of an evacuation blanket-stretcher for the EMS team. A huge appreciation of thanks was given to Dave Hanna, who is accepting a promotion in September to Canmore. Craig Reid gave a brief report (as the Association's representative) on the KID council work over the last year, which was followed by a round of thanks. Following the AGM, the annual Potluck Supper took place, including a birthday cake for a past member, Gordie Morin, who turned 80 in June. Submitted by Bruce Lukey, President, Kananaskis Lakes Association