



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING #05-22 MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held in the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre at 206 Seventh Street in Salmo, B.C. on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In Person:

Mayor Diana Lockwood
Councillor Jennifer Endersby
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Jacquie Huser
CAO Anne Williams

Electronically:

Councillor Farrell Segall
Members of the Public - 0

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lockwood called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

AGENDA:

R1-05-22

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #05-22 of Tuesday, March 8, 2022 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Schedule "A" to include a New Business section, a resolution re Community Development Funds and a Public Question period.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

R2-05-22

RDCK Community
Development Funds –
Fire Hall Upgrades

Mayor Lockwood recommended that \$30K, as budgeted for 2021, be allocated towards last year's fire hall upgrades as a year end adjustment from Salmo's RDCK Community Development Fund.

Moved and seconded, that the Village of Salmo contribute \$30,000 from Salmo's 2021 RDCK Community Development fund to put towards the 2021 Fire Hall upgrades.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS: NIL

MINUTES: (Note: See official minutes and agenda package for applicable reports.)

R3-05-22

Regular Meeting
February 22, 2022

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #02-22 of Tuesday, January 25, 2022 be adopted as amended.

Carried.

R4-05-22

Special Meeting
February 23, 2022

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Special Meeting of Wednesday, February 23, 2022 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:

R11-05-22 Council discussed allowing the Supportive Housing Society a one-year
Salmo & Area permissive tax exemption as they have been unable to get their books
Supportive Housing audited due to difficulty in obtaining an auditor as they are all
Discussion Re: extremely busy. CAO Williams noted that their own charter requires
Permissive Exemption them to have their books audited.
Request - #19

Moved and seconded, that Council approve the request of the Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society to grant them a one-year permissive tax exemption for 2023 due to their inability to confirm receiving the audited financial statements in time for the exemption deadline of July 15, 2022.

Carried.

Return Mayor Lockwood and Councillor Endersby returned at 7:28 p.m.

R12-05-22 Mayor Lockwood explained why this resolution is being brought
Salmo Valley Public forward and expressed regret that it was not submitted earlier so that
Library Re: Request for it could have gone to AKBLG before going with others to UBCM.
Support Resolution for Recommendations coming from AKBLG carry more weight at UBCM
Increased Funding to than a single resolution. She has made the library aware of this for next
Public Libraries at time.
UBCM - #20

Moved and seconded, that:

WHEREAS libraries in British Columbia are largely financed by levies paid by local governments, and where provincial library funding has remained stagnant for the past 10 years;

AND WHEREAS public libraries are central to communities, providing equitable access to vital resources, including internet, computers, digital library tools, and in-person services from expert staff;

AND WHEREAS public libraries provide British Columbians with low-barrier services, that support job seekers and small businesses, that increase literacy in communities, that advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and that promote equity and inclusion;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Village of Salmo urges the Government of British Columbia to provide long-term sustainable funding for public libraries in BC;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province ensures that BC Libraries will henceforth receive regular increases to Provincial Government funding in subsequent years.

Carried.

R13-05-22
Salmo & District Arts Council Re: Letter of Support for Grant Application - #21

Moved and seconded, that Council provide a letter of support to the Salmo and District Arts Council (SDAC) for their grant application to the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance (SKCA) in order to provide mentorship to two local artists in the construction of three snow sculptures in early 2023.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

R14-05-22

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

(1) Town of Oliver Re: BC Wildfires Petition - Letter of Support - #17
(2) City of Maple Ridge Re: Request to Provincial Minister of Health to Allow All Individuals Access to Civic Recreation Facilities - #18

Carried.

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Endersby Nothing to report.

Councillor Heatlie Nothing to report.

Councillor Huser See *Appendix A*.

Councillor Segall Attended the Community Energy Association meeting and found it very interesting.

Mayor Lockwood See *Appendix A*.
Mayor Lockwood also noted that she attended a Community Energy Association meeting.

R15-05-22
Verbal & Written Reports of Mayor & Council

Moved and seconded, that the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.

Carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD: NIL

ADJOURNMENT: Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

R16-05-22 Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

Originally Signed By:

Diana Lockwood
Mayor

Anne Williams
Chief Administrative Officer

APPENDIX A



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO REPORT FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR HUSER

Council Report for Council Meeting held on March 8, 2022.

PORTFOLIOS

Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre: the 2022 meetings are going to be: April 26, June 28, Sept 27 (AGM), 6:30pm – these all fall on our council meeting nights. From the February 22nd meeting updates: Presented our first annual Winter Wellness Series; beginning to plan our first annual Spring Dandelion Festival (which is in lieu of the Fall Festival); have been negotiating with insurers regarding Sk8 insurance; received an extra \$5000 for youth programs from BC Gaming as well as \$10,000 to continue our Community Connections Project.; and applied to Dot Night for improvements/upgrades to the Men's/Women's Washroom in the front of the building.

Parks: Awaiting discussion on the KP Park Concession building.

Cemetery Working Group: I have converted and forwarded many emails to the CAO, still have a few to do, also reviewed the advertisement for the design ad and it was put on the website on March 2nd.

Civic Works: Nothing to report.

Bylaw & Policy Review: Zoning Bylaw – looking forward the COTW for a full review.

RDCK Alternate Director: Nothing to report

OTHER MEETINGS OR ACTIVITIES OF NOTE

Feb 28th, 2022 – COTW – regarding the Aerator & Clarifier – great discussion and information provided regarding the WWTP and what is needed and why.

March 2nd, 2022 – Trail Community Action Team – Discussions regarding housing – took a look at the 100 more homes program in Penticton which has done great work to house some of the homeless there, discussed the speaker series which has been getting a lot of attention – over 150 attendees at the last event. Looking into how to get a permanent OPS in Trail – right now they are doing pop-up OPS sites on cheque days and the day after and are doing drug checking at the Wednesday OPS.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Jacquie Huser



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO **REPORT FROM MAYOR/DIRECTOR**

MAYOR/DIRECTOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor/Director Report for Council Meeting held on March 8, 2022.

March 8, 2022, Salmo and Area G will be having our budget meeting at the "Salmo Valley Youth Community Center" at **5:30 pm** on the stage. It would be great to have people come out to hear it and to ask questions about the budgets.

EXTERNAL AGENCIES:

Area G Emergency Preparedness: TBA

Alternate – Ktunaxa Kinbasket Local Government Treaty:

PORTFOLIOS/LIAISONS:

Citizen Engagement: Reading the two stories in the Salmo Valley Newsletter, one from a Salmo resident and one Area G resident, about what us as local government are or are not doing is somewhat frustrating. If we as local government could put a piece of machinery in the creek to clear it out, we would be happy to do just that. As it was said, this would save the town. Unfortunately, we are in 2022 and I believe all the taxpayers would not be happy with the fines we would endure because we did not follow protocol and the mountain of paperwork that comes with it all. The Provincial Government is aware of our frustration and understands it will be because of the paperwork if we have a situation here in Salmo. We are even being told we are responsible for the portion of the dike on Erie Creek outside of the Village limits.

Economic Development: Having Canada Days go forward this year will help with groups and businesses start on a path of economic health and prosperity.

Fire Department:

Budgets/Utilities: Utility bills are out and paying before April 19 you receive 10% discount.

RDCK:

Board:

Joint Resource Recovery Committee:

Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee

All Recreation: March 30, 2022

Recreation Commission:

West Kootenay Transit Committee: I hold the Vice-Chair seat for this committee. BC Transit spoke about Nelson and Trail's new exchange areas. Challenges for transit are getting drivers. The need to have a casual list is so important to keep the flow of the buses going but people would like or need to have full time employment. They are going forward with electronic fare collection systems but keeping a cash payment system also. BC Transit have made commitments to not purchase any more fossil fuel buses.

West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District: Next meeting March 23

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and Chairs Highway 3 Coalition: Work has continued with the S corners just before Ymir. This is the committee I sit on that got this work started.

Southeast Regional Meetings: Nathan Cullen is the new Municipal Affairs Minister. He was joined by Minister Beare. Connectivity was a large part of the conversation and how we move forward connecting people. The Provincial Government has budgeted \$1Billion for climate action, \$30 Million for active transportation, and \$673 Million for Homeless and Affordable Housing.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor/Director Lockwood

