

2024 TAXES

Invoices for 2024 Savona Improvement District tax were mailed out at the end of May. Just a reminder to get your payments in **before July 2nd** to avoid any late penalties.

You can make payments by:

1. Mailing a cheque to PO Box 113
2. Coming into the office to pay by cash or cheque
3. Dropping off payment in the mailbox outside the office
4. Sending an e-transfer
 - savonadistrict@telus.net

After July 2nd, 5% interest will be placed on unpaid taxes and then in March 2025 if anything remains unpaid then under the Province of BC's Section 11(3) of the Taxation (Rural Area) Act, an interest rate set by the Province will be added.

As of March 2024, the interest rate set is 10.20%. (The next rate setting by the Province will be July 1, 2024)

SID AGM RESULTS

On May 23rd, the Savona Improvement District had their AGM at the Community Hall.

There were 12 Savona landowners who attended along with the SID Board of Trustees, KPMG representative – Lindsay Holmes and SID staff.

The meeting reviewed:

- The minutes from 2023 AGM
- 2023 audited financials presented by KPMG partner – Lindsay Holmes
- Fire Department's Annual Report
- 2023/2024 Works & Projects
- Trustee Election

The 2024 / 2025 SID Board of Trustees

Jamie Drozda
Adrienne Teague
Barb Gale
Dave Carr
Shane Spitman

Thank you to all who attended the AGM! Your community engagement with the trustees is valuable!

SWAMP DONKEYS TAKE FIRST



Back L-R: Heath Card, Max Card, Wade Carey, Stew Carey, Carson Evoy, Mackenzie Condon, John Coles, Kenny Batke

Front L - R: Devon Cumming, Landon Coray, Derek Willick, Jagger Della, Tony Nordee, Landon Biro

Did you know that Savona has a hockey team? The hockey team has changed names over the years, starting with the Savona Savages in the early years to the Beer Bellies and the Savona Old Timers. But for the past 10-12 years the local hockey team has been known as the Savona Swamp Donkeys.

The Swamp Donkeys play twice a week during the regular hockey season in Logan Lake from October to March and each year they play in the year end Beer Belly Hockey tournament. Though they have been close, they have never won the tournament until this year! The Savona Swamp Donkeys ended their 2023/2024 hockey season as the champions of the tournament! Congratulations!

The 2024 Savona Fire & Rescue

Bursary: The Savona Fire Department is pleased to announce that the successful recipient of the bursary for the 2023/2024 academic year is **Akira Susanj**.

Congratulations Akira and good luck in September with your enrollment at Thompson Rivers University!!



JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER



The Savona Fire Department would like to thank residents who took advantage of the cooler weather in the Spring to clean their yards, remove debris from under cedar hedges, rain gutters and under porches and decks.

They would like to remind residents to keep the weeds down and yards clean going into Summer to ensure that our neighborhoods are FireSmartTM. If you are unable to maintain your property regularly, residents can ask a neighbor for help, hire a local youth, or hire a local lawn care business like *Radom Lawn Care* or *In & Out Yard Maintenance*.



3 members of the Savona Volunteer Fire Department, Ryan Parker, Bill Williams and Sara Green, went to the Sunshine Valley for the 2024 BC Volunteer Firefighter Seminar held

May 3-5, 2024. Over 175 firefighters from 41 fire departments across BC attended the 3-day training weekend. It was an opportunity to participate in training scenarios and information classes. With over 20 stations running simultaneously, each person got a chance to attend 7 stations. Some of the training stations included were on extrication, vehicle fires, gas line fires, wildfire mitigation, forcible entry and stabilization to name a few.



A Message from Savona Specialty Plywood:

We are currently seeking ENTRY LEVEL

PRODUCTION WORKERS,

MILLWRIGHTS, ELECTRICIAN and WELDER for our Savona Division. We are proud employers of many Savona locals and would like to recruit more! Wages as per USW agreement. A generous benefits package is included after the successful completion of the probationary period. Stop by and fill out our application form or send your resume to jobs.savona@apgroup.ca LIVE and WORK in our vibrant community!



The Savona Elementary School PAC would like to remind the community to support their beer garden fundraiser on **August 17 & 18** during the annual Spank It Beach Volleyball tournament. Come down to see some entertaining volleyball and support the local school with your beverage purchases in the beer garden!



MUSIC IN THE PARK is back!! The Savona Community Association is having their annual Music in the Park on **July 1st from 11am to 2pm**. Live music, the concession will be open and games for all ages! Save the date!!



HERITAGE MOMENT:

The first school in Savona was opened in 1890 in a home vacated by the Pendola family. By the early 1900's a new school was

built. *Fun Fact from the Savona Heritage Museum*



Next newsletter will be out in **September**. If you have anything to share – let the office know by the end of August. Email: savonadistrict@telus.net or call 250-373-2513.

SID Office will be closed
July 8 – 11, 2024
Sorry for any inconvenience!