

# Resort Village of B-Say-Tah

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## Mayor's Report

I wish to reflect about my last four years serving the Resort Village of B-Say-Tah as Mayor and to thank all the ratepayers, staff, council members and associates for an enjoyable and satisfying tenure. I had the privilege to have worked with an excellent council who all had the best interests of the village at heart. I want to wish Isaac Sneath, congratulations on his appointment as the new Mayor for the next term. Isaac has demonstrated to be meticulous in seeing every detail, has been actively involved in planning and is effective in doing the due diligence required for decision making.

I want to thank Bob Fluter, who is a candidate for counselor for the next term, for his knowledge and contributions as a contractor which was invaluable in determining the how to's in the many repair and capital projects that were necessary during the past term.

Thank you to Mitch Molnar, who has the knowledge and experience to examine the fine print and point out any potential problems and for his sense of fairness to all parties involved in the decisions made. Mitch is also running for reelection.

Thank you to Garth Gish, who was also the extra eye to oversee the details in many discussions. Garth also displayed a sense of fairness and attention to detail. Each of these men is proven successful businessmen who carried their expertise and experience to the council table for our benefit as ratepayers. I truly appreciate them all.

I personally have decided to run for reelection as a councilor because of my confidence in the incumbents and for my desire for the health of our village.

I wish to thank the staff, Richelle Haanstra and Shauna Tulik for their guidance and assistance in the governance of the village affairs.

We remember too well the flooding and its strain, but we have seen how our community pulled together to fight against the forces of nature and to co-operatively win the battle. We are thankful to the many volunteers who sacrificed time and energy to assist. We are thankful to the generosity of the contractors who donated time and equipment to the village. We thank our council and administrator who were extra diligent in recording all expenses and activity on a spreadsheet daily so that we as a village were the first to be refunded grants from PDAP and FDERP. As a result, the costs of the flood mitigation to the ratepayers was relatively small in comparison to the magnitude of the disaster.

I personally believe that the council has made a wise choice in tendering out the village maintenance to Valley Lawn Services, who have demonstrated that they can deliver excellent service at a cost saving to the village. This has eliminated the need to re-train summer staff every season and has eliminated the need for capital purchases, maintenance and repairs of equipment that was constantly in need of repair.

We are pleased with the improvements to the beach and commons areas with tree replacement, benches, improvements to the bathrooms and addition of a bathroom and lunch room at the maintenance shed, and new boat launch pads, stairs with railings at the boat slips.

I want to thank the B-Say-Tah foundation, the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee for a tremendous celebration last year and the Sports Day volunteers and organizers of the past year and especially this year's committee who are planning a great 100 year anniversary party.

Respectfully submitted  
Denis Palmier  
Mayor

