



Association of
SUMMER VILLAGES
OF ALBERTA

2016-17

Association of Summer Villages of Alberta Annual Report



Summer many fun
Villages look
Alberta first History lives
recognized Year-round municipality
established formed stewards



ASVA - Who We Are

The Association of Summer Villages of Alberta was established in 1958 and later as a not-for-profit municipal organization in 1977. We have 100% membership of all 51 Summer Villages located in Alberta. We are here to serve and represent the interests of Summer Villages in Alberta.

VISION

Summer Villages are sustainable municipalities that are a well-respected, active level of government and stewards of our lake and river environments.

MISSION

Through **Advocacy**, **Communication**, and **Education**, the ASVA empowers summer villages in achieving strong and effective local government.

GOALS "ACE" – Advocacy, Communication, and Education

A - Advocacy

1. Advocacy / Liaison with Provincial Government – meet with government to advocate for solutions that support summer villages and promotes the collective position of summer villages to decision makers, members and stakeholders
2. Participation on Provincial Issues and Initiatives – ASVA partners with all levels of government, municipalities, industry, stakeholder groups, to resolve issues / challenges
3. Advocate summer villages working together to build common solutions
4. Effectively and transparently manage the ASVA as a high profile municipal association accepted and recognized by our sister associations, other municipalities, and the provincial government.

C - Communication

5. ASVA provides useful, reliable information tailored to the specific needs of summer villages
6. ASVA keeps up-to-date on social media as a tool for communications (website, etc.)

E – Education

7. Organizing Annual Conference – bring together skills, provide experts to advise on governance and stewardship
8. ASVA provides access to a variety of resources (e.g. bylaw templates)
9. ASVA supports solutions that help summer villages meet their sustainable objectives
10. ASVA provide education resources to support summer villages in their role as environmental stewards

ASVA - supporting the needs of Summer Villages:

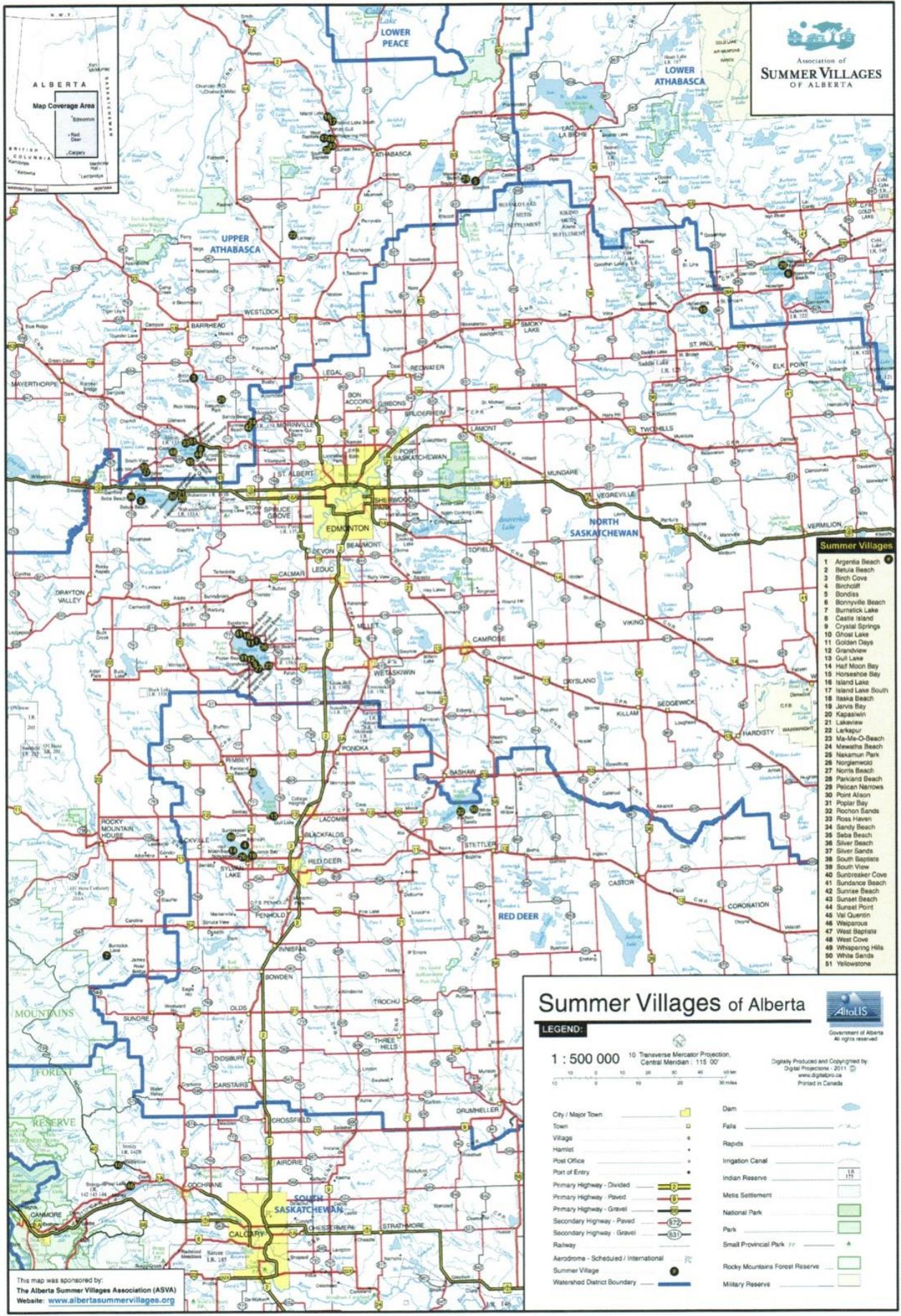
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| Argentia Beach | Norris Beach |
| Betula Beach | Parkland Beach |
| Birch Cove | Pelican Narrows |
| Birchcliff | Point Alison |
| Bondiss | Poplar Bay |
| Bonnyville Beach | Rochon Sands |
| Burnstick Lake | Ross Haven |
| Castle Island | Sandy Beach |
| Crystal Springs | Seba Beach |
| Ghost Lake | Silver Beach |
| Golden Days | Silver Sands |
| Grandview | South Baptiste |
| Gull Lake | South View |
| Half Moon Bay | Sunbreaker Cove |
| Horseshoe Bay | Sundance Beach |
| Island Lake | Sunrise Beach |
| Island Lake South | Sunset Beach |
| Itaska Beach | Sunset Point |
| Jarvis Bay | Val Quentin |
| Kapasiwin | Waiparous |
| Lakeview | West Baptiste |
| Larkspur | West Cove |
| Ma-Me-O Beach | Whispering Hills |
| Mewatha Beach | White Sands |
| Nakamun Park | Yellowstone |
| Norglenwold | |



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Map Coverage Area



Summer Villages

- 1 Argenta Beach
- 2 Bertha Beach
- 3 Birch Cove
- 4 Birchhill
- 5 Bondias
- 6 Bonnyville Beach
- 7 Burnstock Lake
- 8 Castle Island
- 9 Crystal Springs
- 10 Ghost Lake
- 11 Golden Days
- 12 Grandview
- 13 Quil Lake
- 14 Half Moon Bay
- 15 Horseshoe Bay
- 16 Island Lake
- 17 Island Lake South
- 18 Itaska Beach
- 19 Jarvis Bay
- 20 Kaskaween
- 21 Lakewood
- 22 Larkspur
- 23 Mac-Mac-O-Beach
- 24 Mewatha Beach
- 25 Naskamun Park
- 26 Norgemead Lake
- 27 Norris Beach
- 28 Parkland Beach
- 29 Pelican Narrows
- 30 Point Alton
- 31 Poplar Bay
- 32 Rochnon Sands
- 33 Ross Haven
- 34 Sandy Beach
- 35 Seba Beach
- 36 Silver Beach
- 37 Silver Sands
- 38 South Baptists
- 39 South View
- 40 Sunbreaker Cove
- 41 Sundance Beach
- 42 Sunrise Beach
- 43 Sunset Beach
- 44 Sunset Point
- 45 Val Quentin
- 46 Wapiti
- 47 West Baptists
- 48 West Cove
- 49 Whispering Hills
- 50 White Sands
- 51 Yellowstone

Summer Villages of Alberta



LEGEND:

1 : 500 000

10 Transverse Mercator Projection,
Central Meridian : 115 00

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- City / Major Town
- Town
- Village
- Hamlet
- Post Office
- Port of Entry
- Primary Highway - Divided
- Primary Highway - Paved
- Primary Highway - Gravel
- Secondary Highway - Paved
- Secondary Highway - Gravel
- Railway
- Aerodrome - Scheduled / International
- Summer Village
- Watershed District Boundary

- Dam
- Falls
- Rapids
- Irrigation Canal
- Indian Reserve
- Mets Settlement
- National Park
- Park
- Small Provincial Park
- Rocky Mountains Forest Reserve
- Military Reserve

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History of Summer Villages and the ASVA

Since the first decade of this century, Alberta's lakeshore properties have been purchased for cottage use. Institutional and organizational camps also emerged along the lakeshores. Destination public beaches developed along road and rail routes accessible from larger urban centres.

Summer Villages were formed in Alberta out of a desire by cottage owners in recreational subdivisions to govern themselves.



When Gull Lake, the oldest summer village was incorporated in March 1913, the document of incorporation identified, a plan of addition to "Gull Lake Summer Resort".



When Provincial Statute Chapter 39 established the Summer Village of Lakeview in October 1913, it severed the cottage area from the Village of Wabamum.

The first use of the term Summer Village appears in the incorporation notice for Seba Beach; followed three weeks later in August, 1920 by the incorporation of the Summer Village of Alberta Beach.

Over the decades, these municipalities have provided Albertans with an opportunity to effectively manage both their resort communities and the environment within which they were located.

On November 5th, 1958, supported by the Itaska Summer Village Council, Charles D. Denney organized the first meeting of 33 individuals representing eleven summer villages. The organization known today as the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta (ASVA) was launched.

In 1977, the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta was incorporated as a non-for-profit organization within the Province of Alberta.

History Continued

In 1995 the Provincial Government introduced and passed Bill 32, the Municipal Government Amendment Act, which removed Sections 77(b) and 79 from the new Municipal Government Act which had been passed in 1994. The removal of these sections eliminated the provision which permitted the formation of new summer villages. There still remains the original 51 Summer Villages in Alberta.

The ASVA works towards the successful accomplishment of their objectives with a Board of Directors made up of elected officials from the member summer villages.

Although Directors sit on a number of external committees, the ASVA has two sub-committees reporting to the Board of Directors , being the Lake Stewardship Steering Committee (focusing on Cyanobacteria and Aquatic Invasive Species) and the Conference Organizing Committee.

Message from the Executive Director

After 5 years as the Executive Director for the ASVA, I am pleased to see the ASVA grow into a well recognized and respected municipal organization that remains to have a full 100% membership of all 51 summer villages in Alberta. We continue to meet with heads of government in Alberta and form partnerships to enhance the strength of summer villages in our province. The ASVA has ensured our voices have been heard with the review of the Municipal Government Act and its associated regulations which will be released later this year. I am particularly appreciative of the help and support this year by Municipal Affairs in relation to our municipal elections.



We have been working closely with the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association in areas of shared interest, especially in relation to small municipalities and water related issues. As adjacent lake municipalities, we finished our work of providing important and valuable input on the Alberta Water Council's Lake Watershed Management Team which completed its report in the spring of this year.

Internally, the ASVA is being well used by CAOs as a resource hub in providing them with valuable information quickly and accurately.

As lake stewards, we are always looking for solutions to manage cyanobacteria and are working with the province on their Aquatic Invasive Species program and are supporting them with resources where we can.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beverly Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Beverly Smith
Executive Director

Message from the President



It is a pleasure to once more advise our Members that your Association has represented your interests most effectively with the Provincial Government, with the AUMA and on individual Board committees.

It has been a challenging year, with a great deal of energy and attention again directed toward the Provincial Government's review of the Municipal Government Act and Regulations. This has been a long and sometimes frustrating process for the past couple of years but we are confident the end results will be acceptable to summer villages and our ratepayers. The ASVA has had ample opportunity to ensure our opinions

have been heard and generally accepted on several issues that specifically affect summer villages because I, as a Director for Summer Villages, am on the Board of the Association of Urban Municipalities of Alberta and I made our positions known and included both with the ASVA and AUMA submissions to Municipal Affairs.

I want to thank all Members of your Board of Directors for their significant contributions to the ASVA, their work on provincial committees and ultimately to their representation of summer villages across the province.

The deliberations of the committees on which the ASVA has been represented are critical to the long-term interests of summer villages and it is fair to say that our Board Members have, without exception, made significant contributions to the committee discussions and upon the conclusions reached by the committees.

Unfortunately, five of our Board Members have decided to pursue their personal and family priorities and did not stand for re-election to their respective summer village councils this summer. As a result, there will be five vacancies on your Board of Directors and seven incumbents seeking to continue their membership on the Board. An energetic and committed Board of Directors is essential to the long-term viability of all 51 Summer Villages in Alberta and I personally encourage every counsellor, both those with many years of experience and those newly elected, to give serious consideration to joining your Board and to helping summer villages prosper and play a significant role within the municipal framework of Alberta.

Again, the ASVA has enjoyed another very successful year and I look forward to our continued representation of your municipal interests.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter Pellatt". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style and is set against a light yellow rectangular background.

President Peter Pellatt

2013-2017 Board of Directors

|  | <u>EXECUTIVE</u> | SUMMER VILLAGE COUNCIL | LAKE LOCATION |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | President - Peter Pellatt | Sundance Beach | Pigeon Lake |
|  | Vice-President – Bob Yontz | Island Lake | Island Lake |
|  | Past President – Leslie Ellis | Grandview | Pigeon Lake |
|  | Treasurer - Rob Dickie | Betula Beach | Wabamun Lake |
|  | Executive Director – Beverly Smith | Norglenwold | Sylvan Lake |
| <u>DIRECTORS</u> | | | |
|  | Gary Burns | Horseshoe Bay | Vincent Lake |
|  | Chuck Dechene | Bonnyville Beach | Moose Lake |
|  | Dennis Evans | Administrator Birch Cove Ross Haven Val Quentin | Lac Ste Anne Lac La Nonne |
|  | Betty Forfyflow | Sunset Point | Lac Ste Anne |
|  | Peter Langelle | Ma-Me-O Beach | Pigeon Lake |
|  | Joyce Megson | Birchcliff | Sylvan Lake |
|  | Glen Usselman | Sunrise Beach | Sandy Lake |
|  | Marlene Walsh | Val Quentin | Lac Ste. Anne |

Achieving Commitments

“Change – Challenge – Collaboration: Begins with Us”

The Association of Summer Villages of Alberta (ASVA) continues to provide strong representation for our 51 Summer Villages. Our efforts and strengths are being recognized by the provincial government, our sister organizations and our neighbouring municipalities.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Over the last year, the Board is assessing how we are accomplishing our core goals in relation to our resources and have initiated a communication strategy to better deliver on our goals of advocacy, communications, education.

Advocacy

The ASVA emphasizes that summer villages are sustainable and vibrant. The ASVA Executive met with Honourable Shannon Phillips, Minister of Environment and Parks, and the Honourable Shaye Anderson, Minister of Municipal Affairs. We highlighted the benefits of shared administration that many summer villages have taken on and our collaborative approach with our adjacent municipalities.

Under the leadership of Vice President Bob Yontz, we are working specifically with Alberta Environmental and Parks (AEP) on their Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) program, and together with individual summer villages, have provided thousands of dollars into the program. The ASVA is waiting to hear from AEP as to how they will engage summer villages in their upcoming boat mooring policies. AEP has agreed that they will support us in the re-write of our Lake Stewardship Guide following the completion of the MMGA.

On the cyanobacteria front, the ASVA has engaged with Dr. Hanington, University of Alberta on his research dealing with the economic impact of Cyanobacteria on our lakeside municipalities.

This year, we continued to work on a number of provincial committees and were pleased to be recognized as providing value, along with the AUMA and AAMDC.

- Municipal Sustainability Strategy Advisory Committee – Director Dennis Evans sits on the provincial committee as the ASVA representative to provide input on viability review and municipal sustainability
- Alberta Water Council’s Lake Management Team - President Pellatt, as the AUMA rep, and Beverly Smith, ASVA Executive Director, as the ASVA representative, sat on the team to develop recommendations to government on how best to manage Alberta’s lakes. This work finished earlier this year and their report has now been approved by AWC.
- Modernized Municipal Government Act (MMGA) Regulation Review – ASVA Executive Director, Beverly, was asked to represent the ASVA on Municipal Affairs review of the regulations along with President Pellatt and Past President Ellis assistance. Board and Council input is being sought for the final regulations. The ASVA has submitted a Response Document.

President Pellatt has served on the AUMA Board of Directors for three terms, representing summer villages. His role on this Board has greatly raised the credibility and profile of summer villages throughout the province and we have been able to have very productive , informative and mutually beneficial exchange of information which was not possible before.

ASVA signed an agreement to work with the Alberta Municipal Data Sharing Partnership (AMDSP) in support of Alberta Health Services being able to better service and locate emergency requirements in summer villages.

Other Advocacy Projects: Nature Alberta is continuing to work with the ASVA and summer villages to undertake a national program called “Love Your Lake” at Lake Wabamun, a pilot project to promote healthy lakeside living. The organization is hoping to expand to Lake Isle next year.

Communication

The Board initiated the development of a communication strategy for the ASVA and are trying to address how to keep our partners informed as to the importance of the ASVA and what we are accomplishing.

The updated ASVA website (asva.ca) continues to provide excellent communications for our members and the public at large. We are getting approximately 1350 page views per week and have been contacted via our website 62 times since it was developed. Updates on our ongoing projects are posted along with links to our summer village member sites. Our Twitter account (@ASVAlberta) provides real time news and information clips.

Of great benefit to individual CAOs and Councils is the fan-out email support for information by our ASVA administration. CAOs can get sample bylaws and responses to questions from their fellow CAOs quickly through our Executive Director.

Education

The ASVA posts and circulates information regularly on our website and through direct email to our members on a variety of topics including cyanobacteria, aquatic invasive species, training programs on governance and ongoing workshops, webinars and conferences. Of great assistance this year was the ASVA liaison with Municipal Affairs to our members for support and assistance during their municipal elections, including training and election day support.

CHALLENGES

The ASVA continues to raise the profile of the organization to higher levels but we have our challenges. Piers, hoists, and public access continue as hurdles for summer villages to address. Policing and law enforcement is gaining momentum as a real concern for our members.

As the ASVA grows in recognition and value-added, we are thankfully asked to participate in greater initiatives. The ASVA has to determine how they wish to move forward and how to match time and expenses with the resources available.

Projects

Alberta Water Council – Lake Management Team

- ASVA President Peter Pellatt, and later ASVA Executive Director, Beverly Smith, were asked to sit on the AWC's Lake Management Team to represent the ASVA and the AUMA. The Lake Watershed Management Project Team was established to document and assess the state of lake watershed management planning and governance in Alberta; identify gaps, redundancies, and opportunities for improvements; and develop recommendations to support lake watershed management. The AWC approved the team's final report and recommendations. This report will be published and released in 2017.



Municipal Affairs Working Team to review the Municipal Government Act Regulations

- As part of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)* Review process, all MGA related regulations were reviewed to support a modernized MGA and to ensure alignment with the amendments approved by the legislature in 2015 and 2016. So far, the review has resulted in the creation of new regulations and resulted in updates to a number of existing regulations. The ASVA was asked by Municipal Affairs to represent summer villages by sitting on the Working Committee which reviewed these regulations.

Alberta Environment and Parks Respect our Lakes Signage

- ASVA worked with Alberta Environment and Parks to help distribute their new Respect Our Lakes signage in our summer villages.



Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)

- The ASVA continues to work with Alberta Environment and Parks on the control of aquatic invasive species. The threat of invasive mussels entering Alberta lakes continues to be a very real threat. The ASVA has been supporting Alberta Environment and Parks by working on their task team and providing support items for the program.



Cyanobacteria Strategy

- The ASVA has developed a strategy and implementation plan that puts the ASVA in a liaison position to be an advocate between government and the summer villages. We are working with partners such as the University of Alberta, on finding solutions to contain and reduce the problem of cyanobacteria and to address lake closures as a result of cyanobacteria. We encourage summer villages to implement and promote bylaws and best practices that protect and improve the quality of Alberta's lakes.

Financial Statements

Association of Summer Villages of Alberta
BALANCE SHEET
Year Ending December 31, 2016
(Unaudited - See Notice to Reader)

| | 2016 | 2015 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | |
| ASVA Bank Account | 29,272 | 31,434 |
| Fixed Term Deposits | 50,410 | 50,085 |
| Due to/From FRIAA account (Loan) | - | - |
| Computer Assets | 794 | 794 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 80,476 | \$ 82,313 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| Outstanding Bank items to clear | - | 194 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | \$ - | \$ 194 |
| SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY | | |
| RESERVE | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 82,121 | 75,023 |
| Other items effecting prior year end | (276) | |
| Surplus (Deficit) | (1,367) | 7,098 |
| Ending | 80,478 | 82,121 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 80,476 | \$ 82,313 |

Approved by President:

PETER G. PELLATTI

Print Name

Date:

Aug. 28, 2017

Peter G. Pellatti

Signature

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta
Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
Year Ending December 31, 2016
(UNAUDITED - See Notice to Reader)**

| | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| REVENUES | | | |
| ASVA Conference | \$ 33,105 | \$ 33,035 | \$ 28,820 |
| Adjustment 2015 ASVA Conf Income | \$ (380) | | |
| Grants/FRIAA | \$ 10,679 | \$ 21,633 | |
| Dues | \$ 38,133 | \$ 37,649 | \$ 34,490 |
| Interest Income | <u>325</u> | <u>398</u> | <u>398</u> |
| TOTAL REVENUE | <u>\$ 81,862</u> | <u>\$ 92,714</u> | <u>\$ 63,708</u> |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | | |
| ASVA Conference | 23,133 | 22,490 | 21,352 |
| ASVA/FRIAA Admin | 34,021 | 34,702 | 30,388 |
| Administrative Assistant | - | - | - |
| Board Remuneration | 11,709 | 11,846 | 12,879 |
| Workshops/Training | 215 | 428 | 476 |
| Meeting Expenses | 5,906 | 5,578 | 3,206 |
| Contingency | - | 4,772 | - |
| Bank Charges | 303 | 113 | 92 |
| Office & Telecommunication | 725 | 1,128 | 1,455 |
| Computer Expenses | 173 | 1,270 | 488 |
| ASVA/FRIAA Audit | 630 | 2,153 | 420 |
| Insurance | 1,045 | 867 | 991 |
| Gifts | 100 | 100 | 206 |
| Project Proposal | 5,100 | - | - |
| Website | <u>170</u> | <u>170</u> | <u>69</u> |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | <u>\$ 83,230</u> | <u>\$ 85,616</u> | <u>\$ 72,021</u> |
| NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) | <u>\$ (1,367)</u> | <u>\$ 7,098</u> | <u>\$ (8,314)</u> |

Approved by President:

Date: Aug. 28, 2017

PETER G. PELLATTI

Peter G. Pellatti

Print Name

Signature

**Association of Summer Villages of Alberta
Statement of Changes in Cash
Year Ending December 31, 2016
(UNAUDITED - See Notice to Reader)**

| | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Balance on Hand at Beginning of Year | \$ 81,326 | \$ 74,228 | \$ 82,542 |
| CASH RECEIPTS | | | |
| ASVA Conference | \$ 33,105 | \$ 33,035 | \$ 28,820 |
| Adjustment 2015 ASVA Conf Income | \$ (380) | | |
| Grants/FRIAA | \$ 10,679 | \$ 21,633 | |
| Dues | \$ 38,133 | \$ 37,649 | \$ 34,490 |
| Interest Income | 325 | 398 | 398 |
| Add Total Cash Receipts | \$ 81,862 | \$ 92,714 | \$ 63,708 |
| CASH DISBURSEMENTS | | | |
| ASVA Conference | 23,133 | 22,490 | 21,352 |
| ASVA/FRIAA Admin | 34,021 | 34,702 | 30,388 |
| Administrative Assistant | - | - | - |
| Board Remuneration | 11,709 | 11,846 | 12,879 |
| Workshops/Training | 215 | 428 | 476 |
| Meeting Expenses | 5,906 | 5,578 | 3,206 |
| Contingency | - | 4,772 | - |
| Bank Charges | 303 | 113 | 92 |
| Office & Telecommunication | 725 | 1,128 | 1,455 |
| Computer Expenses | 173 | 1,270 | 488 |
| ASVA/FRIAA Audit | 630 | 2,153 | 420 |
| Insurance | 1,045 | 867 | 991 |
| Gifts | 100 | 100 | 206 |
| Project Proposal | 5,100 | - | - |
| Website | 170 | 170 | 69 |
| Less Total Cash Disbursements | \$ 83,230 | \$ 85,616 | \$ 72,021 |
| Net Cash Receipts Less Disbursements | \$ (1,367) | \$ 7,098 | \$ (8,314) |
| Cash Balances December 31 | \$ 79,958 | \$ 81,326 | \$ 74,228 |
| Cash Balances Represented by: | | | |
| Bank Account | \$ 28,073 | \$ 31,047 | \$ 19,983 |
| Fixed Term Deposits | 50,410 | 50,085 | 49,687 |
| Transfer to FRIAA Acct | 2,000 | - | 5,000 |
| Other items effecting prior year end | 276 | | |
| O/S Cheques/Dep & Credit Card Liability | (801) | 194 | (442) |
| | \$ 79,958 | \$ 81,326 | \$ 74,228 |

Approved by President:

Date:

AUG. 28, 2017

PETER G PELLATT

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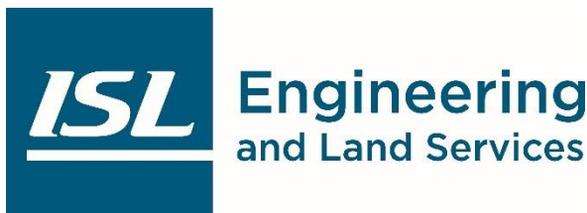
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