



KANANASKIS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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FALL 2013

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - OCTOBER 21, 2013

A Nomination Day Notice has been posted in the Rocky Mountain Outlook, on the website and on Public Notice Boards. Nomination forms will be received by the Returning Officer at the Municipal Office September 23, 2013 between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. If there is more than one candidate for a vacancy, elections will be held October 21, 2013.

Following Election day, Council is formally established through a Ministerial Order by the Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation for a term of 4 years.

If you are interested in joining Council please contact the Municipal Office at (403) 591 7774.

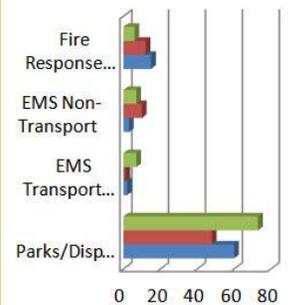
Further information can also be found on the Kananaskis Improvement District Website at: www.kananaskisid.ca/councilelections.php

RECRUITMENT UPDATE

The Kananaskis Improvement District welcomes SONDY SZYMANIS as the Community Liaison Coordinator. We are very pleased to have her on board to play an active role in shaping the community - working to sustain it as a destination that provides opportunities for a diverse quality of life, as well as ensuring all who visit, live and work here can engage in a variety of experiences.

If you have some great event ideas or are interested in volunteering please email SONDY directly at Sondy.Szymanis@gov.ab.ca

Kananaskis Emergency Services Statistics



	Parks /Dispatch Calls	EMS Transport Calls	EMS Non-Transport	Fire Response Calls
June	73	7	7	6
July	48	1	10	12
Aug	60	2	3	15

COUNCIL MEETING UPDATES:

June / July, 2013 utility invoicing update:

At the September 3, 2013 meeting Council agreed to waive the utility billing for June and July, 2013 in recognition of the utility disruption and impacts on the water / wastewater distribution system from the June 20, 2013 flood event. Letters in this regard will be sent to each ratepayer and Administration will be seeking ways to recover the loss of revenue from Government funding sources.

Loss of income / damage relief funding:

Council has directed Administration to work with Rotary Club Charitable Foundation and Bow Valley Victim Services to aid KID residents and ratepayers affected by the June / July floods. The funding guidelines have been identified as an aid in day to day costs that could have been incurred during the flood period and is intended to be a "hand up" for those who may not qualify for other funding relief programs. If you would like to submit an application please contact the municipal office on (403) 591-7774 and they will assist you in the process.

KIDSPORT ALBERTA

Did you know that residents of the Kananaskis Improvement District who have children they wish to enroll in organized sports may be eligible for support through the Bow Valley chapter of KidSport? KidSport believes that no child should be left on the sidelines and should be given the opportunity to experience the positive benefits of organized sports. KidSport provides support to children in order to remove financial barriers that prevent them from playing organized sport. Check out www.kidsportcanada.ca for further information.

COMBINED ASSESSMENTS AND TAX NOTICES

The 2013 Tax Roll Assessment information for the Kananaskis Improvement District is available on our website at: www.kananaskisid.ca.

Combined Assessment and Tax Notices were mailed July 26, 2013 and are due no later than September 27, 2013. A 12% penalty on outstanding current taxes will be imposed on September 28, 2013 and an additional 12% penalty will be added to all outstanding taxes on January 1st of each subsequent year.

Remember that you can only appeal your assessment value and not your actual taxes. If you decide to appeal your assessment you have 60 days from when the Assessment Notice is mailed to review your assessment and submit an appeal. After reviewing your Assessment Notice any questions or concerns should first be referred to the Kananaskis Improvement District appointed Assessors

A MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE FIRE CHIEF

In reflecting on the recent devastating floods if you or your family are caught in a long-term emergency or disaster, Are You Prepared?

Every household should have an Emergency Kit just in case.... Is there enough drinking water for everyone in the household?; How much food will you need for 72 hours?; Do you have a flashlight and portable radio with fresh batteries?; Do you know the location of your fire extinguisher?; Do you know the location for your gas shut off valve?; Do you have a first aid kit and do you know where it is?; Do you have an emergency plan? ; Do you know the safe exits from your home and neighborhood? Are you aware of the risks in your region?

All the information you need on how to build your own Emergency Kit and what should be included in your emergency plan, can all be found in the "72-hour guide" downloadable online at www.getprepared.gc.ca/index-eng.aspx. You are also welcome to stop by the Kananaskis Emergency Services Centre during business hours to talk with our Fire Officers who will be able to show you examples of emergency kits and provide you with a copy of the "72-hour guidebook".

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

To report an **emergency**:

- *Fire*
- *Ambulance*
- *Police*
- *Mountain*
- *Rescue*

Dial 911

KANANASKIS LAKES ASSOCIATION 2013 AGM

Our AGM was Saturday afternoon, August 24th, 2:00 pm, William Watson Lodge. In times of crisis everyone has a story, their own or one they have heard, and everyone becomes a storyteller. Shawn Polley, our KID CAO, told the valley's story of the flood. We had all seen photos but just the sheer number of flood carnage slides from Shawn was impressive! What a story. Randy Axani, Conservation, shared the story of the wildlife and how they fared. Harmony with bears is always important to us and we were pleased that the funding for the Bear Aversion Program came through. Windriver shared interesting slides of their unusual work this flood year. WildSmart shared pamphlets. There was discussion and information with KID, RCMP, and FireSmart. Mike Kelly presented the BRBC work on the management of the Bow River System and their recommendations which include Lower Lake stabilization. KLA was thanked for their role in keeping everyone up-dated during the SOLE; communication is important so please keep your KLA membership up-dated, too.

Thank you to all who attended and participated. It was a long but amazing afternoon, and excellent pot luck.

FIRESMART PROGRAM

Do you want to help protect your home from the potential catastrophic effects of wildfire?

The new application and process document for the KID FireSmart Program is now on the KID website (<http://kananaskisid.ca/firesmart.php>). Follow the instructions provided in the 'FireSmart Tree Flagging process information' and complete the application for submission to Kananaskis Emergency Services. You will then be well on your way to making your home a FireSmart home! For more information contact the Kananaskis Emergency Services at 403-591-7755.