

Summer Village of Waiparous

Mini-Newsletter – April 2018

Rural Crime Watch

In the Waiparous area, the local Rural Crime Watch organization is the Cochrane Foothills Protective Association (CFPA). The area served is that of the Cochrane Detachment of the RCMP.

The Summer Village is currently looking at purchasing a membership in the Cochrane Rural Crime Watch as a corporate partner. As members the Summer Village will be able to host CRPA speakers at Village meetings from time to time and publish some of the Association's education literature in future newsletters. For individual residents to participate in the Rural Crime Watch program, residents will need to purchase an individual membership.

To become a Rural Crime Watch member, application forms can be obtained from the Cochrane RCMP Detachment Office, Fish & Wildlife Office, or from the Waiparous area Director, Paul Clark paul.clark@mdbighorn.ca

For more information contact: cochraneruralcrimewatch@gmail.com or attend the **CFPA Annual General Meeting on Saturday April 21, 2018 1:00 pm at the Frank Wills Hall in Cochrane.**

Tips to Protect Yourself: The list includes things like remembering to arm your home security system when you leave, dogs in the home, no trespassing signage, Rural Crime Watch Member signage, lock your vehicles and your home, including your garage or sheds, present your home as occupied when you are away for extended periods by hiring a house sitter and using light timers.

How do we help each other: Watch your neighbours' property and check in with them if what you observe may affect them. Note and report suspicious activity. Become an active Rural Crime Watch member. Continually Observe, Record, Report. When reporting crimes in progress call 911 or Cochrane RCMP 403-932-2211. Suspicious activity calls to 403-851-8000. Be simple, clear, and address who, what, when, where.

Reminder of Nomination Day

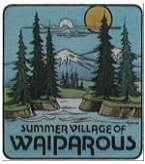
Nomination Day for the Summer Village of Waiparous is **Saturday, April 28, 2018** between the hours of **10:00 am and noon** at the Waiparous Community Services Facility, 2 Wildrose Place, Waiparous Alberta.

Nominations are being received for the position of Councillor. There is one (1) vacancy.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Returning Officer by contacting the Village Office:

- phone (403) 554-5515
- fax (403) 206-7209
- email admin@waiparous.ca
- download from waiparous.ca

NOTE: Council term is **THREE (3) years.**



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Wildfire Community Preparedness Day – Saturday May 5th

**WILDFIRE COMMUNITY
PREPAREDNESS DAY 2018**

Date: Saturday May 5th
Time: BBQ 5:30 pm; Presentation to follow
Location: Waiparous Community Services Facility

Enjoy a BBQ dinner compliments of FireSmart Canada. Visit with neighbours and to listen to Stew Walkinshaw, a local wildfire expert, entertain and educate us with a presentation of the 2018 Waiparous Wildfire Mitigation Strategy. Stew will also share his experience of witnessing the wildfires entering the Waterton townsite last year.

Interested in helping with this event? Contact admin@waiparous.ca for details.

TOGETHER WE ARE PREPARED

Find out more at www.firesmartcanada.ca

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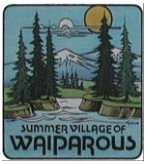


Council Meeting

The next regular Council meeting will be held on **Monday, May 7, 2018** and will commence at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the **Community Services Facility in Waiparous**.

At the beginning of each council meeting, Council hosts a “Resident Dialogue Session” where residents can informally ask questions, make inquiries, etc. The session will be limited to a maximum of 20 minutes in total and limited to 10 minutes per resident. *(if you attend and notice more than 2 residents wanting to speak, please try not to use the max. 10 minutes so that everyone present has an opportunity to speak)*

If you would like to formally address Council on a specific item, please forward your written request, either by mail, fax or email, stating the nature of your presentation with a summary of the presentation to the Village Office at least one week prior to the meeting to be placed on the agenda.



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Assessment Notices – Mailed

The 2018 Assessment Notices were mailed out to property owners on **March 26, 2018**. If you have not received your Assessment Notice for 2018, please contact the Village Office. If you have questions regarding your 2018 assessment, the Village Assessors will be available to discuss your assessment with you. Please contact Benchmark Assessment Consultants at 1-800-633-9012 between 8:00 am – 4:30 pm Monday – Friday. Property Owners have until June 4, 2018 to appeal their assessments.

Volunteers needed

The following Committees are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please contact the Village Office for an application or more information.

- Municipal Development Plan Steering Committee
- Highway 40 Road Committee
- By-law Enforcement Committee

Events In and Around Your Community

Septic Sense

April 26th 6:30pm – Beaupre Community Hall

The MD of Bighorn together with Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association and Land Stewardship Centre Presents Septic Sense: Solutions for Rural Living

Understanding and taking care of your septic system

- What a septic system is and how it works
- Regulations
- Design and installation
- Appropriate use of your septic system
- Maintaining your septic system
- Troubleshooting

This event is **FREE** however, please **pre-register before April 19, 2018** by contacting Andrew Richmond at: andrew.richmond@mdbighorn.ca or 403.673.3611 ext. 241 to register today!

Ghost/Waiparous Trails Assoc. Annual Meeting

Saturday May 12, 2018

Time: 10:00 am – 12 noon

Waiparous Community Services Facility