# Alberta Beach Newsletter 2014



#### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

Well we had our Municipal election this past October and your new Council members are:

Jim Benedict

Mayor

Bill Love

Deputy Mayor

Angela Duncan

Councillor

Tara Elwood

Councillor

Don McNair

Councillor

We are all pleased and proud that you have chosen us!

The Village has set up a Facebook page, we encourage you to log on and take a look. Let us know what you think. Please send us your email address we can keep you up to date on the happenings around the Village.

As you all watched last fall, work on the boat launch project commenced and it all came together without any big concerns. This phase of the project was on time and under budget. Work will continue this fall as we need to let all the fill settle before the landscaping is done. The main beach area will also get a face lift and improvements. I am confident that the plan we approved will meet or exceed your expectations!

The construction on the new Public Works building is coming along well. The new building will be a great asset to the Village and allow for a good cleanup of the existing site. We anticipate the department to move to the new building this summer.

There was a drainage study done this year. With this document, we will be able to start working on improvements to the ditches to help alleviate standing water. This will be a lengthy and costly project. Thank you for your patience, it will get done and has been approved through government grants.

The Village of Alberta Beach along with the Summer Villages of Val Quentin and Sunset Point and Lac Ste. Anne County initiated a project to develop a new Inter - Municipal Development Plan (IDP). The IDP will establish the shared vision for the future development of the lands within the IDP area. The second phase of this project also includes the preparation of a Cost/Revenue Sharing Agreement between the four Municipalities, as well as the preparation of Area Concept Plans for lands identified for possible future development. The entire project is anticipated to be completed by June 2015.

All our service clubs have been busy; The Lions Club had a very successful Sno-Mo Days event this year. The Alberta Beach Ag Society put the call out for volunteers to help with Poly Days and they had a very good response from the community. I am pleased to say it's a go! We thank all those who stepped up and encourage all of you to step up and volunteer for one of our service groups. We can all make a difference and make Alberta Beach a better place to live and raise our families.

We have our public works department working hard to clean up our Village; I encourage all of you to do the same. Remove all those old and tired vehicles parked in your yards, cut your grass and weeds, fix those fences and paint if needed. Take pride in where you live. Respect your neighbours and yourselves.

A reminder that the Village will be having their White Metal Pick Up on June 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 please call the office to be added to the list. Also our annual Large Bin Clean Up will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the new Public Works Building on Museum Road.

Remember, when we all get involved, we can make a positive DIFFERENCE. Get out and enjoy your summer and be safe!

#### OFFICE HOURS & GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Jim Benedict, Mayor





## **TAX & ASSESSMENT INFORMATION**



#### 2014 MILL RATES AND TAXATION

Municipal Mill Rate: Residential/Farm - 4.85629 Commercial/Power & Pipe - 8.85629 ASFF (School) Mill Rate: Residential/Farm - 2.584625 Commercial/Power & Pipe - 3.492536 Municipal Services Tax:

\$ 750.00 per property - Includes costs for: (Assessment, Fire Services, Patrol Services, Senior's Foundation, Street Lights, Sewer Commission)

#### COMBINED TAX AND ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Tax & Assessment Notices are combined & mailed on June 10<sup>th</sup> of each year. All property taxes are due August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Late payment penalties on unpaid taxes will be applied as follows: A penalty of 18% will be applied on August 10<sup>th</sup> to any unpaid current year's taxes. On January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year an 18% penalty will be imposed on all tax arrears (total penalty is 18% per annum). Failure to receive a tax/assessment notice is not considered sufficient reason for non-payment of taxes. Late payment penalties will be applied.

#### **Please Note:**

- A change in the Municipal Mill rate alone may not necessarily increase or decrease the total Municipal Taxes that one may owe from one year to the next.
- Prior to contacting the Village Office to discuss your Municipal
  Taxes, please review the value that your property has been assessed
  at (both land & improvements) since a significant change in this
  amount may not only have direct impact on your Municipal Taxes,
  but also the level of School Taxes.
- Alberta Beach does not have any control on the amount of Education
   Tax included in your property taxes. The Provincial Government
   requisitions Alberta Beach and this requisition is collected from
   property owners based on property assessment.

For Assessment Concerns Contact the Assessor: Dan Kanuka at 780-939-3310

#### **PAYING PROPERTY TAXES**

Payment of property taxes can be made by cheque, money order, cash or debit card at the Village Office. A mail slot is located beside the front door of the administration office for those who can not make business hours. Tax payments may also be mailed. A tax payment that is mailed is deemed to have been received by Alberta Beach on the date of the postmark stamped on the envelope. The postmarked stamp must be no later than August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to avoid the penalty.

#### TAX PAYMENT PLAN

The monthly Tax Payment Plan option allows you to make regular payments and avoid penalties. All prior years taxes <u>must</u> be paid in full by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous year. Please contact the Village Office for more information.

#### What is PROPERTY ASSESSMENT?

Property assessment is the process of estimating the market value of your property for municipal & education taxation purposes. Assessment is simply a distribution mechanism. The property taxes that you pay are calculated in proportion to the value of the real estate you own. A qualified assessor prepares annual assessments for all property within Alberta Beach. Our assessment representative is dedicated to providing a fair & accurate assessment for Alberta Beach taxpayers.

#### What is MARKET VALUE?

Market value is the valuation standard set by provincial legislation & is the basis for property valuation across Alberta. Market value is the probable price your property could sell for in a competitive & open market, as of a given date. Market value is recognized as the most understandable, transparent & objective measure of a property's worth. The market value as shown on your 2014 Assessment & Taxation notice is based on a legislated valuation date of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 & reflects the physical condition of your property as of Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

#### How is Market VALUE DETERMINED?

Market value assessments are prepared using mass appraisal. This is the process of valuing a group of properties at a given date, using standard methods and allowing for statistical testing. For residential property, assessors compile, review & analyze information from all legitimate real estate sale transactions that have occurred in Alberta Beach over a 3 year period prior to the valuation date. This process results in the estimated value of your property as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

#### FILING A PROPERTY ASSESSMENT COMPLAINT

You have 60 days from the date of mailing of your combined Tax Statement & Assessment Notice to file an assessment complaint. The assessment complaint deadline is August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. You will find additional information on the last page of the Newsletter!

#### SENIORS PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM

The Senior Property Tax Deferral program allows eligible senior homeowners to defer all or part of their property taxes through a low-interest home equity loan from the Alberta government. If you qualify, the Alberta government will pay all or part of your property taxes on your behalf through a low-interest loan that is secured against your home equity. You then repay the loan with interest when you sell your house, are no longer eligible, or at any time you choose. The Seniors Property Tax Deferral program is voluntary and homeowners must apply.

Eligibility - To be eligible for the Seniors Property Tax Deferral program, you must:

- be an Alberta resident (65 or older)
- own a residential property in Alberta; and
- have a minimum of 25% equity in your home.

<u>To Apply</u> - For more information, or to get an application form, visit health alberta ca or call the Alberta Supports Contact Centre at 1-877-644-9992.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited 2013 financial statements and the 2014 approved budget are available upon request at the Village Office.



## **NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS**



#### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Council meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m.in the Village Office Council Chambers. Council meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. Residents wishing to bring any matters to the attention of council or to have any matter considered by Council shall contact the village office 1 week prior to the meeting to ensure a space on the Agenda. Because many issues can be resolved at the administration level, it is recommended that you discuss your concerns with administration prior to appearing before council. Village staff can provide you with background information on the issue in question and/or recommend next steps that can remove the need to appear before Council. In order to appear as a delegation at a regular Council meeting, you must submit a written request at the village office. Please include:

- your preferred Council meeting date
- subject matter and a summary of your concerns;
- name and contact information

#### LAND USE BYLAW & DEVELOPMENT

The Land Use Bylaw is in place to regulate the use of land and development of land and buildings in Alberta Beach. Prior to any development or demolition taking place, a development permit MUST first be applied for through the Development Officer. Once the development permit has been approved, building, gas, plumbing and electrical permits will also be required. These permits are important in ensuring all structures are compliant with development, building and safety code regulations. Please contact the development officer at 780-718-5479 for further information.

#### BUILDING/ELECTRICAL/GAS/PLUMBING PERMITS

Permits are a legal requirement. Alberta Beach is a non-accredited Municipality, therefore, building, electrical, gas and plumbing permits can be obtained from any of the agencies listed below which have been authorized to issue permits and provide compliance monitoring in non-accredited municipalities.

- Alberta Safety Inspections Inc. (Building Only) 1-877-780-7233
- Superior Safety Codes (Building\Electrical\Gas\Plumbing) 1-866-999-4777
- The Inspections Group (Building\Electrical\Gas\Plumbing) 1-866-554-5048

### MAIN BEACH RETAINING WALL

#### **AREA CLOSED**

Due to the breakdown of the retaining wall on the main public beach, it was necessary to fence off the area due to safety concerns. The Village of Alberta Beach is awaiting authorization from Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, Alberta Environment and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Once the village receives approval, the village will be removing the retaining wall.

#### KEEPING IN TOUCH

Alberta Beach uses the information supplied by the Land Titles office on the existing certificate of title for each property within its boundaries. All ownership changes including land transfers, marital name changes either by marriage or divorce, and survival of joint tenancy must first be registered with the Land Titles Office at Box 2380, Edmonton, AB T5J 2T3. The Land Titles Office is then obligated to forward the registered change that must be recorded in the municipality's records to the municipal jurisdiction where the property is located. Address changes are accepted and recorded upon verbal or written request to the Village Office; however, an address change request with Alberta Beach does not automatically update the records held by the Land Titles Office. A formal written request for an address change on their forms is the only method accepted by the Land Titles Office. The forms are available at www.servicealberta.gov.ab.ca. Registering an address change with the Land Titles Office is not mandatory, however, we encourage all landowners to update their mailing address with the Registrar if their current address is different from the one recorded on their certificate of title. This small step will help to avoid the risk of not receiving notification of liens, caveats & other encumbrances that could or may be registered on your certificate of title held by the Registrar.

#### WHITE METAL APPLIANCE PICK UP

When: Thursday, June 26th & Friday, 27th, 2014

What it Includes: Any Metal Appliances, such as fridges, freezers, stoves, washer & dryers, dishwashers, etc.

**Cost**: No Charge; except for refrigerated units, there is a \$25.00 Freon discharge fee.

#### **Important Information:**

Please contact the Village Office prior to Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 be put on a list for pick up at 780-924-3181.

#### ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT HOTLINE

If you witness or have information about a potential environmental emergency or complaint, please contact 1(800) 222-6514 (this is a 24 hour emergency line) or for more information call the Information Centre at 780-427-2700.



ORGANIC WASTE
PICK UP

\*\*NEW DATE\*\*

ORGANIC WASTE PICK UP IS
CHANGING TO THURSDAY'S
STARTING JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS: GARBAGE & ORGANIC PICK UP

 Each residential property in Alberta Beach is issued two carts, a Solid Waste Cart as well as an Organic Cart.

These carts are the property of the Village of Alberta Beach and must remain with the property they are issued to. They are not to be removed!

• It will be the responsibility of the property owner to bare the replacement costs if lost or stolen. (\$100.00 per cart)

Please remove your carts from the pick-up point as soon as possible after collection. Do not leave them sitting on the side of the street or alley.

- Place Garbage Cart out by 8:00 a.m. every Monday and place Organic Cart out by 8:00 a.m. every Tuesday!!!!
- Starting July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 Organic Pick Up is changing to Thursday's!
- Carts <u>must</u> be placed beside roadway for pick up.

  Please do not dispose in the garbage: animal waste, animal carcasses, kitty litter, used oil filters and containers, propane cylinders, paint cans (unless the paint can is empty with lid removed).

# WASTE & ORGANIC COLLECTION

> Garbage Pickup is weekly every Monday (unless the Monday is a holiday then Garbage will be moved to Tuesday).

Organic Waste Pickup is weekly every Tuesday (May to October), however Starting July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014
Organic Pick Up is changing to Thursday's!

Note: All garbage MUST fit in the Solid Waste Cart (Grey) and Organic yard waste MUST fit in the Organic Cart (Green) in order to be picked up. If found not to be in compliance your waste or organics will not be picked up.

If you require an additional cart, there is a deposit fee per cart of \$100.00. Please contact the Village Office at (780) 924-3181.

The Organic Yard Waste Cart (Green) does not require the organics to be placed in a clear bag; you are to put the organics (grass clippings, tree trimmings, leaves, weeds, and garden foliage) directly into the cart without a bag.

#### LARGE BIN CLEAN UP

When: Saturday, June 28th, 2014

Place: Alberta Beach New Public Works Shop Museum Road

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

What it Includes: A Bin for Wood Products; a Bin for Metal Products; and a Bin for General Waste.

Please Note: These Bins will not accept toxic waste such as paint or batteries or any e-waste such as computers or televisions.

#### <u>NEW</u> MOBILE SHREDDING

EdmontonShred will be on site with a mobile shredding unit.

Time: 9:00 a.m. until they are full Cost is \$5:00 + gst per box (banker box size)

Please call Village Office prior to date if you are interested in using this service. 780-924-3181

## A Recycling Depot!

# "Do your part to help eliminate the amount of Solid Waste that enters our Environment & Recycle!

Located at the Alberta Beach Public Works Shop 5000 - 49 Ave.(Behind the Village Office) Village offers Cardboard & Paper Recycling:

1. Cardboard Includes: cereal boxes, shoe boxes, board boxes, corrugated cardboard boxes.

Boxes must be flattened!

2. Paper Includes: Newspaper print, colored & white paper, Magazines, & old phone books.

Residents must not dispose of non-approved recyclable items in the recycling bins located at the Recycling Depot at the Public Works yard.

#### Please Note:

Once the New Public Works Shop is completed the Recycle Depot will be moving to that location.

THESE ITEMS RESULT IN CONTAMINATION LEADING TO HIGHER RECYCLING COSTS, HELP US KEEP OUR RECYCLABLES FREE OF CONTAMINATION!

#### REMINDER: LAKE ACCESS WEED PICK-UP

Lake weeds from waterfront lots are the only item permitted for disposal at lake access points for Organic Waste pick up on Friday's! Tree branches, foliage and other composting materials are not to be placed at the lake access point for pick up & will not be picked up.

ILLEGAL DUMPING COULD RESULT IN FINES!!!!!

#### ALBERTA BEACH FAMILY R.V. PARK

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#### **CAMPGROUND**

Seasonal Sites NOW available! Seasonal Rate - \$2,400.00 + GST

Please contact the Campground Manager at 780 - 924-2333 for more details!

#### **CATCH THE WAVE SOUVENIRS**

Souvenirs are available at the Village Office.

We have Caps ~ T-Shirts ~ Golf Shirts ~ Hoodies ~ Sweatshirts ~

Cards ~ Playing Cards ~ Pocket Knifes ~ Travel Mugs ~ Coffee

Cups ~ Shorts - and more!!

## REGIONAL LANDFILL SITE – Operated by the HWY 43 East Waste Commission

Alberta Beach Residents must use the Regional Landfill Site located 5km past Gunn on Hwy 43 (just past Ross Haven).

The Landfill site is Open Mon – Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. & closed Sundays & statutory holidays.

For more information, please contact the Regional Landfill Site at 780-967-3466.

#### **BYLAW RESTRICTIONS**

As a reminder, there are restrictions for the use and storage of Recreational Vehicles on residential property.

Recreational vehicles, holiday trailers, motor homes, campers or tent trailers may be situated on a residential parcel provided that they:

- (a.) are occupied for no longer than seventy-two (72) hours total within a thirty (30) day period; and
- (b.) are located with a required parking stall or on the site in a manner satisfactory to the Development Officer.

For the purpose of storage of the vehicle:

(a) a maximum of one unoccupied recreational vehicle, holiday trailer, motor home, camper or tent trailer may be situated on a residential parcel that is developed with a single family dwelling. For Further information please contact the Village office.







### RECREATIONAL CAMP FIRES



In Alberta Beach recreational fires are for the purpose of cooking, obtaining warmth, or viewing for pleasure. Permitted burning materials are seasoned wood, pulp products (paper or cardboard) and dry refuse from vegetation. All outdoor fires must be confined within a pit or enclosure no more than 6' in diameter. Please adhere to all the rules & regulations for safe recreational fires on your property. For further information, the "Burning Bylaw" is available for viewing on our website or copies can be obtained at the Village Office.

#### **FIREBANS**

Due to dry weather conditions, firebans may be put in place. When a **COMPLETE FIRE BAN** is in effect, notices will be posted entering village limits (47th Street) the Lion's Park (50<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 47<sup>th</sup> Street), 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, 60th Street, on our website at <a href="www.albertabeach.com">www.albertabeach.com</a>, the Alberta Fire ban website at Albertafirebans.ca & at the Village Office. FIRE BANS must be adhered to.

#### HAWKERS, PEDDLERS & HUCKSTERS LICENSING

All Hawkers, Peddlers, & Hucksters require a license. You MUST apply for a license at the Village Office. For further information please contact the Village Office. Fee - \$50.00 per day or \$250.00 per week.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Alberta Beach has passed a bylaw prohibiting anyone from discharging storm water which includes; run off and drainage from eavestroughs and sump pumps into the sanitary sewer system. It also prohibits the flushing of grease and oil as well as any dangerous substance or other pollutant into the system. Offences are subject to fines in the amount of \$500.00 and you will be responsible for any remedial costs.

# TRIVILLAGE REGIONAL SEWER SERVICES COMMISSION (TVRSSC) For Information Purposes

The maintenance crew for the TVRSSC will be in various areas throughout the Village this summer working on manholes and doing preventative maintenance on the Sewer System. Dependant on the weather this may go on into the fall. Please note some work areas may restrict traffic.

Policy Statement: No person shall discharge into the sanitary sewer any fat, grease, improperly shredded cabbage, ashes, cinders, coffee grounds, animal parts or any other solid or viscous substance capable of causing obstruction to the flow of a sanitary sewer. The unplugging of any blockage in a sanitary sewer service from the building to the property line and from the property line to the sanitary sewer main and within a building caused by discharging of any prohibited substances listed is the responsibility of the property owner, both with respect to engaging an approved sewer cleaning service to unplug the sewer line and hearing the cost of such service.

# ALBERTA BEACH PATROL BYLAW ENFORCEMENT \ ANIMAL CONTROL REMINDERS

#### **PATROL**

Alberta Beach patrol is responsible for the enforcement of our local Traffic, Animal Control and Municipal Bylaws. Our goal is to have a greater presence of law enforcement in order to help keep our community a safe place to live and visit.

Alberta Beach Patrol Department 780-924-3434

DIRECT NUMBER TO NON EMERGENCY RCMP 780-424-4001

SPRUCE GROVE/STONY PLAIN RCMP DRUG TIP LINE: 780-968-7212



Due to the overwhelming need for parking, there is an overflow parking lot located east of 50<sup>th</sup> Street (adjacent to the Heritage Park and Ball Diamonds) and located behind the Alberta Beach Senior's Centre. Our goal is to alleviate some of the congestion in the summer due to the high volume of recreational traffic.

**REMINDER:** There is no parking permitted on the boat launch or on Lake Access Roads. Tow-away zones will be enforced!!!!

#### **REMINDER - SPEED LIMIT**

The speed limit in Alberta Beach is 40 km/hour unless otherwise posted. This is for the safety of everyone. Please buckle up and drive with care.



# TAKE PRIDE IN OUR COMMUNITY!

Please be advised that we will be issuing notices to remedy unsightly premises under the Municipal Government Act & all amendments thereto. These will be issued to any or all premises deemed to be unsightly and untidy. We are striving to enhance the image of our Village.

It is your responsibility to cut grass in ditches, destroy noxious weeds, haul away derelict vehicles, remove: car parts, old fridges, stoves, scrap building materials, etc. Your full cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.





#### Have you purchased your 2014 Dog License???

All dogs that reside in Alberta Beach require a valid Dog License. Dog Licenses are required to be renewed annually from January to December. You can purchase your dog License at the Village Office.

#### **Reminders:**

- Dogs are NOT allowed on the main public beach area or in parks; however they can be taken to the beach access points (Beach Access Roads).
- Please keep your dog on a leash whenever you are not on your own private property.
- No more than two dogs per residence.

#### Dog License Fee's

1. Male or Female unaltered dogs	\$20.00
2. Neutered Male or spayed Female dogs	\$10.00
3. Vicious Dog	\$250.00
4. Replacement Tag	\$5.00

#### **FIREWORKS REMINDER**

#### No person shall:

Display for sale, offer for sale, sell, purchase, possess to sell, transport, store, obtain, give, discharge, or otherwise possess fireworks within the Village.

The Village of Alberta Beach would still like to promote organized professional Firework's displays at celebrations.

Permits may be issued to an individual who has a valid Federal Fireworks Operator Certificate & meets the requirements of Bylaw #232-11.

Permits will only be granted for:

- New years: 20:00 hours (8:00 PM) December 31 01:00 hours (1:00 AM)
   January 1
- Canada Day: 20:00 hours (8:00 PM) 23:59 hours (11:59 PM) July 1
- Labour Day: 20:00 hours (8:00 PM) 23:59 HOURS (11:59 PM) on the first Monday of September
- Special Events specifically approved by a motion of Council

Permits from another municipality are not valid in the Village of Alberta Beach. \*\*\* Permits issued in any other municipality may only be used to transport any fireworks through the Village and directly out of the Village without stopping.

An individual who is convicted of an offence pursuant to this bylaw for which no specific penalty has been provided is liable to a fine of not less than \$250.00 and not more than \$10,000.00.

#### **Specified Penalties:**

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Discharge / Possess Fireworks	\$250.00
Selling Fireworks	\$1000.00
Set up, operate or discharge a pyrotechnic display	\$500.00
Obstructs, interferes with, hinders, an Enforcement	
Officer	\$500.00
Offer fireworks for sale	\$500.00
Transport fireworks	\$250.00

#### ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

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#### NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT COMPLAINT PROCEDURE (June 10, 2014)

Pursuant to sections 299 and 300 of the Municipal Government Act, all assessed persons are entitled to see or receive sufficient information about the person's property or the summary of assessment. If you would like further information on your assessment or would like to inspect the assessment roll please drop by the village office during regular office hours, visit our website at www.albertabeach.com or contact the village office at 780-924-3181. If you wish to speak directly to the Assessor, please call Dan Kanuka of Municipal Assessment Services Group at 780-939-3310.

If you believe your own or any other assessment is unfair you may file a written complaint to the Assessment Review Board, accompanied by a \$50.00 fee per residential / farmland assessed property and \$150.00 fee per non-residential assessed property. The Assessment Review Boards' function is to hear evidence to determine whether your property is assessed on an equitable basis with similar properties.

Pursuant to Section 460 of the Municipal Government Act;

All assessment complaints must be addressed to the Assessment Review Board Clerk and mailed to Alberta Beach, Box 278, Alberta Beach, AB T0E 0A0 or drop off in person at the Alberta Beach Village Office at 4935 – 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Assessment complaints must be submitted in writing on the prescribed complaint forms and must be accompanied by the assessment appeal fee. The prescribed complaint forms are available at the village office or on our website. For further information, please contact the village office at 780-924-3181.

The assessment appeal fee is refundable if the complaint is withdrawn in writing prior to the scheduling of an assessment review board hearing or the Assessment Review Board makes a decision in favour of the complainant.

The reasons for a complaint must accompany the complaint form.

Please note: Your complaint must be made on or before the final date of complaint which is sixty (60) days from the date on your Combined Tax Statement and Assessment Notice was dated June 10, 2014 and therefore the deadline to file an assessment appeal complaint is August 09, 2014.

A complaint against your assessed property value does not exempt you from paying taxes on time or from late payment penalties. If a complaint is successful, the adjustment will be applied to the tax roll. Tax adjustment refunds must be requested in writing.

#### LINEAR ASSESSMENT:

LINEAR - POWER AND PIPELINE (TPP)

An assessment review board has no jurisdiction to deal with complaints about assessment for linear property. The Municipal Government Board has jurisdiction to hear complaints about assessments for linear property.

FOR LINEAR INQUIRIES: PLEASE CALL 780-422-8302

#### LAC STE. ANNE AND LAKE ISLE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SOCIETY

The Society is up and running again. The purpose of the Society is to promote the protection of our lakes and mitigate any future deterioration of the water. The Society is developing a watershed management plan for Lac Ste. Anne and Lake Isle. We have hired the North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance to produce a report for us. We expect completion of the report in the spring of 2015.

The Societies Annual General Meeting will be held at Alberta Beach on Saturday, August 23, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Seniors Centre. Please consider joining the Society. Individual, annual memberships for \$20.00 will be available at the Summer Villages Annual Information Meeting. As well, we would appreciate anyone coming forward to let his or her name stand for an executive position. Please join the Society to help protect our lakes! For further information or inquiries, you can contact me at bpoulin@xplornet.com

Bernie Poulin, Chair Lac Ste. Anne & Lake Isle Water Quality Management Society

#### STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS FROM ENTERING ALBERTA

Albertans play an important role in protecting the province's waterways from aquatic invasives. Everyone who enjoys Alberta's lakes and rivers needs to be proactive about keeping our aquatic ecosystems safe.

If you are bringing a boat and equipment into Alberta from another province or state, make sure to:

- 1. Clean
- 2. Drain
- 3. Dry

If you are using your boat in a number of different water bodies, be sure to clean, drain and dry your boat and equipment after you leave each waterbody. This is important if you boat outside of the province. For further information or to report something suspicious on your boat or equipment: Please call Toll Free 1(855) 336-2628 (BOAT).

