



Retired CAO Returning to Replace the Retiring CAO... read on ...

After a very eventful and busy time of almost two years as your CAO, Ray Hook has decided to seek full retirement to better enjoy all that the Little Beaver Lake area has to offer. And as luck would have it, the previous CAO, Grant Johnson and Heather Farquharson have decided to return to Ferintosh from Nova Scotia this year. Council have also accepted Grant's application as CAO for the Village, so the changeover will begin on April 1st of this year. More on this later.....

Recycling Program for the Village is Coming

Council is currently examining tenders for a regular curb-side recycling pick up program.

Village to Close Down its Wells

Now that the Village is on the new water system, Council has been directed by the Province to come up with a plan to close down and seal all of its groundwater wells during the next year. The financial implications of this are being examined as well.

Property Assessment Notices for 2010

The Village office is planning on mailing out your 2010 property assessment notices in March of this year, followed by the tax bills in May/June. The Village is required by law this year to provide all property owners with a copy of their **property assessment notices** and a **tax bill**. Your property assessment notice will show you what your property was assessed at (market value) as of July 2009, and it is this value that your 2010 property taxes will be based on. Please be aware that the Village has no input or dealings with the property assessment process. This is a provincial responsibility. And please remember that you **may appeal your property assessment**, but **NOT YOUR TAXES**. Talk to the office if you have any questions.

2010 Dog Tags - time running out to re-new...

Please contact the Village office as soon as possible to pick up your new tags.

Events & Important Dates

Council Meetings

February 10 - Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm
March 10 - Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm

Hi-U Centre regular events:

Coffee every morning

Floor curling Mondays and Fridays at 2:00 pm

Pancake breakfast the first Wednesday of each month at 8:30a.m. for \$5 (Feb 3rd, March 3rd..)

Community Club Pot Luck Supper - on the third Saturday of each month (Feb 20th, March 20th)

Coming Events

Your monthly **Recreation Association** meeting is slated for Mon, Feb 22nd at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Centennial Committee meeting at 7:30 p.m. Let's show up and make the Centennial planning a huge success! Your committee wants to thank all those who came out last month and hope to see you again.

Friends of Little Beaver Lake meet on the last Thursday (25 Feb) of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Hi-U. **The Community Club** meets on the third Tuesday of each month (16 Feb) at 7:30 p.m. and the **Little Beaver Hi-U** meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

FDRA (Rec Assn) Presents its Concert Series

Your Recreation Association is pleased to announce that the **FERINTOSH PRESENTS CONCERT SERIES** has booked most of their line up for 2010. **Feb 20, 2010** will see **Ken Valgaardson** performing. Val is a professional comedian, and a high school teacher from New Norway. **Apr 24th** will see a highly entertaining evening of music and laughter from **Ben Crane and his daughters** - he is a singer, musician, comedian, artist, sculptor and music producer. And on **Oct 23rd**, **Nikki Reed** of **Legends Unlimited** will provide an evening of post WW II entertainment in "Tales, God and Country" in a one woman show of singing and impersonation. More details in future issues.

Village Water / Utility Bills Delayed

Due to the absence of the CAO on a short vacation, your monthly water bill for January won't be mailed out until February 9th. The delay is regretted.