



# VILLAGE NEWS

## MAY 2025

**Office Hours Monday—Friday 9:00am—12:00pm & 1:00—5:00pm (closed for lunch)**

**Office & Public Works Closed May 19**

### WELCOME BACK SEASONAL RESIDENTS

We're thrilled to start seeing familiar faces returning as spring arrives and the days grow longer. Here's to another memorable season in the best little Village around!

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS COORDINATOR

We're excited to welcome Ian Arnold as the newest member of our village team! He joins us as our Public Works Operations Coordinator, bringing valuable experience, a strong work ethic, and a passion for keeping our community running smoothly.

Be sure to give him a warm Village welcome when you see him out and about!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM SASKPOWER

SaskPower is planning to begin installing smart meters for residential customers in our area in the coming weeks.

Benefits of smart meters include:

- No more estimated bills—with smart readers, you'll pay for exactly how much power you use & manual reads are no longer necessary.
- More information about your power use that will help conserve power & save money.
- Shorter outages—smart meters will help SaskPower pinpoint the sources of an outage & get power restored faster.

For more information scan the QR code ([saskpower.com/smartmeters](http://saskpower.com/smartmeters)) or call 1-855-877-0975



### GARBAGE PICKUP GOES WEEKLY

Starting May 5<sup>th</sup> weekly garbage collection is back. Be sure to roll those carts out by 7:00 am on collection days. Collection schedule can be found at [www.buenavista.ca/garbage-and-recycling/](http://www.buenavista.ca/garbage-and-recycling/) or visit the office to pick up a paper copy.

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

May 13 & 27<sup>th</sup> 7 pm at the village office. Meetings are always open to the public.

### 2025 PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

The Assessment Roll, which is a listing of all properties in Buena Vista, is available for public inspection from February 21 to May 20 by visiting the office Monday-Friday from 9-12 & 1-5 or online at [www.buenavista.ca](http://www.buenavista.ca). If you wish to appeal, the deadline to file with the Board of Revision is May 20.

\*Please note the only time of year you can make an assessment appeal is while the roll is open.\*

### WATERMAIN FLUSHING—MAY 13 & 14

It's time to give our water system a spring cleaning! On May 13 & 14, you might notice some cloudy or discoloured water & a little drop in pressure while crews flush the lines. Don't worry—it's normal & temporary!

A few helpful tips:

- Limit water use on those days between 8am—4pm
- Fill a few jugs of water beforehand for drinking & cooking, just in case
- If your water looks off, run your cold tap until it clears

### DUST CONTROL—Week of May 12-16

It's that time of year when the roads kick up a little too much & we bring things back under control. Dust control is tentatively scheduled for the week of May 12-16, weather permitting. Our grader will be out beforehand to smooth out the roads, so everything's ready for treatment.



### Get the Information You Need, When You Need It

The Village has chosen the Voyent Alert! service to communicate important & day-to-day information to our residents. The service is free & easy to use. We encourage you to register to receive these important alerts. You can choose to receive alerts on the Voyent Alert! app, by email, text message or phone call. Register today!



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*PUBLIC WORKS: Ian Arnold, Joel Neudeck, Damon Warawa*

*COUNCIL: Mayor Karen Smith, Clr Chris Duke, Clr Spence Miller, Clr Bob Sax, Clr Steven Schultz*

# Bylaw BUZZ Stay in the Know!



## Splash of Responsibility

### Know the Standard Watering Restrictions!

While we're all ready to enjoy the sunshine, it's also the perfect time to talk about **water conservation**, and remind everyone about our Outdoor Water Usage Bylaw—a key rule to help us all manage our water usage from **MAY to OCTOBER**.

This Bylaw is in place to help us all use water wisely, especially during those hot, dry months when it's needed the most. Most of us take the water we use every day for granted. We turn on the tap and as long as plenty of clean, clear water flows from the faucet, we do not give water much thought.

Despite the little consideration we give it, water is probably our most precious resource.

Here's why these restrictions are so important:

- ⇒ **Why May to October?** - These are the **driest months** of the year, and our water supply can become strained with everyone using more water. The restrictions help ensure we have enough water for everyone, including essential needs like drinking, firefighting, and other critical services.
- ⇒ **Efficient Watering**—There are **designated watering days and times** to make sure we're not wasting water during the hottest times of the day. Keep your plants hydrated but be mindful of the times when it's most efficient!
- ⇒ **Use Water Wisely**—Avoid using sprinklers or hoses when not needed. Instead, try watering early in the morning or late in the evening, when the water stays where it's needed and doesn't evaporate.
- ⇒ **The Bigger Picture**—Water conservation is crucial for protecting our environment, maintaining a stable water supply for all, and keeping our community sustainable in the long run.

As temperatures rise, let's all do our part to make sure we're **smart about water usage** & ready for summer fun!

## Watering Permitted Only Between 6:00-9:00 am & 6:00-9:00 pm

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| EVEN HOUSE #'S | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

*It is very important that residents realize water is valuable & this bylaw will be enforced through reports to the office, as well as Village staff sightings of watering on non-permitted days/times.*

For more info visit our website at [www.buenavista.ca/outdoor-water-use/](http://www.buenavista.ca/outdoor-water-use/)

**Outdoor Water Usage Bylaw No. 4/23**