

# Newsletter 2025

A Message From Council

### Dear Residents of the Summer Village of Bondiss,

As another year passes, we're excited to share highlights from the past year and provide a glimpse of what's ahead for our community. Thank you for your continued support, input, and engagement—it's what keeps our Summer Village beautiful, safe, and welcoming.

#### 2024 Highlights: A Year in Review

#### Roads & Infrastructure (Funded by Government Grants)

- Pothole repairs and road resurfacing completed throughout the Village
- Culvert installed on Bondiss Drive to address drainage and flooding
- Park Drive resurfaced for improved safety and access

#### Parks & Recreation (Funded by Government Grants)

- New beach volleyball court installed at Lakeview Park
- Three new message boards installed across the Village
- \$75,000 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant received in collaboration with the Village of Boyle to explore the development of a shared community recreation space near the boat launch—thank you to our partners in Boyle!
- Additional dock sections installed for improved lake access

#### **Environmental Stewardship**

 Ongoing tree trimming and hazard removal completed throughout the Village—this will continue annually as needed

#### **Bylaw Updates**

 Several bylaws were modernized, including the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan—visit our website for full details.

### Looking Ahead: 2025 Plans

#### Capital Projects (Funded by Government Grants)

- Road work at the North entrance
- New gazebo at Heritage Park
- Two picnic tables and benches added to Lakeview Park

#### Council Transparency & Communication

• Visit <a href="www.bondiss.com">www.bondiss.com</a> for up-to-date information, council news, bylaws, and event details. We strive to ensure the website is easy to navigate and informative for all residents.

#### Safety & Emergency Services

- Improved signage throughout the Village
- Continued coordination with regional emergency services to enhance response planning

On behalf of **Council and Administration**, thank you for your commitment to this wonderful community. Your involvement helps shape the future of Bondiss, and we're proud of what we've accomplished together.

We encourage you to attend Council meetings, stay informed, and share your ideas. Meeting notices and agendas are always posted on our website.

Wishing you a safe, fun-filled summer in Bondiss!

#### April, Leah & Lawrence

Council for the Summer Village of Bondiss

#### Election 2025

2025 is an Election Year! Nomination forms are now available from the CAO.

#### Welcome to Our New CAO

We're pleased to officially welcome Kim Bancroft as our full-time Chief Administrative Officer. Kim has supported our community for the past 18 months and brings a wealth of experience to Bondiss.

# Upcoming Events in 2025 (Check Website for Details)

- AGM & Nomination Day -June 28
- Canada Day—July 1
- Election Day July 26

#### Website

Please view the Summer Village of Bondiss Website at www.bondiss.com

### Council

April Clark. Mayor Leah Iwaniuk, Deputy Mayor Lawrence Habiak, Councillor

To contact council directly, please email svbondiss@gmail.com

#### Administration

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# Election 2025

Remember this is an election year. Nomination forms must be in on nomination day which is June 28. Contact Kim for more information or check out the <u>election page</u> of our website.

## Fire Levels

The Summer Village of Bondiss follows Athabasca County for Fire Restriction Levels. We recommend that you visit www.albertafirebans.ca and sign up for alerts for Bondiss. This will allow you to receive an alert every time the fire level has changed.

# **Property Taxes**

Your tax notice is included in this mailing. The easiest way to pay your taxes is by e-transfer to svbondiss@outlook.com. This email is set up for auto deposit. Please make sure you include your Roll # in the Comment line. Those wishing to discuss the monthly payment option should contact Kim at 780-239-7323.

# Fire Smart

Make sure your property is FireSmart by reviewing the FireSmart section on our website www.bondiss.com. The information can be viewed on the Lake Information page.

# Landfill Hours

For Information regarding the Landfill including hours of operation please visit www.athabascaregionalwaste.com.

Reminder that household garbage and/or yard debris does not belong in the bear proof bins. These are for small items. All household garbage should be taken to the landfill or home with you.

# **Fireworks**

We would like to remind residents that fireworks are not permitted in the Summer Village. (Please refer to the Provincial fire code regulations under the Alberta Safety Codes Act for more information)

The AGM will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2025 at 10:30 am at Heritage Park. This will also be our Nomination Day for the Election. Bring your own lawn chairs. We look forward to seeing everyone there! We will have some light snacks.

# Safety

We want everyone (children, joggers, bikers, visitors, etc.) to be safe on our roads and in our community. We ask that you be mindful of bylaws and respect the rights of your neighbors. In the past, speeding has been a problem. Please obey the speed limit in our village—40 km/h, for ATVs the speed limit is 30km/h. ATVs must be licensed and insured; the operator must have a valid driver's license and wear a helmet. DO NOT drive ATVs in the ditches. We also ask that you remind your guests about the importance of responsible conduct. Be considerate and respect the rights of your neighbors regarding excessive noise, late parties, trespassing, and dogs running at large.

# Development

This is a reminder to all residents that permits are required before building in the Summer Village of Bondiss. There are penalties for anyone found building without one. To determine if your project requires a development permit, please contact Kim at 780-239-7323 or read the Land Use Bylaw which is available on the website.

### Pets

Remember that pets must be on leashes at all times when they are off of your property. They are not permitted to roam free on any public lands. You are also required to pick up after your pet at all times.

### Bears

Bondiss is located in Bear Country. Please stay clear of any bears and give them their space. Keep pets leashed at all times to avoid accidents. Garbage and pet food should always be kept in well sealed containers. Bird feeders and Fruit trees will attract bears to your property so it is best to avoid them.

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